INFORMATION BROCHURE
Admission to Research Programmes
December - 2021

VIT
Vellore Institute of Technology
(Deemed to be University under section 3 of UGC Act, 1956)

National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC)
Accreditation with highest grade in the last 3 consecutive cycles
1. ABOUT VIT

Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT) was founded in 1984 as Vellore Engineering College by the Chancellor Dr. G. Viswanathan. VIT attracts students from all the 29 states of India and more than 41 different countries because of its academic excellence.

VIT has the record of publishing maximum number of SCOPUS Indexed Research Journal papers, among Indian Universities, overtaking all the premier institutions. VIT has also completed 3 cycles of NAAC accreditation and has been rated as an “A++” grade institution. In addition, VIT also has obtained the coveted ABET accreditation by US agency.

2. Programme offered at various Schools at VIT - Vellore & Chennai, VIT-AP and VIT-Bhopal

In VIT-Vellore and VIT-AP campuses only Internal Full Time [IFT] category is offered. In VIT-Chennai and VIT-Bhopal both Internal Full Time [IFT] and External Part Time [EPT] categories are available.

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- maths, physics, chemistry, geology are under SAS | English, sociology, psychology are under SSL | Both CSE and IT are under SCOPE | Management Sciences is under VITBS | Thermal, automotive, materials, manufacturing, design, automation are under SMEC in VIT-Chennai Campus.
- Both CSE and IT are under SCOPE | Maths, physics, chemistry are under SAS | Electronics & Electrical are under SENSE | Management Sciences, economics are under VITBS | English, anthropology / sociology are under school of social sciences & humanities in VIT-AP.
- Maths, physics, chemistry are under SAS | Computation and information engineering are under SCOPE | Electrical engineering is under SELECT | Electronics Engineering is under SENSE | English is under school of social sciences & languages | Management Sciences is under VITBS in VIT-Bhopal.
3. MINIMUM QUALIFICATION FOR ADMISSION

(10+2+4+2 or any equivalent for Ph.D. in Engineering)
(10+2+3+2 or any equivalent for Ph.D. in Non-Engineering)

For Ph.D. in Engineering:
Master’s degree in Engineering / Technology in the relevant discipline with a minimum of 60% marks (of all the years / semesters) wherever marks are awarded / CGPA 6.5 on a 10 point scale in cases where letter grades are awarded or Equivalent qualifications like M.Sc. (Engineering) / M.S. [By Research] / M.Tech. [By Research].

For all the Research Programmes, it is mandatory that the candidate should have studied in regular, full time and formal education in their previous degree programmes (UG and PG).

M.Sc. Computer Science, M.Sc. (IT), MCA degree holders are not eligible to apply for Ph.D. Programme.

For Integrated Ph.D. in Engineering / Technology:
Bachelor’s Students with outstanding academic record in the Bachelor’s degree in Engineering / Technology with an aptitude towards advanced scientific and technological research are eligible to apply. A minimum of 80% marks or a CGPA of 8.5 is mandatory on a 10 point scale.

For Ph.D. in Sciences:
Master’s degree in the relevant discipline of Science with a minimum of 60% marks / CGPA 6.5 on a 10 point scale.

For Ph.D. in Languages:
Master’s degree with a minimum of 60% marks or 6.5 CGPA on a 10 point scale.

For Ph.D. in Management:
Master in Business Administration / CA / ICWA with a minimum of 60% marks / CGPA 6.5 on a 10 point scale.

For Ph.D. in Law:
Master's Degree in law (LLM / ML) from any recognized University / Institute, in the relevant field with a minimum of 60% marks or 6.5 CGPA on a 10 point scale.

For Ph.D. in Fashion Technology:

4. CATEGORY AND ELIGIBILITY

Internal Full Time:
A candidate who wishes to work for Ph.D. / Integrated Ph.D. degree on full time basis (including project staff working in sponsored projects being carried out at VIT) should apply in the prescribed form on or before the specified date.

External Part Time: (Applicable only for VIT-Chennai & VIT-Bhopal Campuses)
Teachers working in other colleges in a permanent position and candidates sponsored by R&D organizations of following categories are eligible to apply to work on a part time basis for Ph.D. degree.

