



Birla Institute of Technology & Science, Pilani

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ADMISSION to Ph.D. PROGRAM, BITS Pilani Second Semester, 2023-24

BITS Pilani is a Deemed to be University, offering on-campus programs to more than 18,500 students across its campuses in Pilani, Goa, Hyderabad, Mumbai and Dubai. It has been recognized as an Institute of Eminence by the Ministry of Education, Government of India in 2020.

In QS Asia University Rankings 2023, BITS has been ranked 188th, the only private institute from India in Asia Top 200, and at 18 in India. Further, BITS Pilani has been ranked among the top 300 in QS World University Graduate Employability Rankings 2022 and within top 8 in India.

Having pioneered several curricular and pedagogic attributes, BITS Pilani has a vision to be amongst the top research-led Institutes in the country. The qualities of innovation, enterprise, commitment to excellence, adherence to merit and transparency, have characterized the Institute during its inexorable march to eminence.

The Institute has secured over Rs 398 crores as external research funding in the last 5 years. State of the art facilities have been developed to support cutting edge research, led by students and about 930 faculty members, leading to a Scopus h-index of 156, with 221 patents filed so far, and 41 patents granted. Currently there are 14 BITSian Unicorns and 1 Decacorn. There are over 7500 BITSian founders and co-founders of enterprises.



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Applications are invited for PhD program of BITS Pilani for the Second Semester of the Academic Year 2023-24 in Pilani, Goa and Hyderabad campuses in the following Departments:

- **Engineering: Chemical, Civil, Computer Science, Electrical & Electronics, Mechanical**
- **Science: Biological Sciences, Chemistry, Mathematics, Physics**
- **Pharmacy**
- **Economics & Finance, Humanities & Social Sciences, Management**

Department preference with regard to the full-time and part-time Ph.D. student admission is given in the following table

Department's Preference for Ph.D. Admission (Second Sem. 2023-24)						
Department	Pilani		Goa		Hyderabad	
	Full Time	Part Time	Full Time	Part Time	Full Time	Part Time
Biological Sciences	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Chemical Engg.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Chemistry	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Civil	Yes	Yes	NA	NA	Yes	Yes
CSIS	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
EEE	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Humanities & Social Sciences	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Economics & Finance	Yes	No	Yes*	Yes*	Yes	Yes
Management	Yes	Yes	Yes*	Yes*	Yes	Yes
Mathematics	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mechanical	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pharmacy	Yes	Yes	NA	NA	Yes	Yes
Physics	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes

Yes – A Department intends to admit students under the specified scheme

No – A Department does not intend to admit students under the specified scheme

NA- Not applicable

(* Applications are open only in the area of Finance/Financial Management)



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Minimum Eligibility Qualifications

- M.E./ M.Tech. / M.Pharm. / MBA / M.Phil. or an equivalent degree (minimum of 60% aggregate)*
 - M.Sc./B.E./B.Pharm. or an equivalent degree (minimum of 60% aggregate)*
 - For admission into Humanities and Social Sciences, M.A. degree (minimum of 55% aggregate)*
- [*In the Qualifying Degree examination]

In addition, Departments may set specific admission criteria for shortlisting. Meeting the minimum eligibility qualifications does not guarantee admission into the Ph.D. program. Shortlisted candidates will have to appear for an admission test, which may comprise a written exam and/or interview. Information on specific Departments and related research activities is available on the Department homepage of respective campuses.

Full-time Students:

Preferably individuals who would like to pursue Ph.D. in-house, residing on campus.

Part-time Students:

Preferably individuals working in organizations providing basic facilities and environment for research.

Financial Assistance:

Full-time Ph.D. students admitted into the Ph.D. program are eligible to be considered for fellowship of ₹34,000 or ₹37,000 per month as per intake qualifications. Consideration for fellowship will be as per Institute norms, details of which are available in the PhD brochure on the admission website. It will be obligatory on the part of every admitted full time student to undertake 8 hours (per week) of work as assigned to her/him by the Institute.



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For details on the admissions process, refer (<https://www.bitsadmission.com/ph/>). Deadline to receive filled applications with the prescribed application fee is 17:00 hrs. on 25 November, 2023.

Application Procedure

- ✓ Click on "online application" at <https://www.bitsadmission.com/phdmain.aspx>.
- ✓ Following documents will have to be uploaded:
 1. Photograph
 2. Signature
 3. Date of Birth Certificate
 4. Mark sheet of qualifying degree
 5. Certificate of qualifying degree
 6. No objection certificate from employer [only for part time applicants]

Important Dates

Activity	Date
Admission Portal Open	October 7, 2023
Last Date for filling application form online	November 25, 2023
Declaration of shortlisted candidates (on BITSadmission website)	December 15, 2023
Date of Admission Test/Interview	January 3, 2024
Result Notification	January 6, 2024
Deadline for Fee Payment	January 15, 2024
Student Reporting	January 18, 2024
Student Registration	January 18, 2024

The Institute reserves the right to change the above deadlines. Candidates will be informed well in advance should there be such a change.

Refer to PhD Admission Brochure for details on financial assistance, written test, important dates etc.