



# ADMISSION GUIDELINES

## ADMISSIONS CALENDAR – 2026

UG / PG Programmes - Regular & NLEA	
Activities	Timeline
Online Registration	08th December, 2025
Last date for Online Registration	06th January, 2026
Online registration with late fee of Rs. 5000/- (In addition to the applicable application fee)	07th to 10th January, 2026
Window to edit/update the application form	12th to 14th January, 2026
Admit Card (Online only)	*Third week of January, 2026
Entrance Examination Bachelor of Design (B.Des.) Bachelor of Fashion Technology (B.F.Tech.) Master of Design (M.Des.) Master of Fashion Management (M.F.M) Master of Fashion Technology (M.F.Tech.) NIFT Lateral Entry Admission (NLEA)- B.Des. NIFT Lateral Entry Admission (NLEA)- B.F.Tech.	8 <sup>th</sup> February, 2026
Answer Key for GAT Examination only (using registered user ID & password)	February, 2026
Result of Entrance Examination	*March/April, 2026
Situation Test (Regular) / Studio Test, Personal Interview & documents verification (NLEA) at Test Centres.	*April/May, 2026
Declaration of Final Result (Online)	* May, 2026
Seat Allocation	*May-June 2026

Bachelor of Design - Artisan Category	
Activities	Timeline
Online Registration	08th December, 2025
Last date for Online Registration	28th February, 2026
Admit Card (Online only)	*March, 2026
Artisan Skill Test, Personal Interview & Documents Verification at Test Centres	*April/May, 2026
Declaration of Final Result (Online)	*May/June, 2026
Seat Allocation	*June, 2026

UG / PG Programmes - NRI/Foreign National /OCI/PIO/SAARC	
Activities	Timeline
Online Registration	08th December, 2025
Last date for online registration	30th April, 2026
Last date to receive SAT / GMAT / GRE Scores	30th April, 2026
Seat allotment and payment of Fee	*June/July, 2026

PhD Programme	
Activities	Timeline
Online Registration	08th December, 2025
Last date for Online Registration	28th February, 2026
Admit Card (Online only)	*March, 2026
Entrance Examination	*April, 2026
Declaration of Result of Entrance Examination (Online)	*May, 2026
Research Proposal, Presentation and Interview	*June, 2026
Declaration of Final Result	*July, 2026

Note:

\*These dates are tentative. Notification with final dates will be published on NIFT website i.e. [www.nift.ac.in](http://www.nift.ac.in).

Admit cards, results and seat allocation schedule will be available on NIFT's website only. No separate communication will be sent by post. Candidates to check website regularly for updates.

Orientation of new students UG and PG (semester - I) for academic session 2026 - 27 will commence on 29th July 2026.

## WITHDRAWAL AND REFUND POLICY FOR ALL PROGRAMMES

- (i) A candidate, who has taken admission once and then withdraws, will not be considered for admission during subsequent rounds of seat allocation except spot round.
- (ii) A candidate, who has taken admission once and then withdraws, the fee will be refunded as per the following refund policy :

Time	Amount to be refunded
*Before commencement of final round of seat allocation. Date to be declared on NIFT website later.	Full fee, except registration fee
Candidate who withdraw after date decided by NIFT	Only security deposit

\* Seat allocation schedule will be published on the NIFT website

- (iv) In case the candidate is seeking refund before the final round of seat allocation, the request for withdrawal of admission shall be submitted through online portal only.
- (v) The request for withdrawal of admission after completion of final / spot round of seat allocation/ commencement of the academic session shall be submitted to the Director of the Campus in the prescribed proforma where the candidate has been provisionally admitted. In this case the candidate will be eligible only for refund of Security Deposit as per the refund policy.
- (vi) If Admission is accepted under NRI category and later withdrawn entire fees paid will be forfeited.
- (vii) In case of refund of fee due to withdrawal or non-admission of the candidature by NRI sponsored candidates, the fee shall be refunded as per the Refund Policy.

## SEAT AVAILABILITY - REGULAR - 2026

		1	2		3		4	5		6	7	8		9		10		
Sl. no.	Programme	Bengaluru	Bhopal		Bhubaneswar		Chennai	Daman		Gandhinagar	Hyderabad	Jodhpur		Kangra		Kannur		
				State Domicile		State Domicile			State Domicile				State Domicile		State Domicile		State Domicile	
Bachelor Programmes - Bachelor of Design (B.Des)																		
1	Accessory Design (AD)	38	34	7	34	7	38			38	38	34	7	34	7			
2	Fashion Communication (FC)	38	34	7	34	7	38			38	38	34	7	34	7	34	7	
3	Fashion Design (FD)	38	34	7	34	7	38	34	7	38	38	34	7	34	7	34	7	
4	Fashion Interior (FI)																	
5	Knitwear Design (KD)	38	34	7			38				38					34	7	
6	Leather Design (LD)						38											
7	Textile Design (TD)	38	34	7	34	7	38	34	7	38	38	34	7	34	7	34	7	
Bachelor Programme - Bachelor of Fashion Technology (B.F.Tech)																		
8	Apparel Production (AP)	38	34	7	34	7	38			38	38	34	7	34	7	34	7	
	Master Programmes																	
9	Master of Design (M.Des)	38								38				34	7	34	7	
10	Master of Fashion Management (M.FM)	38	34	7	34	7	38	34	7	38	38	34	7	34	7	34	7	
11	Master of Fashion Technology (M.FTech)						34											
	Total	304	238	49	204	42	338	102	21	266	266	204	42	238	49	238	49	

- Regular and Domicile (State Domicile) seats include Open, SC, ST, OBC(NCL), GEN-EWS, PwD (Open, SC, ST, OBC (NCL)).
- NIFT reserves the right to increase or decrease the number of course/seats offered at its discretion

	11	12	13		14	15		16		17	18		19		20					
	Kolkata	Mumbai	Nava Raipur		New Delhi	Panchkula		Patna		Raebareli	Shillong		Srinagar		Varanasi		Total		Grand Total	
				State Domicile			State Domicile		State Domicile			State Domicile		State Domicile		State Domicile		State Domicile		
	38	38	34	7	38			34	7	38	34	7	34	12			576	61	637	
	38	38			38	34	7	34	7	38	34	7	34	12	34	7	644	75	719	
	38	38	34	7	38	34	7	34	7	38	34	7	34	12	34	7	712	89	801	
			34	7											34	7	68	14	82	
	38	38			38	34	7										330	21	351	
	38				38					38							152	0	152	
	38	38			38	34	7	34	7		34	7	34	12			606	75	681	
	38	38			38	34	7	34	7	38							542	49	591	
		38			38	34	7										254	21	275	
	38	38			38	34	7	34	7	38	34	7	34	12			644	75	719	
					34												68	0	68	
	304	304	102	21	376	238	49	204	42	228	170	35	170	60	102	21	4596	480	5076	

The availability of seats under NRI category is as follows:

- 5 (supernumerary) seats each academic programme at NIFT Campuses Bengaluru, Chennai, Gandhinagar, Hyderabad, Kolkata, Mumbai, New Delhi & Raebareli.
- 3 (supernumerary) seats each per academic programme at Bhopal, Bhubaneswar, Daman, Jodhpur, Kangra, Kannur, Nava Raipur, Panchkula, Patna, Shillong and Varanasi.

## TENTATIVE SEAT AVAILABILITY - NIFT LATERAL ENTRY ADMISSION (NLEA) – 2026

After the conclusion of the regular admission process, any unfilled seats, as well as those vacated by students during the academic year, are first allotted to existing NIFT students under the Student Permanent Transfer (SPT) policy.

Upon completion of the SPT process, any remaining vacant seats in the UG programmes are offered through the NIFT Lateral Entry Admission (NLEA) scheme, without compromising the prescribed reservation norms. Under this scheme, diploma holders from recognized institutions are eligible for direct admission to the third semester of the relevant UG programmes at NIFT. The detailed eligibility criteria for NLEA are outlined in the Admission Prospectus.

Since, the exact number of vacant seats for NLEA registration will be determined after implementation of Student Permanent Transfer and based on the result of 1st Semester.

The actual category-wise bifurcation of available seats will be notified at the time of counselling/seat allocation. Accordingly, the following tentative seats are being offered for NLEA – 2026:

<b>Programmes</b>	<b>Total UG seats</b>	<b>10% of Seats</b>
Bachelor of Design (Accessory Design)	637	64
Bachelor of Design (Fashion Communication)	719	72
Bachelor of Design (Fashion Design)	801	80
Bachelor of Design (Fashion Interiors)	82	8
Bachelor of Design (Knitwear Design)	351	35
Bachelor of Design (Leather Design)	152	15
Bachelor of Design (Textile Design)	681	68
Bachelor of Fashion Technology (Apparel Production)	591	59
<b>Total</b>	<b>4014</b>	<b>401</b>

Note: The aforesaid seats are tentative and final seats will be available at the time of seat allocation. NIFT reserves the right to increase or decrease the number of seats offered at its discretion before seat allocation.

## UG / PG PROGRAMMES - REGULAR

### Entrance Examination

- Computer Based Test (CBT) examination will be conducted at various Centers for the GAT Examination. CAT Examination will be Paper Based Test.
  - During examination candidates' identities will be verified from a physical Aadhar card/ ID card issued by Govt. of India.
  - Auto scrutiny of the candidates' information provided online will be based on the criteria specified by NIFT. The application form is designed in such a way that based on the information, non-eligible candidates will be eliminated at the time of online submission of application.
- or
- 3 or 4 years diploma recognized by AICTE or a State Board of Technical Education after secondary examination /10th standard.
- or
- Any Public School/Board/University Examination in India or in foreign countries recognized by the Association of Indian Universities as equivalent to 10+2 system.
- or
- General Certificate Education (GCE) Examination (London/Cambridge/Sri-Lanka) at the Advanced (A) level/ International Baccalaureate (IB).

### Bachelor's Programmes (B.Des & B.F.Tech)

#### Who can apply?

Any candidate who is an Indian Citizen (excluding Foreign Nationals, NRI, OCI, PIO, SAARC) and fulfils the prescribed age and educational qualification criteria for the concerned programme can apply.

#### I. Qualifying Age

Maximum age should be less than 24 years as on 1st August of the year of admission. The upper age limit may be relaxed by a period of 5 (five) years for candidates of Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe/Person with Disability (PwD) categories.

#### 2. Educational Qualification

##### A. Bachelor of Design (B.Des) Programmes

(Accessory Design/Fashion Communication/Fashion Design/ Fashion Interiors / Knitwear Design/Leather Design/ Textile Design)

- Passed the plus 2 level examination in the 10+2 pattern of examination from any recognized Central/ State Board of Secondary Examination, such as Central Board of Secondary Education/State Board New Delhi/Council for Indian School of Certificate Examination, New Delhi.
- or
- A pass grade in the Senior Secondary School Examination conducted by the National Open School with a minimum of five subjects.

##### B. Bachelor of Fashion Technology (B.F. Tech) Programme

- Passed the plus 2 level examination in the 10+2 pattern of examination from any recognized Central/State Board of Secondary Examination, such as Central Board of Secondary Education, New Delhi / Council for Indian School of Certificate Examination, New Delhi with Mathematics.

or

- A pass grade in the Senior Secondary School Examination conducted by the National Open School with a minimum of five subjects with Mathematics.

or

- 3 or 4 years diploma in any branch of Engineering recognized by AICTE or a State Board of Technical Education after Secondary Examination /10th standard.

or

- Any Public School/Board/University Examination in India or in foreign countries recognized by the Association of Indian Universities as equivalent to 10+2 system with Mathematics.

or

- General Certificate Education (GCE) Examination (London/Cambridge/Sri-Lanka) at the advanced (A) level with Mathematics / International Baccalaureate (IB).

## Master's Programmes (M.Des, M.F.M and M.F.Tech)

### Who can apply?

Any candidate who fulfils the prescribed educational qualification criteria for the respective Master's programme can apply.

**Qualifying Age:** No age limit.

### I. Educational Qualification for Master of Design (M.Des)

- Undergraduate Degree in any discipline from any Institute/ University recognized by law in India.

or

- Undergraduate Diploma of minimum three years duration from NIFT/NID.

Note: Master of Design (M.Des) is an advanced course that demands an understanding of fundamentals in design and presupposes that candidates would be familiar with the basic skills and theories for successful completion of the programme. The course will not provide any basic knowledge and skill development in design as a part of its curriculum.

### 2.Educational Qualification for Master of Fashion Management (M.F.M)

- Undergraduate Degree in any discipline from any Institute/ University recognized by law in India.

or

- Undergraduate Diploma of minimum three years duration from NIFT/NID.

### 3. Educational Qualification for Master of Fashion Technology (M.F.Tech)

- B.F.Tech. from National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT).

or

- B.E/B.Tech. from any Institute / University recognized by law in India.

or

- B.F.Tech. (04 years) from any Institute / University recognized by law in India.

### IMPORTANT NOTE:

1. Candidates appearing in the qualifying examination are also eligible to apply provided:

- They produce proof of having acquired the minimum prescribed qualifications at the time of seat allocation/ admission.

- If the 12th class/final year/final semester (as the case may be) result of qualifying degree/certificate examination is not declared by the concerned Board/ University till the date of seat allocation/ admission, his/her admission in such case will be strictly provisional subject to the following conditions:

- An undertaking will be submitted, in case the candidate is minor i.e. below 18 years of age, the declaration shall be signed by his/ her parent/guardian.

- Those candidates who are seeking provisional admission due to non declaration of their final year/ final semester/12th class will provide proof of having passed all papers in all the previous years /semesters of qualifying degree examination to be certified from the Head of Institution where studying).

- The candidate will submit the final result of qualifying degree/certificate proving his/her eligibility on or before 30th September, 2026 to the Campus Director where the admission has been provisionally granted. The provisional admission will automatically stand cancelled, if the candidate fails to submit the successful result in time i.e. 30th September, 2026.

- In case the candidate fails to submit his/her final result of qualifying degree in the manner prescribed above to prove his/her eligibility on or before 30th September, 2026, whatsoever the reason may be his/her admission will be treated as null and void (cancelled) and entire fee will be forfeited.

