

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY GUWAHATI



PhD Admissions, December 2026

Applications are invited from eligible candidates for

December 2026 Session admission to

PhD programmes of IIT Guwahati

URL: <https://iitg.ac.in/acad/admission>

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1. Important Dates

Event	Date
Opening of Application Portal for Submission of Applications	October 8, 2026
Closing of Application Portal	05:00 PM on October 28, 2026
Selections will be conducted during	November 24 – December 5, 2026
Registration of New PhD students	04 January 2027, Monday
Orientation for New PhD Students	04 January 2027, Monday
First Day of Instruction of Monsoon Semester 2026	05 January 2027, Tuesday
For detailed schedule of selections, follow the regular updates on this website and application portal	

2. Information of Programmes/Disciplines/Eligibility

Programmes	Disciplines/Eligibility	URL
PhD	Disciplines and Various Schemes	https://iitg.ac.in/acad/admission/doctoral/disciplines.php
	Eligibility	https://iitg.ac.in/acad/admission/doctoral/eligibility.php

3. Important Information

Information	URL
Studentship Categories	https://iitg.ac.in/acad/admission/doctoral/studentship.php
Reservation of Seats	https://iitg.ac.in/acad/admission/imp_info/reservation.php
Important Information on • Tie Breaking Rules • Cautionary Information	https://iitg.ac.in/acad/admission/imp_info/imp_info.php
Fee Structure	https://iitg.ac.in/acad/admission/imp_info/fee.php

4. Summary of Advertised PhD Schemes vs Disciplines

Academic Divisions	PhD			
	Regular Seats	CSIR/UGC Special Scheme	JDP with IIT(BHU)	Project Mode
Department of Biosciences and Bioengineering	√	√		
Department of Civil Engineering	√			
Department of Computer Science and Engineering	√			
Department of Chemical Engineering	√			
Department of Electronics and Electrical Engineering	√			
Department of Mechanical Engineering	√			
Department of Design	√			
Department of Physics	√	√		
Department of Chemistry	√	√		
Department of Mathematics	√			
Department of Humanities and Social Sciences	√			
School of Agro and Rural Technology	√			
Jyoti and Bhupat Mehta School of Health Sciences and Technology	√			
School of Business	√			
Mehta Family School of Data Science and Artificial Intelligence	√			
School of Energy Science and Engineering	√			
Center for Nanotechnology	√			
Centre for Indian Knowledge Systems	√			
Center for Linguistic Science and Technology	√			
School of Interdisciplinary Studies and Sustainability	√			
Manekshaw Centre of Excellence for National Security Studies and Research**				

****All the seats will be offered under Employed Part-Time Category**

5. Application Process

1. Applications for PhD programmes should be submitted only through the online Application Portal : https://www.iitg.ac.in/admission
2. Applications will not be accepted in any other mode.
3. Before submission of applications, please go through the information provided on this admission website carefully.
4. Candidates need to register only once on the Application Portal. Under the same login, candidates can submit applications to multiple disciplines. But application fee should be paid separately for each application.
5. Submission of online application is a three-step process. Unless all the three steps are completed, the application will not be treated as complete. Incomplete applications will not be considered for processing. • Step-1: Personal information including the educational qualifications. • Step-2: Selection of programme. • Step-3: Online payment of application fee.
6. For submission of applications to different disciplines, the candidates have to repeat step-2 and step-3.
7. Application & Processing Fee: In step-3 of the online application process, each candidate needs to make payment of application (processing) fee online as per the following: • All Female Candidates: Rs.300/- • All Transgender Candidates: Rs.300/- • All SC/ ST/ PwD Candidates: Rs.300/- • All Other Candidates: Rs.600/-
8. Applications without successful (online) payment of application fee shall be rejected.

