



admission guidelines

Admission Calendar- 2024	
Activities	Timeline
Online Registration for all modes of Admission	5 th December, 2023
Last date for Online Registration for UG/ PG Programme	3 rd January, 2024
Last date for online registration with late fee of Rs. 5000/- (in addition to the applicable application fee)	4 th to 8 th January, 2024
Window to edit/update the application form	10 th to 12 th January, 2024
Admit Card (Online only)	*Third week of January, 2024
Computer Based Test (CBT) Entrance Examination for all UG & PG Programmes	5 th February, 2024
Candidates will be able to see the question paper with the answer key of using their registered user id & password on the admission portal after completing the Computer Based Test (CBT) Entrance Examination.	*Third week of February, 2024
Result of Entrance Examination	*March, 2024
Situation Test/Interview	*April, 2024
Date of online registration for NRI/Foreign National	15 th January, 2024
Last date for online registration for NRI/ Foreign National	30 th April, 2024
Declaration of Final Result (Online)	*Last week of April, 2024
Seat Allocation	*May-June 2024

Note:

*These dates are tentative. Notification with final dates will be published on NIFT website i.e. www.nift.ac.in.

Admit cards, results and seat allocation schedule will be available on NIFT website only. Candidates to check website regularly for updates.

- LAN based Computer Based Test (CBT) examination will be conducted at various Centers for the GAT Examination. CAT Examination will be Paper Based Test.
- Application form shall be Aadhar verified. During examination candidates' identities will be verified from a physical Aadhar card.
- Auto scrutiny of the candidates' information provided online will be based on the criteria specified by NIFT. The application format will be designed in such a way that non-eligible candidates will be eliminated at the time of online submission of application.
- Admission Portal-based Query Management System
A query management system will be available. Candidates will be able to raise queries from their portal directly. Candidates will receive reply to the query on their portal in 48 hours. A help-desk will be operational from 8 am to 8 pm during the complete admission process for urgent queries. However candidates are advised to use the query management system on the candidates dashboard.

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

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

A. Bachelor of Design (B.Des) Programmes

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

- 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.

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).

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 Physics and Mathematics.

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

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 Physics and Mathematics.

or

- General Certificate Education (GCE) Examination (London/ Cambridge/Sri-Lanka) at the advanced (A) level with Physics and 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.

1. Qualifying Age: No age limit.

2. 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.

3. 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.

4. 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.

IMPORTANT NOTE

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

- (a) They produce proof of having acquired the minimum prescribed qualifications at the time of seat allocation/ admission.
- (b) 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:
 - (i) 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.
 - (ii) 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 (Marksheet and certificate from Head of Institution where studying).

- (iii) The candidate will submit the final result of qualifying degree/certificate proving his/her eligibility on or before 30th September, 2024 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, 2024.
- (iv) 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, 2024, whatsoever the reason may be his/her admission will be treated as null and void (cancelled) and entire fee will be forfeited.
- (v) 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 academic session 2024-2025.
- (vi) 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)/Foreign National/State Domicile, in each programme are as under

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

*Horizontal reservation for Person with Disability (PWD) (with 40% or more disability) cutting across all sections i.e. SCs, STs, OBCs Non-Creamy Layer and Open category. Academic programme will be allotted as per recommendations of NIFT's Evaluation Committee. Unfilled PWD seats will be converted to respective category i.e. unfilled Open (PWD) to Open, OBC (NCL) (PWD) to OBC, SC (PWD) to SC and ST (PWD) to ST.

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 application 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 after a minimum of two rounds of seat allocation.

Unfilled domicile SC/ST seats will be merged with SC/ST seats.

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/ National Commission of Tribes. 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

Candidates applying under this quota would have to substantiate the caste and non-creamy layer 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 April 01, 2023. Failure to produce valid certificate from a 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 an OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) 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) certificate should be mentioned in the Central list of OBCs available at <http://ncbc.nic.in/backward-classes/index.html>.

- c) The OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) certificate should clearly mention that the candidate belongs to the non-creamy layer.
- d) The certificate must be issued by the Competent Authority.
- e) 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.
- f) 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. Open (Economically Weaker Section)

Candidates belonging to Economically Weaker Section (Open-EWS) 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 benefit of reservation under open EWS can only be availed upon production of an Income & Asset Certificate issued by a Competent Authority as below:

- i. 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
- ii. Chief Presidency Magistrate/Additional Chief Presidency Magistrate/ Presidency Magistrate
- iii. Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tehsildar
- iv. 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 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 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 **Certificate of Disability** both at the time of seat allocation and at the time of admission to the Institute.

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				
Design	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					
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 behavior that disturbs the education of other students.						

Programme	Criteria /Method	Suitability			
Technology	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
Fashion Management	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 behavior that disturbs the education of other students.					

SEATS FOR FOREIGN NATIONAL/NRI AND DOMICILE CATEGORIES

Foreign National/NRI

Foreign National/NRI (whether residing in India or abroad), and Non Resident Indians, who are citizens of India holding an Indian passport and are temporarily resident of another country for six months or more for work, resident for any other purpose and who meet eligibility and admission requirements of NIFT can also apply for admission.

Candidates under this category 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 availability of seats for this category is as follows:

- 5 (supernumerary) seats each per 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, Panchkula, Patna, and Shillong.

1. 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) New Delhi (website: www.aiuweb.org) prior to admission.

Foreign National/NRI 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 2024. 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, 2022 and should be received by the Institute (NIFT) latest by 30th April, 2024.