- In the case of candidates who have appeared for Supplementary examination(s) in the final semester/ final year of graduation and the result of the same is not declared by the time of seat allocation/ admission, such candidates will be considered for admission as per the provisions of para 1 (b) above, for the Admissions 2026.

- In the case of candidates who have appeared for compartment examination(s) in the 12th standard, such candidates will be considered only for provisional admission. He/she will have to clear the compartment examination UNDER THE SAME BOARD, failing which the provisional admission will stand automatically cancelled and entire fee will be forfeited.

2. Any candidate who has not appeared for the qualifying exam before the date of seat allocation/admission to NIFT, will not be eligible.

3. It is further clarified that provisional admission will be considered only in such cases where the result of final year/semester of the qualifying degree has not been declared by the concerned Board/University in its totality.



In case the result has been declared by the concerned Board/University but it has not been declared in a specific case, for any reason, such cases will NOT be considered for provisional admission.

## RESERVATION OF SEATS

The seats reserved for SC/ST/OBC (Non-Creamy Layer)/GEN-EWS/ Person With Disability (PwD) in each programme are as under

SC	15 %
ST	7.5 %
OBC (NON-CREAMY LAYER)	27 %
GEN-EWS	10 %
Person with Disability (PwD)*	5 %*

\* 5% horizontal reservation for Person with Disability (PwD) (with 40% or more disability) cutting across all categories i.e. SCs, STs, OBCs (NCL) and Open Category. Academic programme will be allotted as per the recommendations of NIFT's Evaluation Committee. The seats will be allotted to the PwD candidates during the seat allocation process based on the Common Merit Rank (CMR) in the respective category. Unfilled PwD seats will be merged to the respective category i.e. Open (PwD) to Open, OBC(NCL) (PwD) to OBC (NCL), SC(PwD) to SC and ST(PwD) to ST in the spot round.

Candidates to make sure that they have the requisite valid and verifiable certificate for the category chosen.

The category selected by a candidate at the time of submitting the application form will be final. Requests for any change of category will not be permitted at any later stage of admission process. However, if a candidate who has selected a reserved category i.e. SC/ST/OBC(NCL)/EWS/PwD and has not submitted a valid Category Certificate, he/she will be considered for open category seats provided any benefit of relaxed age or income or cut offs has not been availed by the candidate at any stage of the Admission Process. If any benefit has been availed, the candidate's candidature will be rejected.

In case reserve category candidates are considered for open category he/she will have to pay the difference in amount of application fee as applicable for open category.

Unfilled seats in the OBC (NCL), EWS and Domicile (Open) and Domicile (OBC NCL) category will be converted to open category in the Spot Round of seat allocation.

Unfilled Domicile SC/ST seats will be merged with SC/ST seats in the Spot Round of Seat Allocation.

Requirements for each category are as follows:

### 1. SC/ST Candidates

Candidates applying under this reserved quota will have to produce a valid Caste/Tribe certificate from the Competent Authority of the respective States/Union Territories. The certificate must be in the name of the candidate. The Certificate must be in English or Hindi language. If the Certificate is in any other language, a certified translation should be submitted. If the certificate is not in English/Hindi and a certified translated copy has not been submitted the benefit of category reservation will not be applicable.

### 2. OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) Candidates (as per Central list to be issued not earlier than 1st April 2025)

Candidates applying under this quota would have to substantiate the caste and Non-Creamy Layer (NCL) requirement. Candidates applying under this quota shall produce a caste certificate from the Competent Authority certifying that they belong to the non-creamy layer. The certificate should be in favour of the candidate, issued not earlier than 1st April 2025. Failure to produce valid certificate from the Competent Authority shall make the candidate ineligible for benefits under OBC (NCL) category. The candidate will only be considered for open category provided no benefit of reserved category has been availed at any stage of the admission process.

To summarize:

- The candidate should possess a valid OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) Category certificate issued in the name of the candidate and not in favour of the respective parent/guardian.
- The caste mentioned in the OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) category certificate should be mention in the Central list of OBCs available at [http:// ncbc.nic.in/backward-classes/index.html](http://ncbc.nic.in/backward-classes/index.html).
- The OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) category certificate should clearly mention that the candidate belongs to the non-creamy layer.
- The certificate must be issued by the Competent Authority.
- In case of married women applying to any course under reserved category, she has to produce the caste certificate in her own name. Certificate in the name of husband/mother/father is not acceptable.
- If the certificate is not in English/Hindi, a certified translation should be submitted.

Candidates belonging to the Creamy Layer of OBC are not entitled to apply under the reserved category OBC(NCL) and will have to submit their application under open category.

### **3. Economically Weaker Section (Open) (To be issued not earlier than 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025)**

Candidates belonging to Economically Weaker Section (Open) will be a reserved category within the open category. The percentage of reservation is 10%. The benefit of reservation will be given only to those open category candidates who satisfy the condition given in the OM No. 20013/01/2018-BC-II dated 17 January 2019 issued by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Department of Higher Education, Government of India. The certificate should be issued not earlier than 1st April 2025. The benefit of reservation under open EWS can only be availed upon production of a valid EWS (Open) certificate to be issued by a Competent Authority as mentioned below:

1. District Magistrate/Additional District Magistrate/Collector/ Deputy Commissioner/Additional Deputy Commissioner/ 1st Class Stipendiary Magistrate/Sub-Divisional Magistrate/ Taluka Magistrate/Executive Magistrate/Extra Assistant Commissioner
2. Chief Presidency Magistrate/Additional Chief Presidency Magistrate/ Presidency Magistrate
3. Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tehsildar
4. Sub-Divisional Officer of the area where the candidate and/or his family normally resides.

Based on the information provided by the candidate in the application form while applying online, the candidate will be provisionally allowed to appear for the NIFT Entrance Examination and subsequent test, if shortlisted. It will be the responsibility of the candidate to provide valid EWS (Open) certificate for admission. Admission of a candidate will be cancelled if any of the required certificates are found to be invalid at any stage of the admission or thereafter.

### **4. Persons with Disability (PwD)**

Candidates applying under this category should have a Disability Certificate and Unique Disability ID (with 40% or more disability) issued by Department of Empowerment of Person with Disability. (available at <https://www.swavlambancard.gov.in>). No other certificate or document will be valid & no representations in this regard will be entertained. Such candidates are required to produce the original valid Certificate of Disability and UDID Card

at the time of physical assessment, seat allocation and reporting at the allotted Campus.

NIFT may consider applications from PwD candidates for providing external assistance during assessment for selection, with the condition that the expenses for the same will be borne fully by the candidate. It is however recommended that the candidate arrange his/her own external assistant for this purpose as this will ensure a better fit for individual needs.

It is mandatory for the candidate who is a Person with Disability to appear before Evaluation Committee of NIFT which will assess the actual physical/psychological capability of a candidate as per the specific requirements of the particular academic programme.

The academic programme will be allotted to the candidates only if found suitable for the same by the Evaluation Committee of NIFT. Candidates who do not appear before the Evaluation Committee of NIFT will NOT be called for seat allocation. Assessment by the Evaluation Committee of NIFT will be carried out prior to the seat allocation. Candidates are advised to appear for such assessment at NIFT Campus at their own cost.

NIFT may utilize its laboratories/equipment/test materials for making such assessment of the physical/psychological capability of a candidate for undertaking that Programme/course and may tailor such test for each individual separately as decided by the Evaluation Committee of NIFT. The assessment is compulsory for all candidates seeking reservation under this category. The Evaluation Committee of NIFT in its proceedings will recommend whether the candidate is suitable for undertaking the particular academic programme applied for.

NIFT reserves the right to disqualify the candidature of any candidate in case of assessment of inability of the candidate to undertake a particular academic programme.

The table below indicates the type of assessment that may be conducted by the Evaluation Committee of NIFT for various categories of disability and programmes to assess if the candidate would be in a position to undergo mainstream curriculum:

Programme	Criteria /Method	Suitability				
<u>Design</u> •PG - Design (Regular) •UG - Design (Regular) •UG - Design (NLEA) •UG - Design (Artisan)	Drawing/Sketching/ Making Models/ Colour Sense	Visual clarity	Minor speech disability	Minor hearing disability	No major locomotor disability in hands, legs, face & neck	Able to select, organize and integrate visual and verbal information into a drawing or model with aesthetics
	Operating Machines/ Computer Keyboard Manually/ Mobility					

Programme	Criteria /Method	Suitability				
<u>Technology</u> •M.F.Tech (Regular) •B.F.Tech (Regular) •B.F.Tech (NLEA)	Operating Machines Manually / Computer Keyboard Manually/ Mobility	Minor visual clarity	Minor speech disability	Minor hearing disability	No major locomotor disability in hands, legs, face & neck	
<u>Fashion Management</u> •MFM (Regular)	Operating Computer Keyboard Manually/Mobility					

General requirements: Adequate cognitive functions to access mainstream curriculum; no intellectual impairments. Adaptive functioning showing mild deficit, in academic and/or communication skills but able to meet the requirements of curriculum and learning environment using assistive devices independently. Good social interaction skills and emotional stability to be adaptive with large group learning setting and do not have a challenging behaviour that disturbs the education of other candidates.

### Facilities for PwD Candidates to Appear in the Exam:

As per the guidelines issued by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) under Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment issued from time to time on the subject: “Written Examination for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities”, A candidate with one of the benchmark disabilities [as defined in Section 2(r) of RPwD Act, 2016], holding a Disability Certificate and UDID Card, is entitled to the following facilities:

- Scribe shall be given, if so desired by a person with benchmark disabilities in the category of blindness, locomotor disability (Both Arms affected BA) and cerebral palsy.
- The facility of Scribe, in case he/she has a physical limitation, and a scribe is essential to write the examination on his/her behalf, being so certified in the aforesaid format by a CMO/Civil Surgeon/Medical Superintendent of a Government Health Care Institution, will be provided.
- Compensatory time of not less than 20 minutes per hour of examination will be provided. If the examination is of 03 hours duration, the compensatory time shall be 01 hour. In case the duration of the examination is less or more than 03 hours, the compensatory time shall be on pro rata basis.
- The compensatory time will be given to a candidate with benchmark disabilities, whether such candidate uses the facility of Scribe or not. Services of a Scribe As per the office memorandum of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (Reference: F. No. 34-02/2015-DD-III dated August 29, 2018), the PwD candidates who are visually impaired OR dyslexic (severe) OR have a disability in the upper limbs OR have lost fingers/hands thereby preventing them from properly operating the Computer Based Test platform may avail the services of a scribe (amanuensis).
- The scribe will help the Candidate in reading the questions and/or keying in the answers as per the directions of the Candidate.
- A scribe will NEITHER explain the questions NOR suggest any solutions. PwBD candidates who desire to avail the services of a scribe need to opt for this during the online registration.
- A copy of the PwBD certificate & UDID must be uploaded at the time of online registration.
- It is to be noted that the Scribe will be provided by the Examination Agency. However, the candidate is also permitted to bring his/her own scribe (**Annexure-A**), if he/she so chooses.

- If it is found at any stage that a candidate has availed the services of a scribe and/or availed the compensatory time, but does not possess the extent of disability that warrants the use of a scribe and/or grant of compensatory time, the candidate will be excluded from the process of evaluation, ranking, counseling, and admission. In case such a candidate has already been admitted to any Institution, the admission of the candidate will be cancelled.
- A PwD candidate with less than 40% disability and has a limitation in writing and a scribe is essential to write the exam on his/her behalf, being so certified in the prescribed format (**Annexure-B**) by a CMO/Civil Surgeon/ Medical Superintendent of a Govt. Health Care Institution will be provided a scribe by NTA. He is required to state his requirements in his application form. He/she is also permitted to bring his/her own Scribe along with an undertaking in the format given at **Annexure-C**.
- Facilities to provide the Scribe for PwD candidates cannot be provided in the Creative Ability Test (CAT).

## SEATS FOR FOREIGN NATIONAL/NRI /OCI/PIO/SAARC AND DOMICILE CATEGORIES

### Foreign National/NRI / OCI/PIO/SAARC

Foreign National/NRI/OCI/PIO/SAARC (whether residing in India or abroad) candidates having the following status and who meet eligibility and admission requirements of NIFT can also apply for admission.

**Foreign National:** A foreign national is a citizen of a country other than India, and who is not of Indian origin.

**NRI (Non-Resident Indian):** An Indian citizen who is ordinarily residing outside India or in India and holds an Indian Passport with NRI Status.

**PIO (Person of Indian Origin):** A person who or whose any of ancestors was an Indian national and who is presently holding another country's citizenship / nationality i.e. he / she is holding foreign passport.

**OCI (Overseas Citizen of India):** A person registered as Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) Cardholder under section 7A of the Citizenship Act., 1955.

**SAARC:** (South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation): The citizen from the countries Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka.

Candidates under above categories are not required to appear for the NIFT Entrance Examination.

The selection of eligible candidates of this category for admission in NIFT will be based on their SAT/GMAT/GRE scores. The minimum requirement of SAT/GMAT/GRE score is 50%. The availability of seats for this category is as follows:

- 5 (supernumerary) seats each academic programme at NIFT Campuses Bengaluru, Chennai, Gandhinagar, Hyderabad, Kolkata, Mumbai, New Delhi & Raebareli.
- 3 (supernumerary) seats each per academic programme at Bhopal, Bhubaneswar, Daman, Jodhpur, Kangra, Kannur, Nava Raipur, Panchkula, Patna, Shillong and Varanasi.

### I. Qualifying Age

For UG programmes: Maximum age should be less than 24 year as on 1st August of the year of admission.

For PG programmes: No age limit.

### 2. Academic Eligibility

All candidates must satisfy the required academic qualifications listed for the concerned course. In case the Degree/Certificate has been obtained from a University/ Board of any country other than India then an equivalence certificate must be obtained from the Association of Indian Universities (AIU)/ University Grants Commission(UGC) New Delhi (website: <https://aiu.ac.in> and <https://www.ugc.gov.in>) prior to admission.

Foreign National/NRI/OCI/PIO/SAARC applying to NIFT must possess working knowledge of the English language.

