

POST GRADUATE PROGRAMME IN BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

8th Batch | Commencing in August 2019

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



What is the degree that I will earn?

Master of Business Administration(MBA) will be awarded on successful completion of the Post Graduate Programme in Business Management (PGPBM) programme requirements.



Will my MBA be awarded at IIM Trichy convocation?

Yes, PGPBM is one of the flagship programmes of IIM Trichy, and the graduating class will be awarded their MBA Degree at the annual convocation in March, along with the graduating class of PGP, FPM and other flagship programmes.



Will I receive any placement assistance?

As PGPBM is specifically designed for working executives, there is no placement assistance.



How is this programme different from the two-year PGP?

The PGPBM is similar to the two year PGP in terms of number of credits, courses, and faculty profile. The primary difference is that the PGPBM is specifically designed for the working executive with classes on Fridays-Sundays over 24 months. And so this would enable the working executives to earn the MBA Degree even while continuing to work full-time.



What is the duration of the programme?

The programme duration is 24 months. Students are permitted to take up to a maximum of five electives in Terms 6 to 9 which can enable them to complete the programme in 21 months if they wish to. Classes commence in August 2019 and get over in August 2020. Students taking up to a maximum of five electives in Terms 6 to 9 can complete the classes by May 2020. Convocation would be in March 2021. Students completing all the requirements by August 2020 would be provided a provisional certificate on request.



Who will teach in the programme?

The faculty comprises of permanent, visiting, and guest faculty of IIM Trichy. Full-time faculty at IIM Trichy have earned their doctoral degrees from leading institutions in India and abroad. For a complete profile of the faculty please visit the following link:

<https://iimtrichy.ac.in/faculty-profile>



Would I be treated as an alumnus of IIM Trichy?

Yes, you will be an alumnus of IIM Trichy upon graduation and would be entitled to all the privileges of an IIM Trichy alumnus.



Would I have access to the infrastructure facilities at the IIM Trichy campus?

Yes. You are welcome to visit and use any of the physical infrastructure facilities at the IIM Trichy campus including the library, computer facilities, digital resources, databases etc.



Would the infrastructure of the Chennai Campus match that of the IIM Trichy campus?

IIM Trichy strives to provide its students the best of facilities at all its campuses. The Learning Resource Centre (LRC) at Chennai Campus is a source of information and knowledge for students, faculty and other stakeholders of IIM Trichy - Chennai Campus. LRC hosts a vast collection of books, research journals, magazines and newspapers in the field of management and social sciences, from India and across the world. LRC provides access to leading electronic repositories of research journals and books, and database on industries and companies. LRC provides access to leading statistical software packages as well.



What are the learning resources available at IIM Trichy?

Apart from a fast growing collection of books, the Learning Resource Centre at IIM Trichy campus has access to the following electronic databases:

- ABI Inform Complete
- CMIE full package (includes Business Beacon, CapEx, Prowess, Economic Intelligence, India Trade, Indian Harvest, Industry Analysis Service and States of India)
- EBSCO Business Source Complete
- ScienceDirect
- Financial Times Education
- Full access to HBR cases, articles, books, simulation games etc.
- JSTOR
- Manupatra.com



What is the cost of the programme?

The total fee of the programme comprises of two parts;

- a. Non refundable Course Fee – **Rs. 11,80,000/-** plus applicable taxes to be paid in nine instalments.
- b. Refundable Caution Deposit - **Rs. 10,000/-**.

The consolidated fee is made up of Tuition, Library, Case Permission Royalty, Textbooks, Academic Course Pack, Examination and Alumni activity .

The fee is for the total course, and is not related to the number of terms. However, for ease of payment the course fee is structured to be paid in nine installments.



What is the payment schedule?

Fee will be collected in nine installments to the following schedule:

Fee is made up of Tuition, Library, Case Permission Royalty, Textbooks, Academic Course Pack, Examination, and Alumni activity. *First installment fee includes a caution deposit of Rs.10,000/- refundable on graduation /withdrawal from the programme.

