NICMAR UNIVERSITY PUNE

School of Architecture and Planning

Master of Planning (Urban Planning)
(M.Plan – Urban Planning)

NICMAR University, Pune

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PROGRAMME BROCHURE
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INTRODUCTION

With growing levels of urbanization, India is currently more than 31% urban and is set to become 50% urban by 2050 as per Census 2011. Urbanization is central to Indian economy and growth. A pivotal report by NITI Aayog in 2021 - 'Reforms in Urban Planning Capacity in India' - notes that there are only 7000 qualified town and country planners in the country where as there are 7935 town and cities, besides 640 districts and over 6 lakh villages. There are numerous urban challenges such as increase in new urban areas without master plans, inefficient utilization of serviced urban land, large populations living in slums, disaster mitigation, water scarcity and many more. There is an urgent need for planning interventions using advanced tools, techniques and knowledge of global and national best practices. Keeping in line with NICMAR University's vision, the objective of this programme is to bridge the gap between planning education and professional practice by preparing industry-ready planners who lead the country's planned urban development.

The Master of Planning programme currently offers a specialisation in Urban Planning and is housed in the School of Architecture and Planning. This programme equips students with the comprehensive knowledge of theories and planning concepts along with essential techno-managerial and software skills required by the industry. Courses including planning theory, urban infrastructure, transportation, environmental and housing planning in the various scales of city, metropolitan and regional planning build foundational knowledge in core planning. Other courses such as urban governance and finance, planning legislation and professional practice; project formulation, appraisal, finance and management build an understanding of current planning practice. Technical skills imparted through the curriculum include mapping and spatial analysis, planning techniques and research methods, technical writing, and various software. Managerial skills including working in multidisciplinary teams, stakeholder management, and oral-written-visual communication are built through a well-designed pedagogy that encourages active learning. The programme prepares the students to perform the role of a planner in multi-disciplinary teams across multiple sectors for different scales of interventions for various cities and towns in the country and globally.

VISION AND MISSION

VISION

Through quality teaching-learning processes and research, School of Architecture and Planning aims at developing highly qualified and committed new-generation professionals equipped with comprehensive domain knowledge along with the necessary techno-managerial and research skills. The graduates of the School would serve as leaders in creating and managing sustainable built environments in India and globally through excellence in skills, knowledge, behaviour and capabilities.

MISSION

1. To impart innovative and community focused-education to train new-generation professionals competent in immensely complex and challenging built environments in the present context.
2. To serve communities and improve quality of life through creative and pioneering practical solutions and research in the built environment.
3. To be a Centre of Excellence in architecture and planning, guided by the principles of sustainability and resilience.
4. To inculcate professional ethics, values and entrepreneurial attitude addressing needs of industry and society.

OBJECTIVES

The aim of the programme is to develop professionals with techno-managerial understanding of urban planning in India and abroad. The objectives of the programme are as follows:

- Equip students with comprehensive knowledge of the philosophy and fundamental principles of the multidimensional and multi-faceted nature of planning.
- Train students to apply planning knowledge in physical, spatial, environmental, socio-economic, legal-political, cultural, governance, development and management aspects of planning of urban areas with regards to the national vision and demands of the society.

- Prepare graduates to carry out data-based situation assessment, analytical problem-solving and critical thinking to develop planning solutions.

PROGRAMME PHILOSOPHY

The programme aims at producing technologically equipped and knowledgeable urban thinkers aware of the global urban context and modern-day challenges of climate change, sustainability, equity, urban quality of life concerns, capable of proposing concrete strategies to address the same at local level.

- **Leveraging NICMAR's Legacy** in existing strength areas i.e. CRIP – Construction, Real estate, Infrastructure, and Project management; the M. Plan. programme emphasizes inculcating technical skills in areas such as project formulation, appraisal, planning, scheduling, evaluation, monitoring, accounting and project finance, and real estate development and management – in addition to the core planning skills.
- **'Learning by doing**' is at the heart of the curriculum design. Theoretical and conceptual inputs are supported by application using relevant software through tutorials, site visits, practical field explorations in studios, collaborative projects with industry, professional training in summer, and an independent thesis or a professional project.
- **Create Industry-ready Graduates**: Gain from NICMAR's strong industry connect and a thorough understanding of the needs and aspirations of the industry, create employment-ready professionals skilled in technical and interpersonal skills.

PROGRAMME EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES (PEO)

After 4-5 years from graduation, graduates will be able to:

1. Demonstrate technical competency and leadership in their roles as planning professionals.
2. Exhibit commitment towards sustainable development for the betterment of society.
3. Apply good interpersonal skills through working in interdisciplinary teams with stakeholders.
4. Pursue lifelong learning in generating innovative planning solutions using research and problem-solving skills.

PROGRAMME OUTCOMES

At graduation, student will be able to:

- **PO-1**: **Knowledge**: Demonstrate comprehensive knowledge of the philosophy and fundamental principles of planning.
- **PO-2: Problem analysis and solutions**: Demonstrate data-based realistic situation assessment, analytical problem-solving and critical thinking to develop planning solutions.
- **PO-3: Environment and sustainability**: Evaluate the impact of planning solutions in the context of environmental sustainability.
- **PO-4: Investigation of complex problems**: Demonstrate awareness of advanced technologies/ideas, and exhibit a sense of independent scientific research and lifelong learning.
- **PO-5: Professional, legal and ethical framework**: Navigate ethical dilemmas in urban planning, fostering a commitment to integrity, social justice, and sustainability within the profession.
- **PO-6: Team work and communication**: Perform in multi-disciplinary teams in various planning assignments with capability.
- **PO-7**: **The planner and the society**: Apply planning knowledge in various sectors with regards to the national/ global vision and demands of the society.
- **PO-8**: **Modern technology**: Use modern tools and technology for analysis, prediction and modeling of complex planning problems.

DURATION AND ORGANISATION

The programme duration is of two years. It is organised into four terms with suitable breaks. Every semester includes a combination of courses requiring classroom learning (L), tutorials (T), studio work/ project seminar/ professional Project / thesis (P).

Semester-I introduces three foundational planning core courses of 3 credits each along with an essential software course of 2 credits, planning studio of 6 credits and a humanities course of 2 credits

along with a Massive Online Open Course (MOOC) or an Indian Knowledge System course of 2 credits. A Social Immersion course of 1 credit has been included in this semester.

Semester-II comprises three foundational planning courses of 2-3 credits each, along with a studio of 6 credits and a humanities course of 2 credits and a MOOC or an Indian Knowledge System course of 2 credits. Two more courses of 2 credits each are introduced at this point – one in research and another regarding the professional practice. From the basket of electives offered, the students may choose one Professional Elective (2 credits) and one Open Elective (2 credits) in this semester.

A summer internship of minimum 8 weeks in a professional organisation after Semester-II gives a first-hand experience of professional practice.

Semester-III comprises of two core courses of 3 credits each along with studio of 6 credits each, two humanities courses of 2 credits, an Open Elective of 2 credits and a Professional Elective of 2 credits. In this semester, professional training undertaken during summer is evaluated for 2 credits. Students begin with the problem formulation for thesis or professional project in this semester through (2 credits).

Semester-IV A Professional Project / Thesis is undertaken in this semester which carries 12 credits along with a software applications practical course of 1 credit.

Students need to successfully complete 81 total credits to complete the programme. Out of 81 credits, 25 credits are allotted to planning core courses (some of these may include tutorial/ practical component), 6 credits for humanities and social sciences subjects and 8 credits for elective courses. A total of 18 credits for three studios, 2 credits for a professional training during summer, 2 credits for Project Work / Thesis : Problem formulation and 12 credits for Professional Project / Thesis final. A practical software course of 1 credit has been included to support the research methods of 2 credits. Additionally, there are two non-credit Massive Online Open Courses (MOOC) or audit courses as part of the curriculum to inculcate the habit of life-long learning. Each semester has 15 weeks of teaching and one week of term end examinations (as per University policy).

ELIGIBILITY

A Candidate with 50% marks in Bachelor of Planning/ Architecture/ Civil Engineering/ Structural Engineering / Construction Technology / Construction Management / Environmental Science / Environmental Engineering / Computer Science / Infrastructure Planning and Management from a recognized statutory institute or any other recognized by the Institute of Town Planners India, New Delhi.

OR

A Candidate with 50% marks in Master of Geography/ Economics/ Sociology/ Social Work/ Population Studies/ Development Studies/ Geoinformatics/ Mathematics/ Econometrics/ Statistics/ Operation Research/ Public Administration/ Management/ Governance/ Public Policy from a recognized statutory institute or any other recognized by the Institute of Town Planners India, New Delhi.

ADMISSION PROCEDURE

Selection of students is made by the selection committee. Those interested in admission to the programmes offered by the NICMAR University, Pune may apply online, pay fees and upload documents through our website. All specified documents must be submitted. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Application Fee:

PG Programmes: INR 2,500/-

Candidates' preference of programme will be considered, but the allotment will be done at the sole discretion of the admission department, NICMAR University. Candidates should appear for the selection procedure on the given dates.

Admission process will be conducted online and the detailed Information will be shared with the applicants.

