Indian Institute of Management Kozhikode
PGP Admissions Policy and Procedure for 2019-2021 Batch

IIM Kozhikode adopts a three-staged selection process for its admissions to the PGP 2019-2021 batch. The details of the three stages are given below:

**Stage 1: Registration of candidates meeting the minimum eligibility criteria**
In stage 1, the following minimum eligibility criteria will be applied to all those candidates who have opted for IIM Kozhikode.

### Table 1: Minimum Eligibility Criteria

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<tr>
<th>Category</th>
<th>CAT Score Percentile</th>
<th>Sectional Percentile</th>
<th>SSC/X Class Percentage*</th>
<th>HSC/XII Class Percentage*</th>
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<tr>
<td>GEN</td>
<td>90</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>60</td>
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<td>OBC (NC)</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>70</td>
<td>60</td>
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<td>SC</td>
<td>65</td>
<td>50</td>
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<td>ST/ PwD</td>
<td>55</td>
<td>40</td>
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* The percentage of marks obtained in Class X and Class XII would be calculated based on the aggregate marks of all subjects that appear in the marks sheet or grade sheet, irrespective of whether the Board considers them for calculation of percentage.

**Note:** General (GEN), Scheduled Caste (SC), Scheduled Tribe (ST), Non-creamy Other Backward Caste (NC-OBC), Persons with Disability (PwD).

All candidates who have opted for IIM Kozhikode and are fulfilling the above-mentioned minimum eligibility criteria would receive an email for online registration for admissions to IIM Kozhikode. Only those candidates who have successfully completed the online registration process for IIM Kozhikode will be considered for stage 2. Please note that this is a pre-interview registration process and not the call for interview.

**Stage 2: Shortlisting for Personal Interview (PI) and Writing Ability Test (WAT)**
The second stage process applies to all eligible candidates who have successfully completed the registration process in stage 1 for the admissions to IIMK and it is for the determination of the candidates to be called 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). The AIS is computed based on the performance in CAT 2018 and Class XII and an academic diversity criterion. The weight of each component in the AIS is as follows:
Table 2: Aggregate Index Score Computation for Stage 2 Shortlist*

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<th>Component</th>
<th>Weight</th>
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<tr>
<td>CAT 2018 Index Score</td>
<td>75%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Class XII Percentage</td>
<td>20%</td>
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<td>Academic Diversity Factor</td>
<td>5%</td>
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* The number of candidates shortlisted would be at the discretion of IIMK and would depend on the batch size planned for 2019-21.

The details of each component are given as follows:

1) **CAT Index Score**

Scaled scores from the three sections (with equal weightages) of CAT 2018 will be considered for the computation of the CAT Index Score. The CAT Index Score will carry a weight of 75%.

2) **HSC/ Class XII/Equivalent/Diploma Percentage**

The percentage of marks obtained in HSC/Class XII/Equivalent/Diploma would be calculated based on the aggregate marks of all subjects that appear in the marks sheet or grade sheet, irrespective of whether the Board considers them for calculation of percentage. The HSC/Class XII/Equivalent/Diploma percentage scores are first adjusted by dividing each score by the highest percentage score obtained in the stream of that board and then that adjusted score is multiplied by 20. The database of HSC/Class XII/Equivalent/Diploma percentage scores of all CAT applicants for the past three years including the current year is used for identifying the highest percentage score of a stream in a board.

3) **Academic Diversity Score**

A candidate with (or pursuing) a bachelor’s degree or equivalent in a discipline other than engineering/technology will be eligible for the academic diversity score. The academic diversity score will carry a weight of 5%.