Installment	Date	Fee
I	July 20, 2019	Rs. 1,90,000*
II	November 05, 2019	Rs. 1,25,000
III	February 05, 2020	Rs. 1,25,000
IV	May 05, 2020	Rs. 1,25,000
V	August 05, 2020	Rs. 1,25,000
VI	November 05, 2020	Rs. 1,25,000
VII	February 05, 2021	Rs. 1,25,000
VIII	May 05, 2021	Rs. 1,25,000
IX	July 05, 2021	Rs. 1,25,000



Can I take a break during the programme?

We strongly discourage students from taking breaks during the programme. However, in exceptional circumstances, students are permitted to take breaks with the prior approval of the PGPBM Committee. Students should complete the requirements of the programme within 5 years from the date of admission.



What are the selection and admission criteria?

Please refer to the brochure for a detailed description of the admissions process and selection criteria.



Am I eligible for bank loans?

IIM Tiruchirappalli's PGPBM students have option to seek educational loans at concessional rates from Central Bank of India, Bank of Baroda and Punjab National Bank. Prospective students can contact PGPBM Office to get in touch with the bankers.



What is the class schedule?

The sessions for the 2019-2021 batch will be as follows:

Friday : Evening

Saturday: Afternoon and evening

Sunday : Morning

In addition to the above mentioned slots, classes for elective courses are conducted on Saturday mornings and Sunday evenings, as well.

The term-wise courses to be taught for PGPBM 2019-2021 batch is detailed in the brochure.



I am an entrepreneur/self-employed running my own firm/practice. Am I eligible to apply?

In keeping with its vision, IIM Trichy strongly encourages candidates with an entrepreneurial frame of mind to apply for the programme. A candidate otherwise fulfilling the requirements of minimum educational attainment, and who may have been/is self-employed in an entrepreneurial venture for at least three years is eligible to apply, subject to the condition that the entrepreneurial venture is registered with a statutory body, and the candidate is listed as one of the promoters.



I am sponsored by my organization. Do I still need to go through the admission process?

Yes. All candidates need to meet the eligibility criteria and undergo the entire admission process. Sponsored candidates will be given preference, other things remaining equal.



I have a valid CAT/GMAT score. Will I get exemption from the Written Test?

Candidates having a valid test score of CAT 2018 or GMAT score (test taken between May 1, 2018 to April 30, 2019) are exempted from the Written Test. They are however required to send in the filled-in application form complete in all other respects. But, they may choose to appear for the Written Test. In such cases, their CAT scores will be ignored and only the Written Test scores will be used for shortlisting candidates to the next stage.



What are the attendance requirements?

The Institute insists on regular attendance in classes. Students are expected to attend all scheduled sessions required in every course. The PGPM Office will keep a record of attendance in all courses. However, students will be allowed to miss classes for unavoidable reasons (including both personal and official reasons) up to one fourth of classes conducted in that course. If a student misses more than 1/4th of the classes for any purpose, the student will be penalized with a grade point drop as listed below:

3-credit course		2 or 1.5 credit course	
No. of sessions absent	Grade point drop	No. of sessions absent	Grade point drop
<=5	No penalty	<=3	No penalty
6	0.10	4	0.25
7	0.25	5	0.50
8	0.50	6	0.75
9	0.75	7	1.00
10	1.00		

In the case of attendance falling below 50%, the student would be required to repeat the course. Since most courses have continuous evaluation, students are strongly advised to be regular in attendance as lack of attendance can severely affect their academic performance. For Terms 1 through 5, repeating the course would entail the student to repeat the course the next year. For Terms 2 through 5, no student will be permitted to register for the term without completing all the requirements of the preceding terms.



Will I get a certificate if I leave midway the course?

No. You will not be receiving any certificate if you decide to leave midway. You will be receiving the marks transcript at the end of every term.

For any additional information, contact:

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The Chennai Campus of IIM Tiruchirappalli functions as per the following schedule provided below;

Days	Working Timings
Mondays to Fridays	2:00 to 10:00 pm.
Saturdays	10:00 am to 10:00 pm
Sundays	10:00 am to 6:00 pm