The candidate should have appeared for SAT/GMAT/GRE examination BEFORE applying for admission under this category.

Candidates may have appeared in multiple SAT/GMAT/GRE examinations prior to 30th April 2026. The highest score submitted among these tests will be taken into consideration for allotment of seat. The GRE/ GMAT/ SAT scores should not have been declared before 1st January, 2024 and should be received by the Institute (NIFT) latest by 30th April, 2026 through College Board Portal.

### PROCEDURE FOR APPLYING UNDER THE FOREIGN NATIONAL/NRI/OCI/PIO/SAARC CATEGORY

Those seeking admission under this category have to apply online at website [www.nift.ac.in/admission](http://www.nift.ac.in/admission). The last date for applying under this category is 30th April 2026.

The candidates who fulfill the admission criteria specified for this category may apply online with requisite application fee of Rs. 11,100/- through the online NIFT payment gateway.

## **Undergraduate Programme - Bachelor of Design (B.Des) & Bachelor of Fashion Technology (B.F.Tech)**

Candidates applying for Bachelor Programmes of NIFT should arrange to send SAT scores directly from College Board USA to NIFT through College Board Portal. SAT scores have to be submitted through College Board, USA to NIFT before 30th April, 2026. The Designated Institution (DI) Code is 7258.

Candidates at the time of registration for SAT should indicate DI code: 7258.

Candidates whose SAT scores have not been received from the College Board, USA may not be considered for admission under this category. The Campus and Programme will be allotted to the successful candidates based on merit list drawn as per SAT score of the candidates and the preference of the candidate.

## **Postgraduate Programme - M.F.M, M.Des & M.F.Tech**

Candidates applying for Master of Fashion Management (M.F.M), should arrange to send GMAT test scores while those applying for Master of Design (M.Des.) and Master of Fashion Technology (M.F.Tech.) should arrange to send GRE test scores directly to Admissions Department, NIFT Head Office, New Delhi. The candidates must designate NIFT Programmes as choice in the GRE/GMAT.

Candidates whose GRE/GMAT scores have not been received from the Educational Testing Services/Graduate Management Admission Council may not be considered for admission under this category. The campus and programme will be allotted to the successful candidates based on merit list drawn as per GRE/GMAT score of the candidates as well as the preference of the candidate.

Candidates seeking admission under this category should apply online in the prescribed application form.

### **Method of resolving Tie**

SAT score (B.Des./B.F.Tech.):

In case the equal scores in SAT of two candidates, the marks obtained in individual subjects will be compared in the following order to break the tie:

- 1) Reading and Writing
- 2) Math

GMAT and GRE score (M.F.M/M.Des./M.F.Tech.):

In case the equal scores in GMAT or GRE of two candidates, the marks obtained in individual subjects will be compared in the following order to break the tie:

- 1) Quantitative Reasoning
- 2) Verbal Reasoning apply online in the prescribed application form.

## **NRI SPONSORED SEATS**

NRI seats being supernumerary, will not be converted to any other category. However, seats remaining unfilled after admission of all eligible NRI candidates in the NRI category after the process described above will be offered to all eligible candidates as NRI sponsored seats on the basis of Common Merit Rank (CMR) during seat allocation.

All candidates having Common Merit Rank (CMR) in the NIFT Entrance Examination may opt for NRI sponsored seats subject to fulfilling the criteria, submission of necessary documents and the enhanced fee during seat allocation.

There will be no reservation in these seats as these are supernumerary seats.

The following documents are required from the candidates opting for NRI sponsored seats (self attested):

1. Undertaking from the sponsoring Foreign National/NRI mentioning Social Security Number/Applicable Taxation Number.
2. Photocopy of first & last page of the passport of the sponsoring person.
3. Copy of the valid visa of the sponsoring Foreign National/NRI.
4. An undertaking from the candidate that if at any stage it is found that the admission has been taken on the basis of false information/documents or by hiding relevant facts, the admission granted to such candidate shall be liable to be cancelled forthwith.

### **Fee Payment**

Once selected under this category, candidates shall pay the fee at the time of admission for the first academic year consisting of two semesters. No other benefit/concession will be applicable to these candidates and they will not be considered for admission under any other category. These candidates will not be eligible for any financial assistance under any scheme of NIFT.

## **STATE DOMICILE CATEGORY**

### **How is domicile category determined?**

The candidate would be determined to be the domicile of that State in which the school where the candidate has completed his/her class 12th examination is located.

A certificate from the concerned school is to be obtained. In case the candidate has completed 12th standard through

distance learning mode/open, the address of the school attended by the candidate regularly will determine his/her domicile status.

Kashmiri migrants who have obtained Domicile of Kashmir as per the Jammu & Kashmir Reorganisation Act 2020 and possess Domicile Certificate issued by the Government of Jammu & Kashmir O/o The Relief and Rehabilitation Commissioner (M) J&K, Jammu will also be considered as domicile for Srinagar Campus. Candidates may choose one of either Kashmiri migrant status or current domicile status for admission.

A candidate can exercise choice for Domicile during registration only. This choice will be final and no change thereafter will be accepted.

Candidates belonging to the North Eastern States i.e. Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Manipur, Tripura, Meghalaya, Mizoram and Sikkim will be considered domicile category for NIFT Shillong, if eligible.

### Seat availability under the State Domicile Category

Seats will be offered for admission as State Domicile Preferential Seats to candidates who belong to the States where the following NIFT campuses are located. No separate merit will be declared for State Domicile candidates.

NIFT Campus	Candidates of these states will be eligible for Domicile benefits.
Patna	Bihar
Kangra	Himachal Pradesh
Kannur	Kerala
Bhopal	Madhya Pradesh
Shillong	Meghalaya, Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Mizoram, Sikkim, Nagaland and Tripura
Bhubaneswar	Odisha
Jodhpur	Rajasthan
Srinagar*	Jammu, Kashmir, Ladakh and Kashmiri migrants
Panchkula	Haryana
Daman (UT)	Daman, Diu, Dadra, Nagar Haveli and Lakshadweep
Varanasi	Uttar Pradesh (UP)
Nava Raipur	Chhattishgarh

Seven domicile supernumerary seats are available in above campuses. Reservation of SC/ST/OBC (non creamy layer) as per existing norms will apply to these seats. Any

domicile seats which remain unfilled will be merged into respective categories seats i.e. Domicile (Open) to Open, Domicile (SC) to SC, Domicile (ST) to ST and Domicile (OBC-NCL) to Open in the Spot Round of seat allocation.

\*In the case of NIFT Srinagar, 12 seats will be offered for admission as State Domicile Preferential Seats to the domicile candidates of Jammu, Kashmir, Ladakh and Kashmiri migrants.

Candidates who are domicile of the States where the NIFT Campuses listed above are located may opt for these preferential seats while filling the online application form. However, they will be permitted to exercise choice to take admission under Open/ST/SC/OBC (NCL) category (as applicable) to any other campus of their choice as per their overall CMR.

### HOW TO APPLY : SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION FORM

(for all candidates other than the Foreign National/NRI/OCI/PIO/SAARC category)

Candidates have to apply online at <https://exams.nta.nic.in/niftee/>

Guidelines for applying online may be referred for the purpose. The prospectus is available on the NIFT website [www.nift.ac.in](http://www.nift.ac.in)

Application Fee: The application fee has to be paid through online payment gateway on the admission's website only.

- Non-Refundable Fee for Open/OBC (Non-Creamy Layer)/Open-EWS Category: Rs. 2000/-.
- Non-Refundable Fee for SC/ ST/ PwD Category: Rs. 500/-.

Non-Refundable Fee for the candidate who are applying for both programmes i.e. B.Des and B.F.Tech or M.FM and M.Des. will be as under

- Open/OBC (Non-Creamy Layer)/Open-EWS Category: Rs. 2000/- + Rs. 1000/- = Rs. 3000/-.
- Fee for SC/ ST/ PwD Category: Rs. 500/- + Rs. 250/- = Rs. 750/-.

### Mode of Payment of Application Fee:

Payments of application fee can only be made online through any means through the NIFT admissions website. The bank and/or transaction charges on the application fee will be borne by the candidate. Candidates are advised to apply on time. Candidates should ensure payment is complete and confirmation obtained. NIFT will not be responsible for any failure in payment/auto reversal due to any reason whatsoever.

Candidates are advised to keep a print out/photocopy of application form and proof of payment for reference.



## WINDOW TO EDIT/UPDATE APPLICATION FORM

Prior to making the payment candidate can edit/amend the information in the online application. Once the payment has been made, the candidate will not be allowed to change/modify any information by the system. However, candidates will be given an opportunity to review and correct their personal information in the application.

Application fee once paid will not be refunded in any circumstances.

Application fee already paid will not be refunded in case the applicant is found ineligible for admission to NIFT.

It is the sole responsibility of the candidate to provide correct information during the application process. At any stage if it is found that the information provided by the candidate is not true, NIFT has the right to cancel his/her candidature.

After closing of the window to edit the application for registration, category filled up in the application form will not be changed at any stage. Therefore, candidates/guardians are advised to fill-up the application form with due diligence.

## THE ENTRANCE EXAMINATION PROCESS (for all programmes)

All eligible candidates would have to appear for an entrance examination. The admission process for each programme is separately listed below:

### B.Des

Candidates for the UG Design programmes, will appear in an entrance examination comprising of a General Ability Test (GAT) and Creative Ability Test (CAT). Candidates shortlisted on the basis of the entrance examination will take a Situation Test.

### B.F.Tech

Candidates for the UG Fashion Technology programme, will appear in an entrance examination comprising of a General Ability Test (GAT).

B.F.Tech candidates will be shortlisted on the basis of General Ability Test (GAT).

### B.F.Tech & B.Des

Candidates applying for both B.F.Tech & B.Des will appear in an entrance examination comprising of a General Ability Test (GAT) and Creative Ability Test (CAT). For such candidates two separate Common Merit Ranks (CMRs) will be generated. One for B.Des Programme and one for B.F.Tech Programme. B.Des candidates will be shortlisted on the basis of the entrance examination will appear in a Situation Test.

Candidates applying for B.F.Tech Programme (with Maths), will be eligible to enroll their candidature for B.Des courses ALSO by giving CAT along with GAT. This will not be applicable for the NIFT Lateral Entry Admission (NLEA).

### M.Des

Candidates for the M.Des programme, will appear in an entrance examination comprising of a Creative Ability Test (CAT) and General Ability Test (GAT). Shortlisted candidates of the entrance examination will undergo a Personal Interview (PI).

### M.F.M.

Candidate for the M.F.M programme, will appear an entrance examination comprising of a General Ability Test (GAT). Shortlisted candidates of entrance examination will undergo Personal Interview (PI).

### M.F.M & M.Des.

Candidates applying for both M.F.M & M.Des. will appear in an entrance examination comprising of a General Ability Test (GAT) and Creative Ability Test (CAT). For such candidates two separate CMRs will be generated. One for M.F.M Programme and one for M.Des. Programme.

M.F.M candidates will be shortlisted on the basis of the entrance examination to be appeared in General Ability Test (GAT - Section A & B) and Personal Interview.

M.Des. candidates will be shortlisted on the basis of General Ability Test (GAT - Section - A), Creative Ability Test (CAT) and Personal Interview.

### M.F.Tech

Candidates for the M.F.Tech programme, will appear for an entrance examination comprising of a General Ability Test (GAT). Shortlisted candidates of entrance examination will undergo Personal Interview (PI).

## THE ENTRANCE EXAMINATION (for all programmes)

The entrance examination is designed to test the knowledge, skill and aptitude of the candidates for the programme.

All eligible candidates will have to appear for the entrance examination at the Examination Centres allotted to them.

The objective type test will have negative marking, +1 for every right answer and -0.25 for every wrong answer.

## LIST OF ENTRANCE EXAMINATION CENTRES

Entrance Examination for all UG and PG Programmes will be conducted at various cities in India.

Sl. No.	State	City
1	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	Port Blair
2	Andhra Pradesh	Kurnool
3	Andhra Pradesh	Rajahmundry
4	Andhra Pradesh	Tirupathi
5	Andhra Pradesh	Vijayawada
6	Andhra Pradesh	Visakhapatnam
7	Arunachal Pradesh	Itanagar
8	Assam	Guwahati
9	Bihar	Bhagalpur
10	Bihar	Gaya
11	Bihar	Muzaffarpur
12	Bihar	Patna
13	Chandigarh	Chandigarh/ Panchkula/Mohali
14	Chhattisgarh	Durg/Bhilai
15	Chhattisgarh	Bilaspur (CG)
16	Chhattisgarh	Raipur
17	Delhi	Delhi NCR
18	Goa	Panaji
19	Gujarat	Ahmedabad/ Gandhinagar
20	Gujarat	Rajkot
21	Gujarat	Surat
22	Gujarat	Vadodara
23	Haryana	Hisar
24	Himachal Pradesh	Shimla
25	Himachal Pradesh	Hamirpur
26	Jammu and Kashmir	Jammu
27	Jammu and Kashmir	Srinagar
28	Jharkhand	Dhanbad
29	Jharkhand	Jamshedpur
30	Jharkhand	Ranchi
31	Karnataka	Bengaluru
32	Karnataka	Mangaluru (Mangalore)
33	Karnataka	Mysuru (Mysore)
34	Kerala	Kochi
35	Kerala	Ernakulam/Alappuzha
36	Kerala	Kannur

37	Kerala	Kollam
38	Kerala	Kottayam
39	Kerala	Kozhikode
40	Kerala	Thiruvananthapuram
41	Kerala	Thrissur
42	Ladakh	Leh
43	Madhya Pradesh	Bhopal
44	Madhya Pradesh	Gwalior
45	Madhya Pradesh	Indore/Ujjain
46	Madhya Pradesh	Jabalpur
47	Madhya Pradesh	Sagar
48	Madhya Pradesh	Satna
49	Maharashtra	Amravati
50	Maharashtra	Chhatrapati Sambhaji Nagar
51	Maharashtra	Kolhapur
52	Maharashtra	Mumbai/Navi Mumbai/Thane
53	Maharashtra	Nagpur
54	Maharashtra	Nashik
55	Maharashtra	Pune
56	Manipur	Imphal
57	Meghalaya	Shillong
58	Mizoram	Aizawl
59	Nagaland	Kohima
60	Odisha	Balasore
61	Odisha	Berhampur-Ganjam
62	Odisha	Bhubaneswar
63	Odisha	Sambhalpur
64	Punjab	Amritsar
65	Punjab	Jalandhar
66	Punjab	Ludhiana
67	Rajasthan	Jaipur
68	Rajasthan	Jodhpur
69	Rajasthan	Kota
70	Rajasthan	Udaipur
71	Rajasthan	Sikar
72	Sikkim	Gangtok
73	Tamil Nadu	Chennai
74	Tamil Nadu	Coimbatore
75	Tamil Nadu	Cuddalore



76	Tamil Nadu	Madurai
77	Tamil Nadu	Nagercoil
78	Tamil Nadu	Puducherry
79	Tamil Nadu	Salem
80	Tamil Nadu	Thanjavur
81	Tamil Nadu	Tiruchirappalli
82	Tamil Nadu	Vellore
83	Telangana	Hyderabad
84	Telangana	Warangal
85	Tripura	Agartala
86	Uttar Pradesh	Agra
87	Uttar Pradesh	Gorakhpur
88	Uttar Pradesh	Kanpur
89	Uttar Pradesh	Lucknow
90	Uttar Pradesh	Meerut
91	Uttar Pradesh	Prayagraj (Allahabad)
92	Uttar Pradesh	Varanasi
93	Uttar Pradesh	Bareilly
94	Uttarakhand	Dehradun
93	Uttarakhand	Haldwani
96	Uttarakhand	Roorkee
97	West Bengal	Asansol
98	West Bengal	Durgapur
99	West Bengal	Kolkata
100	West Bengal	Siliguri

The candidate must give four choices for the centres for the entrance examination in order of preference. Examination centre will be allotted on first come first served basis. No request for change in examination centre will be entertained at any later stage.

