



Pandit Deendayal Energy University (PDEU)

SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT (SoM)

(Formerly known as School of Petroleum Management-SPM)

University is NAAC Accredited with 'A++' grade with CGPA of 3.52 out of 4.00

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In exercise of the powers conferred by the Director General, PDEU, hereby makes the following rules to regulate admissions for academic year 2024-26 at School of Management (SoM) for the Master of Business Administration (MBA) Programme.

The MBA Admission Office of SoM-PDEU shall conduct the MBA Admission process.

1. MBA PROGRAMME

- 1.1 MBA programme (approved by AICTE, Ministry of HRD, Government of India, New Delhi) is a two-year full-time residential programme at Pandit Deendayal Energy University (PDEU) under School of Management (SoM).
- 1.2 SoM offers :
 - a) MBA in General Management with specialization in:
 1. Financial Management
 2. Marketing Management
 3. Operations Management
 4. Human Resources Management
 5. Business Analytics
 - b) MBA in Energy and Infrastructure Management (with an option for minor in functional areas like Financial Management/Marketing Management/Operational Management/ Human Resource Management/Business Analytics).
- 1.3 Each year is divided into three trimesters. The MBA programme includes eight to ten weeks of compulsory summer training for the students.
- 1.4 Further general details about the programme, curriculum, pedagogy, faculty and other resources are available at <http://spm.pdpu.ac.in/>.

2. SEATS

Total number of Seats available for MBA Admission at SoM-PDEU: 152 (150 + 02 Seats for Defence Personnel/ CAPF background i.e. supernumerary strength).

3. ELIGIBILITY AND SELECTION PROCESS

- 3.1 Eligibility:
 - 3.1.1 Only Candidates who have appeared at Common Admission Test (CAT) 2023 conducted by IIMs/Xavier Admission Test (XAT) 2024 conducted by XLRI, Jamshedpur /NMAT 2023 conducted by Graduate Management Admission Council (GMAC), Management Aptitude Test (MAT 2023 onwards) conducted by All India Management Association (AIMA) are eligible to apply.
 - 3.1.2 A candidate must hold a Bachelor's Degree, or an equivalent qualification recognized by the Ministry of HRD, Government of India, with at least 50% marks (45% for SC/ST candidates) in aggregate in all semesters/trimesters or equivalent CGPA, of any University incorporated by an act of the central or state legislature in India or other educational institutions established by an act of Parliament or declared to be deemed as a University under section 3 of UGC Act, 1956.
 - 3.1.3 A Bachelor's degree or equivalent qualification obtained by the candidate must entail a minimum of three years of education, as per degree nomenclature approved by the UGC from an institution recognized by the UGC.
 - 3.1.4 In case of the candidates being awarded grades/CGPA instead of marks, the equivalence would be based on the overall equivalence certified by the university/ institution from where they have obtained bachelor's degree.

- 3.1.5 In case a candidate establishes that the university/ institution from which he/she graduated, does not have any scheme for converting CGPA into equivalent marks, the equivalence would be established by the PDEU-SoM by dividing earned CGPA with the maximum possible CGPA and multiplying the quotient with 100.
- 3.1.6 A candidate appearing for the final year semester examination of bachelor's degree or equivalent can also apply. Such candidates must have to obtain 50% marks or equivalent in aggregate of all the semesters/years.
- Such candidates, if selected, will be allowed to join the programme provisionally with an undertaking to submit the final marks sheet/grade sheet not later than September 30, 2024 and the passing certificate not later than June 15, 2025 to the School.
 - However, the admission shall be cancellable without informing the candidate if the final marks sheet/grade sheet and the degree certificate are not submitted latest by September 30, 2024 and if the candidate has not met the prescribed eligibility criteria, in such case the fees paid will not be refundable except the deposit money.
 - Non-fulfilment of the above conditions/dates will automatically result in the cancellation of the provisional admission, otherwise the admission shall stand cancelled and the fees paid will not be refundable except the deposit money.

3.2 Selection Process :

The candidates who appeared at CAT – 2023/XAT – 2024/NMAT-2023, MAT 2023 onwards and seek admission in the MBA Programme have to apply in the prescribed form, which is available on <http://spm.pdpu.ac.in>.

The candidates shortlisted on the basis of aggregate CAT/XAT/NMAT/MAT score will be required to appear for group discussion (GD) and personal interview (PI) at SoM - PDEU or may be at other select locations (subject to minimum applications) on the specified date(s).

