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INDIAN INSTITUTE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DHARWAD  
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# IIT Dharwad M.Tech Degree Program in Data Science and Artificial Intelligence

Step into the Future with Data Science and AI



## About IIIT Dharwad

Indian Institute of Information Technology, Dharwad (IIIT Dharwad), established in 2015 through a unique Public-Private Partnership (PPP) by the Ministry of Education, Government of India, the Government of Karnataka, and Keonics (an industry partner), stands at the forefront of delivering world-class education. Recognized as an Institute of National Importance by an Act of Parliament, IIIT Dharwad is redefining how Data Science, AI, and Emerging Technologies are taught.

## Why Choose IIIT Dharwad?



**India's Newest & Fastest-Growing IIIT:**

One of the most dynamic institutes among the 21 IIITs.



**Industry-Aligned Curriculum:**

Programs tailored to meet global AI and tech demands.



**Institute of National Importance:**

IIIT Dharwad offers full academic freedom where learners choose their specialization and electives.



**Strong Alumni Network:**

Full privileges as an IIIT Dharwad graduate.

# Programme Overview

## M.Tech in Data Science & Artificial Intelligence

Move beyond a conventional degree—this M.Tech program is designed to prepare you for high-impact roles in the tech industry and academia, emphasizing project-based learning and research-driven problem-solving.

### Key Features:



Duration: 2 years  
(4 semesters) with  
multi-exit and  
re-entry options



Mode: LIVE classes  
with a 7-day campus  
immersion\*  
(optional)



For: Working  
professionals,  
industry leaders, and  
fresh graduates

### Programme Highlights:



Industry-aligned  
curriculum



Specialization  
tracks to enhance  
expertise



Degree equivalent  
to an on-campus  
M.Tech



Project-based  
learning for  
hands-on experience

This program is tailored for Tier 1 careers in top global technology firms — beyond entry-level AI roles.

# What Sets Us Apart?

| Feature                                | IIIT Dharwad (IITDWD)   | Most Other Institutes  |
|--|---|--|
| Multi-Exit & Re-Entry Options          | 1 Students can pause and resume studies within four years, ideal for working professionals.                 | Fixed academic structure, limited options to pause and resume learning.  |
| Industry Projects & Portfolio Building | 2 Projects integrated into all four semesters, creating a strong portfolio                                  | Projects only in the final semester, often theoretical.  |
| Curriculum Flexibility                 | 3 Full flexibility from Semester 2. Specializations are modular.  | Fixed curriculum, no customization.  |
| Placement Readiness                    | 4 AI-powered learning summaries and project-based learning make graduates job-ready for top-tier companies. | Traditional approach where theoretical knowledge dominates, leading to a skill gap in practical AI applications. |
| Alumni Privileges & Campus Access      | 5 M.Tech students are full-fledged IIIT Dharwad alumni, with research, faculty, and placement access.       | Many institutions do not extend full alumni privileges to online learners.                                       |
| Campus Immersion Experience            | 6 7-day* on-campus immersion, covering labs, faculty interactions, and networking. (optional)               | No such option for online students in most universities.   |



# Key Advantages of the M.Tech Program at IIIT Dharwad



## Flexible Curriculum

- Structured foundation in Semester 1
- Customize electives from Semester 2
- Specialize or build foundation



## Project-Based Learning

- Graduate with multiple AI-driven projects, throughout four semesters
- Build a portfolio showcasing real-world problem-solving skills
- Boosts employability and prepares for doctoral research



## Full Alumni Privileges

- Faculty mentorship and research opportunities
- Placement support and access to alumni network
- Same Benefits as On-Campus Students



## 7-Day Campus Immersion (optional)\*

- Hands-on lab sessions
- Research discussions & industry talks
- Networking with faculty and peers

# Curriculum & Specializations

Students can customize their M.Tech journey by choosing from core AI subjects and specialized electives.

## Core Courses

- Applied Mathematics for Data Science and AI
- Advanced Learning Algorithms
- Data Science Lab
- AI Systems Lab
- Research and Project Work

## Industry Focused Specialization

- Natural Language Processing (NLP) & Speech AI – Conversational AI, Speech Recognition, and Social Media Analytics.
- Computer Vision – Object Detection, 3D Vision, and AI for Autonomous Systems.
- Generative AI – Deep Learning, Large Language Models, and AI-driven Creativity.
- Healthcare Analytics – Bioinformatics, Biomedical Signal Processing & Health Data Analytics.
- Financial Analytics – Computational Finance, Data Modeling & Applied Econometrics.



# Eligibility Criteria

## Qualifications:

- B.E./B.Tech/M.Sc./MCA graduates

## Minimum Requirements:

- General/OBC: 60% marks or 6.5 CGPA/CPI
- SC/ST/PwD: 55% marks or 6.0 CGPA/CPI
- Preferred but Not Mandatory: GATE/NET scores



### Semester Fee

**₹88,500**  
(inclusive of GST)

### Yearly Fee

**₹1,77,000**  
(inclusive of GST)

### Programme Fees

**₹3,54,000**  
(inclusive of GST)

### Application Fees

**₹2,000**  
(inclusive of GST)

GATE qualified candidates are exempted from the Online Aptitude test and can directly appear for the interview

# Know Your Faculty



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# Admission Process



## Application:

Fill out the form and  
pay the application  
fee



## Aptitude Test:

Appear for an  
online test



## Interview:

Participate in a  
selection interview



## Offer Letter:

Receive admission  
confirmation



## Fee Payment:

Confirm your  
enrollment

# Certification Pathways



**PG Certification:**  
Complete 15 credits in foundational courses



**PG Diploma:**  
Complete 30 credits, including core and elective courses



**M.Tech Degree:**  
Complete 60 credits, including thesis and capstone project



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