Please note that NIFT reserves the right to cancel any of the Examination centres mentioned above. In such a case, an alternate centre, will be allotted.

### WINDOW TO RECEIVE OBSERVATIONS/OBJECTION FROM THE CANDIDATE FOR GAT EXAM

Candidates will be able to view the question paper with the answer key using their registered user ID & password on the admission portal within one week after completing the Computer Based Test (CBT) Entrance Examination.

Objection(s) if any, is to be submitted only through the portal. Objection(s) received through any other mode

of communication/ channel will not be entertained. If candidates do not submit their objection in the stipulated period, such candidates will not have any right for any further claim for re-evaluation at later stage.

### ADMIT CARDS

Entry to the Examination Centre will be allowed with valid admit cards along with valid ID card issued by the Govt. of India.

On the basis of information given in the NIFT application forms, admit cards of provisionally eligible candidates will be available for download from NIFT website. Admit cards will not be sent by post. Candidates are advised to regularly check NIFT website for updates.

Note: Admit cards, results and seat allocation will be available on NIFT's website only. No separate communication will be sent by post.

### EXAMINATION CENTRE

Candidates should reach the examination centre at least **60 minutes** before the commencement of the examination. Mobiles and other infotech gadgets are not allowed inside the Examination Centre.

Candidates found with mobile or other infotech gadgets will be asked to leave the examination centre and shall be disqualified.

### SCHEDULE

Schedule of Entrance Examination, General Ability Test (GAT) - Computer Based Test (CBT) and Creative Ability Test (CAT)- Paper Based Test (PBT) for all UG and PG Programmes:

Programmes	Test	Test Timings
Bachelor of Design	GAT	10:00 am to 12.00 noon
	CAT	03.00 pm to 06.00 pm
Bachelor of Fashion Technology	GAT	10:00 am to 01.00 pm
Bachelor of Fashion Technology & Bachelor of Design	GAT	10:00 am to 01.00 pm
	CAT	03.00 pm to 06.00 pm
Master of Design	GAT	10:00 am to 12.00 noon
	CAT	03.00 pm to 06.00 pm
Master of Fashion Management	GAT	10:00 am to 01.00 pm
Master of Fashion Management and Master of Design	GAT	10:00 am to 01.00 pm
	CAT	03.00 pm to 06.00 pm
Master of Fashion Technology	GAT	10:00 am to 01.00 pm

The result of the entrance examination will be available on the NIFT website.

On the basis of result of entrance examination of GAT and CAT, shortlisted B.Des candidates will be called for second stage test called Situation Test. Appearing for both GAT and CAT is mandatory. If a candidate does not appear for one or the other he/she will not be shortlisted for the Situation Test.

For B.F.Tech. candidates, GAT will be the final test for selection.

The shortlisted candidates of PG programmes will have to attend the Personal Interview at New Delhi failing which final result will not be declared of such candidates.

Candidates applying for the examination should ensure that they fulfill all the eligibility criteria for admission.

Admission at all the stages of the examination viz. Entrance Examination, Situation Test, Personal Interview (as the case may be) will be provisional, subject to the candidates is satisfying the prescribed eligibility criteria. During verification at any time before or after the Entrance Examination, Situation Test, and Personal Interview, Counselling/ Seat Allocation (as the case may be), if it is found that the candidate does not fulfill the eligibility criteria, his/her candidature for the examination/ admission shall stand cancelled without any notice or further reference.

NIFT shall not be liable for any consequences on account of such cancellations.

### Test Weightages

The weightage assigned to each test in the final merit list of the entrance examination will be as follows:

#### Test Weightage – UG

B.Des		B.F.Tech		B. F.Tech candidates opting for B.Des	
Exam	Weightage	Exam	Weightage	Exam	Weightage
GAT	30 %	GAT (Sec –A)	30 %	GAT (Sec –A)	30 %
CAT	50 %	GAT (Sec –B)	70 %	CAT	50 %
Situation Test	20 %	--	--	Situation Test	20 %
TOTAL	100 %	TOTAL	100 %	TOTAL	100 %

#### Test Weightage – PG

M.F.M		M.Des		M.F.M candidates opting for M.Des		M.F.Tech.	
Exam	Weightage	Exam	Weightage	Exam	Weightage	Exam	Weightage
GAT (Section-A & Section-B)	70 %	GAT (Section-A)	30 %	GAT (Section-A)	30 %	GAT	70 %
--	--	CAT	40 %	CAT	40 %	--	--
Personal Interview	30 %	Personal Interview	30 %	Personal Interview	30 %	Personal Interview	30 %
TOTAL	100 %	TOTAL	100 %	TOTAL	100 %	TOTAL	100 %

Note:

1. General Ability Test (GAT) will be conducted as Computer Based Test (CBT)
2. Creative Ability Test (CAT) will be conducted as Paper Based Test (PBT)

if the overall scores are equal, the marks obtained in CAT will be considered first. If the marks in CAT are also identical, the GAT marks will be compared.

If a tie still persists based on equal GAT scores for B.Des. / M.Des. candidates, the marks obtained in individual subjects will be compared in the following order:

1. Communication Ability and English Comprehension
2. Quantitative Ability
3. Analytical and Logical Ability
4. General Knowledge and Current Affairs

### Method of resolving Tie

#### (a) B.Des. / M.Des.

In case two candidates obtain equal overall scores, the marks secured in the test(s) with higher weightage will be compared to break the tie. For B.Des./ M.Des. candidates,

**b) B.F.Tech./ MFM / M.F.Tech.**

In case the equal scores in GAT of two candidates in B.F.Tech./ MFM/ M.F.Tech, the marks obtained in individual subjects will be compared in the following order to break the tie:

1. Communication Ability and English Comprehension
2. Quantitative Ability
3. Analytical and Logical Ability
4. General Knowledge and Current Affairs

(c) For Stage-2 (UG/PG): Marks obtained in the Skill Test / Studio Test / Interview shall be given preference for

making the final merit list and rank. If a tie persists after Stage 2 marks, Point (a)/Point (b) will be followed.

**COMPONENTS OF THE ENTRANCE EXAMINATION**

Entrance Examinations Structure (For Bachelor of Design and Bachelor of Fashion Technology)

**I. General Ability Test (GAT) - Computer Based Test (CBT)**

The number of questions may vary in each section and for each course year to year. The level of difficulty in questions for different courses may also vary.

The Component of the Questions for Section- A & B introduced are as under:

PROGRAMME	B.DES.	B.F.TECH		Candidates opting for B.F.Tech. & B.Des.
Paper Name	GAT - Section A (CBT)	GAT - Section A (CBT)	GAT - Section B (CBT)	Section-A (2 hrs.) + Section-B (1 hr.) +CAT (3 hrs.)
Language of Written Test	English/Hindi	English/Hindi	English/Hindi	
Test Duration (minutes)	120	120	60	
Sections	No. of Questions	No. of Questions	No. of Questions	
Communication Ability and English Comprehension	40	40	NA	
Quantitative Ability	20	20	15	
Analytical & Logical Ability	15	15	15	
General Knowledge and Current Affairs	25	25	NA	
Case Study	NA	NA	20	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>50</b>	

**CANDIDATES APPLYING FOR**

- ONLY B.F.TECH : SECTION- A + SECTION-B
- ONLY B.DES : SECTION-A + CAT
- B.F.TECH. & B.DES. : SECTION-A +SECTION-B+CAT

**2. CREATIVE ABILITY TEST (CAT)**

This test is administered for both UG and PG Design Programmes to judge the intuitive ability, power of observation in concept development and design ability of the candidate. An important aspect of the test is the creative and innovative use of colour and illustration skills.

Candidates who try to disclose their identity by writing any personal details including details/logo of coaching centre etc or place any identification mark on the answer sheet shall be **'DISQUALIFIED'** and the result of these candidates shall not be declared. The decision of NIFT on such cases will be final and there will be no appeal.

Entrance Examination Structure (For Master of Fashion Technology; Master of Fashion Management and Master of Design).

## GENERAL ABILITY TEST (GAT) - Computer Based Test (CBT)

Programme	MFTECH
Paper Name	GAT
Language of Written Test	English/Hindi
Test Duration (minutes)	180
Sections	No. of Questions
Communication Ability & English Comprehension	45
Case Study	25
Quantitative Ability	30
Analytical & Logical Ability	25
General Knowledge and Current Affairs	25
<b>Total</b>	<b>150</b>

M.F Tech will also have some questions from the engineering field.

PROGRAMME	MF	M.DES	Candidates opting for MF & M.DES
Paper Name	GAT (CBT)	GAT (CBT)	Section-A (2 hrs.) + Section-B (1 hr.) +CAT (3 hrs.)
SECTION A			
Language of Written Test	English/ Hindi	English/ Hindi	
Test Duration (minutes)	180 (3 hours)	120 (2 hours)	
Sections	No. of Questions	No. of Questions	
Communication Ability & English Comprehension	50	50	
Quantitative Ability	20	20	
Analytical & Logical Ability	25	25	
General Knowledge and Current Affairs	25	25	
SECTION B			
Case Study	30	NA	
TOTAL	150	120	

Section B: To be distinctly marked as a separate section for MF candidates only.

## CANDIDATES APPLYING FOR

- ONLY MF: SECTION -A + SECTION -B
- ONLY M.DES: SECTION A + CAT
- MF AND M.DES: SECTION -A + SECTION -B + CAT

The number of questions may vary in each section and for each course year to year. The level of difficulty in questions for all courses may also vary.

## COMPONENTS OF THE GENERAL ABILITY TEST (for all programmes)

- Quantitative Ability:** This sub-test is designed to test the quantitative ability of the candidates. The sub test consists of questions on Addition, Multiplication, Division, Fractions, Percentage, Rate of Interest, Work and Task, Ratio and Proportion and Distance.
- Communication Ability and English Comprehension:** This sub-test is aimed at testing the language ability of the candidates in day to day communication. It includes questions on synonyms, antonyms, words with corresponding meanings, singular, plural, one word substitutes, idioms and phrases, correct spellings, comprehend a situation from a given passage etc.
- Analytical Ability and Logical Ability:** This sub-test is designed to test the candidate's capacity for inference and logic from the given information and to evaluate the candidate's ability to identify the given problem and apply reasoning in solving the core issues of the problem. Concepts and practice of creative and lateral thinking are likely to be useful.
- General Knowledge and Current Affairs:** This sub-test is designed to test the candidate's general knowledge and current affairs.

Short listed candidates from the entrance examination are required to appear for the Situation Test and Personal Interview as applicable (except B.E.Tech).

## SITUATION TEST - FOR UG DESIGN PROGRAMMES

Shortlisted candidates for B.Des after the entrance examination are required to take a Situation Test which is a hands-on test to evaluate the candidate's skills for material handling and innovative ability on a given situation with a given set of materials. No additional material will be provided/allowed.

Candidate will be asked to make a model. The model will be evaluated on space visualization, innovative and creative use of given material, composition of elements, colour scheme, construction skill, finesse of the model and overall presentation, etc. These parameters will be checked

with the write up explaining the concept behind the model constructed. Since the medium of instruction in NIFT is English, the write-up will be in English. No marks will be given for write-up in any other language.

The use of outside/additional material in making the model/design is not permitted. Also, candidates who try to disclose their identity by writing any personal details or place any identification mark on the model/ design/write-up shall be 'DISQUALIFIED' and the final result of these candidates shall not be declared.

The evaluation of the test will be done by the Jury on the spot. The model will not be preserved for future reference.

### PERSONAL INTERVIEWS (for all PG programmes)

Shortlisted candidates for Masters Programmes after the written entrance examination are required to undergo a Personal Interview (PI).

Candidates shall be evaluated on the various parameters as listed below by a panel, in the Personal Interview:

- 1) Career orientation
- 2) Aptness for the course
- 3) Overall personal achievements in academics and co-curricular activities
- 4) Communication
- 5) General awareness, aptitude, creative and lateral thinking

NIFT reserves the right to modify the entrance examination scheme including non-conduct of any stage(s) due to unforeseen circumstances.

### SEAT ALLOCATION

The details of seat allocation for successful candidates of the examination process viz. the mode, dates and procedure will be available on the website. Candidates are advised to regularly check the NIFT website for further information.