SELECTION PROCEDURE FOR PG PROGRAMMES

Applications are scrutinised and eligibility is established on the basis of the documents submitted. Eligible candidates will be invited to appear for the selection procedure, i.e., Composite Score which comprises 1. Post Graduate NICMAR Common Admission Test (PG-NCAT), Personal Interview (PI) and Rating of Application (RA). PG-NCAT and Personal interview is mandatory for all aspirants applying to MBA and PGD programmes.In addition to PG-NCAT, valid scores of the aspirants appearing for CUET PG / MH-CET / CAT / XAT / MAT/ NMAT / GRE / GMAT will be considered for MBA & PGD programmes. For M.Plan and M.Tech programmes, GATE scores (in Architecture & Planning / Civil Engineering for M.Plan, and Civil Engineering for M.Tech) will be accepted as an alternative to the PG-NCAT.

Candidates who appear for both PG-NCAT and any of the approved entrance examinations mentioned above will have their best score considered, wherever applicable.

For candidates appearing in NCAT & other additional entrance exams (as mentioned above), the highest score among such exams will be considered for final merit.

Details	**Total Marks**
Post Graduate NICMAR Common Admission Test (PG-NCAT)	**150 marks**
a) Quantitative and Analytical Ability	60 marks
b) Data Interpretation	30 marks
c) Verbal Ability	40 marks
d) Industry Awareness and Current Affairs	20 marks
Personal Interview (PI)	**50 marks**
Rating of Application (RA)	**50 marks**
Composite Score	**250 Marks**

The RA is calculated on the basis of weighted scores of the cumulative academic performance along with work experience (wherever applicable) obtained from the documents submitted to NICMAR University by the candidates.

Selection of candidates is done on the basis of merit. Admission offer letters are issued in the order of merit.

RESERVED CATEGORY

Description of Caste/Tribe/Category/Class of Reserved Category	**Percentage of Reservation**
Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Castes Converts to Buddhism	13.0%
Scheduled Tribes	7.0%
De-notified Tribes (A)	3.0%
Nomadic Tribes (B)	2.5%
Nomadic Tribes (C)	3.5%
Nomadic Tribes (D)	2.0%
Other Backward Classes	19.0%
Total	**50.0%**

DOMICILE

Out of the total approved intake capacity, forty percent of the seats are reserved for the students having domiciled in the State of Maharashtra.

FEES AND PAYMENT SCHEDULE

The details of the total amount of fees payable with payment schedule for this programme are given below:

Sr. No	Description	Tuition Fee	Development Fee	Programme Fee (Tuition Fee+ Development Fee)	Security Deposit (Refundable)	Total
1	1st Instalment (At the time of Admission)	141400	21100	162500	10000	172500
2	2nd Instalment (Within 7 days of the commencement of Semester II)	141400	21100	162500		162500
3	3rd Instalment (Within 7 days of the commencement of Semester III)	141400	21100	162500		162500
4	4th Instalment (Within 7 days of the commencement of Semester IV)	141400	21100	162500		162500
Grand Total						660000

Note: Hostel and mess charges are additional.

The tuition fee includes classroom teaching, workshops as per the programme structure and other charges i.e. fees for examinations, evaluation, project work and assessments, library and students' welfare fund. The University provides a free group accident insurance and group mediclaim policy that covers all students.

The security deposit (Rs. 10,000/-) is refundable on completion of the programme (after adjustment of dues, if any from the student).

The following conditions apply for the payment of fees and other dues.

For 1st Instalment (at the time of admission):

- The fees and other dues payable at the time of admission are as mentioned in the admission offer letter.

For 2nd Instalment Onwards:

- Fees are payable as per the notification given to the students by the department concerned.
- The fees are payable as per the schedule given, failing which, fees paid after this schedule will be subject to a late fine of Rs.100/- per day for First one Month, Rs. 200/- per day for Second Month, Rs. 300/- per day for Third Month. However, after Third Month, the University may cancel the registration of the student in his/her programme if no valid ground is established for the delay.

The fee above includes the cost of course material, two 'NICMAR University T-Shirts' and one tie.

The NICMAR University reserves the right to revise any/all of the components of the above policy, including payment schedule and refund policy without any prior notice.

POLICY FOR CANCELLATION OF ADMISSION AND REFUND OF FEE

The NICMAR University, Pune has a policy of considering refund of the first instalment of tuition fee paid by the student at the time of acceptance of offer, against cancellation of admission. The University strictly follows UGC guidelines in respect of refund of fees. All request applications duly signed by the student must necessarily be received by the Admission Department, NICMAR University, Pune. All such requests in writing must be sent by hand/post/courier only. Any request for refund by e-mail/telephone/fax, etc. if not accompanied by a formal request in writing in the hard copy format within the time stipulated below will not be considered.

If a student chooses to withdraw from the programme of study in which he/she is enrolled, the University shall follow the following five-tier system for the refund of fees remitted by the student.

Sr. No.	Percentage of Refund of Fees	Point of time when notice of withdrawal of admission is received in the University	Deadline
(1)	100%	15 days or more before the formally-notified commencement of the academic session.	on or before 21.06.2026
(2)	90%	Less than 15 days before the formally-notified commencement of the academic session.	22.06.2026 to 05.07.2026

(3)	80%	15 days or less after the formally-notified commencement of the academic session.	06.07.2026 to 21.07.2026
(4)	50%	30 days or less, but more than 15 days, after the formally-notified commencement of the academic session.	22.07.2026 to 05.08.2026
(5)	0%	More than 30 days after the formally-notified commencement of the academic session.	06.08.2026 onwards

*The security deposit, which is not part of the fees chargeable, shall be refunded in full (after adjustment of dues, if any from the student).

Note: In case of (1) in the table above, Processing Charges of Rs.5,000/- will be deducted from the refundable amount (as per refund policy of UGC).

Note: The refund policy will be strictly followed by NICMAR University, time to time as per UGC guidelines and updates.

HOSTEL AND LIVING EXPENSES [2026-27]

Hostel accommodation is available at NICMAR University, Pune. There is a separate hostel for girl students. All students must abide by the student handbook Code of Conduct issued by NICMAR University, Pune.

The hostel accommodation within the campus is allotted purely on the first paid, first served basis (on the basis of hostel & food fees received in the NICMAR University, Pune). However, taking into the account the limited number of rooms available in the campus hostels, students requiring accommodation, who could not be accommodated inside the campus hostels, will be assisted in search of appropriate accommodation in the vicinity of the campus, if requested by the students and subject to availability of such accommodation.

The campus has four hostels which altogether provide single occupancy rooms for boys and girls. 194 shared occupancy rooms for girl students. The details are as follows:

Sr. No.	Hostel	Capacity	Type of Occupancy	Charges (Rupees Per Month)	Annual Hostel Charges	Annual Food Charges	Annual Hostel and Food Charges	Remark
1.	Millennium Hostel	502	Single	7800/-	78000/-	114000/-	192000/-	For boys
2.	Silver Jubilee Hostel	323	Single	7200/-	78000/-	114000/-	192000/-	For boys
3.	Ultima Hostel	314	Single	7200/-	78000/-	114000/-	192000/-	For boys
4.	Millennium Hostel	194	Shared (Double)	6500/-	65000/-	114000/-	179000/-	For girls only

- Note: There will be a **Refundable Caution Deposit** of **Rs**.**15000/-**
- **Single occupancy for girls (if available) - Rs. 7800/- per month.**

Food package charge is Rs. 400/- per head per day. The package includes breakfast with tea, buffet lunch, evening snacks with tea and buffet dinner.

The mess facilities are run by a Contractor hired by NICMAR University, Pune under the supervision of the Sr. Manager – Estate Administration. The Senior Manager according to the suggestions by the Students' Mess Co-ordinator prepares the menu on weekly basis.

Payment Schedule

Hostel and food fees are payable semester-wise within 7 days of the commencement of the semester. In case of delay, a fine of Rs. 75/- per day will be payable for the first 7 days, after which, the fine will be Rs. 125/- per day. The hostel and food fees once paid are non-transferable. Mess facility is mandatory for all students staying in NICMAR University, Pune.

Typically, the total living expenses including hostel & food fees expenses at Pune are approximately Rs. 18,000/- to Rs. 20,000/- per month.

Note: Hostel Accommodation and Food charges are inclusive of all taxes applicable.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

NICMAR University, Pune extends merit scholarships/concessions/fee waiver to students aspiring to undertake full-time PG and UG Programmes. A student is eligible for only one award or scholarship or concession or fee waiver as applicable. These merit scholarships /concessions / fee waivers are designed to recognize and motivate high-performing students, providing financial support based on their academic performance, as well as any other achievements or results in National Level/State Level entrance exams, which includes the NICMAR University, Pune Common Admission Test (PG-NCAT & UG NCAT). Additionally, scholarships are available for students from Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) and for wards of defence personnel, in recognition of their unique circumstances and contributions.