3.2.1 Group Discussion (GD):

The group discussion (GD) shall be held in a group of about 8-12 students. Students appearing at GD shall be evaluated as per the set criteria.

3.2.2 Written Ability Test (WAT):

Students shall be required to submit a written assignment on the topic announced at the time of GD and PI.

3.2.3 Personal Interview (PI):

Students appearing at PI shall be evaluated on the set criteria. Relevance of work experience, wherever applicable may be assessed at this stage.

3.3 Selection Matrix :

It shall be mandatory for the candidates to appear in all components/sort of the selection tests to qualify for the admission, as one of the norms. Selection of students shall be done using the following criteria along with the weightage indicated below:

Criterion	Weights
<i>CAT/XAT/NMAT/MAT Score</i>	<i>50%</i>
<i>Group Discussion</i>	<i>10%</i>
<i>Written Ability Test</i>	<i>05%</i>
<i>Personal Interview</i>	<i>20%</i>
<i>Work Experience</i>	<i>10%</i>
<i>Academic Performance+</i>	<i>05%</i>
Total	100%

+ Academic performance in standard 12 and at bachelor degree will be appropriately factored in the selection.

4. RESERVATION AND SEAT ALLOCATION

- 4.1 Seat allocation to the various categories, 15% of the seats are reserved for SC, 7.5% of the seats are reserved for ST and 4% seats are reserved for PwD). Seats not filled-in under any reserved category shall be allotted to the general category.

“SC” means Scheduled Caste

“ST” means Scheduled Tribe

“PwD” means Persons with Disabilities

- 4.2 NRI/NRI Sponsored: Admission to this category shall be made as per the relevant rules. NRI/NRI Sponsored applicants who are offered admission shall have to complete requisite documentation for admissions to these seats, as prescribed by competent authorities.

- 4.3 Defence Personnel / CAPF: In order to honour the sacrifices made by our Defence Personnel /CAPF towards the nations, respect the fallen heroes and also serve as a means to support for their families, 2 seats have been added i.e. Supernumerary strength. There would be no change in the selection process. Students will apply in normal category as well as in Defence/CAPF category. In case they are not in merit in normal category, they would be allotted seats under this provision.

5. ADMISSION PROCESS

All eligible candidates eligible have to apply as follows:

ONLINE APPLICATION PROCESS: Candidates are required to fill in an Online Application form available on link Apply Online. Candidates shall have to make online payment through the payment options available in the online application process.

- 5.1 The last date of receiving the application form is 19th February, 2024.
- 5.2 If you want to apply for NRI/NRI Sponsored seats, kindly tick in tab given in the application form.
- 5.3 The information about candidates' application status shall be put up on the School's website (<http://spm.pdpu.ac.in/>) within one week from the last date of receiving the application form.
- 5.4 Candidates short-listed on the basis of merit of CAT/XAT/NMAT/MAT score will be invited for Group Discussion (GD), Written Ability Test (WAT) and Personal Interview (PI). This information shall be displayed on the SoM website within one week from the last date of receiving the application form for the Admission.
- 5.5 The GD and PI will take place for the MBA programme during 2nd to 17th March 2024 with an approved schedule (the GD/PI schedule will be uploaded in the School's website).
- 5.6 Candidates have to bear all expenses for attending the GD and PI.
- 5.7 A candidate appearing for the GD and PI is required to report at least one hour in advance as per the schedule and register with the Admission Officials. In case a candidate is late to report, the MBA Admission Office may accommodate him/her in the next session on the same day, if possible, at its sole discretion only.
- 5.8 If a candidate cannot appear for GD and PI on the scheduled date due to unavoidable circumstances, he/she/guardian may request in prior in writing to the Admission Office at SoM-PDEU (email: admissions@spm.pdpu.ac.in) along with documentary evidence showing reason for inability to appear on scheduled date, and seek an alternate arrangement within the stipulated approved GD/PI schedule. The Admission Office will take an appropriate decision on such a request. The decision of the Admission Office shall be final and binding.
- 5.9 The candidates must bring the following documents in original along with one set of self-attested photocopy of the documents for verification at the time of GD and PI:
- 5.9.1 Mark-sheets of 12th Standard & Bachelor's Degree or equivalent recognized by the Ministry of HRD, Govt. of India, of any University incorporated by an act of the central or state legislature in India or other educational institutions established by an act of Parliament or declared to be deemed as a University under section 3 of UGC Act, 1956.