There will be multiple rounds of seat allocation to fill up available seats. The number of rounds of seat allocation is not fixed and will depend upon the actual allocation of seats. Candidates will be required to register for seat allocation and choose academic programmes they are willing to join in the order of preference. Candidates may fill / modify their choices of Campus and programme in order of their preference as per the Seat Allocation Rules.

In case of allotment of seat, the candidate will pay required Admission Fee to confirm his/her allotted seat. In case he/she doesn't pay required fee within the time frame, his/her allotted seat will be cancelled and not allowed to be participated in the subsequent regular rounds.

Complete details and procedure for seat allocation will be available on the NIFT website prior to commencement of seat allocation. Unfilled Domicile seats will be merged with respective category seats in the last Round of seat allocation. Unfilled OBC (NCL) & EWS seats will be merged with Open Category seats in the last Round of seat allocation. Unfilled PwD Seats will be merged with respective categories in the spot round of seat allocation.

### DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR ADMISSION AT THE TIME OF SEAT ALLOCATION

The following documents along with the photocopies shall be required for Admission after qualifying the entrance examination. Copies of documents will be self-attested and uploaded on the portal. Online verification of documents is purely provisional. Physical verification will be done at respective campuses. The original certificates, except the medical certificate, will be checked and returned to the candidate after verification at respective campuses where admission is offered.

- (i) Certificates of qualifying examination i.e. 12th class/degree (Marksheet and Certificate).

In case of admission to PG courses, the candidates will also be required to upload the (Marksheet and degree certificate) of the qualifying degree examination. In case the candidate has appeared in final semester/final year (as applicable) then he/she will have upload mark sheet of all the previous semester/years.

- (ii) In case the candidate has appeared for qualifying exam/compartment (of final year/semester) and the result is due, the date sheet/admit card for examination is to be uploaded. Proof of completion of previous year's paper in the qualifying degree/examination.
- (iii) Proof of date of birth (Secondary school marksheet & certificate) (photocopy).
- (iv) Valid certificate of SC/ST/OBC - Non-Creamy Layer/PwD/Open - EWS category claimed in candidate's name.
- (v) For State Domicile seats the status of domicile will be decided by the address of school from where the candidate has completed 12th standard.
- (vi) Kashmiri Migrants will be recognised as Domicile of Kashmir if valid certificate as per Government of Jammu & Kashmir O/o The Relief and Rehabilitation Commissioner (M) J& K, Jammu is produced. These candidates can opt for only one state for claiming Domicile i.e. either Kashmir or state from which passed class 12th exam.
- (vii) Certificate of Medical Fitness to be signed by a Registered Medical Practitioner in the prescribed format in original.

- (viii) An undertaking for seeking provisional admission only in case, the result of qualifying examination is yet to be declared.
- (ix) An undertaking on Anti-Ragging.
- (x) An undertaking regarding refund of fee.
- (xi) The requisite fee has to be paid online once an offer of allotment is made during the seat allocation process through payment gateway. Candidate's provisional admission will be confirmed only if requisite fee payment is verified.

Note: -

In case any of the above document(s) is/are in any language other than English/Hindi, then a certified translation in English/Hindi should be produced duly verified by the issuing institution/ gazetted officer/Self attested (original and photocopy) by the candidate at the time of seat allocation/admission. Failure on the part of candidate to produce the requisite authentic translation may result in refusal of admission.

## CANCELLATION OF ADMISSION

- (i) The mere fact of qualifying the entrance examination shall not, ipso facto, entitle a candidate for admission to a programme.
- (ii) If NIFT is not satisfied with the character, past behaviour or antecedents of a candidate, it can refuse to admit him/her to any course of study at any Campus or cancel the admission at a later stage.
- (iii) If at any stage it is found that a candidate has got admission in any Campus/Programme on the basis of false information, or by hiding relevant facts or if it is found that admission was given due to any mistake or oversight, the admission granted to such candidate shall be liable to be cancelled forthwith without any notice at any time during the course of his/ her studies and fee deposited by the candidate will be forfeited.
- (iv) If a candidate does not report to the allotted/re-allotted NIFT campus within 7 days of commencement of the session, the admission of the candidate will stand cancelled without any intimation and the entire fee paid shall be forfeited.
- (v) The Director General, NIFT may cancel the admission of any candidate for a specific reason or debar him/her for a certain period.
- (vi) It will be the sole responsibility of the candidate to make sure that they are eligible and fulfill all the conditions prescribed for admission. If it is found at any stage during the entire period of the programme

that the candidate does not fulfill the requisite eligibility conditions, his/her admission will be cancelled and entire fee will be forfeited;

- (vii) The merit ranking will be valid only for the programme/ category for which the candidate has appeared and cannot be utilized for admission to any other programme/category. Further, the merit ranking of the candidate shall be valid only for the Admissions - 2026 for which the candidate has appeared in the entrance examination.

## POINTS TO BE NOTED

### NIFT DOES NOT RECOMMEND OR ENDORSE ANY COACHING CLASSES.

NIFT reserves the right to add or discontinue any academic programme at any Campus at any time.

Any attempt to influence the admission process by way of recommendation will invite immediate disqualification of the candidate (s).

Re-evaluation requests for CAT will be restricted to checking the following:

- i) Whether all the answers have been evaluated
- ii) Mistake in the totalling of marks
- iii) Any requests sent without a scanned copy of the Admit Card will not be entertained.

## NOTE

All information regarding the admission process will be available only on the nift website [www.nift.ac.in](http://www.nift.ac.in). Candidates applying to nift shall be deemed to have complete understanding of the eligibility and the process as disclosed on the nift website. Nift shall not be responsible for any misinterpretation or lack of awareness on the part of the candidate.

No representation at later stage will be entertained by NIFT. No correspondence in this regard will be made under any circumstances.

Information provided in the Prospectus is a guideline and for reference purposes only. NIFT reserves the right to make changes if deemed appropriate. All updated information will be uploaded on the NIFT website ([www.nift.ac.in](http://www.nift.ac.in)) and NIFT Admission portal.

Helpdesk No. :

(From Monday to Friday, 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM)

- NTA - 011-69227700, 011-40759000  
Email Id: [nift@nta.ac.in](mailto:nift@nta.ac.in)
- NIFT - 9310075593, 9310076577, 9310078175

LETTER OF UNDERTAKING FOR USING OWN SCRIBE

I ..... , a candidate with ..... (name of the disability) appearing for the .....(name of the examination) bearing Roll No. .... at ..... (name of the centre) in the District ....., ..... (name of the State). My qualification is .....

I do hereby state that..... (name of the scribe) will provide the service of scribe/ reader/lab assistant for the undersigned for taking the aforesaid examination.

I do hereby undertake that his qualification is

I further certify that the scribe whose photograph and particulars are mentioned below.

(Signature of the candidate with Disability)

Place:  
Date:

Photograph  
of Scribe

(Self- Attested Photograph)

Name of Scribe	ID of the Scribe	ID Number

**CERTIFICATE for person with specified disability covered under the definition of Section 2 (s) of the RPwD Act, 2016 but not covered under the definition of Section 2(r) of the said Act, i.e. persons having less than 40% disability and having difficulty in writing**

1. This is to certify that, we have examined Mr/Ms/Mrs ..... (name of the candidate), S/o of /D/o ..... a resident of ..... (Vill/PO/PS/District/State), aged..... yrs, a person with..... (nature of disability/condition), and to state that he/she has limitation which hampers his/her writing capability owing to his/her above condition. He/ she requires support of scribe for writing the examination.
2. The above candidate uses aids and assistive device such as prosthetics & orthotics, hearing aid (name to be specified) which is/are essential for the candidate to appear at the examination with the assistance of scribe.
3. This certificate is issued only for the purpose of appearing in written examinations conducted by examination agencies as well as academic institutions and is valid upto..... (it is valid for maximum period of six months or less as may be certified by the medical authority)

**Signature of Medical Authority**

(Signature & Name)	(Signature & Name)	(Signature & Name)	(Signature & Name)	(Signature & Name)
Orthopaedic/ PMR specialist	Clinical Psychologist/ Rehabilitation Psychologist/ Psychiatrist/ Special Educator	Neurologist (if available)	Occupational Therapist (if available)	Other Expert as nominated By the Chairperson (if any)
(Signature & Name)				
Chief Medical Officer/ Civil Surgeon/Chief District Medical Officer... Chairperson				

**Name of Government Hospital/Health** .....

**Care Centre with Seal** .....

**Place:**

**Date:**



**Letter of Undertaking by the person with specified disability covered under the definition of Section 2 (s) of the RPwD Act, 2016 but not covered under the definition of Section 2(r) of the said Act, i.e. persons having less than 40% disability and having difficulty in writing**

1. I, a candidate with.....(nature of disability / condition) appearing for the ..... (name of the examination) bearing Roll No. ....at ..... (name of the centre) in the District .....(name of the State). My educational qualification is .....
2. I do hereby state that.....(name of the scribe) will provide the service of the scribe for the undersigned for taking the aforementioned examination.
3. I do hereby undertake that his qualification is ..... In case, subsequently it is found that his qualification is not as declared by the undersigned and is beyond my qualification. I shall forfeit my right to the post or certificate/diploma/degree and claims relating thereto.

**(Signature of the candidate)**

**(counter signature by the parent/guardian, if the candidate is minor)**

**Place:**

**Date:**

# ARTISAN ADMISSION GUIDELINES

## ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

### FOR BACHELOR'S Programmes (B.Des)

#### Who can apply?

Any candidate who fulfils the prescribed age and educational qualification criteria for the concerned programme can apply.

#### 1. Qualifying Age

Maximum age should be less than 24 years as on 1st August of the year of admission. The upper age limit may be relaxed by a period of 5 (five) years for candidates of Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe/Person with Disability (PWD) categories

**2. Educational Qualification** for Bachelor of Design (B.Des) Programmes (Fashion Design/Leather Design / Accessory Design /Textile Design/Knitwear Design/ Fashion Communication/Fashion Interiors)

- Passed the plus 2 level examination in the 10+2 pattern of examination of any recognized Central/State Board of Secondary Examination, such as Central Board of Secondary Education / State Board New Delhi / Council for Indian School Certificate Examination, New Delhi.

or

- A pass grade in the Senior Secondary School Examination conducted by the National Open School with a minimum of five subjects.

or

- 3 or 4-years diploma recognized by AICTE or a State Board of Technical Education after secondary school examination.

or

- Any Public School/Board/University Examination in India or in foreign countries recognized by the Association of Indian Universities as equivalent to 10+2 system.

and

- Artisan/Ward of Artisan can seek admission under this category on submission of a valid Artisan Card issued to Self/ Father/ Mother by the Development Commissioner (Handicraft), or Development

Commissioner (Handlooms), Ministry of Textiles, Government of India or have applied for the Artisan card before the launch of Admission prospectus 2026 i.e 8th December 2025.

## SCHEME OF EXAMINATION

Candidates will have to appear for an Artisan Skill Test, personal interview and verification of documents will be done at the Exam Centre opted by them for Artisan Skill Test. The Artisan Skill Test will be designed to test the knowledge and skill aptitude of the candidate. Special practical hands-on Artisan Skill Test will be conducted at the test centre pertaining to the trade of the Artisan.

- Entry to the Examination Centre will be allowed with Admit Card only. Mobiles and other technical gadgets will not be allowed inside the Examination Centre. Candidates found with mobile or other infotech gadgets will be asked to leave the examination centre and shall be disqualified.
- Candidates should reach the Examination Centre at least 60 minutes prior to the commencement of the examination. The Artisan Skill Test will be held at the allotted exam centre.

Candidates from lower income group may be considered for grant of scholarship offered by the Ministry of Textiles.

## SCHEDULE OF ARTISAN SKILL TEST, PERSONAL INTERVIEW AND ELIGIBILITY/DOCUMENTS VERIFICATION

Date of test will be notified on NIFT website, [www.nift.ac.in](http://www.nift.ac.in).

Merit list will be prepared based on the marks obtained by the candidates in Artisan Skill Test and Personal Interview subject to fulfilling the eligibility criteria and verification of documents as per schedule and weightage/ marks indicated below:

## COMPONENTS AND MARKS FOR EVALUATION OF ARTISAN SKILL TEST (ARTISANS)

Course	Component	Marks	Venue
Bachelor of Design (B.Des)	<b>Artisan Skill Test:</b>	70	Test Centres
	Visualization of form and space		
	Innovative and Creative use of material		
	Composition of Elements		
	Construction skill and Finesse of the model		
	Overall presentation		
	<b>Write up:</b>		
	Explanation and Communication of concept		
	Language		
	<b>Personal Interview</b> (verification of documents / eligibility)	30	
	Total Marks	100	

\* Artisan Skill Test - Creative ability and basic 3-D modelling ability (using 3-D modelling clay) or other material(s).

### ADMIT CARD

On the basis of information given in the NIFT application forms, admit card of provisionally eligible candidates will be available for download from [www.nift.ac.in](http://www.nift.ac.in). Admit Card will not be sent by post. Candidates are advised to regularly check NIFT website for updates.

### SEAT ALLOCATION

Based on the suitability of skill, allocation of the course and campus in order of merit and preference will be given. The result of the selection test will be displayed on the NIFT website.

Candidates applying for the examination should ensure that they fulfill all the eligibility criteria for admission. Their admission at all the stages will be provisional, subject

to their satisfying the prescribed eligibility criteria. During verification at any time, if it is found that candidate does not fulfil the eligibility criteria, his/her candidature shall stand cancelled without any notice or further reference. NIFT shall not be liable for any consequences on account of such cancellations.

### SEATS AVAILABLE

Two supernumerary seats are earmarked in B.Des programme at each campus under Artisan category.

### HOW TO APPLY : SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION FORM

Candidates can apply online at [www.nift.ac.in](http://www.nift.ac.in)

Guidelines for applying online may be referred for the purpose. The application fee has to be paid through online payment gateway.

- Non-Refundable Fee for Open/OBC (Non-Creamy Layer)/Open-EWS Category: Rs.2000/- through payment gateway.
- Non-Refundable Fee for SC/ST/PWD Category : Rs. 500/- through payment gateway.

