

Rules for Institute Staff (IS) or Sponsored Candidates (SW) categories doing PG and PhD programs

Candidates from **Institute Staff (IS) category** or **Sponsored (SW) category** can enroll for PG and PhD programs of the Institute as **part-time** candidates subject to following rules and regulations which can be amended from time to time as per the requirement:

1. An IS category applicant must be a **permanent Institute employee** since last two years at the time of application. While, the **SW category** applicant should have minimum two-year work experience in a **reputed Industrial/Research Organization**.
2. The **part-time candidate** will not be entitled for payment of any fellowship/stipend during the entire academic program.
3. The IS category applicant is required to submit a “No-Objection Certificate” from Head of the concerned department/section while, SW category applicant should submit the NOC from the Competent Authority of his/her parent organization along with his/her application in the prescribed form.
4. (A) The **NOC of the IS category** applicants should clearly state that:
 - The candidate is allowed to pursue the academic program on **part-time** basis.
 - The admission to the academic program will not affect his/her discharging of the assigned duties from the Institute.(B)The **NOC of SW category** applicant should clearly state that:
 - The sponsoring organization shall fully relieve him/her of his/her duties in the organization during the **time period of required course work (for Part-Time) / entire duration (for Full-Time)** of the academic programme.
5. The **Part-time SW** category students will have to do the required course work on full-time residential basis.
6. The **SW category** candidate may be permitted to have **one external thesis supervisor** from his/her parent organization after consent from the Principle Thesis Supervisor (i.e. a faculty from IIT Indore). The Principal Supervisor will be solely responsible for ensuring the fulfillment of all the academic requirements as per the Institute Rules and Regulations. The external supervisor must have the qualifications and experience as follows:
 - External supervisor with PhD qualification should have a minimum of 5 years post-PhD experience in a reputed Industrial/Research Organization; OR
 - External supervisor with MTech/ME/MPhil or equivalent qualification should have minimum 10 years post-PG qualification experience in a reputed Industrial/Research Organization; OR
 - External supervisor having BE/BTech/MCA/MBA/MSc/MCom/MA or equivalent qualification should have minimum 15 years post-qualification experience in a reputed Industrial/Research Organization.
7. The eligibility and process of application, admission process, registration fee, registration process, academic rules and regulations and other academic procedures will be same as applicable to full-time category students.

8. IIT Indore will have exclusive Copyright on the PhD/PG thesis of the SW category students while Patents and innovations will be governed by the IPR policy of IIT Indore.
9. The Institute reserves the right to cancel/renew the admission to PG/PhD program of IS and SW candidate in case of change of employment.

Details of the other specific conditions for Part-time PhD and PG Programs:

	PhD Program (part-time)	PG Program (part-time)
Minimum duration of required course work	Same as full-time candidates as mentioned in the Institute Rules and Procedures for and PG and PhD programs.	
Maximum duration of the required course work	i) TWO semesters with MTech/ ME/ MPhil Or equivalent qualification from the date of joining the program. ii) THREE semesters with MSc/ MA/ MCom/ MBA/ BTech/ BE or equivalent qualification from the date of joining the program.	FOUR semesters from the date of joining the program.
Minimum time required for thesis submission	SIX months more as compared to the full-time candidates i.e. 30 months for MTech/ME/MPhil or equivalent qualification and 36 months for BTech/BE/MSc/MA/MCom/MBA or equivalent qualification from the <i>date of confirmation in the PhD program</i> . (i.e. from the first working day of the next semester in which the student successfully completes his/her required course work).	Three years from date of joining the program.
Maximum duration of the program	7 Years from date of joining the program.	4 Years from date of joining the program.
Expectations from IS category candidates	The Institute expects at least two year continuous service from the date of completion of the PhD program.	The Institute expects at least one year continuous service from the date of completion of the PG program.