**Stage 3: Final Shortlist**

The short-listed candidates will have to appear for a WAT followed by a PI. IIM Kozhikode will conduct the PI and WAT in Bangalore, Hyderabad, Kolkata, Kozhikode, Mumbai and New Delhi. The entire process will last for a half-day (morning or afternoon). In this process, the candidates will be writing an essay and a professional resume, which will be followed by the PI. The essay topic will be announced at the venue just before the WAT. The professional resume will be evaluated on length and depth of work experience, quality of academic and professional qualifications, managerial and leadership attributes and exceptional academic, co-curricular and extracurricular achievements of the candidates. During the PI, the panel will evaluate the academic efforts and disposition, general awareness and social disposition, attitude and personality and articulation and communication of each candidate.
After the conclusion of PI and WAT, the final scores will be computed (Table 3) based on the performance in CAT 2018, PI, essay, and the professional resume. Category-wise merit list will be prepared based on the final scores. Selection of the 60 supernumerary seats reserved for women will be done using the same three-staged process restricted to only the women candidates. Admission offers will be made to candidates following the merit list as per the Government of India reservation norms.

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<td>PI</td>
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<td>Essay</td>
<td>20%</td>
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<td>Resume</td>
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**Reservation Policy**

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

**Any dispute concerning Admissions for the PGP Batch of 2019-2021 would be subject to jurisdiction of competent Courts within Kozhikode only.**

**Important information**

1. Stage 1 is a pre-interview registration process and not a call for PI and WAT
2. Only candidates who have successfully registered online for admissions to IIMK will be considered for stage 2 (PI and WAT). The successful registration does not automatically qualify a candidate for the stage 2 selection process.
3. The number of candidates shortlisted for stage 2 would be at the discretion of IIMK and would depend on the batch size planned for 2019-21.
4. Each IIM shortlists candidates for WAT and PI based on their own criteria. Hence it is natural to observe variations in the lists of candidates shortlisted by different IIMs.
5. The candidates’ short-list for stage 2 (PI and WAT) will be made available on the IIMK website around the last week of January 2019. The interview call letters, venue details, etc. will be made available on the IIMK website and the candidates need to download the same.
6. After the completion of stage 2 (WAT and PI), a merit list for admissions will be prepared around the last week of April/first week of May 2019. The required number of admissions offers will be given in the order of merit, following the Government of India reservation policy. Hard copies of the admission offer will be issued only to those candidates who accept the offer and make the required payments within the stipulated time.
7. 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 batch size planned for 2019-21.

8. All the candidates are advised to check their emails regularly and visit the IIMK web site for updates on admission related activities.

9. 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.

10. 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.

11. IIMK does not share any responsibility for other institutions using the PI and WAT scores of IIMK for their admissions.

12. Originals (and copies) of all certificates (academic/reservation category/work experience*/awards/certifications) must be produced for verification at the time of PI and WAT. Any candidate failing to produce any of the relevant original certificates mentioned will be disqualified from attending the PI.

13. All communication pertaining to IIM Kozhikode PGP admissions will be done only through the admissions office of IIM Kozhikode.

14. IIM Kozhikode does not allow deferment of an admission offer to subsequent years.

15. 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.

16. A candidate receiving the admission offer from IIM Kozhikode and accepting the offer within the stipulated date needs to send an amount of Rs. 1,00,000/, along with the offer acceptance. The candidate will have to register on the registration day for the post graduate program and pay the necessary fees to complete the admission process.

17. A candidate withdrawing from the program will receive a fee refund if withdrawal is before the date and time specified in the PGP 2019-21 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).

18. A candidate withdrawing from the program after the date and time specified in the withdrawal procedure will be permitted refund only if he/she does not cause a resultant shortfall such that admitted batch size is lower than the sanctioned batch size for 2019-21.

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* Only full time remunerative work experience after graduation will be considered. Part time/project/internship/articleship/pre-graduation work experience will not be counted as work experience. Reg. self-employment/partnership experience: full time self-employment must be established using any 2 of the following documents: i. registered partnership deed, ii. MCA/RoC firm registration certificate, iii. GST registration of firm, iv. firm’s audited statements of account (for at least 2 continuous financial years), v. DIPP Certificate of Recognition. At least one of these documents should indicate the name of the firm and the name of the candidate as promoter/director. The other document must refer to the firm’s name or registration number. The later date in these 2 submitted documents will be taken as the start date of self-employment to reckon duration.