- 5.9.2 Certificate of equivalence for conversion of GPA/CPI/CGPA etc. into percentage.
- 5.9.3 CAT 2023/XAT 2024/NMAT 2023/MAT 2023 onwards Score Card.
- 5.9.4 Identity Proof (i.e. Aadhar Card, Driving License etc.).
- 5.9.5 Experience Certificate, if any.
- 5.9.6 Caste Certificate (from competent authority as notified by the Government, if applied for reservation quota).
- 5.10 The selection of the students and running of the waiting list shall be based on merit and availability of vacant seats.
- 5.11 The information about selected and waitlisted candidates will be available on the School's website on 28th March 2024.
- 5.12 On the basis of the merit list of the selected and waitlisted candidates, the candidate will take admission and accordingly inform the Admission office within one week from the date of display of the merit list.
- 5.13 Selected students are required to make payment of fees latest by the deadlines announced as per the details in clause 6.3.1 to secure admission and obtain admission letter.
- 5.14 All candidates should complete admission formalities in all respects latest by the deadlines announced, failing which the admission offer shall stand automatically cancelled and the seat will be offered to the waitlisted candidate.
- 5.15 The School will offer admission to the waitlisted candidates after the 1st deadline announced on the seats if any vacant to fill the vacant seats, if any. On receiving the intimation of offer of admission by web notice/email, the waitlist candidate is required to secure his/her admission as per the direction for it. The School reserves the right not to admit candidates to fill up the announced seats.
- 5.16 The final list of the candidates offered the admission will be uploaded on the School's website on the commencement of the programme. The decision of the School will be final and binding.
- 5.17 If at any stage, the information provided by a candidate is found to be false or irrelevant to the admission requirements, his candidature/admission shall be cancelled.
- 5.18 All communication for the admission process will be made through SoM website <http://spm.pdpu.ac.in/>. Candidates are strongly recommended to access the School's website on a regular basis for admission updates.

6. FEES STRUCTURE AND PAYMENT SCHEDULE

6.1 Tentative Fee structure* for MBA Programme : Batch 2024– 26 (Final Fee Structure will be as approved by Competent authority, Government of Gujarat for Academic Year 2020 Onwards)

	Particulars	1st Year			2nd Year			(In Rs.)
		Term -1	Term-2	Term-3	Term-4	Term-5	Term-6	Total
Fees: (In Rs.)								
A	Tuition Fees*	1,54,500	1,54,500	1,53,500	1,54,500	1,54,500	1,53,500	9,25,000
	University Enrolment & Examination Fee	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	12,000
	Sub Total of A	1,56,500	1,56,500	1,55,500	1,56,500	1,56,500	1,55,500	9,37,000
B	Hostel Charges** (AC)	89,500			89,500			1,79,000
	Mess Charges**	48,300			48,300			96,600
	Hostel Deposit (Refundable)	5,000						5,000
	Security Deposit (Refundable)	10,000						10,000
	Library Deposit (Refundable)	3,000						3,000
	Sub Total of B	1,55,800	0	0	1,37,800	0	0	2,93,600
	Total (A+B)	3,12,300	1,56,500	1,55,500	2,94,300	1,56,500	1,55,500	12,30,600

6.2 Tentative NRI/NRI Sponsored Fee Structure: (Final Fee Structure will be as approved by Competent authority, Government of Gujarat for Academic Year 2020 Onwards)

Particulars	1st Year			2nd Year			Total	Remarks	
	Term -1	Term-2	Term-3	Term-4	Term-5	Term-6			
Fees: (In Rs.)									
A	Tuition Fees*	\$ 3000	\$ 3000	\$ 3000	\$ 3000	\$ 3000	\$ 3000	\$ 18000	To be paid in Rupees
	University Enrolment & Examination Fee	2,000	2,000	2000	2000	2000	2000	12000	
	Sub Total of A	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	12,000	
B	Hostel Charges** (AC)	89,500			89,500			1,79,000	
	Mess Charges**	48,300			48,300			96,600	
	Hostel Deposit (Refundable)	5,000						5,000	
	Security Deposit (Refundable)	10,000						10,000	
	Library Deposit (Refundable)	3,000						3,000	
	Sub Total of B	1,55,800	0	0	1,37,800	0	0	2,93,600	
	Total (A+B)	1,57,800	2,000	2,000	1,39,800	2,000	2,000	3,05,600	

* Subject to revision by competent authority.