PROCEDURE FOR APPLYING UNDER THE FOREIGN NATIONAL/NRI CATEGORY:

Those seeking admission under this category have to apply online at website www.nift.ac.in/admission. The last date for applying under this category is 30th April 2024.

The candidates who fulfill the admission criteria specified for this category may apply online with requisite application fee of US\$125 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 Admissions, H.O. New Delhi. SAT scores have to be submitted through College Board, USA to NIFT before 30th April, 2024. The Designated Institution (DI) Code is 7258.

Candidates at the time of registration for SAT should indicate DI code: 7258 for sending their scores to NIFT Head Office, New Delhi.

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 NIFT Admissions, H.O. 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.

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. The fee details are mentioned in the NIFT Prospectus-2024 at page No 129.

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 to be signed by sponsoring Foreign National/NRI
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.

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. If Admission is accepted under this category and later withdrawn entire fees paid will be forfeited.

2. 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 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 Commissionr (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	Daman, Diu, Dadra, Nagar Haveli and Lakshadweep

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 after atleast two rounds of seat allocation 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 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 category)

Candidates have to apply online at <https://exams.nta.ac.in/NIFT/>

Guidelines for applying online may be referred for the purpose. The prospectus is available on the NIFT website 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. 3000/-.
- Non-Refundable Fee for SC/ ST/ PWD Category: Rs. 1500/-.

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

- Open/OBC (Non-Creamy Layer)/Open-EWS Category: Rs. 3000/- + Rs. 1500/- = Rs. 4500/-.
- Fee for SC/ ST/ PWD Category : Rs. 1500/- + Rs. 750/- = Rs. 2250/-.

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. The dates for the same will be announced on the NIFT website.

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 to the UG Design programmes, will take 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.FTech

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

B.FTech & B.Des

Candidates applying for both B.FTech & B.Des will take an entrance examination comprising of a General Ability Test (GAT) and Creative Ability Test (CAT). For such candidates 2 separate CMRs will be generated. One for B.Des Programme and one for B.FTech Programme. B.Des candidates will be shortlisted on the basis of the entrance examination will take a Situation Test.

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

Candidates applying for B.FTech Programme (with Physics and 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 PG Design programme, will take 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 take an entrance examination comprising of a General Ability Test (GAT). Shortlisted candidates of entrance examination will undergo Personal Interview (PI).

M.FTech

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

The objective type tests will have negative marking. The negative marks for any question will be 25% of the full marks for the question (for each wrong answer).

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 Computer Based Test (CBT) entrance examination at the Examination Centres allotted to them.

LIST OF ENTRANCE EXAMINATION CENTRES

A Computer Based Test (CBT) for all UG and PG Programmes will be conducted at various cities in India.

Tentative list of cities is given below. This is subject to change and the final list will be available of NIFT website.

Sl. No.	State	City
1	Andhra Pradesh	Kurnool
2	Andhra Pradesh	Vijayawada
3	Andhra Pradesh	Visakhapatnam
4	Arunachal Pradesh	Itanagar/Naharlagun
5	Assam	Guwahati
6	Bihar	Muzaffarpur
7	Bihar	Patna
8	Chandigarh	Chandigarh/Mohali
9	Chhattisgarh	Bilaspur CG
10	Chhattisgarh	Raipur
11	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	Silvassa
12	Delhi	Delhi NCR
13	Goa	Panaji/Madgaon
14	Gujarat	Ahmedabad
15	Gujarat	Rajkot
16	Gujarat	Surat
17	Gujarat	Vadodara
18	Himachal Pradesh	Hamirpur
19	Jammu and Kashmir	Jammu
20	Jammu and Kashmir	Srinagar
21	Jharkhand	Dhanbad
22	Jharkhand	Ranchi
23	Karnataka	Bengaluru
24	Karnataka	Mysuru (Mysore)
25	Kerala	Ernakulam
26	Kerala	Kannur
27	Kerala	Kozhikode
28	Leh Ladhak	Leh
29	Madhya Pradesh	Bhopal
30	Madhya Pradesh	Jabalpur

31	Maharashtra	Mumbai
32	Maharashtra	Nagpur
33	Maharashtra	Pune
34	Maharashtra	Thane
35	Meghalaya	Shillong
36	Nagaland	Dimapur
37	Odisha	Berhampur-Ganjam
38	Odisha	Bhubaneswar
39	Punjab	Bathinda
40	Punjab	Jalandhar
41	Punjab	Patiala
42	Rajasthan	Jaipur
43	Rajasthan	Jodhpur
44	Rajasthan	Udaipur
45	Sikkim	Gangtok
46	Tamil Nadu	Chennai
47	Tamil Nadu	Coimbatore
48	Tamil Nadu	Madurai
49	Telangana	Hyderabad
50	Tripura	Agartala
51	Uttar Pradesh	Kanpur
52	Uttar Pradesh	Lucknow
53	Uttar Pradesh	Meerut
54	Uttar Pradesh	Varanasi
55	Uttarakhand	Dehradun
56	Uttarakhand	Haldwani
57	West Bengal	Kolkata
58	Manipur	Imphal
59	Mizoram	Aizawal
60	Haryana	Ambala

The candidate must give three 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. 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 five days 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 only.

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

Date of Entrance Examination, Computer Based Test (CBT) for all UG and PG Programmes: 05th February 2024. Final schedule will be available on NIFT website.

