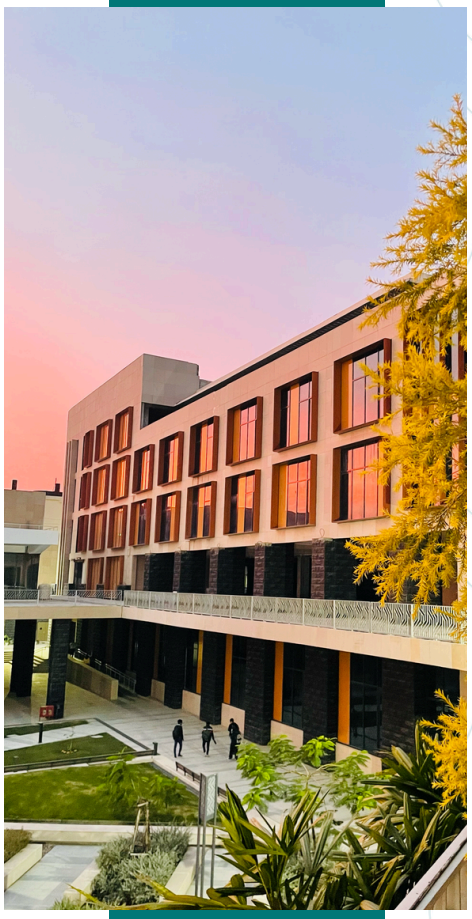
PLAKSHA UNIVERSITY

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM ADMISSIONS POLICY AY 2027-28



UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS

Plaksha University's holistic admissions process is intended to identify exceptional, curious students who demonstrate strong academic rigour and excel in co-curricular and extra-curricular activities. The undergraduate admissions policy document outlines the criteria and prerequisites for applicants seeking admission to Plaksha University. The policy applies to the following categories of applicants:

Category A: Indian Citizens which also include Non-Resident Indians (holding an Indian passport)

Category B: Foreign Nationals including Overseas Citizens of India (OCI)/ Persons of Indian Origin (PIO) holding an international passport

The admission process and eligibility criteria are the same for both categories. However, international students are required to pay a supplementary fee in addition to the applicable acceptance and tuition fee. No seats are reserved for international students.

Please refer to the link for additional admission and fee details: https://plaksha.edu.in/admissions

Admissions Criteria

Plaksha University offers four interdisciplinary undergraduate degrees. Each degree is unique, cutting-edge, forward-looking, and aligned with the needs of the 21st century.

- BTech in Biological Systems Engineering (BSE)
- BTech in Computer Science & Artificial Intelligence (CSAI)
- BTech in Data Science, Economics and Business (DSEB)
- BTech in Robotics & Autonomous Systems (RAS)

To apply for an undergraduate program at Plaksha University, you'll need to meet these criteria:

a. Eligibility

Category A: Applicants should be currently enrolled in, or have successfully completed, grade XII of a 10+2 system from a recognized National or International board or its equivalent with adequate proficiency in English.

Category B: Applicants should be currently enrolled in, or have successfully completed, grade XII from a board recognized by the Association of Indian Universities (AIU). Applicants must be at least 18 years old as of 31 July of the year of admission into Plaksha University.

Applicants from Category B must submit an '**English as the Medium of Instruction**' letter from their most recently attended school, or one of the following

- A minimum score of 6 bands on the IELTS- Academic English proficiency test with no band less than 6 in each module.
- TOEFL score of at least 570, plus a minimum TWE (essay) score of 4.0, or IBT score of 88 with no section below 20.
- PTE overall score 52 and no module less than 52.
- Duolingo with a minimum score of 115.

b. Subject Prerequisites (Applies to applicants from both Categories A and B)

All majors at Plaksha University have a strong foundation in Mathematics, Physics, and Computing. While Physics is not a mandatory subject, it is highly recommended, as enrolled students are required to complete a few foundational courses in Physics during their first three semesters. **Applicants with Mathematics/Applied Mathematics are eligible to apply to all majors. Applicants without Mathematics, and with only Physics and Biology, are eligible to apply only to the BSE major.**

Applicants must have studied one of the following in High School-

1. **Mathematics/Applied Mathematics -** Students applying to Plaksha will need to demonstrate conceptual clarity in most of the following topics/concepts in Mathematics:

   Algebra and Trigonometry; Elementary Functions; Limits and Continuity; Differentiation and Integration of functions of one real variable; Vectors and Three-Dimensional Geometry, Matrices, Statistics and Probability, Set Theory

