



# PhD in Public Policy @ Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay

## Admissions 2025-26

**Online Application:** <https://portal.iitb.ac.in>

**Examination & Interview:** 8–9 May 2025

Applicants to the PhD programme must meet **any one** of the following **minimum eligibility criteria**. Candidates in the final year of their degree programme and awaiting results may also apply.

- 1a BE/BTech or an equivalent\* degree with 60% marks/6.0 CPI (55% marks/5.5 CPI for SC/ST).
- 1b Bachelor's degree in Medicine (MBBS four years or more).
- 2 MSc/MA/MCom/LLM/MCA or an equivalent\* degree with 60% marks/6.0 CPI (55% marks/5.5 CPI for SC/ST) at post-graduation level.
- 3 MBA/ME/MTech/MPhil from any institute recognised by a Government body (AICTE/UGC/AIU) with 60% marks/6.0 CPI (55% marks/5.5 CPI for SC/ST).

\*All equivalent degrees must be certified by their respective institution(s).

Applicants with qualifying degrees listed in **1a**, **1b**, or **2** above must also fulfil one of the following **additional requirements**:

- a A valid CAT/GMAT/GRE score.
- b Qualify in GATE/UGC-NET (Lectureship)/UGC-JRF/CSIR-NET (Lectureship)/CSIR-JRF/DAE/DST/DBT/ICMR/NBHM, etc.
- c At least two years of work experience (acquired after obtaining the qualifying degree and completed before the starting of the semester in which admission is sought).

### Teaching Assistantship (TA)

Applicants admitted in the Teaching Assistantship (TA) category will receive a monthly fellowship. The eligibility criteria for awarding TA positions for PhDs are according to the guidelines determined by IIT Bombay. Please refer to it for more details. Other national-level scholarships and sponsorships can be availed from the central and state governments, subject to fulfilling the required eligibility criteria.

### Teaching/Research Assistantship (TAP/RAP)

ADCPS will offer Teaching/Research Assistantships through Project (TAP/RAP) depending upon project availability. To be considered for the same (if available), candidates applying must submit a valid GATE score.

The shortlisting process for admissions is as follows:

Applicants must submit a research proposal (policy-relevant) along with their online application and indicate clearly in the proposal the research area at ADCPS that it aligns with (<https://www.cps.iitb.ac.in/research>). The proposal should contain the problem identification, a brief literature review, the proposed methodology, and a list of references (2000 words maximum, excluding references). Admission to the PhD programme is based on grading the applicants' **research proposal** and their performance in the **written test** and **interview**.

**Note:** Applicants are advised to go through the research interests of the faculty members and **contact (e-mail)** them to see if the scope aligns (<https://www.cps.iitb.ac.in/faculties>).