**Subject to Change

6.3 Tentative Payment Schedule*:

6.3.1 Payment for Securing Admission:

The candidates as per the final selected list are required to pay Rs.1,69,500/- (Rupees One Lakh Sixty Nine Thousand Five Hundred only) which includes Term-1 Tuition Fees (Rs.1,54,500), University Enrolment & Examination Fee (Rs.2,000), Security Deposit-refundable (Rs.10,000) & Library Deposit-refundable (Rs.3,000) as 1st trimester fees to confirm the admission.

NRI/NRI Sponsored: The candidates as per the final selected list are required to pay USD 3000 Paid in US Dollar or its equivalent in Indian currency as per the Notified Exchange rate prevailing at the time of getting admission, which will be communicated by SoM-PDEU with an additional Rs. 13,000/- To be paid in Indian Rupees as 1st trimester fees to confirm the admission.

6.3.2 Payment for the Remaining Charges for the first trimester:

The admitted students are required to pay Rs.1,42,800/- (Rupees One Lakh forty Two Thousand Eight Hundred only) as the remaining charges of the first trimester which include the hostel charges (Rs.89,500), Mess charges (Rs. 48,300) & Hostel deposits (Rs.5,000) in last week of May 2024 (this shall be informed by a separate email)

6.3.3 Trimester wise Payment:

The admitted candidates are required to pay the fees of every trimester one week before the commencement of the trimester. In case of delay, penalty will be charged as per prescribed rules of the University.

*Subject to the revision based on Finalized Fees structure for the Academic Year 2024.

7. SCHOLARSHIPS

7.1 Merit-cum-Means Scholarships (50% Tuition Fee waiver) available as per university scholarship policy for M.B.A. Students.

Maximum 10 Merit-cum-Means Scholarships (50% Tuition Fee waiver) are available as per PDEU scholarship policy for School of Management. The policy stipulates that family income (from all sources) of the candidate in the previous financial year should not exceed INR 10 Lakhs. Also to be considered for the scholarship process, the candidate should have scored a minimum 85 percentile in CAT/XAT/NMAT/MAT applicable for admissions for the session 2024-25. Other details shall be shared with candidates during the admission process.

7.2 Merit Scholarships (50% Tuition Fees Waiver) to meritorious SoM students from the batch 2023-25 onwards. These are pure merit scholarships without any maximum annual income criterion of parents/family. To be eligible for the scholarship, the students are required to fulfill the following criteria:

CAT/XAT/NMAT/MAT percentile score should be 85 and above. Four meritorious selected applicants, as per these scores, who are admitted to the MBA Programme (batch 2024-26) after fulfilling all admission eligibility criteria shall be the recipients of this scholarship.

7.3 Scholarships to Defence Personnel / CAPF: In order to honour the sacrifices made by our Defence Personnel /CAPF towards the nation, respect the fallen heroes and also serve as a means of support for their families following scholarship is proposed.

- (a) 100% waiver of Tuition fees to wards of Gallantry Award winner, wards of Veer Naris or those who made supreme sacrifice for the nation i.e fatal battle causality.
- (b) 50% concession in tuition fees to wards of war Injured / war disabled soldier of defence forces and CAPF
- (c) 50% concession in tuition fees to wards of soldiers whose annual income is less than 8 lakhs.

For continuation of the scholarship in subsequent terms, students must maintain a GPA of 3.2 (out of 4) and above in all subsequent terms.

Eligible students are required to attend classes actively & regularly, should follow School & University discipline norms, and show exemplary behavior during the MBA Programme. If selected and admitted to SoM-PDEU MBA 2024-26 batch, applicants may be eligible to be considered for the Merit Scholarships. The final decision about the four scholarship recipients shall be made purely on merit.

8. EDUCATION LOANS

The University is having tie-ups with several banks including, The State Bank of India, Punjab National Bank, Union Bank of India, Bank of Baroda and Axis Bank etc. for providing education loans to the students of School of Management, PDEU.

9. INELIGIBILITY FOR ADMISSION

During verification of documents or subsequently, if the University finds that any certificate or testimonial or information submitted by any candidate is incorrect or false or irrelevant/non-compliant to the requirement, the admission of such candidate shall be cancelled and he shall be permanently disqualified for admission at the University.

All the fees paid by such candidates will be forfeited, and only the deposit may be refunded by 30th September, 2024.