### Mode of Payment:

Payment of application fee (Rs.2000/- or Rs.500/-) can be paid through credit cards/debit cards through NIFT admission website as explained above. The Bank and transaction charges on the application fee will be borne by the applicant.

Applicants are advised to apply on time and keep a printout / photocopy of application form for further reference along with proof of payment.

### LIST OF DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED

The following documents shall be uploaded for admission.

- Self attested Certificates of qualifying examination i.e. 12th class/diploma/degree (Marksheet and certificate).
- In case the candidate has appeared/appearing for qualifying exam/compartments (of final year/semester) and the result is due, the date sheet/admit card for appearing examination has to be brought at the time of interview at NIFT.
- Proof of date of birth (Secondary school marksheet & certificate) (Photocopy).
- SC/ST/OBC - Non-Creamy Layer/PWD supported with requisite certificate in the name of candidate, if applicable.

- (v) Certificate of Medical Fitness to be signed by a Registered Medical Practitioner in the prescribed format in original.
- (vi) Self declaration for seeking provisional admission only in case, the result of qualifying examination is yet to be declared.
- (vii) An undertaking regarding Anti-Ragging.
- (viii) An undertaking regarding refund of fee.
- (ix) A valid Artisan Card issued to self/Father/Mother by the Development Commissioner (Handicraft), or Development Commissioner (Handlooms), Ministry of Textiles, Government of India prior to the 08th December, 2025 or launch of Admissions – 2026.

Note: -

- Original Documents need to be produced for verification when the candidate reports at the exam centre for Artisan Skill Test.
- Photocopy of all the above said documents should be self-attested.
- In case any of the above document(s) is/are in any language other than English/Hindi, then a certified translation in English/Hindi should be produced duly verified by the issuing institution/ gazetted officer/Self attested (original and photocopy) by the candidate at the time of Artisan Skill Test. Failure on the part of candidate to produce the requisite authentic translation may result in refusal of admission.

## NIFT LATERAL ENTRY ADMISSION GUIDELINES

NIFT Lateral Entry Admission (NLEA) provides an opportunity to candidates who have completed their Diploma in relevant / related fields of Design & Technology for direct admission to the third semester of UG programmes of NIFT. The candidates who have acquired Diploma/Degree will appear for NIFT Entrance Examination to get lateral admission in the 3rd semester of UG programmes of NIFT. The admission to these candidates will be strictly on merit which will be prepared based on the performance of candidates in entrance examination, studio test/technical aptitude test and a personal interview. The candidates selected through lateral entry will join the regular UG students of NIFT in their second year. Final vacant seats available will be displayed on the website prior to seat allocation.

### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

#### Eligibility for NLEA to Bachelor of Design (B.Des)

- Candidates having minimum 1 or 2 years diploma recognized by AICTE/AIU/ UGC / National Skills Qualification Framework (NSQF)/ITI or a State Board of Technical Education in courses related to Fashion / Apparel / Textile and Accessories / Home Science/ Handloom Technology / Products / Visual Communication / Graphic Design / Industrial Design / Interior Design / Multimedia Design / Apparel Technology / Leather/ Fine arts after passing Secondary Examination / 10th standard

AND

- Two -year Full Time Industry Experience in the related field after completion of Diploma before launch of Admissions.

OR

- Candidates having minimum 1 year diploma recognized by AICTE/AIU/ UGC / National Skills Qualification Framework (NSQF) /ITI or a State Board of Technical Education in courses related to Fashion / Apparel / Textile and Accessories / Home Science/ Handloom Technology / Products / Visual Communication / Graphic Design / Industrial Design / Interior Design / Multimedia Design / Apparel Technology / Leather/ Fine arts after passing Senior Secondary Examination / 12th Standard.

AND

- One-year Full Time Industry Experience in the related field after completion of Diploma before the launch of Admissions.

OR

- Candidates who have completed 2-year regular UG Diploma Programme at NIFT after passing Senior Secondary Examination/ 12th standard.

#### Eligibility for NLEA to Bachelor of Fashion Technology (B.F.Tech)

- Candidates having minimum 1 or 2 years diploma recognized by AICTE/AIU/ UGC / National Skills Qualification Framework (NSQF) / ITI or a State Board of Technical Education in courses related to Fashion/Apparel/Textile/ Home Science/ Handloom Technology after passing Secondary Examination / 10th Standard with Mathematics.

AND

- Two-year Full Time Industry Experience in the related field after completion of Diploma before the launch of Admissions.

OR

- Candidates having minimum 1-year diploma recognized by AICTE/AIU/ UGC / National Skills Qualification Framework (NSQF)/ ITI or a State Board of Technical Education in courses related to Fashion/Apparel/Textile/ Home Science/ Handloom Technology after passing Senior Secondary Examination / 12th Standard with Mathematics

AND

- One-year Full Time Industry Experience in the related field after completion of Diploma before the launch of Admissions.

OR

- Candidates who have completed 02 years UG Diploma Programme at NIFT after passing Senior Secondary/12th standard recognized by AIU with Mathematics.

## WHO SHOULD APPLY ?

Candidates having mathematics background with a Diploma/ Degree in engineering may apply for Bachelor of Fashion Technology (B.F.Tech) programme as well as Bachelor of Design Programme. Other candidates having aptitude for creativity/innovation/ fashion design may apply for Bachelor of Design programme.

**Maximum Age:** 24 years as on 1st August of the year of Admission. The upper age limit may be relaxed by a period of 5 (five) years for the candidates of Scheduled Castes/ Scheduled Tribe/Persons With Disabilities (PWD).

## SCHEME OF EXAMINATION

Candidates will have to appear for an entrance examination i.e. GAT exam at test centre allotted as per choices selected during the application process. Personal interview and verification of documents/eligibility will be held at designated Exam Centre. The entrance examination is designed to test the knowledge and skill aptitude of the

candidate for the programme opted. The objective type tests will have negative marking. The negative marking will be +1 for every right answer and -0.25 for every wrong answer. Entry to the examination centre will be allowed with admit card only. Mobiles and other infotech gadgets are not allowed inside the examination centre. Candidates found with mobile or other infotech gadgets will be asked to leave the examination centre and shall be disqualified. Candidates should reach the examination centre at least 60 minutes before the commencement of the examination.

## SCHEDULE OF ENTRANCE EXAMINATION, STUDIO TEST, TECHNICAL ABILITY TEST, PERSONAL INTERVIEW AND ELIGIBILITY/DOCUMENTS VERIFICATION

Merit list will be prepared based on the marks obtained by the candidates in Entrance Examination, Studio Test/ Technical Aptitude Test & Personal Interview, subject to fulfilling the eligibility criteria and verification of documents as per schedule and weightage indicated below:

Course	Test	Weightage	Timelines		Venue
Bachelor of Design (B.Des)	GAT	40	8 <sup>th</sup> February, 2026	10:00 am to 12:00 noon	Test centre allotted as per choices selected during applying.
	Studio Test	40	April, 2026	10:00 am to 12:00 noon	
	Personal Interview	20		12:30 pm onwards	
Bachelor of Fashion Technology (B.F.Tech)	General Ability Test (GAT)	40	8 <sup>th</sup> February, 2026	10:00 am to 01:00 pm	Test centre allotted as per choices selected during applying.
	Technical Ability Test (TAT)	40	April, 2026	10:00 am to 11:00 am	
	Personal Interview (PI)	20		11:30 am to 01:00 pm	

Note:- Notification with final dates will be published to NIFT website i.e. [www.nift.ac.in](http://www.nift.ac.in).

## ADMIT CARD

On the basis of information given in the NIFT Application Forms, Admit Card of provisionally eligible candidates will be available for download from [www.nift.ac.in](http://www.nift.ac.in). Admit Card will not be sent by post. Candidates are advised to regularly check NIFT website for updates.

The result of the entrance examination will be displayed on the NIFT website.

Candidates applying for the examination should ensure that they fulfill all the eligibility criteria for admission. Their admission at all the stages will be provisional, subject to their satisfying the prescribed eligibility criteria. During

verification at any time, if it is found that candidate does not fulfill the eligibility criteria, his/her candidature shall stand cancelled without any notice or further reference. NIFT shall not be liable for any consequences on account of such cancellations.

Seat allocation to the candidates will be as per merit and order of preference. Vacant seat available will be displayed on the website prior to seat allocation rounds. Based on the Entrance Examination / Personal Interview and verification of documents / eligibility of the candidate, the result will be declared in the following manner:

1. Shortlisted for seat allocation with CMR
  2. Not shortlisted based on Entrance Examination / Personal Interview
  3. Not eligible based on the verification of documents
- The selected candidates will be given admission to regular

UG programmes of NIFT after successful completion of all mandatory formalities as per NIFT Lateral Entry Admission (NLEA) Policy. Selected candidates will attend a NIFT Lateral Entry Orientation Programme at any of the NIFT campuses or at the allotted NIFT campuses as informed before commencement of the semester.

## SEATS AVAILABLE

Final seat/vacancy position in various courses at NIFT Campuses will be displayed on the website prior to seat allocation.

These are vacant seats in the ongoing academic programmes and will be allocated on merit.

## HOW TO APPLY: SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION FORM

Candidates can apply online at [www.nift.ac.in](http://www.nift.ac.in)

Guidelines for applying online may be referred for the purpose. The application fee has to be paid through online payment gateway.

- Non-Refundable Fee for Open/OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) Category: Rs. 2000/-through payment gateway.
- Non- Refundable Fee for SC/ST/PWD Category : Rs.500/- through payment gateway.

**Mode of Payment:** Credit Cards/Debit Cards Payments of application fee (Rs. 2000/- or Rs. 500/-) can be made through credit cards/debit cards as explained above. The Bank and transaction charges on the application fee will be borne by the applicant.

Candidates are advised to apply on time. Applicants are advised to keep a printout / photocopy of Application Form for further reference along with proof of payment.

## LIST OF DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED

S.No.	Documents
1.	Self Attested copy of 10th class marksheet
2.	Self Attested copy of 10th class certificate
3.	Self Attested copy of 3 or 4 years Diploma/ Degree on the basis of which the candidate is seeking admission
4.	Self Attested copy of marksheets of 3 or 4 years Diploma/Degree on the basis of which the candidate is seeking admission

5.	Self Attested copy of 10+2 certificate and marksheet, if applicable
6.	Self Attested copy of SC certificate*
7.	Self Attested copy of ST certificate*
8.	Self Attested copy of PWD certificate and UDID Card*
9.	Self Attested copy of OBC (NCL)*
10.	Self Attested copy of 2 year Diploma from NIFT

\*In case of an applicant applying for reserved seat.

## PLEASE NOTE

In case the candidate has appeared / appearing for the qualifying examination (of final year / semester) and the results is awaited, the date sheet/ Admit Card for appearing examination has to be brought at the time of Interview at NIFT Campus. The candidate will submit the final result of the qualifying diploma proving his / her eligibility on or before 30th September, 2026 to the Campus Director where the admission has been provisionally granted. The provisional admissions will automatically stand cancelled, if the candidate failed to submit the degree / certificate latest by 30th September, 2026.

No representation at later stage will be entertained by the Institute. No further correspondence in this regard will be made under any circumstances.

Information provided in the prospectus is a guideline and for reference purposes only. NIFT reserves the right to make changes if deemed appropriate. All updated information will be uploaded on the NIFT website ([www.nift.ac.in](http://www.nift.ac.in)).

## PHD PROGRAMME ADMISSION GUIDELINES

### OBJECTIVES

National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT) offers doctoral programme through its Head Office in Delhi. The programme is in recognition of high academic achievements, independent research and application of knowledge in the areas of Design, Management and Technology as applied with reference to textile, fashion, lifestyle, apparel, craft and any other related field. Interdisciplinary and trans-disciplinary research are also encouraged.

NIFT recruits outstanding researchers to create a vibrant research culture and strengthen the research focus of NIFT. NIFT research training gives candidates the skills they need to conduct research, which aims to solve critical problems affecting the industry, communities and the environment.

NIFT expects its PhD scholars to demonstrate independent research and thought leadership through publications in academic journals and scholarly presentations of their work. The scholars shall also manifest their passion for knowledge and research for developing new ideas and paradigms. Creativity and the potential to do outstanding research must be a hallmark of their personality and intellectual skill set.

PhD degree would read the title of the thesis and would not state any area i.e. Design, Management, Technology.

### SHORTLISTING, SELECTION, AND PRELIMINARY REGISTRATION

Research Proposal

**STEP I** - The completed application form has to be submitted along with an outline of Research Proposal. This Research Proposal is the most important part of the Application. It will be expected to clearly set out an appropriate set of issues to be explored through research. It should include

an indication of the approach that the candidate intends to undertake during research and identify what is sought to be achieved as an outcome. The proposed research can be related to any previous work/studies carried out by the candidate.

### STEP 2 - WRITTEN TEST & INTERVIEW

The candidates who are shortlisted after Step I - will be called for the Written Test, Research Proposal Presentation and Personal Interview. The written test, Research Proposal Presentation and Interview will assess the candidates' communication skills, academic disposition, aptitude for research and research co-curricular activities. The test shall be for two hours with descriptive/objective - type questions.

The names of qualifying candidates will be published on NIFT website, who then have to appear for research proposal presentation and interview (as per the calendar of activities). Admission will be offered to the deserving candidates depending on the number of seats available for the academic year.

(Depending on the number of applications received and considering the constraints of time and other resources for conducting Written Test and Interview, the criteria could be changed by NIFT without prior notice. NIFT may incorporate additional academic performance based short listing criteria.) NIFT will not provide travel and accommodation facilities for applicants appearing for the written test, Research Proposal Presentation & Interview. Candidates must bear all expenses for their travel and accommodation.

### COMPONENTS AND MARKS OF WRITTEN TEST FOR PH.D

The objective type test will have negative marking, +1 for every right answer and -0.25 for every wrong answer.