The brief details of Merit Scholarship categories are provided below:

1. **"Outstanding Performance Scholarships": Applicable for entire duration of the programme:**
   - **A. "100% Scholarship Under the Exemplary Merit Scholarship": Available to the 2% (Upto 27 students) of Approved Intake Students (at least 1 student).**
     100% scholarship throughout the entire duration of the programme, exclusively accessible to the **2**% of students within the approved intake. *The availability of this benefit is contingent upon meeting the specified conditions outlined in the respective policy.*
   - **B. "75% Scholarship Under the Distinguished Merit Scholarship": Available to the 3% (Upto 42 students) of Approved Intake Students (at least 1 student).**
     75% scholarship throughout the entire duration of the programme, exclusively accessible to the **3**% of students within the approved intake. *The availability of this benefit is contingent upon meeting the specified conditions outlined in the respective policy.*
   - **C. "25% Scholarship Under the Meritorious Grant": Available to the 5% (Upto 71 students) of Approved Intake Students.**
     25% scholarship throughout the entire duration of the programme, exclusively accessible to the **5**% of students within the approved intake. *The availability of this benefit is contingent upon meeting the specified conditions outlined in the respective policy.*
   - **D. "5% Scholarship Under the Commendable Assistance Grant": Available to the 30% (Upto 417 students) of Approved Intake Students.**
     5% programme fee waiver throughout the entire duration of the programme, exclusively accessible to **30%** of students within the approved intake. *The availability of this benefit is contingent upon meeting the specified conditions outlined in the respective policy.*

2. **"Economically Weaker Section* [EWS] Fee Waiver": Applicable for entire duration of the programme:**
   - **100% Fee Waiver: Available for up to 5 Students.**

     We are excited to introduce a merit-cum-means fee waiver opportunity for students with an annual family income of up to **Rs. 5 lakhs or less.** The waiver entails a full programme fee waiver for up to 5 students based on their outstanding performance in the admission process. To qualify for this fee waiver, candidates should have 80% & above in SSC & HSC for UG programmes; and 80% & above in SSC, HSC and 60% & above in Graduation for PG programmes.

   - **50% Fee Waiver: Available to the 10% (Upto 154 students) of Approved Intake Students.**

     50% fee waiver scholarships are awarded to **10%** of students within the approved intake falling within the **Economically Weaker Section (EWS),** encompassing individuals with an annual family gross income of up to **Rs. 8 lakhs or less**.

The availability of this benefit is contingent upon meeting the specified conditions outlined in the respective policy.

Eligibility will **also depend on **exceptional performance** as specified in the respective policy.*

3. **"Rising Talent Scholarship": Applicable for entire duration of the programme**

Up to Rs. 20,000/- (Per Year) Programme Fee Relief for the 10% (Upto 154 students) of Approved Intake Students through Extra-curricular / Co-curricular Accomplishments.

A scholarship of up to Rs. 20,000 per year for the entire duration of the programme is exclusively accessible to 10% of students within the approved intake. *The availability of this benefit is contingent upon meeting the specified conditions outlined in the respective policy.*

4. **Scholarships Offered by Sponsors:**

(i). "International Education Foundation (IEF)* Scholarship" (for the students of minority community): Applicable for entire duration of the programme*.

International Education Foundation is **offering programme fee for the shortlisted students**, for the entire duration of the full time Post Graduate Programmes. This scholarship is available for the students of minority community, admitted to NICMAR University, Pune for the full-time programmes. The details are as follows:

- **Scholarship is available for the students of minority community.**

**Subject to approval and as per the scholarship & selection policy of IEF.*

(ii). "thyssenkrupp Uhde India Private Limited* Scholarship": Applicable for entire duration of the programme.

- **Scholarship for Special Category** for SoEE Programmes**

Scholarship for a **female candidate** (Offering full programme fee).
• Candidate must be from Economically Weaker Section.
• Having an Engineering degree (only) at Undergraduate (UG) level

**Subject to approval and as per the scholarship & selection policy of thyssenkrupp Uhde India Private Limited.*

***As per thyssenkrupp Uhde India Private Limited policy.*

5. **Concession for wards of Defence Personnel: Applicable for entire duration of the programme:** ** Limited to 1% (Upto 22 students) of the total intake.*

- **Wards of Defence and Para-military personnel, both currently serving and retired, are eligible for this concession.**

The percentage of scholarship varies based on the rank of the personnel:

Non-Commissioned Officers (NCOs): 25% concession.
Junior Commissioned Officers (JCOs): 15% concession.
Senior Commissioned Officers (SCOs): 10% concession.

General Terms and Conditions

Students availing any form of scholarship, fee waiver, or concession must comply with the following requirements to maintain eligibility in the subsequent academic term or year. Failure to meet any of these conditions may result in disqualification from the granted benefit.

Scholarships, fee waivers, or concessions will not be offered to any student who postpones or seeks deferment to the University's full- time programmes for any reason whatsoever. Students with any scholarship, Fee waiver, or concession must comply with the following requirements for continuance of scholarship in subsequent academic term / year. A breach of any of these conditions will result in disqualification and forfeiture of the benefit, and the student will be required to pay the applicable fees for the next academic year. The scholarship will be restored in subsequent term / year, depending on the fulfilment of the conditions stated below:

i. The awardees' **attendance** in any course of study **shall not be less than 75%.**
ii. Awardees **should pass** the **academic term/ year** in the **first attempt**.
iii. The Awardee **must have minimum CGPA** as per below table:

Batch Size	**Minimum CGPA**			
	▸ Exemplary Merit Scholarship	▸ Distinguished Merit Scholarship	▸ Meritorious Grant ▸ Commendable Assistance Grant ▸ EWS Fee Waiver	▸ Rising Talent Scholarship ▸ Scholarship for wards of Defence Personnel
≥ 300	7.5	7.3	7.2	7
≥ 60 and < 300	8	7.8	7.6	7.2
< 60	8.5	8.3	8	7.5

iv. The awardees should have no adverse comments/grading on record from the disciplinary committee for any reason whatsoever.
v. **No gap/break/grace mark** in semester whatsoever during the entire programme is permissible*.
vi. The awardees shall maintain high standards of conduct and behaviour and conform to the discipline of the NICMAR University, Pune as laid down in the 'Code of Conduct' of the NICMAR University, Pune.
vii. In the event of admission cancellation, students are obligated to reimburse the entire fee waiver granted by the University up to the point of admission cancellation.

* Exceptional cases like serious medical conditions, family emergencies, or other unforeseen circumstances etc. may be considered with subject to approval of Vice Chancellor.

1. "Outstanding Performance Scholarships":

A. "100% Scholarship Under the Exemplary Merit Scholarship": Available to the 2% (Upto 27 students) of Approved Intake Students (at least 1 student) - Applicable for entire duration of the programme

B. "75% Scholarship Under the Distinguished Merit Scholarship": Available to the 3% (Upto 42 students) of Approved Intake Students (at least 1 student) - Applicable for entire duration of the programme

C. "25% Scholarship Under the Meritorious Grant": Available to the 5% (Upto 71 students) of Approved Intake Students - Applicable for entire duration of the programme

D. "5% Scholarship Under the Commendable Assistance Grant": Available to the 30% (Upto 417 students) of Approved Intake Students - Applicable for entire duration of the programme

The availability of this benefit is contingent upon meeting the specified conditions mentioned below.

- **Eligibility is determined by exceptional performance as per the details mentioned in the respective policy.**
- Aspirants need to undergo the admission process, which includes the NICMAR Common Admission Test (NCAT) or an equivalent score, and a Personal Interview (PI) or Counseling Session (for B.Arch.). Furthermore, they should qualify in the admission process according to the prescribed cut-off.
- Selected candidates for the Outstanding Performance Scholarships **will receive an offer letter** for admission **based on their scholarship eligibility.**
- **Exclusive Opportunity:** The scholarship is exclusively accessible to 2% (for A), 3% (for B), 5% (for C), 30% (for D) of students within the approved intake. This exclusivity enhances the prestige and value of the scholarship, making it a coveted opportunity and it cannot be clubbed with each other and/or any other scholarships declared.
- **Financial Pre-requisites for Eligibility:** To qualify for the Outstanding Performance Scholarships and have the programme fee waived, students meeting the criteria must submit the first installment of the programme fee as per the offer letter. This requirement ensures commitment from the student and facilitates the efficient processing of the scholarship.
- ***First Come-First Served Basis (A, B, C & D):*** *The scholarship will be awarded on a First Come-First Served basis, emphasizing the importance of prompt action by eligible students. Early applicants have a higher likelihood of securing this valuable financial assistance. If scholarships remain unclaimed or seats fall vacant due to cancellations within a specific criterion, such vacant scholarship seats shall be re-allotted strictly on the basis of the chronological order of receipt of the 1st instalment of fees, subject to the fulfilment of the required eligibility criteria for the respective scholarships.*

A. "100% Scholarship Under the Exemplary Merit Scholarship": Available to the 2% of Approved Intake Students (at least 1 student).