Programmes	Test	Test Timings
Bachelor of Design	GAT	9:00 am to 11.00 am
	CAT	02.30 pm to 05.30 pm
Bachelor of Fashion Technology	GAT	9:00 am to 12.00 noon
Bachelor of Fashion Technology & Bachelor of Design	GAT	9:00 am to 12.00 noon
	CAT	02.30 pm to 05.30 pm
Master of Design	GAT	9:00 am to 11.00 am
	CAT	02.30 pm to 05.30 pm
Master of Fashion Technology	GAT	9:00 am to 12.00 noon
Master of Fashion Management	GAT	9:00 am to 12.00 noon

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/ PI (Personal Interview).

For B.F.Tech. candidates, GAT will be the final test for selection. The candidates for M.Des will take GAT and CAT. On the basis of the result of GAT and CAT, in the case of M.Des. and GAT in the case of M.F.Tech and M.F.M, candidates will be short listed for Personal Interview (PI).

The shortlisted candidates have to attend the situation Test and Personal Interview 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 satisfying the prescribed eligibility criteria. During verification at any time before or after the Entrance Examination, Situation Test, and Personal Interview (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 %		100 %

* B.F.Tech Candidates - Section 'A' + Section 'B'

B.Des Candidates - Section 'A' + CAT + Situation Test

Test Weightage - PG

M.Des		M.F.Tech		M.F.M	
Exam	Weightage	Exam	Weightage	Exam	Weightage
GAT	30 %	GAT	70 %	GAT	70 %
CAT	40 %	Personal Interview	30 %	Personal Interview	30 %
Personal Interview	30 %	--	--	--	--
TOTAL	100 %	TOTAL	100 %		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)

In case of equal scores of two candidates, the marks obtained by the candidates in tests with higher weightages will be compared to break the tie. For example for B.Des candidates if two candidates have equal scores, marks obtained in CAT will be compared. If marks in CAT are also same then marks obtained in GAT will be taken. If a tie exists after this also marks obtained subject-wise in the following order will be considered – Communication Ability, English Comprehension, Quantitative Ability, Analytical Ability, General Knowledge and Current Affairs.

COMPONENTS OF THE ENTRANCE EXAMINATION

Entrance Examinations Structure (For all UG and PG Design Programmes)

1. General Ability Test (GAT) - Computer Based Test (CBT)

Programme	MDES	BDES
Paper Name	GAT (CBT)	GAT (CBT)
Language of Written Test	English/Hindi	English/Hindi

Test Duration (minutes)	120	120
Sections	No. of Questions	No. of Questions
Communication Ability	30	} 40
English Comprehension	30	
Quantitative Ability	20	20
Analytical & Logical Ability	25	15
General Knowledge and Current Affairs	15	25
TOTAL	120	100

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 vary.

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

Programme	B. F. TECH	
Paper Name	GAT - Section A (CBT)	GAT - Section B (CBT)
Language of Written Test	English/Hindi	English/Hindi
Test Duration (minutes)	180	
Sections	No. of Questions	No. of Questions
Communication Ability and English Comprehension	40	NIL
Quantitative Ability	20	15
Analytical & Logical Ability	15	15

General Knowledge and Current Affairs	25	NIL
Case Study	NIL	20
TOTAL	100	50

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 PG Programmes of Fashion Technology and for Master of Fashion Management).

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

Programme	MFTECH	MFM
Paper Name	GAT	GAT
Language Of Written Test	English/Hindi	English/Hindi
Test Duration (minutes)	180	180
Sections	No. of Questions	No. of Questions
Communication Ability & English Comprehension	45	50
Case Study	25	40
Quantitative Ability	30	10
Analytical & Logical Ability	25	25

General Knowledge And Current Affairs	25	25
Total	150	150

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

COMPONENTS OF THE GENERAL ABILITY TEST (for all programmes)

- i) 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.
- ii) 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.
- iii) 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.
- iv) 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 take the Situation Test and Personal Interview as applicable (except B.F.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 (PI) – 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 FOR SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES

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. This choice once exercised before the commencement of seat allocation will be final. Candidates will not be able to amend preferences during the process of seat allocation. Complete details and procedure for seat allocation will be available on the NIFT website prior to commencement of seat allocation. Domicile seats will be merged with respective category seats after at least two rounds of seat allocation. Unfilled OBC (NCL) & EWS seats will be merged with Open Category seats after at least two rounds of seat allocation. PWD Seats will be merged with unfilled respective categories after PWD seat allocation.

If seats are vacant after all regular rounds of seat allocation a Spot Round may be conducted, if required only for those candidates who have not got any seat but are eligible for admission and hold a valid CMR.

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 certificate) of the qualifying degree examination. In case the candidate has appeared in final semester/final year (as applicable) then he/she will have to 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) (Original and 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. Kashmiri Migrants will be recognised as Domicile of Kashmir if valid certificate as per Government of Jammu & Kashmir O/o The Relief and Rehabilitation Commissionr (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.
- (vi) Certificate of Medical Fitness to be signed by a Registered Medical Practitioner in the prescribed format in original.
- (vii) An undertaking for seeking provisional admission only in case, the result of qualifying examination is yet to be declared.
- (viii) An undertaking on Anti-Ragging.
- (ix) An undertaking regarding refund of fee.
- (x) 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 Hindi/English, 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 behavior 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 tuition 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 Academic Session 2024-25 for which the candidate has appeared in the entrance examination.