10. CANCELLATION OF ADMISSION AND REFUND OF FEE

Cancellation of admission*:

- 10.1 For withdrawal of admission (withdrawal form is available at School's website) and seeking the refund, a candidate is required to submit the fee receipt, admission letter and the letter of request for withdrawal duly signed by him and counter signed by his parent/guardian.
- 10.2 With reference to UGC Circular No. F.2-71/2022 (CPP-II) dated 3rd July 2023 and the PDEU Circular dated 13th July 2023 the fee refund is to be executed for the admission cancellations as follows:

Scenario (*Subject to revision by competent authority)	Refund Amount
Admission Cancellation received up to 30th September 2024	Full Refund of fees without any deductions
Admission cancellation request received after 30th September, 2024 and up to 31st October, 2024	Deduction of Rs. 1,000/- as a processing fees
Admission cancellation request received after 31st October, 2024	Only deposits

11. WARNING AGAINST RAGGING

Ragging is completely banned on the campus. As directed by the UGC also under the instructions of the Supreme Court, students are prohibited from indulging into any kind of ragging inside and outside the University campus. The Anti-Ragging Committee of the University is authorized to take very strict actions against the students indulging into Ragging; including expulsion from the University. The students shall have to submit an undertaking in the prescribed proforma along with the signature of their parent/guardian to the effect that they are aware of the severity of the offences related to the Ragging.

12. COMMUNICATIONS

All communications by the School/University for the Admission Process will be made through the website www.spm.pdpu.ac.in. Candidates are advised to go through the University's website on a regular basis for admission updates. The School/University will not be responsible for non-receipt of any communication, if any made additionally through email/SMS. No individual communication will be entertained.

The aspiring candidates, their parents and well-wishers are advised to check the website of the University from time to time for all the latest information updates on the admission process.

These rules are subject to change due to several reasons. The change(s) in any of these rules including modalities of admission process shall be announced and made available on the official website of the University i.e. <http://spm.pdpu.ac.in>. The candidates are advised and are responsible for checking and verifying the latest information on the modalities and specifics of the admission including, but limited to rules, processes, criterion, schedule, fee and alike.

13. INTERPRETATION

In the matter of interpretation of MBA Admission Policy and Procedure, the decision of MBA Admission Office shall be final and binding on the candidates. In the matter of such issues as are not covered in the MBA Admission Policy and Procedure mentioned above, the MBA Admission Office is authorized to resolve these special issues on the merit of the case and implement the same.

14. KEY DATES (SCHEDULE)

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF ADMISSION PROCESS

Sr. No.	Particulars	Date
1.	Availability of Application Forms	You may apply on http://spm.pdpu.ac.in
2.	Last date of receiving Application Forms	19 th February 2024
3.	GD/PI dates for short listed candidates	2 nd to 17 th March, 2024
4.	Display of information about shortlisted candidates for Admissions	28 th March 2024
5.	Completion of Admission formalities, fees collection and enrolment	28 th March to 10 th April 2024
6.	Operating waiting list	To be checked on website
7.	Payment of balance fees and charges	Last week of May 2024
8.	Commencement of the academic session	19 th June, 2024

GD/PI Centres*

Phase 1 (Day/Date)	Phase 2(Day/Date)	Phase 3(Day/Date)	Phase 4(Day/Date)	Phase 5(Day/Date)
Saturday, 2nd March 2024	Sunday, 3rd March 2024	Saturday, 9th March 2024	Sunday, 10th March 2024	Thursday to Sunday (14th to 17th March 2024
Indore	Lucknow	Bhopal	Jaipur	SoM-PDEU Campus, Gandhinagar, Gujarat
Ranchi	Guwahati	Patna	Kolkata	
Chandigarh	Dehradun	New Delhi	Mumbai	
	Bangalore		Hyderabad	

***Only if applications for the center are more than the critical number decided by SoM, the center will be allocated.**

- The above rules are subject to modification(s) whenever found necessary by the MBA Admission Office.
- The Admission Policy & Procedures are subject to the jurisdictions of Hon'ble Court at Ahmedabad.
- The above rules should be read as a whole, for the purpose of any interpretation. In case of any doubt or ambiguity in the interpretation of the rules, the decision of the Director – School of Management, PDEU shall be final.
- If needed, the Admissions 2024 policy may be subject to suitable tweaking/interpretation in light of uncertainties prevailing due to COVID 19 situation.