MBA Programmes	Maximum Eligible Students	Cutoff Score / Percentile for Respective Entrance Exam					
		CAT / XAT	MHT- CET	GMAT (FE)	NMAT	MAT	Composite Score (250)
MBA ACM	14	>=90	>=92	>=625	>=220	>=95	>=185
MBA PEM	2						
MBA REUIM	2	>=88	>=90	>=615	>=215	>=94	>=180
MBA (NBS)	1						
MBA ENS	1	>=86	>=88	>=605	>=210	>=92	>=175
MBA SEM	1						

Other PG Programmes	Maximum Eligible Students	Composite Score (250)
M.TECH. IN CTM*	1	>=185
M.TECH. IN IPM*	1	
M.Plan*	1	>=180

UG Programme	Maximum Eligible Students	Cutoff Score / Percentile for Respective Entrance Exam			
		JEE Main	MHT-CET	SAT	NCAT
B.Tech. in Civil	1	>=87	>=88	>=1300	>=90

UG Programme	Maximum Eligible Students	SAT	NCAT
Integrated MBA (I - MBA) : BBA + MBA	1	>=1350	>=90

UG Programme	Maximum Eligible Students	Cutoff Score / Percentile for Respective Entrance Exam	
		NATA	JEE Paper 2 (NTA)
B.Arch.	1	>=165 NATA score + 80% marks in HSC or 300 score in JEE Paper 2 + 80% marks in HSC	

Note: If the quota for candidates eligible for a 100% fee waiver has been reached, further eligible candidates will be considered for scholarships in the subsequent category due to limited availability of scholarship seats.

B. "75% Scholarship Under the Distinguished Merit": Available to the 3% of Approved Intake Students (at least 1 student).

MBA Programmes	Maximum Eligible Students	Cutoff Score / Percentile for Respective Entrance Exam					
		CAT / XAT	MHT-CET	GMAT (FE)	NMAT	MAT	Composite Score (250)
MBA ACM	22	>=88	>=90	>=605	>=215	>=93	>=180
MBA PEM	3						
MBA REUIM	3	>=87	>=88	>=595	>=210	>=92	>=175
MBA (NBS)	2						
MBA ENS	2	>=85	>=86	>=585	>=205	>=91	>=170
MBA SEM	1						

Other PG Programmes	Maximum Eligible Students	Composite Score (250)
M.TECH. IN CTM*	2	>=180
M.TECH. IN IPM*	1	
M.Plan*	1	>=175

UG Programme	Maximum Eligible Students	Cutoff Score / Percentile for Respective Entrance Exam			
		JEE Main	MHT-CET	SAT	NCAT
B.Tech. in Civil	2	>=86	>=87	>=1250	>=88

UG Programme	Maximum Eligible Students	SAT	NCAT
Integrated MBA (I - MBA) : BBA + MBA	2	>=1300	>=88

UG Programme	Maximum Eligible Students	Cutoff Score / Percentile for Respective Entrance Exam	
		NATA	JEE Paper 2 (NTA)
B.Arch.	1	>=160 NATA score + 75% marks in HSC or 275 score in JEE Paper 2 + 75% marks in HSC	

Note: If the quota for candidates eligible for a 75% fee waiver has been reached, further eligible candidates will be considered for scholarships in the subsequent category due to limited availability of scholarship seats.

C. "25% Scholarship Under the Meritorious Grant Scholarship": Available to the 5% of Approved Intake Students

MBA Programmes	Maximum Eligible Students	Cutoff Score / Percentile for Respective Entrance Exam					
		CAT / XAT	MHT-CET	GMAT (FE)	NMAT	MAT	Composite Score (250)
MBA ACM	36	>=85	>=87	>=585	>=200	>=91	>=175
MBA PEM	6						
MBA REUIM	6	>=82	>=85	>=575	>=195	>=90	>=170
MBA	3						
MBA ENS	3	>=78	>=83	>=575	>=195	>=90	>=165
MBA SEM	2						

Other PG Programmes	Maximum Eligible Students	Composite Score (250)
M.TECH. IN CTM*	3	>=175
M.TECH. IN IPM*	2	
M.Plan*	2	>=170

OR

Candidates having minimum 80 percent and above in Grade 10, Grade 12 / Diploma and Graduation Degree are also eligible for "Meritorious Grant Scholarship"

UG Programme	Maximum Eligible Students (both categories)	Cutoff Score / Percentile for Respective Entrance Exam			
		JEE Main	MHT-CET	SAT	NCAT
B.Tech. in Civil	3	>=84	>=85	>=1200	>=85

OR

Candidates having minimum 80 percent and above in Grade 10 and Grade 12 / Diploma are also eligible for "Meritorious Grant Scholarship"

UG Programme	Maximum Eligible Students (both categories)	SAT	NCAT
Integrated MBA (I - MBA) : BBA + MBA	3	>=1250	>=85

OR

Candidates having minimum 85 percent and above in Grade 10 and Grade 12 / Diploma are also eligible for "Meritorious Grant Scholarship"

UG Programme	Maximum Eligible Students (both categories)	Cutoff Score / Percentile for Respective Entrance Exam	
		NATA	JEE Paper 2 (NTA)
B.Arch.	2	>= 155 NATA score + 72% marks in HSC or 250 score in JEE Paper 2 + 72% marks in HSC	

OR

Candidates having minimum 80 percent and above in Grade 10 and Grade 12 / Diploma are also eligible for "Meritorious Grant Scholarship"

Note: If the quota for candidates eligible for a 25% fee waiver has been reached, further eligible candidates will be considered for scholarships in the subsequent category due to limited availability of scholarship seats.

D. "5% Fee Waiver Under the Commendable Assistance Grant": Available to the 30% of Approved Intake Students

MBA Programmes	Maximum Eligible Students	Cutoff Score / Percentile for Respective Entrance Exam					
		CAT / XAT	MHT- CET	GMAT (FE)	NMAT	MAT	Composite Score (250)
MBA ACM	216	>=83	>=85	>=575	>=195	>=89	>=170
MBA PEM	36						
MBA REUIM	36	>=80	>=83	>= 565	>=190	>=88	>=165
MBA (NBS)	18						
MBA ENS	18	>=75	>=81	>=565	>=190	>=88	>=160
MBA SEM	9						

Other PG Programmes	Maximum Eligible Students	Composite Score (250)
M.TECH. IN CTM*	18	>=170
M.TECH. IN IPM*	9	
M.Plan*	9	>=165

OR

Candidates having minimum 75 percent and above in Grade 10, Grade 12 / Diploma and Graduation Degree are also eligible for "Commendable Assistance Grant".

UG Programme	Maximum Eligible Students	Cutoff Score / Percentile for Respective Entrance Exam			
		JEE Main	MHT-CET	SAT	NCAT
B.Tech. in Civil	18	>=82	>=83	>=1100	>=83

OR

Candidates having minimum 75 percent and above in Grade 10 and Grade 12 / Diploma are also eligible for "Commendable Assistance Grant".

UG Programme	Maximum Eligible Students	SAT	NCAT
Integrated MBA (I - MBA) : BBA + MBA	18	>=1150	>=83

OR

Candidates having minimum 80 percent and above in Grade 10 and Grade 12 / Diploma are also eligible for "Commendable Assistance Grant".

UG Programme	Maximum Eligible Students	Cutoff Score / Percentile for Respective Entrance Exam	
		NATA	JEE Paper 2 (NTA)
B.Arch.	12	>=150 NATA score + 70% marks in HSC or 225 score in JEE Paper 2 + 70% marks in HSC	

OR

Candidates having minimum 75 percent and above in Grade 10 and Grade 12 / Diploma are also eligible for "Commendable Assistance Grant".

2. Economically Weaker Section [EWS] Fee Waiver: Applicable for entire duration of the programme:

100% Fee Waiver: Available for up to 5 Students.

We are excited to introduce a merit-cum-means fee waiver opportunity for students with an annual family income of up to **Rs. 5 lakhs or less** belonging to the **Economically Weaker Sections (EWS).** The scholarship entails a full programme fee waiver for up to 5 students based on their outstanding performance in the admission process. To qualify for this fee waiver, candidates should have 80% & above in SSC & HSC for UG programmes; and 80% & above in SSC, HSC and 60% & above in Graduation for PG programmes.

50% Fee Waiver: Available to the 10% of Approved Intake Students.

These scholarships are awarded to 10% of students within the approved intake who are Economically Weaker encompassing individuals with an annual family gross income of up to Rs. 8 lakhs or less. If there are more than 10% of students who belong to EWS category, then this concession will be given on the basis of their merit.

PG Programmes	Maximum Eligible Students
MBA ACM	72
MBA PEM	12
M.TECH. IN CTM	6
M.TECH. IN IPM	3
MBA REUIM	12
MBA (NBS)	6
M.Plan	3
MBA ENS	6
MBA SEM	3
MBA FB & E	3
PGD QSCM	6
PGD RMCM	3
PGD AFM	3

UG Programmes	Maximum Eligible Students
B.Tech. in Civil	6
Integrated MBA (IMBA) : BBA + MBA	6
B.Arch	4

Aspirants need to undergo the admission process, which includes the NICMAR Common Admission Test (NCAT) or an equivalent score, and a Personal Interview (PI) or Counseling Session (for B.Arch.). Furthermore, they should qualify in the admission process according to the prescribed cut-off.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Students whose family has gross annual income below Rs. 8.00 lakh* (Rupees eight lakh only) are to be identified as EWSs for benefit of scholarship. Income shall also include income from all sources i.e., salary, wages, agriculture, business, profession, etc. for the financial year prior to first academic year.
- Also, student whose family owns or possesses any of the following assets shall be excluded from being identified as EWS, irrespective of the family income: -
    a. 5 Acres of Agricultural land and above,
    b. Residential flat of 1000 square feet and above,
    c. Residential plot of 100 square yards and above in notified Municipalities and
    d. Residential plot of 100 square yards and above in any other area.