WITHDRAWAL OF ADMISSION AFTER ACCEPTANCE OF SEAT AND REFUND OF FEE:

- (i) A candidate, who has taken admission once and then withdraws, will not be considered for admission during subsequent rounds of seat allocation.
- (ii) In case the candidate is seeking refund after completion of admission process, commencement of the academic session, the request for withdrawal of admission and refund in the prescribed proforma may be submitted to the Director of the Campus where the candidate has been provisionally admitted.
- (iii) The refund against withdrawal of seat will be governed as under:

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

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 totaling 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. 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) and NIFT Admission website.

- Helpdesk No. 011-69227700, 011-40759000
(From 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM)
Email Id: nift@nta.ac.in
- Queries to be raised by the candidates through the admission portal after registration and login.

ARTISAN ADMISSION GUIDELINES

Admission Calendar- 2024	
Online Registration	5 th December, 2023
Last date of Online Registration	3 rd January, 2024
Last date for online registration with late fee of Rs. 5000/- (in addition to the applicable application fee)	4 th to 8 th January, 2024
Window to edit/update the application form	10 th to 12 th January, 2024
Studio Test & Personal Interview at NIFT Campus	*April, 2024
Declaration of result of eligible candidates • Shortlisted for seat allocation for Admission with CMR • Not eligible based on the verification of documents	*Last week of April, 2024
Interface seat allocation for Shortlisted candidates, allotment of Programme and Campus as per Common Merit Rank (CMR)	*May, 2024

Note:

*These dates are tentative. Notification with final dates will be published on NIFT website i.e. www.nift.ac.in.

Admit cards, results and seat allocation schedule will be available on NIFTs website only. No separate communication will be sent by post.

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)

- 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 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.

or

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

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 the Artisan Card issued to Self/ Father/ Mother by the Development Commissioner (Handicraft), or Development Commissioner (Handlooms), Ministry of Textiles, Government of India. The card bearer should be a practicing artisan/weaver for at least last 05 years in case of self and at least last 10 years in case the card bearers are parents of the applicant.

SCHEME OF EXAMINATION

Candidates will have to appear for a studio test, personal interview and verification of documents will be done at the NIFT Campus opted by them for studio test. The studio test will be designed to test the knowledge and skill aptitude of the candidate. Special practical hands-on studio test will be conducted at the identified NIFT Campus pertaining to the trade of the Artisan as listed in the application (such as pottery, weaving, metal work, wood work etc). The outcome of the Studio Test would be documented through Audio/Visual mode.

- 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 technical gadgets will be asked to leave the examination centre and shall be disqualified.
- Candidates should reach the Examination Centre at least 30 minutes prior to the commencement of the examination. The Studio Test will be held at the allotted NIFT Campuses.

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

SCHEDULE OF STUDIO TEST, PERSONAL INTERVIEW AND ELIGIBILITY/DOCUMENTS VERIFICATION

Date of test will be notified on NIFT website, www.nift.ac.in.

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

Course	Test	Marks	Venue
Bachelor of Design (B.Des)	Studio Test *	70	NIFT Campuses
	Personal Interview	30	
	Verification of documents/eligibility		

* Studio 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. 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 fulfil 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 for the Artisan category.

REFUND

Withdrawal of seat after admission and refund of fee:

- (i) A candidate, who has taken admission once and then withdraws, will not be considered for admission during subsequent rounds of seat allocation.
- (ii) In case the candidate is seeking refund before commencement of academic session, the request for withdrawal of admission may be submitted through online portal. After commencement of the academic session, refund request may be submitted in the prescribed format to the Director of the Campus allotted to the candidate. The candidates will be required to surrender the original admission receipt issued at the time of seat allocation/admission while applying for withdrawal of

admission. Requests for withdrawal of admission will not be entertained without original admission receipt.

(iii) The refund against withdrawal of seat will be governed as per refund policy.

HOW TO APPLY : SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION FORM

Candidates can apply online at 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.3000/- through payment gateway.

- Non-Refundable Fee for SC/ST/PWD Category : Rs. 1500/- through payment gateway.

Mode of Payment:

Payment of application fee (Rs.3000/- or Rs.1500/-) 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.

- (i) Self attested Certificates of qualifying examination i.e.12th class/degree (Marksheet and certificate).
- (ii) 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.
- (iii) Proof of date of birth (Secondary school marksheet & certificate) (Original and photocopy).

(iv) 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) Artisan Card issued to self/Father/Mother by the Development Commissioner (Handicraft), or Development Commissioner (Handlooms), Ministry of Textiles, Government of India.

Note: -

- Original Documents need to be produced for verification when the candidate reports at the Campus for Studio Test.
- All the above said documents should be self-attested.
- In case any of the above document(s) is/are in any language other than Hindi/English, 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 Studio 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/technology 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.

ADMISSION CALENDAR

Activities	Timeline
Online Registration	5 th December, 2023
Last date of online registration	3 rd January, 2024
Last date for online registration with late fee of Rs. 5000/- (in addition to the applicable application fee)	4 th to 8 th January, 2024
Window to edit/update the application form	10 th to 12 th January, 2024
Admit Card for GAT Exam (Online only)	Third week of January, 2024
GAT Exam (CBT)	5 th February, 2024
Candidates will be able to see the question paper with the answer key of using their registered user id & password on the admission portal after completing the Computer Based Test (CBT) Entrance Examination.	*Third week of February, 2024
Result of Entrance Examination	*March 2024

Studio Test/ Technology Aptitude Test (TAT) and Personal Interview (PI) AND Verification of Documents/ Eligibility	*April, 2024 (at NIFT Campuses opted by the candidate)
Declaration of result of eligible candidates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shortlisted for Admission Seat Allocation with CMR • Not shortlisted in Entrance Examination / Personal Interview • Not eligible based on the verification of documents 	*April, 2024
Allotment of Programme and Campus as per Common Merit Rank (CMR)	*May-June, 2024

Note: *These dates are tentative. Notification with final dates will be published on NIFT website i.e. 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.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

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

- Passed Secondary School Examination/10th AND
- Passed 3 or 4-years diploma recognized by AICTE/AIU/ UGC 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.

