

Eligibility Criteria for M.Des

All candidates applying for the M.Des. programme (any discipline) must fulfill eligibility criteria of both age and education qualification as under.

Age Limit:

- For Indian Nationals in General Category & General EWS Category: Only those candidates born on or after **1 July 1992** are eligible to apply for admission.
- For Indian Nationals in Reserved Category (Other Backward Class-Non Creamy Layer (OBC-NCL), Scheduled Caste (SC) & Scheduled Tribe (ST): Only those candidates born on or after **1 July 1989** are eligible to apply for admission.
- For Indian Nationals in Person with Disabilities (PwD) Reserved Category: Only those candidates born on or after **1 July 1987** are eligible to apply for admission.
- For Foreign Nationals in Overseas (Supernumerary) Category: Only those candidates born on or after **1 July 1992** are eligible to apply for admission.

Educational Qualification:

In addition to satisfying the above age criteria, the candidate must possess at least one of the following minimum qualifications to be considered eligible for admissions:

Bachelor Degree of minimum 4-year duration in any specialization, after 12th standard or equivalent to 12th standard from any university or institute recognised by law in India. *Condition:* Candidate must have passed the Bachelor Degree examinations at the time of document verification tentatively scheduled in **May/June 2022***.

OR

Full-time Diploma of minimum 4-year duration in Design/Fine Arts/Applied Arts/ Architecture, after 12th standard or equivalent to 12th standard, from any university or institute recognised by law in India.

Condition: Candidates must have passed the Diploma examinations at the time of document verification tentatively scheduled in **May/June 2022***.

OR

Bachelor Degree of minimum 3-year duration in any specialization, after 12th standard or equivalent to 12th standard.

Condition: Candidates must have passed the 3-year Bachelor degree examinations by **August 2021**.

* Candidates in the final year of their Bachelor degree/ Full-time Diploma programme whose universities may not have issued the final degree certificate before that last date of application to NID, are eligible to apply, subject to passing all subjects without any backlog. Such candidates will have to submit/produce Provisional Degree certificates at the time of document verification.

Note:

In case the degree/certificate has been obtained from a University/Board of any country other than India, an equivalence certificate must be submitted to Admissions Office by the candidate from the Association of Indian Universities (AIU), New Delhi, at the time of document verification tentatively scheduled in May/June 2022. Visit <http://www.aiu.ac.in> for more details about how to obtain an equivalence certificate.

Overseas Category (Supernumerary candidates):

Foreign candidates—holding citizenship of a country other than the Republic of India—are eligible To apply only under the Overseas (supernumerary) category, provided they fulfill all the eligibility criteria mentioned in Sections 4.1 of M.Des Admissions Handbook 2022-23.

Of the seats available for the M.Des., 15% supernumerary seats are available for Overseas candidates. The actual number of seats available under Overseas (supernumerary) category is as under:

Programme	No. of seats
Master of Design (discipline having 19 seats)	03
Master of Design (discipline having 12 seats)	02

Note:

- Candidates under Overseas (supernumerary) category fall outside the ambit of seats reserved for the GEN- EWS, OBC-NCL, SC, ST and PwD categories and are required to pay the fees as per Overseas fee category.
- Candidates holding OCI and PIO card will have to apply only under the Overseas (supernumerary) category.
- Non-Resident Indians (NRIs) holding an Indian passport are not eligible to apply under the Overseas (supernumerary) category and will have to apply as Indian nationals only.
- Candidates will be offered admission to NID based on the final merit list of the Overseas (supernumerary) category, which will be prepared after all the stages of the admission process have been completed. Candidates will be offered admission to NID based on the minimum qualifying criteria as mentioned in Section 8.5 of M.Des Admissions Handbook 2022-23.
- To accept the offer of admission, overseas candidates are required to visit the NID campus in person, as per the schedule. At this time, candidates will be required to produce the following original documents along with their self-attested photocopies:

- Self-attested copy of the relevant pages of their valid passport.
- Self-attested copies of their grade sheets/mark sheets of all semesters equivalent to SSC (Grade X), HSC (Grade XII) and their degree certificate/provisional certificate/passing certificate.
- An equivalence certificate from the Association of Indian Universities (AIU), New Delhi, will have to be obtained in advance and required to be submitted at the time of document verification tentatively scheduled in May/June 2022.
- The candidate will be responsible for obtaining a student visa for the entire duration of the programme at NID, before the commencement of the programme.
- If selected candidates do not pay their programme fees or fail to produce any of the required documents, or if they decline the offer of admission, their candidature will stand cancelled and their seat will be offered to the next candidate in order of merit under Overseas category.
- Seats remaining vacant in the Overseas (supernumerary) category will lapse and will not be transferred to candidates from any other categories.
- Overseas candidates will have to appear for DAT Prelims and DAT Mains as per the schedule mentioned in Section 2 of of M.Des Admissions Handbook 2022-23.
- Overseas candidates may choose their test centre for DAT Prelims from any test centre mentioned in Section 7.3 of M.Des Admissions Handbook 2022-23.
- The medium of instruction at NID is English language.

Important Note:

- Candidates yet to appear for their qualifying exam (**ONLY** Full-time Diploma or Bachelor's Degree in any discipline under 10+2+4 system or more) are eligible to apply, provided they produce proof of having acquired the minimum required qualifications at the time of document verification. Candidates must produce a valid certificate (Provisional/Degree) at the time of document verification scheduled tentatively in **May/June 2022**. Failing to produce the provisional degree certificate, such candidate's candidature will stand cancelled & will not be offered admission. Their seat will be offered to the next candidate in order of merit.
- If the results of their final year of graduation (under 10+2+4 system or more only) have not been declared by the concerned Board or University at the time of submitting application, such candidate will have to submit provisional degree certificate at the time of document verification scheduled tentatively in **May/June 2022**.
- Candidates who have not appeared for their final qualifying exam before the document verification of documents will not be eligible for admission.