



**School of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Mandi**  
**Advertisement for admission in M.A. in Development Studies**

The School of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Mandi invites applications from interested candidates for admission to the Two-Year (Regular) M.A. in Development Studies program starting from August 2021. Candidates may fill in the online application form available at <http://oas.iitmandi.ac.in/admission> from 25<sup>th</sup> March 2021 (10:00 AM)

**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.
- The Admission process is completed in 2-stages: **Written test and Interview**
- The Written test is the preliminary round which comprises of 60 marks.
- **Only those candidates who secure 40% or more marks (i.e. 24 out of 60 marks) in the Written Test will be called to appear for online interview.**

## **Schedule**

- Starting date for filling online application: 25th March 2021
- Last date for submitting online application: 20th April 2021
- Date of written test and interview: will be announced

## **Information to the Candidates**

For further information, write to [shss\\_admissions@iitmandi.ac.in](mailto:shss_admissions@iitmandi.ac.in) Queries related to the online application form may be addressed to [oassupport@iitmandi.ac.in](mailto:oassupport@iitmandi.ac.in).

No TA/DA will be provided for appearing in the admission process by the institute.

## **Special Features of the MA 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 exposure to real-world 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.