OR

- Passed Senior Secondary /12th recognized by AIU.
AND
- Students 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)

- Passed Secondary School Examination/10th
AND
- Passed 3 or 4-years diploma recognized by AICTE/AIU/UGC or a State Board of Technical Education in courses related to Fashion/Apparel/Textile/Home Science/Handloom Technology.
OR
- Passed Senior Secondary/12th recognized by AIU with Physics and Mathematics.
AND
- Students who have completed 02 years UG Diploma Programme at NIFT after passing Senior Secondary Examination/ 12th Standard.

WHO SHOULD APPLY ?

Candidates having science 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 NIFT Campuses. 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 25% of the full marks for each 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 30 minutes before the commencement of the examination.

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

Entrance Examination Date : 05th February' 2024 (Monday)

Merit list will be prepared based on the marks obtained by the candidates in Entrance Examination, Studio Test/Technical Ability 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	5th February, 2024	9:00 am to 11:00 am	Test centre allotted as per choices selected during applying.
	Studio Test	40	April, 2024	10:00 am to 11:30 am	
	Personal Interview	20		12:30 pm onwards	
	Verification of documents/eligibility			02:30 pm onwards	

Bachelor of Fashion Technology (B.F.Tech)	General Ability Test (GAT)	40	5th February, 2024	9:00 am to 12:00 noon	Test centre allotted as per choices selected during applying.
	Technical Ability Test (TAT)	40	April, 2024	10:00 am to 11:00 am	
	Personal Interview (PI)	20		11:30 am to 01:00 pm	
	Verification of documents/eligibility			02:00 pm onwards	

Note:- Notification with final dates will be published to NIFT website i.e. 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. 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 list of selected candidates will be uploaded on www.nift.ac.in. 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 informend 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.

REFUND POLICY

Time	Amount to be refunded
Before commencement of the Orientation Programme. Date to be declared on NIFT website later.	Full fee, except registration fee
Candidate who withdraw after date decided by NIFT	Only security deposit

HOW TO APPLY: SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION FORM

Candidates can apply online at 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. 3000/- through payment gateway.
- Non- Refundable Fee for SC/ST/PWD Category : Rs.1500/- through payment gateway.

Mode of Payment: Credit Cards/Debit Cards Payments of application fee (Rs. 3000/- or Rs. 1500/-) 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 certificate in prescribed format*
10.	Self Attested copy of 2 year Diploma from NIFT

*In case of an applicant applying for reserved seat.

PLEASE NOTE:

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).

FEE STRUCTURE - REGULAR

Academic Fee Semester Wise For Non-NRI Category (In Rupees)								
	2024-25		2025-26		2026-27		2027-28	
	Sem 1	Sem 2	Sem 3	Sem 4	Sem 5	Sem 6	Sem 7	Sem 8
TUITION FEE (NON REFUNDABLE)	143000	143000	150000	150000	158000	158000	166000	166000
LIBRARY FEE (PER YEAR) (NON REFUNDABLE)	9500	0	10000	0	10500	0	11000	0
MEDICLAIM & STUDENT DEVELOP- MENT FEE (PER YEAR) (NON REFUNDABLE)	4700	0	4900	0	5100	0	5400	0
EXAM FEE (PER YEAR)	4700	0	4900	0	5100	0	5400	0
TOTAL	161900	143000	169800	150000	178700	158000	187800	166000
ONE TIME PAYMENTS								
SECURITY DEPOSIT (ONE TIME) (REFUNDABLE)	12000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEMBER- SHIP FEE (ONE TIME) (NON REFUNDABLE)*	0	0	0	0	0	0	5900	0
REGISTRATION FEE (ONE TIME)	9300	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	21300	0	0	0	0	0	5900	0
GRAND TOTAL	183200	143000	169800	150000	178700	158000	193700	166000

Note:

1. NIFT reserves the right to revise the above mentioned fees for any academic year.
 2. For students admitted to two year masters course, the fee has to be paid only for two years i.e 2024-25 & 2025-26
- * For PG Students, it will be in 3rd Semester

