MS-by-Research Sponsored Category

Eligibility Criteria

The applicant must have a bachelor's degree in engineering or a 4-year bachelor's degree in science or a master's degree in science with marks/CPI not below the specified minimum (The "specified minimum" marks/CPI (Cumulative Performance Index), referred to in subsequent sections, implies a minimum of 55 percent marks /5.5 (on a 10 point scale) as long as it is not less than (5) the minimum pass marks/CPI; otherwise, the "specified minimum" marks/CPI implies the minimum pass marks/CPI.) for admission into M.S. by Research.

For admission into M.S. by Research in Cognitive Science, applicants having bachelor's degree in medicine (MBBS) or master's degree in Psychology/Linguistics/ Philosophy/ Anthropology/ Physics/ Chemistry/Mathematics/ Statistics/ Biosciences/ Computer Science/ related disciplines with marks/CPI not below the specified minimum may also be considered.

Applicants with B.Sc. (3-year) or equivalent with a minimum of 75% marks/7.5 CPI may also be considered for admission into M.S. by Research in Computer Science & Engineering, Photonics Science and Engineering, and Cognitive Sciences.

For admission into M.S. by Research in Cognitive Science, bachelor's degree in Psychology/Linguistics/ Philosophy/ Anthropology/ Physics/ Chemistry/Mathematics/ Statistics/ Biosciences/ Computer Science/ related disciplines with a minimum of 75% marks/7.5 CPI may also be considered. Students with this qualification have a higher credit requirement for graduation (6 Semesters).

For Sponsored Candidates

A candidate who is sponsored by his/her employer and who meets the additional conditions specified below may be admitted through a separate selection committee appointed specifically for the purpose.

A sponsored candidate must have been in service of the sponsoring organization for at least two years at the time of admission. The sponsoring organization must specifically undertake to provide full salary to the candidate and to relieve him/her to pursue the programme for its full duration.

For project employees of IIT Kanpur seeking admission to the M.S. by Research programme, the candidate should have been working on a project at IIT Kanpur for at least one year at the time of admission instead of the two years requirement mentioned above. Note: For candidates seeking admission to the M.S. by Research programme and sponsored by his/her employer or through an IIT Kanpur project, the requirement of being in service for one year mentioned above is not applicable.

Fulfillment of GATE requirement may be waived for such candidates.

However, the sponsored candidates seeking admission to the M.Tech./M.Des./M.S. by Research programme who have not qualified GATE will be called for interview and may in addition be asked to take a written test.