Sets	Subject Area	Type	Marks Experience	Duration
Set-I	Research Aptitude	Objective type (MCQ)	30 Marks (10 marks for each section)	A total of 45 minutes for all the sections
	Communication skills	Objective type (MCQ)		
	Logical Reasoning	Objective type (MCQ)		
BREAK – 15 MINUTES				
Set-II	Research Disposition	Descriptive	20 marks (10 marks for each question)	One Hour



## Exemptions from written Test

Master's degree holders with minimum 10 years of professional experience (teaching/ working) in the areas of research relevant to NIFT

Or

Master's degree holders who have cleared and hold a valid score UGC NET, CEED, CSIR (JRF), GATE similar tests.

Applicants meeting the above criteria will be exempted from written test.

## ADMISSION ELIGIBILITY (FULL-TIME & PART-TIME)

Qualification	Minimum years of education after class X	CGPA	Work Experience
Master's degree in the relevant area of Design, Management or Technology (or) equivalent qualification from an institute/ university of national/ international repute	07	Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of 6.0 on a 10 point scale (5.5 for SC/ST candidates) or equivalent OR 55% (50% for SC/ST candidates) marks in aggregate (of all the years/ semesters)	None (candidates appearing in final semester / final year may also apply as per Format -8)
Where the Master's Degree is found to be in a discipline not relevant to the areas identified by NIFT	07	Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of 6.0 on a 10-point scale (5.5 for SC/ST candidates) or equivalent OR 55% (50% for SC/ST candidates) marks in aggregate (of all the years/ semesters)	10 years of professional experience (teaching / working) in the proposed area of research
Bachelor's degree in the relevant area of Design, Management or Technology (or) equivalent qualification from an institute/ university of national/ international repute	05	Minimum Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of 8.0 on a 10-point scale (7.5 for SC/ST candidates) or equivalent as determined by the Institute wherever letter grades are awarded; OR 75% (70% for SC/ST candidates) marks in aggregate (of all the years/semesters) where marks are awarded	10 years of professional experience (teaching / working) in the proposed area of research

Marksheets of class X, XII, Bachelor's degree, Master's degree (if applicable), Scanned Copies of Degree-Bachelor's, Master's (if applicable), work experience certificate(s) on employer letter head (if applicable), must be uploaded along with application form.

## PROGRAMME DURATION

### FOR FULL-TIME SCHOLARS

The Scholars shall normally submit their thesis within a period of FOUR years, with the option of submitting in three years from the date of their initial registration for the PhD Programme. However, as a special case, this limit may be extended to a maximum of five years after which the registration shall stand automatically cancelled. However, the scholar will not receive any financial assistance in this extended period.

## FOR PART-TIME SCHOLARS

The Scholars shall normally submit their thesis within a period of SIX years, with the option of submitting in four years from the date of their initial registration for the PhD Programme. However, as a special case, this limit may be extended to a maximum of seven years after which the registration shall stand automatically cancelled.

## FULL-TIME PHD SCHOLARS CATEGORIES

**NIFT Teaching Fellows (NTF)** - The scholars under this category are entitled to financial support of Rs. 31,000/- per month for the first two years and Rs. 35,000/- per month for the next two years. On-campus housing will be provided to NTFs only if it is available. In case on-campus housing is not available, HRA of Rs 7000/- pm. towards off-campus housing will be paid. Other than the Fellowship, a Contingency Amount of Rs 20,000 per year shall be allocated to all NTFs on the recommendation of the concerned Supervisor after their yearly review. The NIFT teaching fellows will be present in the NIFT campus as per rules and regulations of NIFT, for the duration of the PhD enrolment.

The number of seats in the PhD (Full-time) admission is 05 seats (Reservations will apply as per extant orders of Government of India).

The following criteria to be met by the NTF for receiving/continuation of Teaching Fellowship:

- I. NTF must assist in teaching or research, as assigned by the respective Academic Unit to the extent of 8 hours of work per week.
- II. Satisfactory performance of the NTF in Academic as well as other duties assigned by the Academic Unit.
- III. The NTF should not be an employee on the rolls (with or without pay) of any organization.
- IV. They will provide proof of being relieved from their employment within 30 days from the date of declaration of final result or the date of commencement of the Academic Programme whichever is earlier.

Teaching Fellowship will be awarded initially for one year and after an annual performance review of the NTF, it may be renewed annually for a maximum period of 04 years. Under no circumstance, the fellowship will be granted after the completion of 04 years.

The fellowship to NTF shall stand terminated under the following conditions-

- I. on completion of 04 years from the date of initial registration,
- II. the date of PhD viva-voce
- III. from the date of resignation of the NTF

At the time of admission, fellows will be required to give an undertaking that they have applied for admission to PhD in NIFT under the NTF scheme and they are not an employee on the rolls (with or without pay) of any organization or they will resign on the declaration of result. (Format-3).

**Self-Financed (SF), including those on Study Leave-** This category refers to persons who are admitted through the usual admission procedure but are not eligible for financial support from the Institute. If admitted, Self-financed candidates have to complete their programme within the prescribed time without any financial support from the Institute. This category also includes candidates who are released from Governmental or educational institutions on study leave for a period of at least two years. If selected then, the employer's letter for study leave should be produced at the time of joining (Format-4). Those who may be sponsored by their employees to undertake PhD in NIFT may submit sponsorship certificate with the application form (Format 5). Such applicants can apply for hostel accommodation on campus, if available, it may be provided on a payment basis.

## PART-TIME PHD SCHOLARS CATEGORIES

**Part-time External Candidate** - Candidates, who are working in reputed research organizations, academic Institutes and industries, are eligible to apply under Part-time PhD degree programme subject to fulfilment of other eligibility criteria of PhD degree programme. "No Objection Certificate" from the employer for a Part-time candidate will be required along with the application form (Format 6).

**Part-time Internal Candidate** - Academic and Non-Academic employees working in NIFT will fall under this category. The study leave conditions of NIFT shall become applicable for the Part-time Internal candidates. Academic staffs of the Institute require administrative clearance from the concerned Chairperson and Campus Director to seek registration on a Part-time basis after satisfactory completion of service period of 3 years.

A member of the non-academic staff of the Institute after completion of three years of service (including probation) at the Institute, who satisfies eligibility criteria may be considered for admission to the PhD programme, provided the candidate has been given administrative clearance by the Competent Authority at NIFT.

There is no provision for financial assistance/fellowship to Part-time PhD candidates.

## LOCATION OF THE PHD SCHOLAR

NIFT currently has 20 campuses all over the country. The Full-time candidates will be ideally based at the NIFT Campus of the assigned PhD Supervisor to ensure that the applicant is under the guidance of the supervisor and the research rigor is maintained throughout the programme. This applies only to Full-time candidates. The Part-time candidate could be based anywhere.

All the PhD candidates may be required to travel to other NIFT campus for classes, meeting the supervisor, and for progress seminars, comprehensive examination, Pre PhD-Seminar, Viva Voce, etc, on their own expense.

## QUALIFYING STAGES OF WORK

There are primarily two stages of work for candidates after preliminary registration and before the final registration as a Scholar for PhD.

### STAGE ONE: COURSE WORK

In the first stage, the supervisor will guide the candidate to select coursework and develop a detailed research plan. A joint supervisor can be added anytime during the next 18 months. The candidate will be required to take requisite course work with the suggestion of the supervisor. The subjects can be selected from either one or multiple of three options.

- (i) subjects offered by Design, Management and Technology Departments at respective NIFT campuses
- (ii) subjects from different institutes like IIT/NIT/IIM/selected international institutes with whom NIFT has MOU
- (iii) subjects through mass open online courses (MOOC), For e.g. edX, Coursera, SWAYAM, Udacity, etc.

A Minimum CGPA of 7.0 on a 10-point scale is required for the continued candidacy of PhD Degree. CGPA below 6.5 will cause termination of registration with immediate effect. However, if the CGPA is above 6.5 but less than 7.0, the candidate would be asked to take more courses in order to enhance their CGPA to 7.0 or above, subject to the condition that this should be achieved within the next semester. Attendance of 75% is compulsory.

### STAGE TWO: COMPREHENSIVE EXAMINATION

After successfully clearing stage one, the candidate will reach the second stage of work and will be required to take a Comprehensive Examination.

This tests comprehension of the broad field of research and academic preparation and the potential to carry out the proposed research plan. A candidate is permitted to give a maximum of two attempts to pass the comprehensive examination and should be able to complete it within 18 months for Full-time and 24 months for Part-time from date of joining the programme, failing which his/her registration will be cancelled. The candidate shall be formally registered as a scholar for the PhD Degree after successful completion of stage one and stage two.

The candidate shall be monitored regularly and will submit a progress report at the end of every odd semester and will present the Research Progress Seminar at the end of every even semester. In the event of getting two consecutive unsatisfactory grades, the registration will stand terminated.

### PRE-PHD SEMINAR/SYNOPSIS

On completion of the research work, the Scholar shall hold a Pre-PhD seminar and submit a synopsis. The result of the Pre PhD seminar will decide the further course of action for the Scholar.

### THESIS SUBMISSION

The Scholar will be required to submit the thesis within a minimum of two months and a maximum of nine months after the declaration of the result of the Pre PhD-Seminar.

### THESIS EVALUATION

The Submitted thesis will be evaluated and based on the thesis evaluation, the scholar will be recommended for viva-voce examination.

### AWARD OF PHD DEGREE

A Scholar, who has been recommended for viva-voce examination on the basis of thesis evaluation, shall be required to defend research undertaken before an Oral Defense Committee. The Committee may recommend the award of the degree or suggest corrections/ modifications to be incorporated in the thesis or the degree may not be awarded.

### ASSISTANCE FROM NIFT

50% tuition fee waiver will be extended to the NIFT employees (regular and contract) pursuing PhD at NIFT. In case the contract of the employee is not renewed during the course of research for any reason, the Scholar would not be eligible for the 50% tuition waiver henceforth.

50% tuition fee waiver will also be extended to scholars admitted to PhD programme from other Government Organizations/ Institutions under Ministry of Textile, Govt. of India.

Additionally, the NIFT employees are also allowed a waiver of Security Deposit, Library Fee and Mediclaim & Scholar Development Fee. Also, financial assistance may be extended for NIFT employees (regular and contract) for product development, experimentation and thesis documentation.

### HOW TO APPLY: SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION FORM

Candidates must apply online at <https://exams.nta.nic.in/niftee/>

Applicant should follow the prescribed procedure step by step for online submission of application. Candidates should scan and upload photocopies of required certificates wherever asked for. The Application fee has to be paid through online payment gateway on the Admission website only.

- Non-Refundable Fee for Open/OBC (Non-Creamy Layer)/Open-EWS Category: Rs. 2000/-
- Non-Refundable Fee for SC/ST/PWD Category: Rs. 500/-

**Candidate shall submit the application fees through online payment gateway on the admission portal only.**

### PLEASE NOTE

- 1) Application forms incomplete in any way or not having required educational/ experience certificates or the latest photographs are liable to be rejected without intimation.
- 2) Candidates are advised to keep a printout/ photocopy of the Application Form for further reference along with proof of payment.
- 3) Prior to making the payment candidate can edit/ amend the information in the online application. Once the payment has been made the candidate will not be allowed to change/modify any information by the system.
- 4) Application fee once paid will not be refunded in case the application is found not eligible for admissions to NIFT after editing /updating of the application form.
- 5) It is the sole responsibility of the candidate to provide correct information during the application process. At any stage, if it is found that the information provided by the candidate is not true, NIFT has the right to cancel

his/her candidature. Any direct or indirect attempt to influence the management and employees of the institute will lead to, the automatic disqualification of the candidate.

- 6) After closing the window to edit the application form/ registration category filled up in the application form will not be changed at any stage. Therefore, candidates are advised to fill-up the application form with due diligence.

## DOCUMENTS TO BE ATTACHED/UPLOADED WITH APPLICATION FORM

Document	Required to be submitted by
Self-attested copies of the following: Class X certificate (DOB) Class XII marksheet/certificate Bachelor's Mark sheet Bachelor's Degree Master's Mark sheet (If applicable) Master's Degree (If applicable) Scorecard UGC-NET, CEED, CSIR (JRF) or equivalent (If applicable) SC, ST, OBC (NCL), EWS certificate - as applicable	All Applicants
<b>Format 1</b> - Research proposal	All Applicants
<b>Format 2</b> - Consent of NIFT PhD supervisor	All Applicants
<b>Format 3</b> - Undertaking A. not employed on the rolls (with or without pay) of any organization B. Currently employed but will resign from the present job incase of selection to the programme and will not be employed on the rolls (with or without pay) of any organisation	Those applying to Full-time PhD NIFT Teaching Fellow category
<b>Format 4</b> - Employer's consent for Study Leave	Those applying to Full-time PhD Study Leave/Self-Financed category
<b>Format 5</b> - Sponsorship certificate	Those applying to Full-time PhD Study Leave but being sponsored by the employer they are working for
<b>Format 6</b> - No Objection certificate from employer	Those applying for Part-time PhD programme Full-time PhD Study Leave/ Sponsored candidates
<b>Format 7</b> - Request letter for exemption from written test	PG Applicants (qualifying in CGPA criteria) with minimum 10 years of professional experience (teaching/ working) in the areas of research relevant to NIFT Or Master's degree holders who have cleared UGC NET, CEED, CSIR(JRF) similar tests and hold a valid score will be exempted from written test
<b>Format 8</b> - Undertaking in case of the result is awaited for qualifying exam	Undertaking to be given at the time of applying for Provisional Admission for PhD Programme
Work experience Certificate(s)	Master's Degree holders in a discipline not relevant to the areas identified by NIFT & Bachelor's degree holders in the relevant area of Design, Management or Technology (or) equivalent qualification from an institute/university of national/ international repute

## Format I - Research Proposal

The research proposal must be in 2000 words which include:

- Statement of Topic of research (not more than 100 words)-focus of research, research problem it will address and contribution to knowledge the topic will make.
  - Review of Literature (not more than 200 words)-Overview of key research on the topic and gap in knowledge that the topic will address.
  - Objectives of the research
  - Research Methodology-Explain the research methods that will be employed to achieve the stated objectives and methodology for data collection and analysis.
  - Expected Research Contribution to the field/industry
  - List of References
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## Format 2 - Consent letter of NIFT PhD Supervisor

I \_\_\_\_\_; faculty in NIFT \_\_\_\_\_ (Campus) hereby give my consent to be the PhD supervisor of \_\_\_\_\_ if he/she is selected for the PhD programme.