FEE STRUCTURE - NRI

Academic Fee Annually for NRI (Per year - consisting of two semesters)(In Rupees) At NIFT Bengaluru, Chennai, Delhi, Gandhinagar, Hyderabad, Kolkata & Mumbai				
	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
TUITION FEE (NON REFUNDABLE)	864000	907000	952000	1000000
LIBRARY FEE (PER YEAR) (NON REFUNDABLE)	50000	52500	55100	57900
MEDICLAIM & STUDENT DEVELOPMENT FEE (PER YEAR) (NON REFUNDABLE)	32000	33600	35300	37100
EXAM FEE (PER YEAR)	4700	4900	5100	5400
TOTAL	950700	998000	1047500	1100400
ONE TIME PAYMENTS				
SECURITY DEPOSIT (ONE TIME) (REFUNDABLE)	12000	0	0	0
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP FEE (ONE TIME) (NON REFUNDABLE)*	0	0	0	5900
REGISTRATION FEE (ONE TIME)	9300	0	0	0
TOTAL	21300	0	0	5900
GRAND TOTAL	972000	998000	1047500	1106300
At NIFT Daman, Patna, Kangra, Bhopal, Kannur, Shillong, Jodhpur, Bhubaneswar, Panchkula, Raebareli & Srinagar				
	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28
TUITION FEE (NON REFUNDABLE)	605000	635000	667000	700000
LIBRARY FEE (PER YEAR) (NON REFUNDABLE)	35000	36800	38600	40500
MEDICLAIM & STUDENT DEVELOPMENT FEE (PER YEAR) (NON REFUNDABLE)	22400	23500	24700	25900
EXAM FEE (PER YEAR)	4700	4900	5100	5400
TOTAL	667100	700200	735400	771800
ONE TIME PAYMENTS				
SECURITY DEPOSIT (ONE TIME) (REFUNDABLE)	12000	0	0	0
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP FEE (ONE TIME) (NON REFUNDABLE)*	0	0	0	5900
REGISTRATION FEE (ONE TIME)	9300	0	0	0
TOTAL	21300	0	0	5900
GRAND TOTAL	688400	700200	735400	777700
Note:				
1. NIFT reserves the right to revise the above mentioned fees for any academic year.				
2. For students admitted to two year masters course, the fee has to be paid only for two years i.e 2024-25 & 2025-26				
* For PG Students, it will be in 3rd Semester				
3. One time payments for NRI Candidates have been kept at par with the Non-NRI Candidates.				

FEE STRUCTURE - NLEA

Academic Fee Semester Wise For Non-NRI Category (In Rupees)						
	2024-25		2025-26		2026-27	
	Sem 3	Sem 4	Sem 5	Sem 6	Sem 7	Sem 8
TUITION FEE (NON REFUNDABLE)	143000	143000	150000	150000	158000	158000
LIBRARY FEE (PER YEAR) (NON REFUNDABLE)	9500	0	10000	0	10500	0
MEDICLAIM & STUDENT DEVELOPMENT FEE (PER YEAR) (NON REFUNDABLE)	4700	0	4900	0	5100	0
EXAM FEE (PER YEAR)	4700	0	4900	0	5100	0
TOTAL	161900	143000	169800	150000	178700	158000
ONE TIME PAYMENTS						
SECURITY DEPOSIT (ONE TIME) (REFUNDABLE)	12000	0	0	0	0	0
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP FEE (ONE TIME) (NON REFUNDABLE)	0	0	0	0	5900	0
REGISTRATION FEE (ONE TIME)	9300	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	21300	0	0	0	5900	0
GRAND TOTAL	183200	143000	169800	150000	184600	158000

Note:

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

FEE Structure - NLEA NRI

Academic Fee Annually for NRI (Per year - consisting of two semesters) (In Rupees) At NIFT Bengaluru, Chennai, Delhi, Gandhinagar, Hyderabad, Kolkata & Mumbai			
	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
TUITION FEE (NON REFUNDABLE)	864000	907000	952000
LIBRARY FEE (PER YEAR) (NON REFUNDABLE)	50000	52500	55100
MEDICLAIM & STUDENT DEVELOPMENT FEE (PER YEAR) (NON REFUNDABLE)	32000	33600	35300
EXAM FEE (PER YEAR)	4700	4900	5100
TOTAL	950700	998000	1047500
ONE TIME PAYMENTS			
SECURITY DEPOSIT (ONE TIME) (REFUNDABLE)	12000	0	0
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP FEE (ONE TIME) (NON REFUNDABLE)*	0	0	0
REGISTRATION FEE (ONE TIME)	9300	0	0
TOTAL	21300	0	5900
GRAND TOTAL	972000	998000	1053400
At NIFT Daman, Patna, Kangra, Bhopal, Kannur, Shillong, Jodhpur, Bhubaneswar, Panchkula, Raebareli & Srinagar			
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TUITION FEE (NON REFUNDABLE)	605000	635000	667000
LIBRARY FEE (PER YEAR) (NON REFUNDABLE)	35000	36800	38600
MEDICLAIM & STUDENT DEVELOPMENT FEE (PER YEAR) (NON REFUNDABLE)	22400	23500	24700
EXAM FEE (PER YEAR)	4700	4900	5100
TOTAL	667100	700200	735400
ONE TIME PAYMENTS			
SECURITY DEPOSIT (ONE TIME) (REFUNDABLE)	12000	0	0
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP FEE (ONE TIME) (NON REFUNDABLE)*	0	0	0
REGISTRATION FEE (ONE TIME)	9300	0	0
TOTAL	21300	0	5900
GRAND TOTAL	688400	700200	741300
Note:			
1. NIFT reserves the right to revise the above mentioned fees for any academic year.			
2. One time payments for NRI Candidates have been kept at par with the Non-NRI Candidates.			