- Laboratories run by the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research/ Department of Atomic Energy / Department of Space etc.
- Public Sector undertakings with R & D Units.
• Private Industries recognized by The Department of Scientific & Industrial Research, Government of India as engaged in R&D work or contributing to R&D efforts. A copy of the certificate issued by the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research (DSIR) in this regard will be required to be produced in such cases.
• Medical Industry, Institutions and Hospitals with approved R&D in the relevant area. (A copy of the certificate issued by the appropriate authority to be produced).

Selection Procedure for International / NRI candidates:
• Foreign nationals / NRI candidates can only register as full-time scholars through separate link: https://admissions.vit.ac.in/irpgapplication/
• Candidates of foreign nationality who hold Degrees from Indian Universities seeking admission to research programmes with the necessary clearance from the Government of India (The Ministry of Human Resource Development) and possess valid Visa will be treated on par with Indian nationals for purposes of admission to the Institute.
• Indian nationals having degrees from Indian Universities may apply as NRI candidate. After receiving their application and required documents, they will be interviewed via skype or other web technology. The fee is payable only as USD.
• Foreign nationals with foreign degrees must meet the minimum educational requirements as given in Section 3. Their degrees must be equivalent to Indian degrees mentioned in Section 3 in Engineering / Technology / Science and they should have a good academic record. International Students are expected to have a good working knowledge of English. Candidates with valid GRE and TOEFL scores will be given preference. The case of each foreign applicant will be examined and admission will be offered purely on merit.

5. MINIMUM PERIOD OF STUDY

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)
The minimum period of study and research from the date of registration for the Ph.D. programme to the date of submission of thesis will be 30 months for full-time research scholars and 36 months for part-time research scholars.

Integrated Ph.D.
The minimum period of study and research from the date of registration for the Integrated Ph.D. programme to the date of submission of thesis will be 4 years.

6. SELECTION PROCEDURE FOR NATIONAL CANDIDATES

Ph.D.
Due to COVID-19 no entrance examination for Ph.D. Selection is based on PG mark, Statement of Research Proposal as per the given template and interview. Please upload all PG mark sheets (Semester wise or Consolidated) and Research Proposal while filling the online application form.

Integrated Ph.D.
Due to pandemic situation no entrance examination for Integrated Ph.D. Selection is based on UG (B.E./ B.Tech. only) mark, Statement of Research Proposal as per the template given in the last page and interview. Please upload all UG mark sheets (Semester wise or Consolidated) and Research Proposal while filling the online application form.
7. FEES

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* Thesis fee to be paid at the time of submission only

8. JOINING THE RESEARCH PROGRAMME

Selected candidates of research programmes will be asked to identify a guide at their school and pay the fees through online payment mode before 10/12/2021. Without an identified guide, the provisional admission letter will be treated as withdrawn.

9. RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

- All Internal Full-Time scholars admitted into Ph.D. programme will get a fellowship of Rs.20,000/- per month for three years.
- All Internal Full-Time scholars admitted into Integrated Ph.D. programme will get a fellowship of Rs.12,000/- per month for the first two years and Rs.20,000/- per month for the next two years.
- All Internal Full-Time scholars who have a valid GATE score percentile of 80 and above will get a fellowship of Rs.25,000/- per month.
- Apart from this, scholars are encouraged to apply for JRF (CSIR / UGC) / Inspire Fellowships / Rajiv Gandhi Scholarships (minority community and backward community).

10. OTHER INFORMATION

- **May 2021 course completed students (results awaited) are also eligible.**
- **Application fee and Tuition fee will not be refunded under any circumstances.**
- Hostel accommodation is available for limited candidates. Others should be ready to make their own arrangements for their stay at Vellore / Chennai / VIT-AP / VIT-Bhopal during their research programme.
- All suits and actions arising out of or relating to VIT shall be instituted within the jurisdiction of courts at Vellore, Tamil Nadu.
- For queries related to research please contact respective campus Dean Academic Research
  
  i. Vellore : dean.ar@vit.ac.in  
  ii. Chennai : deanncc.acadresearch@vit.ac.in  
  iii. VIT-AP : dean.acadresearch@vitap.ac.in  
  iv. VIT-Bhopal : dean.research@vibhopal.ac.in

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## Important dates

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<td>Last date for Payment of Tuition Fee at their Respective Campus through Online Mode</td>
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### Template for Two Page Research Proposal

Template Link: [https://vit.ac.in/sites/default/files/template-for-two-page-research-proposal.pdf](https://vit.ac.in/sites/default/files/template-for-two-page-research-proposal.pdf)

**For queries related to admission please contact:**

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