- The property held by a “Family” in different locations or different places/cities would be clubbed while applying the land or property holding test to determine EWS status.
- The family for this purpose includes Self, Parents, Siblings below the age of 18 years, Spouse and children below 18 years.

Procedure for scrutiny of application:

- Income certificate issued by tehsil/collector will be collected.
- An affidavit will be taken from student applicants with respect to asset declaration. Additionally, asset verification will be done by a third-party agency.
- After scrutiny of documents, scholarship will be awarded on the basis of merit.

**** Rs. 5.00 lakh for 100% fee waiver criteria.***

3. “Rising Talent Scholarship”: Applicable for entire duration of the programme

Up to Rs. 20,000/- (Per Year) Programme Fee Relief for the 10% of Approved Intake Students through Extra-curricular / Co-curricular Accomplishments.

- The "Rising Talent Scholarship" is designed to provide fee relief of up to Rs. 20,000/- per year for the entire duration of the programme at NICMAR University, Pune.
- This scholarship is exclusively accessible to the 10% of students within the approved intake who demonstrate exceptional accomplishments in extracurricular / co-curricular activities.
- The primary objective of this policy is to acknowledge and incentivize students who actively engage in and excel at extracurricular / co-curricular pursuits.
- The scholarship aims to contribute to a comprehensive and enriching educational experience by recognizing and rewarding exceptional accomplishments in extracurricular / co-curricular activities.

PG Programmes	Maximum Eligible Students
MBA ACM	72
MBA PEM	12
M.TECH IN CTM	6
M.TECH IN IPM	3
MBA REUIM	12
MBA (NBS)	6
M.Plan	3
MBA ENS	6
MBA SEM	3
MBA FB & E	3
PGD QSCM	6
PGD RMCM	3
PGD AFM	3

UG Programmes	Maximum Eligible Students
B.Tech. in Civil	6
Integrated MBA (I-MBA) : BBA + MBA	6
B.Arch.	4

Eligibility:

- Students who exhibit exceptional skills in extracurricular activities such as sports, fine arts, Performing Arts, Literary Competitions, Quizzes, Hackathons, or likewise are eligible to apply for these scholarships.
- Aspirants need to undergo the admission process, which includes the NICMAR Common Admission Test (NCAT) or an equivalent score, and a Personal Interview (PI) or Counseling Session (for B.Arch.). Furthermore, they should qualify in the admission process according to the prescribed cut-off.

Details of Extracurricular / Co-curricular Activities:

- Extracurricular / Co-curricular activities are often referred to as after-school activities that students participate in outside their regular academic curriculum. These include sports, fine arts, Performing Arts, Literary Competitions, Quizzes, Hackathons, and other pursuits that allow students to explore their interests and develop new skills.
- Engaging in such activities provides students with opportunities to enhance their social, physical, creative, and leadership abilities. Additionally, these endeavours hold substantial importance in college admissions, as they demonstrate a student's interests, dedication, and enthusiasm beyond their academic accomplishments.
- Extracurricular / Co-curricular activities are defined as activities that fall outside the regular academic curriculum but contribute to the overall development and well-rounded education of individuals.
- Activities can take place within or outside the university and include, but are not limited to:
    - Sports & Athletics
        - Winning / Participating in Inter-school/ Inter-college/ Varsity/ Recognized Sports Associations / Federations Sports competitions
    - Arts & Culture
        - Winning / Participating in drama, theatre, dance, singing, musical instrument, painting, drawing, pottery, sculpturing, etc.
        - Art exhibitions or gallery displays
    - Academic Competitions
        - Winning / Participating in quizzes, debates, academic/research writing, composing poetries/stories etc.
        - Winning / participating in Research projects and presentations
        - Winning / participating in science fairs, innovation competitions, or Hackathons
    - Technology & Coding
        - Coding competitions & hackathons.
        - Developing and implementing e-sports games. Winning and Participating in software development/testing projects etc.

Scholarship Selection Process:

- Selection is based on a combination of academic achievements and demonstrated excellence in extracurricular activities.
- The 10% of students within the approved intake who meet the eligibility criteria will be considered. Students will have to apply for this scholarship.
- The Scholarship Committee will evaluate candidates based on their achievements/ involvement and impact in the specified extracurricular areas in last 3 years. Committee shall call for required evidences in form of certificates/ medals/ photographs during participation/ performances/ newspaper media archives etc.

Combination of Activities:

- The university may consider a combination of these activities when awarding scholarships to well-rounded individuals.
- The selection process aims to reward students who positively contribute to the campus community in various aspects.

Criteria Alignment:

- The university may specify certain criteria or focus areas aligned with its institutional values and goals.
- These criteria will be communicated transparently to applicants and considered during the scholarship selection process.
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Communication and Transparency:

- All information regarding the "Rising Talent Scholarship" and the extracurricular activities policy will be communicated transparently to eligible students.
- Clear guidelines and instructions will be provided for the application process.

4. Scholarships Offered by Sponsors:

(i) International Education Foundation [IEF] Scholarship (for the students of minority community): Applicable for entire duration of the programme.

International Education Foundation is **offering programme fee for the shortlisted students**, for the entire duration of the full time Post Graduate Programmes. This scholarship is available for the students of minority community, admitted to NICMAR University, Pune for the full-time programmes. The details are as follows:

- Scholarship is available for the students of minority community.

**Subject to approval and as per the scholarship & selection policy of IEF.*

(ii) thyssenkrupp Uhde India Private Limited* Scholarship: Applicable for entire duration of the programme

- Scholarship for Special Category** for SoEE Programmes

Criteria:

- Scholarship for a **female candidate**.
  - 100% programme fee waiver
- Candidate must be from Economically Weaker Section.
- Having an Engineering degree (only) at Undergraduate (UG) level.

This is applicable for Admission to School of Energy and Environment (SoEE) programmes ONLY:

1. MBA in Sustainable Energy Management (first preference) or
2. MBA in Environmental Sustainability (second preference)

**Subject to approval and as per the scholarship & selection policy of thyssenkrupp Uhde India Private Limited.*

***As per thyssenkrupp Uhde India Private Limited policy.*

If the student is found to be meritorious and is able to clear thyssenkrupp Uhde India Private Limited selection requirements, she may be absorbed in thyssenkrupp Uhde India Private Limited upon successful completion of MBA programme. Scholarship is applicable only if the student clears exams as per the examination ordinance of NICMAR University, Pune.

5. Concession for wards of Defence personnel

- **Wards of Defence and Para-military personnel, both currently serving and retired, are eligible for this scholarship.**

** Limited to 1% of the total intake (at least 1).*

PG Programmes	Maximum Eligible Students
MBA ACM	7
MBA PEM	1
M.TECH IN CTM	1
M.TECH IN IPM	1
MBA REUIM	1
MBA (NBS)	1
M.Plan	1
MBA ENS	1
MBA SEM	1
MBA FB & E	1
PGD QSCM	1

PGD RMCM	3
PGD AFM	3

UG Programmes	Maximum Eligible Students
B.Tech. in Civil	1
Integrated MBA (I-MBA) : BBA + MBA	1
B.Arch.	1

The Defence Scholarship Opportunity is a programme designed to provide financial assistance for the education of wards (dependents) of currently serving and retired Defence and Para-military personnel. The concession offers varying percentages of financial support based on the rank of the personnel. The eligibility criteria and concession percentages are as follows:

- Non-Commissioned Officers (NCO's): Eligible candidates who are wards of NCOs can avail a 25% concession for their education.
- Junior Commissioned Officers (JCO's): Wards of Junior Commissioned Officers are eligible for a 15% concession to support their educational endeavors.
- Senior Commissioned Officers: Those who are dependents of Senior Commissioned Officers can benefit from a 10% concession to assist them in pursuing their education.

Applicants meeting the eligibility criteria are strongly encouraged to apply for this scholarship opportunity. The programme aims to empower and support the education of deserving individuals associated with the defence and para-military services. By taking advantage of this scholarship, eligible candidates can advance their education and contribute to their personal and professional development.

The availability of this benefit is contingent upon meeting the specified conditions mentioned below.