FEE STRUCTURE - ARTISAN/WARD OF ARTISAN

Academic Fee Semester Wise For Non-NRI Category (In Rupees)								
	2024-25		2025-26		2026-27		2027-28	
	Sem 1	Sem 2	Sem 3	Sem 4	Sem 5	Sem 6	Sem 7	Sem 8
TUITION FEE (NON REFUNDABLE)	143000	143000	150000	150000	158000	158000	166000	166000
LIBRARY FEE (PER YEAR) (NON REFUNDABLE)	9500	0	10000	0	10500	0	11000	0
MEDICLAIM & STUDENT DEVELOP- MENT FEE (PER YEAR) (NON REFUNDABLE)	4700	0	4900	0	5100	0	5400	0
EXAM FEE (PER YEAR)	4700	0	4900	0	5100	0	5400	0
TOTAL	161900	143000	169800	150000	178700	158000	187800	166000
ONE TIME PAYMENTS								
SECURITY DEPOSIT (ONE TIME) (REFUNDABLE)	12000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEMBER- SHIP FEE (ONE TIME) (NON REFUNDABLE)	0	0	0	0	0	0	5900	0
REGISTRATION FEE (ONE TIME)	9300	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	21300	0	0	0	0	0	5900	0
GRAND TOTAL	183200	143000	169800	150000	178700	158000	193700	166000

Note:

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

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Phd programme

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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 1 - 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 (e.g. literature-based/empirical/experimental/ practice-based 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.

All applications must be accompanied by the research proposal. The research proposal must 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
- All admission applications must be accompanied by the research proposal and be submitted with the consent of the NIFT PhD supervisor (Research Proposal format 1 and consent of NIFT PhD supervisor-format 2)

Step 2 - Written test & Interview

The candidates who are shortlisted after step 1 - will be called for the written test and personal interview. The written test and interview will examine the candidates' communication skills, academic disposition, aptitude for research and research-curricular activities (Subject Areas for written test are placed in the prospectus). The test shall be for two hours with descriptive/objective - type questions.

The merit of candidates will be drawn up on the total score of written test. The names of qualifying candidates will be put up 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.
 (The criteria could be changed by NIFT without prior notice. NIFT may put additional academic performance based short listing criteria. Depending on the number of applications received and considering the constraints of time and other resources for conducting Written Test and Interview)

NIFT will not provide travel and accommodation facilities for applicants appearing for the written test and interview. Candidates must bear all expenses for their travel and accommodation.

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

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

Admission Eligibility (Full Time & Part Time)

Qualification	Min 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
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 or equivalent as determined by the Institute wherever letter grades are awarded; or 75% (75% 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 by the DG-NIFT 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 by the DG-NIFT after which the registration shall stand automatically cancelled.

Full Time PhD Scholars Categories

NIFT Teaching Fellowship (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 NTF scholars 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 vacancies for the academic year 2024-25 PhD admission is 05 (Reservations will apply as per extant orders of Government of India).

The following criteria to be met by the NTF's Scholars for getting/ continuation of Teaching Fellowship:

- I. Scholars concerned 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 Research Scholar in Academic as well as other duties assigned by the Academic Unit.
- III. The scholars 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 scholar by the supervisor and SIAC-R, 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, including those on Study Leave (SF) - 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 Ph.D 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 fulfillment 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 as a part time Scholar, provided he/she 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 18 campuses all over the country. The Full-time scholars will be 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 Scholars.

The part time Scholar could be based anywhere; however, all the Scholar shall require to travel to the NIFT campus where compulsory coursework classes are held and also travel to meet 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 scholars after preliminary registration and before the final registration as a candidate for PhD.

Stage One: Course Work

In the first stage, the supervisor will guide him/her 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 his/her supervisor. The subjects can be selected from either one or multiple of three options. (i) subjects offered by Design, Management and Technology at respective NIFT campuses (ii) subjects from a different institutes like IIT/NIT/IIM/selected international institutes with whom NIFT has MOU (iii) subjects through mass open online courses (MOOC), For eg. 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 Scholar 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 scholar will reach the second stage of work before qualifying to become a final registered candidate for PhD, the scholars will be required to take a comprehensive examination which will be a combination of (a) an oral examination and (b) evaluation of the Research Proposal.

This tests comprehension of the broad field of research and academic preparation and the potential to carry out the proposed research plan. A Scholar 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 canceled. Scholar shall be formally registered as a candidate for the PhD Degree after he/ she has successfully completed stage one and stage two of work. Scholar will be required to renew the registration every semester till the submission of the Pre-PhD seminar/synopsis. The renewal of registration every semester shall be subject to completion of a specified number of credits/courses and/or satisfactory progress in research work as recommended by the Supervisor.

PERFORMANCE MONITORING Scholar shall be monitored by PhD scholars Progress committee (PSPC). Scholar will submit a progress report at the end of every odd semester to supervisor(s) for monitoring of the progress of work. At the end of every even semester, the candidate will present Research Progress Seminar (RPS). In the event of getting two consecutive unsatisfactory grades by any scholar, the registration will stand terminated.

Pre-PhD Seminar/Synopsis

On completion of the research work, the Scholar shall submit a

synopsis including a bibliography of research work to his/her supervisor. It is essential for the Scholar to hold a Pre-PhD seminar before his/her synopsis is considered. The synopsis will be examined by a panel of experts. 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 2 months and a maximum of 9 months after the declaration of the result of the Pre PhD-Seminar.

Thesis Evaluation

The Submitted thesis will be examined by two examiners, scholar will be recommended for viva-voce examination on the basis of the thesis evaluation. In case the scholar has been advised to submit a revised thesis, the same may be done within a period of one year from the date of the communication.

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.

