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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 2025, BITS has been ranked 171st in Asia and 15th in India. Further, BITS Pilani has been ranked among the top 300 in QS World University Graduate Employability Rankings 2022 and within top 6 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 ₹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.

Applications are invited for First Semester admission to the PhD program (Full time and/or Part time) starting August 2025 in Pilani, Goa and Hyderabad campuses of BITS Pilani in the following Departments:

Last day for Submission of Application is 29th April 2025

Department's Preference for Ph.D. Admissions (I Semester 2025-26)

Department	Pilani		Goa		Hyderabad	
	Full time	Part time	Full time	Part time	Full time	Part time
Biological Sciences	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
Chemical Engineering	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Chemistry	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Civil Engineering	✓	✓			✓	✓
Computer Science and Information Systems	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Electrical & Electronics Engineering	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Humanities & Social Sciences	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
Economics & Finance	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Management	✓	✓	✓**	✓**	✓*	✓*
Mathematics	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mechanical Engineering	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Pharmacy	✓	✓			✓	✓
Physics	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

(*Applications are open only in the area of 1. Marketing and 2. Strategy & Entrepreneurship)

(**Applications are open in the area of 1. Marketing, 2. Finance, 3. Strategy and 4. Operations)

Candidates are advised to browse the respective department's website to find the probable research areas for the intake

Financial Assistance

All the full-time PhD students admitted into the PhD program will receive a fellowship up to a maximum of five years.

The fellowship could be from the Institute or Sponsored Projects. PhD students may also have their own fellowship if qualified through UGC/CSIR NET.

Students offered Institute fellowship will receive ₹37,000/- per month. The fellowship may be enhanced to ₹40,000/- or ₹42,000/- after two years based on the performance. Institute Fellows will also receive a contingency amount of ₹20,000/- per year.

Students offered admission through Sponsored Projects would receive the fellowship in accordance with the funding agency guidelines.

BITS Pilani provides International Travel Support of up to ₹1.5 lakh to full-time PhD students to present their work in an international conference.

Minimum Eligibility Qualifications

- M.E./M.Tech./M.Pharm./MBA/M.Phil. or an equivalent Degree (a minimum of 60% aggregate)*
- M.Sc./B.E./B.Pharm. or an equivalent degree (a minimum of 60% aggregate)*
- For admissions to Humanities and Social Sciences, candidates with an M.A. degree (minimum of 55% aggregate)*
- For part-time applicants, a minimum of one year experience in the related field of study is required.

In addition, Departments may set specific admission criteria for shortlisting. Meeting the minimum eligibility qualifications does not guarantee admission into the PhD programme. Further details about the Admission process are available in the PhD Brochure on the Admission website.



- 101-150 in Pharmacy
- 251-300 in Mechanical Engineering
- 301-350 in Computer Science
- 301-350 in EEE & Chemical Engineering
- 359 in Engineering & Technology
- 451-500 in Physics & Astronomy
- 451-500 in Mathematics
- 501-550 in Chemistry
- 551-600 in Business and Management Studies



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