- Aspirants need to undergo the admission process, which includes the NICMAR Common Admission Test (NCAT) or an equivalent score, and a Personal Interview (PI) or Counseling Session (for B.Arch.). Furthermore, they should qualify in the admission process according to the prescribed cut-off.
- Selected candidates for the Outstanding Performance Scholarships **will receive an offer letter** for admission **based on their scholarship eligibility.**
- ***First-Come-First Served Basis:*** *The scholarship will be awarded on a First Come-First Served basis, emphasizing the importance of prompt action by eligible students. Early applicants have a higher likelihood of securing this valuable financial assistance.*

Scholarship Disclaimer:

- *Valid scores of Entrance Exams (other than NCAT) must have been obtained after 1st July, 2025.*
- *Scholarships will be awarded based on the candidate's performance in entrance exams, prioritized in the following order:*
  For MBA Programmes: CAT, XAT, GMAT, NMAT, MH-CET, NCAT and MAT.
  M.Tech. / M.Plan Programmes: GATE and NCAT.
  Under-Graduate Programmes: JEE, SAT, IPMAT, MH-CET, and NCAT.
- *Composite Score (250) Comprises of PG-NCAT, Personal Interview (PI) and Rating of Application (RA)*
- *All admissions and scholarships granted by the university are contingent upon approval by the Admissions/Scholarship Committee and the competent authority of the University.*
- *NICMAR University retains the right to modify any or all components of the aforementioned policy without prior notice. Additionally, the University reserves the right to amend the terms of the scholarship periodically without prior notification. All matters are subject to the jurisdiction of NICMAR University, Pune.*

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

The curriculum is organised into four semesters. The students are exposed to a variety of theory courses as well as tutorials and studios. The student will undergo 82 credits to complete the Master of Planning Programme. The semester-wise distribution of courses is indicated in Table 1.

Table 1: Courses and Credit Structure

Course Definitions	Courses	Credits
Planning Core Courses	9	24
Humanities and Social Sciences Courses	3	6

Professional Electives (Branch Specific)	2	4
Open Electives (Cross Discipline)	2	4
Statistics	1	2
Planning Studio	3	18
Professional Training	1	2
Software Applications	1	3
Project Work / Thesis	1	14
MOOC/ IKS/ Foreign Language	2	4
Social Immersion	1	1
TOTAL	**26**	**82**

Students need to successfully complete 82 total credits to complete the programme. Out of 82 credits, 24 credits are allotted to planning core courses (some of these may include tutorial/ practical component), 6 credits for humanities and social sciences subjects and 8 credits for elective courses. A total of 18 credits for three studios, 2 credits for a professional training during summer, 12 credits for Project Work / Thesis including a software application course of 1 credit. Additionally, there are two non-credit Massive Online Open Courses (MOOC) or audit courses as part of the curriculum to inculcate the habit of life-long learning. Each semester has 15 weeks of teaching and one week of term end examinations (as per University policy).

i. Planning Core Courses

A total of nine (9) Planning Core Courses carry 24 credits overall (some of these may include tutorial component). These include essential foundational planning courses such as Planning Theory and Techniques, Urban Infrastructure and Service Delivery, Land Use and Transportation Planning, Environmental Planning and Disaster Management, Planning Legislation, Project Formulation and Appraisal, Housing and Community Planning, Planning Legislation, Professional Practice, and Urban Governance and Finance.

ii. Humanities and Social Sciences Courses

Three (3) courses under Humanities and Social Sciences carry 6 credits. These include Urban Land Economics, Social Values in Placemaking, and Managing Planning Projects.

iii. Professional Electives (Branch Specific)

Students can choose a total of 2 Professional Electives from the list of electives on offer in Semester-II and Semester-III. The list includes Urban Renewal and Redevelopment, Regional and Rural Development Planning, Advanced GIS and Remote Sensing, Inclusive Urban Planning, Land Management in Sem II and Real Estate Development and Management, Urban Tourism Planning, Public Policy, Advanced Transportation, Heritage Conservation for Special Areas in Sem III.

iv. Open Electives (Cross Discipline)

Students can choose a total of 2 Open Electives from the list of electives on offer in Semester-III and Semester-IV. The list includes Public Private Partnerships, Data Analytics, Environmental Social Governance Practices, Smart Cities, Project Risk Management in Sem III, and Applications of BIM, Water-Energy-Food Nexus, Valuation of Real Properties, Project Planning Workshop (MSP & Primavera), Life Cycle Assessment and Circular Economy in Sem IV.

v. Planning Studios

Planning Studios (3) carry a total of 18 credits i.e. 6 credits each. Studios are core practical courses which are offered in Semester I - Semester III in three levels i.e. Local Area Plan/ Area Appreciation/ Neighbourhood/ Township scale in Semester I; Urban Plan (Development Plan/ Master Plan) in Sem II; and Regional Plan/ Special Area Plan/ Strategic Plan in

Semester III. Studios are practical exercises guided by faculty and a culmination project where students apply the theoretical knowledge gained through Planning Core Courses.

vi. Professional Training

As part of the curriculum, each student has to undergo supervised professional training with a reputed planning related organisation for minimum of 8 weeks. During this period, they may be trained in various aspects of planning such as urban/ environmental/ transportation/ housing/ regional planning/ urban design etc. They may work on various projects at urban-metropolitan level and get exposure to project planning, financing, and management including governance and legislation aspects. The training being hands-on, the student is also expected to perform certain regular office related duties as may be felt fit by the respective organisation. The supervised work is expected to be meaningful and significant to the planning field. The work undertaken by the interning student should be documented in the form of a report. On the satisfactory performance of the interning student, the supervisor/ organisation is required to issue a training completion certificate. Organisations for practical training are carefully selected from among the reputed firms. After completing the summer internship, students are required to submit a report and make a presentation to the assigned internal examiner in the third semester for 2 credits.

vii. Professional Project / Thesis

Professional Project / Thesis is an independent requirement and carries a total of 14 credits in three stages i.e. Research Methodology and Project Seminar (2 credits) in Semester II, Project / Thesis – Interim (2 credits) in semester III; and Project/ Thesis: Final (10 credits) along with Software applications in research (1 credit) in Semester IV. The student is expected to work on a problem from the industry or a theoretical problem individually. The student is expected to apply the knowledge acquired during his/her study in solving this problem under the supervision of a guide allotted by the University. If the student chooses to have a guide from outside, the University will nominate one of the internal faculty members as a co-guide. The following are the major components of the project work:

a. Research Methodology and Project Seminar

Students are required to present how they are going to approach solving the problem assigned to them and what are the steps they are going to take and processes to be used. The students give a presentation of their work in the form of seminar.

b. Professional Project/ Thesis (Interim Assessment)

The students will be assessed from time to time during the fourth semester to evaluate the progress and solve any issues which may be there.

c. Professional Project/ Thesis (Final - Submission and Viva Voce)

The student is expected to prepare a final project report and present their work to an external examiner.

viii. MOOC / Indian Knowledge System / Foreign Language

Throughout the duration of study, there are 2 MOOC**/** Indian Knowledge System / Foreign Language in Semester I and Semester II. A student can choose these based on what is offered online at that time on national/ international platforms acceptable to the University.

PEDAGOGY

- Innovative thinking, originality and research are fostered through the proposed curriculum with the objective of training students to address future challenges of urban planning. The courses are delivered primarily through a combination of lectures, tutorials and studios including practical/ fieldwork.

- The lectures (L) are delivered by the faculty to familiarise the students with the concepts, theories, methods and essential skills. They typically include audio-visual presentations, case-based discussions, videos and self-reading with structured discussions, peer discussions, brainstorming, online opinion polls and activities etc. to encourage active learning of the students.
- The tutorials (T) are for students' individual learning that involves students engaging in activities designed and guided by the faculty. Tutorials may include numerical solving, data analysis/ problem solving through software, hands-on practices, writing exercises, exploring information online, case analysis, student presentations, group discussions and debates etc.
- The studios (P) are developed for practical application of theory in real-life cases in urban settlements. Students would apply planning techniques and tools including software for data collection and analysis in studio exercises. Soft skills such as presentations, oral as well as written communications, team building, and leadership skills get developed during studio exercises. Since the case studies are chosen from various urban settlements, students develop an ability to plan in varied contexts.
- The Professional Project/ Thesis conducted in two phases requires an individual student to independently identify a planning problem, conduct a literature review, develop a methodology, collect data and information, analyse it, arrive at a coherent conclusion, and propose recommendations. In the process, students' professional, analytical and communication skills are developed.
- Regular guest lectures of eminent practitioners are arranged to familiarise the students with real-life applications, challenges of practice, and acclimatise them with cutting-edge technologies and practices. Professional skills are further enhanced through a summer internship that students undertake with professional agencies and gain a first- hand experience of professional practices.

ASSESSMENT

i. Course Examination

The course examination comprises two parts: Semester end examination and Internal assessment. The weightage for the same is given below.

Evaluation	Weightage (%)
Semester End Examination	50
Internal Assessment	50

The semester end examination carries 50 marks, and is of two hours duration for a three-credit course. The examination may have the following components:

a. Essay type questions.
b. Structured or short answer questions.
c. Questions involving computations and derivations.
d. Case analysis.

ii. Internal Assessment

Internal Assessment is done on a continuous basis by the instructors. Internal assessment can be based on one or more of the following: (a) case analysis and presentation, (b) an assignment (c) presentation on a selected and relevant topic and (d) quiz based on multiple choice questions (e) software application projects.

iii. Studios

The subjects that have credits only for practical will have continuous internal evaluation only. For subjects with a combination of lectures and tutorial, the practical portion will be evaluated for the internal assessment only whereas the portion covered through lectures and tutorials may be evaluated through internal assessment as well as end semester examinations.

iv. Summer Internship and Project Work

Summer internship is assessed by the internal faculty only. Summer internship carries 2 Credits and is assessed during the third semester. The weightage assigned is 50% each for report writing and presentation.

