# PGP-LSM Admission Policy and Procedure for 2020-22 Batch

# **Basic Eligibility**

- Bachelor's degree / Post-Graduate degree in any discipline with minimum 50% marks or equivalent CGPA (SC/ST/DA candidates are allowed a relaxation of 5% in the minimum mandated marks)
- Must possess a valid score in CAT 2019 /GRE/ GMAT
- Those appearing for the final year of Bachelor's degree/equivalent qualification examination and awaiting results can also apply. Such candidates, if selected, will be admitted provisionally till the final results and degree certificates are available.

#### **Selection Process**

IIM Kozhikode follows a three-stage selection process for admission to the Post Graduate Programme in Liberal Studies & Management (PGP-LSM) 2020-22 batch.

# Stage 1: Registration of candidates meeting the eligibility criteria

The candidates meeting the prescribed *minimum cut-off percentiles* in CAT/GMAT/GRE are eligible to register and apply online.

Minimum Percentile Cut-offs							
Category <sup>1</sup>	Overall	Verbal <sup>2</sup>	Other Sections <sup>3</sup>				
GEN	80	80	50				
NC-OBC or EWS	70	70	50				
SC	60	60	50				
ST/ DA	55	55	50				

### Notes

- 1. General (GEN), Scheduled Caste (SC), Scheduled Tribe (ST), Non-creamy Other Backward Caste (NC-OBC), Economically Weaker Section (EWS), Differently Abled (DA).
- 2. Verbal Ability and Reading Comprehension (CAT), Verbal Reasoning (GMAT&GRE)
- 3. Data Interpretation & Logical Reasoning and Quantitative Ability (CAT), Quantitative Reasoning (GMAT&GRE)

### Stage 2: Shortlisting for Personal Interview (PI), and Writing Ability Test (WAT)

A shortlist of candidates in each category will be created based on an Aggregate Index Score (AIS) in 100 which will be computed with the weights given below.

Component		
Sectional percentile for the Verbal section of the eligibility test		
Class X aggregate Percentage		
Class XII aggregate percentage	20%	
Work Experience Score		
Gender diversity score		

- The percentages are to be reported in aggregate for all the courses listed in the marksheet irrespective of the board's computation.
- Score for the X/XII will be computed from the reported percentages by linear mapping in the interval 60-90 with 60 or below getting 0 and 90 or above getting the maximum.
- Only full time salaried work experience after graduation will be counted. Work experience scores will be as follows.

< 6	6-12	12-18	18-24	24-30	30-36	>36
months						
0	2	4	5	4	2	0

## **Stage 3: WAT, PI and Final Shortlist**

The short-listed candidates will have to appear for a writing task (Essay) followed by a personal Interview (PI).

Category-wise merit list will be prepared based on the final scores. Admission offers will be made to candidates following the merit list as per the Government of India reservation norms.

**Final Score Computation** 

Component	Weight		
AIS score (computed in Stage 2)	40%		
Essay	20%		
Personal Interview	40%		

The candidates will be assessed on four criteria with equal weights in the personal interview. The criteria are

- Communication skills.
- General awareness on matters regarding business and society,
- Aptitude in liberal studies,
- Managerial & leadership aptitude.

### **Reservation Policy**

IIM Kozhikode will follow Government of India reservation policy for admission to Central Educational Institutions (CEIs).

#### **Important information**

- 1. Stage 1 is a pre-interview registration process and not a call for WAT & PI.
- 2. Only candidates who have successfully registered online for admissions to IIMK will be considered for stage 2. The successful registration does not automatically qualify a candidate for the stage 2 selection process.
- 3. The number of candidates shortlisted for stage 2 will be at the discretion of IIMK and will depend on the PGP-LSM batch size planned for 2020-22 batch.

- 4. The candidates' short-list after Stage 2 will be made available on the IIMK website by the first week of April 2020. The interview call letters, venue details, etc. will be made available on the IIMK website and the candidates need to download the same.
- 5. After the completion of Stage 3, a merit list for admissions will be prepared by the second week of May 2020. The required number of admission offers will be given in the order of merit, following the Government of India reservation policy.
- 6. A limited number of candidates will be kept in the wait list. Offers to the candidates in the waiting list will depend upon the number of candidates not accepting offers from the initial list. The number of candidates in the wait list would be at the discretion of IIMK and will depend on the PGP-LSM batch size planned for 2020-22 batch.
- 7. All the candidates are advised to check their emails regularly and visit the IIMK web site for updates on admission related activities.
- 8. If a candidate fails to complete the admission formalities within the stipulated time period, irrespective of reasons, the seat will be forfeited and the next candidate in the waiting list will be given the offer.
- 9. IIMK reserves the right to change, modify or adopt any new admission policy and process to comply with Government/Judicial requirements or as it deems necessary. IIMK also reserves the right to adopt an admission policy which best suits its purpose of identifying and admitting the most appropriate candidates to the post graduate program.
- 10. IIMK does not share any responsibility for other institutions using the WT & PI scores of IIMK for their admissions.
- 11. Originals (and copies) of all certificates (eligibility, academics/reservation category/experience) must be produced for verification at the time of WT & PI. Any candidate failing to produce any of the original certificates mentioned will be disqualified from attending the WT & PI process.
- 12. All communication pertaining to IIM Kozhikode PGP-LSM admissions will be done only through the PGP LSM office of IIM Kozhikode.
- 13. IIM Kozhikode does not allow deferment of an admission offer to subsequent years.
- 14. Any misrepresentation or suppression of information by a candidate at any stage during the admissions process, will lead to immediate disqualification of the candidate from the admission process.
- 15. A candidate receiving the PGP-LSM admission offer from IIM Kozhikode and accepting the offer within the stipulated date needs to send, along with offer acceptance, an offer acceptance amount of Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rs 1 Lakh only). The candidate will have to register on the registration day for PGP-LSM and pay the necessary fees to complete the admission process.
- 16. A candidate withdrawing from the program will receive a fee refund if withdrawal is before the date and time specified in the PGP-LSM 2020-22 withdrawal procedure on IIMK website, which will be duly uploaded. Note that the refund will be after deducting processing charges as per govt. norms (F. No. 21-I66/2007-TS. II).
- 17. Any withdrawal from the program after the date and time specified in the withdrawal procedure will be permitted a refund only if such a withdrawal does not cause a shortfall wherein admitted batch size is lower than sanctioned batch size of PGP-LSM for 2020-22.
- 18. Any dispute concerning Admissions for the PGP-LSM Batch of 2020-2022 will be subject to the jurisdiction of competent Courts within Kozhikode only.