Signature

Name

Designation

Date:

Place:

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## Format 3 - Undertaking to be given at the time of admission by those applying for NIFT Teaching Fellowship

I, \_\_\_\_\_ applicant for the Full-time PhD Programme of National Institute of Fashion Technology, hereby undertake that I am not on the roll of any organisation and I am not drawing a salary from any organization. I understand that if the above information given by me is found to be false, my candidature in NIFT Full-time PhD will be cancelled.

OR

I am employed at \_\_\_\_\_ on a salary of \_\_\_\_\_. I will be resigning on declaration of results and submit proof of being relieved before commencement of academic program.

Signature of the Applicant

Date:

Place:

## Format 4 - Employer's Consent to Grant Study leave if Candidate is selected for NIFT PhD Programme

(To be typed on letter head of the Institution/organisation)

To,  
The Dean (Academics),  
NIFT-HO,  
New Delhi.

Sub: Study Leave

This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_ S/o/D/o \_\_\_\_\_ is; R/o \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ working with \_\_\_\_\_. The organisation has no objection to for his/her attending  
Doctoral Programme at National Institute of Fashion Technology and will be granted study leave of two years from the  
day of admission of the candidate in NIFT PhD Programme as a full-time candidate.

Signature of Authorised Signatory:

Name

Designation

Seal of the organisation

Date:

Place:

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## Format 5 - Sponsorship letter for Full-Time PhD Candidates

(To be typed on letter head of the sponsoring organization)

To,  
The Dean (Academics),  
NIFT-HO,  
New Delhi.

Sub: Sponsoring of an Employee for PhD programme

Dear Sir/Madam

We hereby sponsor the candidature of \_\_\_\_\_, employed in our organization as  
\_\_\_\_\_ (designation) for joining the PhD Programme in \_\_\_\_\_ at your Institute as  
a full-time candidate.

\_\_\_\_\_ is an employee of our organization since \_\_\_\_\_. We shall bear the total expenses of his/  
her studies. We shall fully relieve him/ her from his/her duties in the organization during the entire period of the PhD  
programme, to enable him/ her to devote Full-time to his/her studies in the Institute.

Signature of Authorised Signatory:

Name

Designation

Seal of the organisation

Date:

Place:

## Format 6 - No Objection Certificate

(for Part-time Candidates and Full-time-Study leave/Sponsored candidates)

### No Objection Certificate

This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_ S/o / D/o \_\_\_\_\_ is; R/o \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ working with \_\_\_\_\_ has no objection for attending PhD  
Programme at the allocated campus of National Institute of Fashion Technology (if selected)

Authorised Signatory:

Note: It should be printed on organisation's letter head with organisation's seal.

Date:

Place:

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## Format 7 - Request letter for exemption from written test.

I would like to be exempted from written test as I qualify for exemption because I am PG Applicant (qualifying in CGPA criteria) with minimum 10 years of professional experience (teaching/working) in the areas of research relevant to NIFT. My experience certificates are being submitted with application form.

OR

I am Master's Degree holder who has cleared UGC NET, CEED, GATE, CSIR (JRF) similar tests and hold a valid score will be exempted from written test. My certificates and valid score of (UGC NET, CEED, CSIR-JRF/ similar tests) are being submitted with the application form.

Signature of the Applicant

Date:

Place:



## Format 8 - Undertaking to be given at the time of applying for Provisional Admission for PhD Programm

I \_\_\_\_\_ (name of the candidate) son/daughter/wife  
of \_\_\_\_\_ (Father's/Husband's name) resident of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ (Permanent address) seeking admissions to PhD Programme of NIFT, hereby solemnly affirm  
and declare:

1. That I have appeared in the M.F.Tech/M.Sc./M.A/M.Des. etc. final semester/final year (name of the qualifying (Institute /university)), the result of which has not yet been declared.
2. I undertake to submit the qualifying mark sheets/certificate as per the eligibility criteria by 30.9.2026 failing which the provisional admission shall stand cancelled without any further notice to me.
3. That I have carefully gone through the rules regarding provisional admission, and I fully understand that in the event of failure to submit the documents as in above provision, the provisional admission to the said course will be automatically cancelled and full deposited fee will be forfeited.

Signature of the Applicant

Date:

Place:

## FEE STRUCTURE - REGULAR/ ARTISAN/WARD OF ARTISAN

Academic Fee Semester Wise For Non-Nri Category (In Rupees)								
	2026-27		2027-28		2028-29		2029-30	
	Sem 1	Sem 2	Sem 3	Sem 4	Sem 5	Sem 6	Sem 7	Sem 8
Tuition fee (Non refundable)	150000	150000	158000	158000	166000	166000	174000	174000
Library fee (per year) (non refundable)	10000	0	10500	0	11000	0	11600	0
Mediclaime & student development fee (Per year) (non Refundable)	4900	0	5100	0	5400	0	5700	0
Exam fee (per year)	4900	0	5100	0	5400	0	5700	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>169800</b>	<b>150000</b>	<b>178700</b>	<b>158000</b>	<b>187800</b>	<b>166000</b>	<b>197000</b>	<b>174000</b>
<b>One time payments</b>								
Security deposit (one time) (refundable)	12600	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Alumni association membership fee (One time) (Non refundable)*	0	0	0	0	0	0	6200	0
Registration fee (One time)	9300	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>21900</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6200</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>191700</b>	<b>150000</b>	<b>178700</b>	<b>158000</b>	<b>187800</b>	<b>166000</b>	<b>203200</b>	<b>174000</b>

Note:

1. NIFT reserves the right to revise the above mentioned fees for any academic year.
2. For PG students admitted to two year masters course, the fee has to be paid only for two years i.e 2026-27 & 2027-28 and \*Alumni association membership fee will be paid in 3rd Semester (for Regular PG Candidate)

## FEE STRUCTURE - NRI

<b>Academic Fee Annually For NRI (Per Year - Consisting of Two Semesters) (In Rupees) at NIFT Bengaluru, Chennai, Delhi, Gandhinagar, Hyderabad, Kolkata &amp; Mumbai</b>				
	<b>2026-27</b>	<b>2027-28</b>	<b>2028-29</b>	<b>2029-30</b>
Tuition fee (non refundable)	907000	952000	1000000	1050000
Library fee (per year) (non refundable)	52500	55100	57900	60800
Mediclaime & student development fee (per year) (non refundable)	33600	35300	37100	39000
Exam fee (per year)	4900	5100	5400	5700
<b>Total</b>	<b>998000</b>	<b>1047500</b>	<b>1100400</b>	<b>1155500</b>
<b>One time payments</b>				
Security deposit (one time) (refundable)	12600	0	0	0
Alumni association membership fee (one time) (Non refundable)*	0	0	0	6200
Registration fee (one time)	9300	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>21900</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6200</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>1019900</b>	<b>1047500</b>	<b>1100400</b>	<b>1161700</b>
<b>At NIFT Daman, Patna, Kangra, Bhopal, Kannur, Shillong, Jodhpur, Bhubaneswar, Nava Raipur, Panchkula, Raebareli &amp; Varanasi</b>				
	<b>2026-27</b>	<b>2027-28</b>	<b>2028-29</b>	<b>2029-30</b>
Tuition fee (non refundable)	635000	667000	700000	735000
Library fee (per year) (non refundable)	36800	38600	40500	42500
Mediclaime & student development fee (per year) (Non refundable)	23500	24700	25900	27200
Exam fee (per year)	4900	5100	5400	5700
<b>Total</b>	<b>700200</b>	<b>735400</b>	<b>771800</b>	<b>810400</b>
<b>One time payments</b>				
Security deposit (one time) (refundable)	12600	0	0	0
Alumni association membership fee (one time) (Non refundable)*	0	0	0	6200
Registration fee (one time)	9300	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>21900</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6200</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>722100</b>	<b>735400</b>	<b>771800</b>	<b>816600</b>

Note:

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2. For PG students admitted to two year masters course, the fee has to be paid only for two years i.e 2026-27 & 2027-28 and \*Alumni association membership fee will be paid in 3rd Semester (for Regular PG Candidate)
3. One time payments for NRI candidates have been kept at par with the Non-NRI candidates.

## FEE STRUCTURE - NLEA

Academic Fee Semester Wise (In Rupees)						
	2026-27		2027-28		2028-29	
	Sem 3	Sem 4	Sem 5	Sem 6	Sem 7	Sem 8
Tuition fee (Non refundable)	150000	150000	158000	158000	166000	166000
Library fee (per year) (Non refundable)	10000	0	10500	0	11000	0
Mediclaim & student development Fee (per year) (non refundable)	4900	0	5100	0	5400	0
Exam fee (per year)	4900	0	5100	0	5400	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>169800</b>	<b>150000</b>	<b>178700</b>	<b>158000</b>	<b>187800</b>	<b>166000</b>
<b>One time payments</b>						
Security deposit (one time) (Refundable)	12600	0	0	0	0	0
Alumni association membership fee (One time) (non refundable)	0	0	0	0	6200	0
Registration fee (One time)	9300	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>21900</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6200</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>191700</b>	<b>150000</b>	<b>178700</b>	<b>158000</b>	<b>194000</b>	<b>166000</b>

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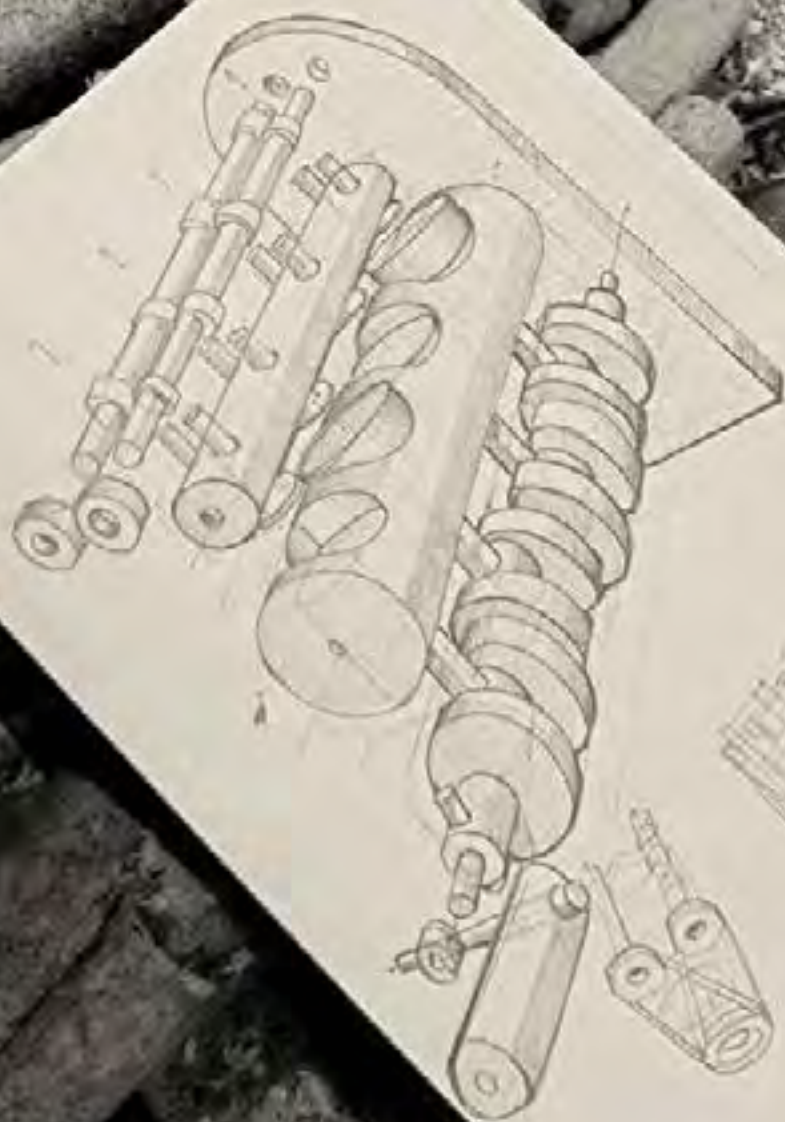
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## PhD FEE STRUCTURE

Academic Fee (per semester) for PhD Programme - 2026 (In Rupees)			
Particulars	Part Time PhD	NIFT teaching Fellows (Full Time PhD)	Self Financed/ Sponsored/study leave (Full Time Phd)
Tuition fee ( non refundable)	84000	0	98000
Library fee (per year) (non refundable)	10000	10000	10000
Mediclaim & student development fee (per year) (non refundable)	4900	4900	4900
Exam fee (per year)	4900	4900	4900
<b>Total</b>	<b>103800</b>	<b>19800</b>	<b>117800</b>
<b>One time payments</b>			
Security deposit (one time) (refundable)	12600	12600	12600
Registration fee (one time)	9300	9300	9300
<b>Total</b>	<b>21900</b>	<b>21900</b>	<b>21900</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>125700</b>	<b>41700</b>	<b>139700</b>
Academic Fee for NRI (Per year - consisting of two semesters) for PhD Programme - 2026 (In Rupees)			
Particulars	Part Time PhD	NIFT teaching Fellows (Full Time PhD)	Self Financed/ Sponsored/study leave (Full Time Phd)
Tuition fee (non refundable)	459000	0	534000
Library fee (per year) (non refundable)	52500	52500	52500
Mediclaim & student development fee (per year) (non refundable)	33600	33600	33600
Exam fee (per year)	4900	4900	4900
<b>Total</b>	<b>550000</b>	<b>91000</b>	<b>625000</b>
<b>One time payments</b>			
Security deposit (one time) (refundable)	12600	12600	12600
Registration fee (one time)	9300	9300	9300
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>21900</b>	<b>21900</b>	<b>21900</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>571900</b>	<b>112900</b>	<b>646900</b>

Note:

NIFT reserves the right to revise the above mentioned fees for any academic year.



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