Students’ project work i.e. project seminar is evaluated by the assigned guide and an internal faculty (this is done at the end of Semester-III). The final viva voce is evaluated by the guide and an expert from industry or faculty members from other institutes at the end of fourth

semester. The seminar is of 50 marks whereas final viva voce is of 100 marks. In project seminar, weightage for contents is 60% and for presentation 40% whereas in case of viva voce, 80% weightage is for the content and 20% weightage is for the presentation.

v. Failure Cases

NICMAR University's programmes are highly demanding to which students of a high calibre are admitted through a rigorous evaluation. It is therefore expected that no student fails process in any subject or delays the submission of their project work without valid reasons. A student is declared 'Pass' in a course, if he/she scores minimum 40% marks each in internal and semester end examinations.

If any student fails to obtain the minimum passing marks in internal or semester end examination or both, he/she will be declared fail. Such a student will have to re-appear for examination by paying the re-examination fee of Rs. 2000/- per subject and obtain the minimum passing marks so as to qualify in the course.

Similarly, non-submission of project work on time is not acceptable. A candidate is not considered to have completed the programme unless they submit the project report and is judged as satisfactory by the guide and given the required ratings by the examiner/s appointed for the purpose.

If the students wish to get their examination paper/s re-evaluated, then this can be done on payment of the re-checking/re-assessment fees of Rs. 1000/- per paper.

Grading System

Evaluation will be done on a semester basis. At the end of every semester, a Semester Grade Point Average (SGPA) and Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) will be calculated. Students should clear all the courses for meeting the requirements of the program.

Grades

A+	10
A	9
B+	8
B	7
C+	6
C	5
D	4
F	0

AWARD

On successful completion of two years, the eligible student will be awarded Master of Planning (Specialisation in Urban Planning). After successful completion of one-year, eligible student may be entitled for Post Graduate Diploma in Planning. Student needs to fulfil all the requirements as per university academic regulations.

REGULAR TEACHING FACULTY

Faculty is the foundation on which NICMAR University programmes are designed to grow. Therefore, careful attention is paid to attract the best talent from the academic world as well as industry. The courses are taught by expert faculty members of the University, eminent practicing managers from leading engineering and construction firms from all over the country, and visiting experts from Indian and foreign universities and international organisations. NICMAR University has the following categories of faculty:

- Core Faculty
- Adjunct Faculty
- Visiting Faculty
- Guest Faculty
- Professor of Practice

STUDENT DEVELOPMENT

NICMAR University has a number of schemes in place to provide full or partial financial support to a variety of student activities. The university strongly believes that co & extra-curricular activities significantly contribute to the all-round development of its students.

ABOUT NICMAR UNIVERSITY, PUNE

NICMAR University, Pune is established under State Private University Act. (Government of Maharashtra Act. No. XXXVI of 2022). University is situated at Balewadi, 14 kilometres away from the Pune Central Railway Station and 7 kilometres from the Savitribai Phule Pune University and along the Mumbai-Bangalore expressway. It has over 4,71,853 square feet built up area and more 1,25,000 square feet area under construction on a 10-acre plot of land built using the latest materials and technologies and is equipped with state-of-the-art facilities. The campus buildings blend harmoniously with the landscaped greenery all around.

The University is having barrier-free environment for the independence, convenience and safety of all persons including people with disabilities. The physical infrastructure of the campus includes classrooms, seminar rooms, tutorial rooms, mini auditorium, workshops, engineering laboratories, student common room, multi-purpose hall, placement GD room, placement PI room, placement corporate room, faculty cabins, offices, placement office, student lounge, boys' and girls' hostels, executive hostel, warden and lady warden residence, a library with stack areas, reference section and documentation centre, scholar's cabins, computerised catalogues, inter-campus online library, computer centres, 24-hour internet and e-mail facility, a guest house, a modern and well-equipped kitchen, students, faculty and staff dining halls.

Other facilities include a photocopying centre, solar water heating, sewage treatment plant, vermiculture, rain water harvesting system, lift facilities for all hostels, cafeteria, generator backup to all

the buildings, doctor, dispensary, first-aid kits, community hall, indoor and outdoor recreation infrastructure i.e., football ground, basketball court, tennis court, badminton court, volleyball court, gymnasium (separate for boys & girls), recreation hall with table tennis, carrom boards, chess boards, T.V. with dish connection, students' parking facility (two wheeler), stationery and general store, xerox services, laundry facility, multipurpose open court (students' play area of 10000 sq.ft. approx.), auditorium having 1000 seating capacity, classroom, syndicate room, computer lab, amphitheatre, and basement parking etc. The campus is equipped with CCTV and round the clock security services.

ANTI-RAGGING POLICY OF NICMAR UNIVERSITY, PUNE

As per the directives issued by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India and the University Grants Commission (UGC), ragging is a cognizable and punishable offence and is totally banned in or out of the University. The University shall take necessary action in accordance with the UGC Regulations for Curbing the Menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009, against those found guilty of ragging and/or abetting ragging, actively or passively, or being part of a conspiracy to promote ragging.

The University gives paramount importance to the safety and security of every student and follows a zero-tolerance policy against Ragging. Helpline Numbers: 020–66859248/9322069331/1800-180-5522. Any student found indulging in ragging or any related activity will be dealt with strictly by appropriate disciplinary action as prescribed under Clause 9 of the Anti-Ragging Regulation of UGC.

Please visit: https://www.antiragging.in/ for UGC regulations against ragging.

SUPPORT SERVICES

i. Department of Information Technology

NICMAR University in Pune is equipped with state-of-the-art IT infrastructure to support the academic and research needs of its students, faculty, and staff. The university boasts a powerful information technology network that ensures seamless connectivity and access to essential resources. The facilities are designed to meet the diverse and dynamic needs of students, faculty, and staff, fostering a technologically advanced learning environment.

Key IT Facilities:

Classroom & Computer Labs: Modern and well-equipped with the latest business application software, the computer labs provide students with the necessary tools for their projects and coursework. Smart Classrooms with Collaborative facility which includes Interactive Display, PA Systems, WebCam, Conference tools for remote learning.

24x7 Internet Access: The campus is fully WiFi-enabled with a dedicated Internet leased line connection from TATA and STPI, ensuring uninterrupted internet access

Learning Management System (LMS): An integrated LMS and academic information system facilitate the smooth operation of academic programs and courses

Campus ERP and Student Life Cycle Management: SAP S4/HANA and EduPlus Campus ERP alongwith Digital Evaluation.

Software: BIM Application from AutoDesk Suite (Comprising 24 software such as AutoCAD, Revit,

Navisworks, and Infraworks), Bentley Project wise and 15 applications), Bexel and VisiLean. Microsoft Dynamics 365 ERP, Highrise Construction ERP for Enterprise resource planning software, For Project Management - Microsoft Project, ProChain, Oracle Suite which includes Primavera, Contract Management, Enterprise Portfolio Project Management, Professional Project Management, and Contractor and Risk Analysis. Estimation software like Candy, CalQuan. @Risk Management Tools, For Pavement Management and Road Project HDM4. Other software like SketchUp, Rhino, SimaPro LCA, PVSyst, NVIVO. Turnitin for plagiarism checks.

Email Services: Students and employees have access to sufficient email storage capacity, along with collaboration tools like Microsoft Teams, OneDrive, and online Microsoft Office applications

AR-VR Studio and Construction 4.0 Lab: A state-of-the-art Augmented Reality (AR) and Virtual Reality (VR) studio that enhances interactive learning and research. A cutting-edge lab focused on modern construction technologies.

Data Security: Robust servers, firewalls, antivirus services, and centralized UPS systems ensure the security and reliability of all networks, systems, and services

Security Systems: Includes CCTV surveillance, biometric attendance systems and Visitor Management System.

IT Support Team: A proficient team of IT managers, system analysts, software engineers, and assistants is available to provide round-the-clock support and assistance

ii. Library

The NICMAR University library is the central library designed to support the students, faculty & research scholars. It is a specialized library in the area of Built Environment. In addition, the library provides knowledge resources in the area Information Technology, Engineering, Architecture, Planning, Energy & Environment, Social Sciences, all areas of Management, Smart Cities, Entrepreneurship, Taxation, Law etc.