PhD FEE STRUCTURE

FEE Structure (for PhD students for Admissions 2024)			
Particulars	Part Time PhD	NIFT teaching Fellows (Full Time PhD)	Self Financed/Sponsored/study leave (Full Time Phd)
TUITION FEE (NON REFUNDABLE)	80000	0	93000
LIBRARY FEE (PER YEAR) (NON REFUNDABLE)	9500	9500	9500
MEDICLAIM & STUDENT DEVELOPMENT FEE (PER YEAR) (NON REFUNDABLE)	4700	4700	4700
EXAM FEE (PER YEAR)	4700	4700	4700
TOTAL	98900	18900	111900
ONE TIME PAYMENTS			
SECURITY DEPOSIT (ONE TIME) (REFUNDABLE)	12000	12000	12000
REGISTRATION FEE (ONE TIME)	9300	9300	9300
TOTAL	21300	21300	21300
GRAND TOTAL	120200	40200	133200
PhD Fee for NRI/Foreign Students (Per year - consisting of two semesters) (In Rupees)			
Particulars	Part Time PhD	NIFT teaching Fellows (Full Time PhD)	Self Financed/Sponsored/study leave (Full Time Phd)
TUITION FEE (NON REFUNDABLE)	437000	0	509000
LIBRARY FEE (PER YEAR) (NON REFUNDABLE)	50000	50000	50000
MEDICLAIM & STUDENT DEVELOPMENT FEE (PER YEAR) (NON REFUNDABLE)	32000	32000	32000
EXAM FEE (PER YEAR)	4700	4700	4700
TOTAL	523700	86700	595700
ONE TIME PAYMENTS			
SECURITY DEPOSIT (ONE TIME) (REFUNDABLE)	12000	12000	12000
REGISTRATION FEE (ONE TIME)	9300	9300	9300
TOTAL	21300	21300	21300
GRAND TOTAL	545000	108000	617000

Note:

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

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 MOT.

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 <http://nift.ac.in/> admission.

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 net banking.

Non-Refundable Fee for General/OBC (Non-Creamy) Category: Rs. 3000/-

Non-Refundable Fee for SC/ST/PWD Category: Rs. 1500/-

An alternate payment option, candidate can submit application fee through NEFT/RTGS/IMPS in the following bank account:

Account Name: NIFT HO PHD FEE

ACCOUNT Account No.: 340602050000056

IFSC Code: UBIN0534064

Contact for further queries:

Research Unit

NIFT Campus, Hauz Khas,

New Delhi-110 016

Tel: 011-26542209, Email: office.research@nift.ac.in

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 by the candidate, he/she will not be allowed to change/modify any information by the system.
- 4) Application fee already 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.

Calendar of Activities

Particulars	Timeline
Submission of Online Application starts from	15 th January, 2024
Submission of Application forms on or before	29 th February, 2024
Updating of Application status for eligibility	Second week of April, 2024
Release of admit cards for Written Exam	Last week of April, 2024
Written test*	First week of May, 2024
Announcement of result of Written test* on NIFT website	Last week of May, 2024
Research Proposal Presentation and Interview*	Third week of June, 2024
Announcement of Results	Second week of July, 2024
Registration and payment of fees on or before	Last week of July, 2024
Semester starts	August, 2024 (As per NIFT Academic Calendar)

Note:-

*Written test and Research Proposal presentation & Interview will be held in New Delhi.

Documents to be attached/uploaded with application form

Document	Required to be submitted by
Self-attested copies of the following: Class X mark sheet Class X DOB certificate Class XII mark sheet 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 certificate (non-creamy/ creamy latest) - if applicable	All Applicants
Format 1 Research proposal	All Applicants
Format 2 consent of NIFT PhD supervisor	All Applicants
Format 3 Undertaking - A. not employed on the rolls (with or without pay) of any organization B. Currently employed but will resign from the present job in case 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
Format 4 Employer's consent for Study Leave	Those applying to Full Time PhD-Study Leave/Self-Financed category
Format 5 Sponsorship certificate	Those applying to Full Time PhD-Study Leave but being sponsored by the employer they are working for
Format 6 - No Objection certificate from employer	Those applying for Part Time PhD programme Full Time PhD-Study Leave/ Sponsored candidates
Format 7 - 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 & 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
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 1 - 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

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

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

I, Mr/Ms. _____ applicant for the full time PhD Programme of National Institute of Fashion Technology, Year 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 Mr./Ms. _____ S/o Sh _____ 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 2 years from the day of admission of
the candidate in NIFT PhD Programme as a full-time candidate.

Date
Place
Signature of Authorised Signatory:
Name
Designation
Seal of the organisation

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 Mr./Ms. _____, employed in our organization as
_____ (designation) for joining his/her / her PhD Programme in _____ at your Institute
as a full-time candidate.

He/ She is employee of our organization since _____. We shall bear the total expenses of his/her / her studies. We shall fully relieve
him/ her of his/her / her duties in the organization during the entire period of the PhD programme, to enable him/ her to devote full time
to his/her / her studies in the Institute.

Date
Place
Signature of Authorised Signatory:
Name
Designation
Seal of the organisation

Format 6 - No Objection Certificate

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

Date

No Objection Certificate

This is to certify that Mr./Ms. _____ S/o Sh _____ is; R/o _____
_____ working with _____ has no objection for his/her attending
PhD Programme at National Institute of Fashion Technology, New Delhi (if selected)

Place:

Authorised Signatory:

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

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.

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 BA/B.Com/B.SC/M.FTech/M.Sc./M.A/M.Des. etc. final semester/final year (name of the qualifying (Board/ university), the result of which has not yet been declared.
2. I undertake to submit the qualifying mark sheets/certificate by 30.9.2024 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