6. Selection Process

1. Applications of the candidates which are complete in all respects are considered valid.
2. The respective Academic Division will process the valid applications discipline wise and/or specialization wise.
3. MEC: The applicants who do not satisfy the minimum eligibility criteria and norms will not be considered for shortlisting/selection process.
4. Shortlisting: The Institute reserves the right to consider a limited number of eligible candidates for selection process by setting additional shortlisting criteria based on the performance in GATE/NET/CEED, grades/marks in the qualifying degree examination and/or other educational qualifications starting from Class 10.
5. The shortlisted candidates shall be considered for the selection process.
6. Selections for PhD programmes shall be based on the performance of candidates in the previous educational qualifications and in the written test and/or interview conducted by the respective Academic Division.
7. Mode of Selection: The selection for a particular discipline will be conducted in one of the following modes, as decided by the respective Department/School/Centre: • Offline: All stages of the selection process shall be completely offline for which the candidates have to come to the campus and participate in the selection process. • Online: All stages of the selection process shall be completely online through video conferencing through MS Teams, G-Meet, etc., as per the convenience. For no stage of the selection the candidates need to come to the campus. • Hybrid: Some stages of the selection process shall be Online and some stages of the selection process shall be Offline. At every stage, selection process shall be either Online or Offline for ALL the candidates shortlisted for that stage. That is, in a particular stage, it is not permitted to conduct the selection Online for one candidate and Offline for another candidate. • An example for hybrid mode: In stage-1, all shortlisted candidates shall face screening interviews online. Then, in stage-2, all those candidates who are further shortlisted in stage-1 shall be called for final interviews which will be held offline on the campus. The mode of selection might vary from one Academic Division to other Academic Division. Also, it may vary from one scheme to the other scheme within the Department/School/Centre. The mode of selection for a particular discipline will be announced along with the schedule of selections.

8.	For PhD programme, the shortlisting and the selection may be done specialization wise by the respective Academic Division.
9.	Institute Assistantship Test for MTech Level Applicants of PhD programme (IATMLA): There is a provision for availing Institute Assistantship for a PhD student without GATE/CEED but having the qualification of MTech/MDes/MS(R). If such an applicant is shortlisted, he/she may be allowed to appear in a Written Test on a prescribed syllabus. The candidates qualified in the Written Test will be considered for the selection process. Pre-requisite: Application for PhD programme must be under “Regular” category. Qualification: MTech/MDes/MS(R) who have NOT qualified GATE/CEED. <i>[Clarification-1: This test is not required for those with MTech/MDes/MS(R) who have qualified GATE/CEED at some point of time.]</i> <i>[Clarification-2: This test is not applicable to the candidates with BTech/MSc/MA/MCA/MBA qualification. They require valid GATE score]</i> Written Test Modalities: Mode: Offline test conducted at IIT Guwahati campus (typically, on the same day or one/two days before the schedule of selections) Duration: 2 to 3 Hours (to be decided by the respective academic division) Qualifying Criteria: (i) 40% for GEN or GEN-EWS (ii) 36% for OBC-NCL (iii) 26% for SC/ST/PwD Syllabus: Click here for the discipline wise syllabus for IATMLA.
10.	Applicants have to visit this website and websites of respective Department/School/Centres regularly for information regarding shortlisting and selection of candidates. No personalized information can be expected in this regard. IIT Guwahati will not be responsible for delayed response from the applicants.
11.	The results of shortlisting and selection shall be announced on the Application Portal. The applicants may login to the portal and check the results.
12.	For any queries on the shortlisting/selections, the applicants can contact the DPPC/SPPC/CPPC Secretary or the Head of the Department/School/Centre. Click here for Contact Details .

7. Results and Acceptance of Seats

1.	The candidates can check the updates on shortlisting/selections on the Application Portal. The applicants may login to the portal and check the updates from time to time.
2.	The candidates who have participated in the selection process can check the status of the results on their login to the application portal. The result information includes whether the candidate is Qualified or Not. If qualified, whether a seat is offered or in wait-list. If wait-listed, the current wait-list number for OPEN seat as well as reserved category seat, if any.
3.	The candidates who were offered seats have to accept the seats by making the payment of requisite fee before the last date mentioned there. Otherwise, the seats will be offered to those next in the waiting list.
4.	The selection is provisional, subject to production of all the relevant documents at the time of admission.
5.	The selection may be cancelled at any point if the candidature is found to be against the ordinances, rules and regulations of the Institute.
6.	Selected candidates whose qualifying degree results are awaited shall have to produce their original Pass Certificates and Mark Sheets as per the timelines decided by the Academic Affairs Section.
7.	After accepting the offered seat by paying the requisite fee, if a candidate wants to withdraw, he/she can express the same on the application portal latest by 27th December, 2026 .
8.	If the withdrawal request is received by 27th December, 2026 a sum of Rs. 1,000/- only shall be deducted from the fee deposited. In case of late requests, only refundable portion of the fee deposited shall be returned. Applicable refund amount shall be sent from IIT Guwahati in March 2027 .
9.	For dates of registration and start of classes, please see the important dates column.
10.	For notification regarding candidates selected for admission, admission offer letter, etc., IIT Guwahati will NOT send any hard copy letter to the candidates by post.