The Library is the hub of the academic life of the NICMAR University campus. Housed in spacious halls on the first floor of academic block, the library is well stocked with textbooks, technical journals, periodicals and electronic resources. It holds a collection of more than 28600 volumes, comprising over 26300 Books, Periodicals, Standards, Cases, Technical Notes, Theses & Audio-Visual Materials. It also subscribes to electronic resources which include **Scopus – The Citation Database**, **ProQuest ABI Inform Complete** (9800+ Titles), **ASCE Journals** (41 Titles), **ASCE Proceedings** (893 Titles)**, ScienceDirect-Business Management & Accounting** (120 Journals), **Taylor & Francis Online** (80 Journals), **Sage-Urban Studies & Planning** (57 Journals), **Sage-Management** (22 Journals), **ProQuest eBook Central-Business & Engineering** (69,500+ Books), **Elsevier eBooks** (155 Titles), **Pearson eBooks** (59 Titles), **McGraw Hill eBooks** (50 Titles) and **Multi-publisher eBooks** (22 Titles). Other titles include '**All India Reporter**', '**Economic & Political Weekly**' and Economic & Business databases of **M/s Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy, Mumbai (CMIE)** including **Prowess**, **Industry Outlook, Economic Outlook, States of India and the CapEx**. It also subscribes to the Anti-plagiarism software '**Turnitin- Originality Check**' for the faculty.

iii. Internet and E-mail

Dedicated 1+ Gbps Internet bandwidth for 24X7 is provided to students through Wired LAN & WiFi with a backup provision. Each student is provided with the University e-mail ID for academic communications alongwith Office 365 Access.

iv. Classrooms

NICMAR University has large, medium and syndicate capacity classrooms which are well-equipped with public audio system, Interactive Display Panel, LCD projectors, computers with internet connections and are fully air-conditioned.

v. Extra-curricular Activities

Students' training at NICMAR University, Pune goes beyond the confines of classroom and curriculum. In order to foster a holistic development of students, the University supports and encourages its students to plan, organise and participate in various co & extracurricular activities. The Student Council represents the general body of students and organises various techno-managerial, sports and cultural events, and celebrates all the major festivals throughout the year, involving the student clubs and student volunteers.

Some salient features are as follows:

- Well-equipped, state-of-the-art facilities exist for indoor and outdoor sports such as badminton, table tennis, basketball and football etc.
- Students are encouraged to participate in intra and inter-college co-curricular, cultural and sports

competitions.

- Various intra and inter-college events like Udbhav, Sanskriti, Chakraview, Technikala, NICMAR Premier League, Spardha, E-Summit, Academic Conclave, and Reverbs, etc. are organised for the development of co & extra-curricular skills of students.
- Students also bring out in-house magazines, newsletters and similar publications.
- Students of NICMAR University pursue their varied hobbies and interests after academic hours through different special interest clubs actively functional on the campus. Various activities are organised by the Music club, Photography club, Dance club, Technical club, Movies and Dramatics club, Sports club, Literary club, R & D club, Start-up club, Design club and Fashion club throughout the year. All these clubs are managed by students.
- Separate well-equipped gymnasia are available for girls and boys, assisted by qualified sports supervisors.
- An international sports stadium is just across the road and students can access swimming pools, gymnasia, field tracks and other facilities on payment basis.

Thus, the University leaves no stone unturned to ensure that the students have a memorable and enriching campus life contributing to their all round development.

NICMAR UNIVERSITY EDUCATIONAL LOAN PARTNERS

The banks/financial organisations mentioned below offer educational loans to the students desirous of pursuing NICMAR University's programmes.

- **HDFC Credila Financial Services Ltd.** [Toll Free No.: 1800-209-3636/Ph. No.: 9765491467]
- **ICICI Bank** [Ph. No.: 8956019228 Or SMS ELOAN to 5676766]
- **Saraswat Co-operative Bank Ltd.** [Ph. No.: 020-27292957/58 OR Give a missed call on this number: 9029050027]
- **IDFC First Bank Ltd.** [Toll Free No.: 1860-500-9900/Ph. No.: 9096923798/9049873109]
- **State Bank of India, SPBB, Baner, Pune** [Email: sbi.13295@sbi.co.in]
- **Bank of Baroda** [Give a missed call on this number 8467001122 Or Toll free number 1800223344/45 Or Ph. No.: 7709977826/8007352007/9948505144]
- **Canara Bank** [Email: rahcopne@canarabank.com]
- **Bank of Maharashtra** [Ph.No.: 89992 15408/96232 93296/8888969602]
- **propelld** [Website: https://www.propelld.com/, Mr. Sagar Kaushik, Ph. No.: 8147495172]
- **kuhoo** [Website: https://www.kuhoo.com/, WhatsApp No.: 74000 03839, Ph.No.: 74000 03940]

Applicants may contact the branches of these banks/financial organisations for further details and information.

DISCIPLINE AND CODE OF CONDUCT

Students shall be courteous and formal in conduct with faculty and staff at all times, failing which appropriate disciplinary action shall be taken against the erring student. A Code of Conduct for the students is issued at the time of admission and it is mandatory for all students to abide by.

Table 2
Master of Planning (Urban Planning)
Programme Structure

Course Code	Course Name	L	T	P	C
Semester I					
257041PTT	Planning Theory and Techniques	2	0	0	**2**
247041UIS	Urban Infrastructure and Service Delivery	2	1	0	**3**
247041LUT	Land Use and Transportation Planning	2	1	0	**3**
247041GSA	GIS and Spatial Analysis	1	0	1	**2**
257041STS	Statistics	2	0	0	**2**
247041PSL	Planning Studio - I (Sub-City/Local Area Plan)	0	0	6	**6**
257041CMN	Professional Communication	1	1	0	**2**
247041MOC	MOOC / Indian Knowledge System / Foreign Language	2	0	0	**2**
	Total	**12**	**3**	**7**	**22**
Semester II					
247042EPD	Environmental Planning and Disaster Management	3	0	0	**3**
247042HCP	Housing and Community Planning	2	0	0	**2**
247042PLL	Planning Legislation	2	0	0	**2**
257042RMS	Research Methodology and Project Seminar	1	0	1	**2**
247042PSD	Planning Studio – II (Development/ Master Plan)	0	0	6	**6**
247042ULE	Urban Land Economics	2	0	0	**2**
	Professional Elective - I	2	0	0	**2**
247042MOC	MOOC / Indian Knowledge System / Foreign Language	2	0	0	**2**
247042SOC	Social Immersion	0	0	1	**1**
	Total	**14**	**0**	**8**	**22**
Note: In Semester II, students should select one professional elective from the list given below.					
	Professional Electives				
247042URR	Urban Renewal and Redevelopment	2	0	0	**2**
247042RRP	Regional and Rural Development Planning	2	0	0	**2**
247042GRS	Advanced GIS and Remote Sensing	1	1	0	**2**
257042IUP	Inclusive Urban Planning	2	0	0	**2**
257042LMM	Land Management	2	0	0	**2**
Professional training/ internship to be undertaken by students during summer after Sem II, credit for which is reflected in 'Professional Training Seminar' in Sem III.					
Semester III					
247043PFA	Project Formulation and Appraisal	2	1	0	**3**
247043UGF	Urban Governance and Finance	2	1	0	**3**
247043PPM	Managing Planning Projects	2	0	0	**2**
247043PTS	Professional Training Seminar	0	0	0	**2**
247043PTI	Project Work / Thesis: Interim	0	0	2	**2**
247043PSR	Planning Studio – III (Region/ Special Area Plan)	0	0	6	**6**
	Professional Elective - II	2	0	0	**2**
	Open Elective - I	2	0	0	**2**
	Total	**10**	**2**	**8**	**22**
Note: In Semester III, students should select one professional elective and one open elective from the list given below.					
	Professional Electives				
247043RED	Real Estate Development and Management	2	0	0	**2**
247043UTP	Urban Tourism Planning	2	0	0	**2**
247043PUP	Public Policy	2	0	0	**2**
257043ATR	Advanced Transportation	2	0	0	**2**
257043HCN	Heritage Conservation for Special Areas	2	0	0	**2**

	Open Electives				
247043PPP	Public Private Partnerships	2	0	0	**2**
247043DAT	Data Analytics	2	0	0	**2**
257043ESG	Environmental Social Governance Practices	2	0	0	**2**
257043SMC	Smart Cities	2	0	0	**2**
257043PRM	Project Risk Management	1	1	0	**2**
Semester IV					
247044PTF	Project Work / Thesis: Final	0	0	10	10
247044SAR	Software Applications in Research	0	0	1	1
247044SVP	Social Values in Placemaking	2	0	0	**2**
	Open Elective - II	2	0	0	**2**
247044PRP	Professional Practice	1	0	0	**1**
	Total	**5**	**0**	**11**	**16**
Note: In Semester III, students should select one open elective from the list given below.					
	Open Electives				
247044BIM	Applications of BIM	1	1	0	**2**
247044WEF	Water-Energy-Food Nexus	2	0	0	**2**
257044VRP	Valuation of Real Properties	1	1	0	**2**
257044PPW	Project Planning Workshop (MSP & Primavera)	1	1	0	**2**
257044LCA	Life Cycle Assessment and Circular Economy	1	1	0	**2**

* Note:

C: Credits – 1 credit equals 15 hours for Lecture (L) and Tutorial (T).

Total credits for the programme are 82.

L: Lectures – In these sessions, the students are familiarised with the concepts, theories, methods and essential skills. Each lecture is of 60 minutes duration. One credit is given for each lecture component.

T: Tutorials – These sessions support the student's individual learning. It may include student presentations, report writing, case analysis, hands-on practices, etc. Each tutorial is of 60 minutes duration. One credit is given for each tutorial component.

P: Practical sessions comprise sessions dedicated for Studios, Project seminar and Professional Project / Thesis where one credit equals 2 hours of practical sessions.

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