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Advertisement for Admission to M.A. in Development Studies

Batch 2023-25

The School of Humanities and Social Sciences (SHSS) invites applications from eligible candidates for admission to the **M.A. in Development Studies program** for the academic year commencing in August 2023. Interested candidates may fill in the online application form available at <http://oas.iitmandi.ac.in/admission> from 1st April 2023. The applicants are encouraged to **read the instructions** carefully. **Incomplete applications will not be considered for further processing.**

The M.A in Development Studies also offers candidates (fulfilling certain criteria, while pursuing their M.A in Development Studies) to apply for an M.A.+ Ph.D. Dual Degree at IIT Mandi.

Eligibility Criteria for Application

- I. Candidates who have qualified for the award of a three/four-year Bachelor Degree (B.A./ B.Sc./ B.Tech./ B.E. or equivalent), after 10+2 or equivalent schooling, from a recognized University or Institute with at least 55% marks/6.0 CGPA on a scale of a 10-point/equivalent (a minimum of 50% marks/5.5 CGPA on a 10-point scale/equivalent for SC/ST/PwD candidates), are eligible to apply for admission to the Program.
- II. Applicants awaiting final results in the qualifying exam are also eligible to apply. However, their final selection will be contingent on the production of final mark/grade sheet satisfying minimum marks.

Mode of Selection

- The list of shortlisted candidates will be notified on IIT Mandi website. No separate letter/email communication will be sent. Applicants are encouraged to check IIT Mandi website.
- The admission process (**Written Test and/or Interview**) will be communicated to the shortlisted candidates.

General Information and Regulation:

<https://www.iitmandi.ac.in/academics/files/MA%20Ordinance%20and%20Regulations.pdf>

Important Instructions:

Important Dates and Schedule

- Starting date for filling online application: 1st April 2023
- Last date for submitting online application: 25th April 2023
- Date of written test and interview: will be communicated to the shortlisted candidates

Information to the Candidates

- For further information, write to shssoffice@iitmandi.ac.in.
- For queries related to the online application form, contact oassupport@iitmandi.ac.in.
- No TA/DA will be provided for appearing in the admission process by the institute.

Uniqueness of the M.A. Development Studies Program, IIT Mandi

- Multi-disciplinary approach, foregrounding issues and challenges of development in the Himalayan region.
- A combination of rigorous and relevant courses with field exposure to development challenges.
- Understanding the basic scientific and technological underpinnings of developmental challenges and their existing solutions.
- A mandatory field study component to understand the laboratory of Development Studies.
- Participatory research through components of dissertation/guided internship.
- Ability to communicate results to a range of stakeholders, including academia, professionals in policy making and implementation, local communities etc.
- **Possibility of conversion/admission to integrated Ph.D. Program, if the candidate fulfills the requirements.**

We look forward to reviewing your application.