2. **Physics and Biology until Grade 12 -** Applicants with Physics and Biology but without Mathematics in Grade 12 will only be eligible to declare BSE as their major, as they will follow a different sequence of Math training during freshmore curriculum.
   Applicants must demonstrate conceptual clarity in the following topics/concepts in Physics and Biology:

Physics: *Physical World and Measurement; Kinematics; Laws of Motion; Motion of System of Particles and Rigid Body; Properties of Bulk Matter; Heat & Thermodynamics; Kinetics Theory; Oscillations & Waves; Work, Power and Energy; Electrostatics; Optics; Current and Electricity; Atom and Nuclei; Medical Physics (optional)*

Biology: *Structural Organization in Plants and Animals; Cell – structure and function; Photosynthesis in higher plants; Respiration in plants; Human Physiology; Genetics and Evolution; Metabolism and Energy Flow; Communication and Signalling; Homeostasis and Defence; Genetic Technology; Biotechnology and its applications*

c. Test Scores for an Admission Offer (Applies to applicants from both Categories A and B)

To be eligible for an offer of admission, applicants will be required to submit at least one of the following scores with their application.

1. Grade XII (or equivalent) board score
2. Applicants with strong scores in standardized tests, including but not limited to those listed below, may also be considered for an offer of admission:

- Joint Entrance Examination (JEE) Main
- American College Testing (ACT)
- Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT)
- Advance Placement (AP)
- IISER-IAT
- International Olympiads (IMO, IOI, IPhO, IBO)
- BITSAT
- NEET (UG)

All scores are reviewed in conjunction with the overall profile of the applicant. No single standardized, predicted, or board score qualifies an applicant for shortlisting or firm offer.
In the absence of strong standardized test scores, applicants awaiting board results may apply using predicted scores and will be considered for a conditional offer of admission.

Disclaimer: Eligibility does not guarantee a firm offer; final decisions will be made following a comprehensive review of the applicant's full profile.

d. Accepted Education Boards for grade 12 (Applies to applicants from both Categories A and B)

Board Name	Students with Mathematics and Physics	Students with Mathematics and without Physics	Students with Biology and Physics and without Mathematics
National Boards			
CBSE/ISC/ State Boards	Opted subjects must include Mathematics/Applied Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry or Biology (as applicable)	Opted subjects must include Mathematics/Applied Mathematics, Economics, Business Studies or one science subject (as applicable)	Opted subjects must include Biology, Physics, Chemistry or Computing (as applicable)
International Boards			
International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP)*	6 subjects with 3 HL and 3 SL including Mathematics (AA HL, AA SL and AI HL)	6 subjects with 3 HL and 3 SL including Mathematics (AA HL, AA SL and AI HL)	6 subjects with 3 HL and 3 SL including Biology
Cambridge International Examinations (CIE)**	3 A-Level subjects including Mathematics and Physics	3 A-Level subjects including Mathematics and Economics or Business Studies (as applicable)	3 A-Level subjects including Biology and Physics
American/Canadian High School Diploma Preferred GPA of 3 and above Recommended AP courses in Calculus, Physics, or any other relevant subject	3 subjects including Mathematics, Physics, Biology or Chemistry (as applicable)	3 subjects including Mathematics, Economics or one science subject (as applicable)	3 subjects including Biology, Physics

*** Additional eligibility for IB applicants:**

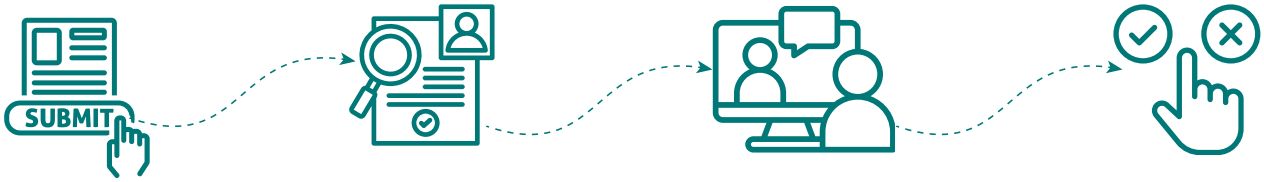
- Applicants taking the IB Certificate course must have studied a minimum of 3 HL and 3 SL. They must meet the subject prerequisites with STEM courses at HL level.
- Math AI SL version is not accepted for admission purpose
- IB Career-related programme (CP) applicants must have subject prerequisites in alignment with Plaksha policy to be considered for admission

****Additional eligibility for Cambridge board applicants:**

- Applicants appearing for August series final exam are encouraged to apply with one of the above listed standardized test scores.
- Applicants with 'A Level' Further Mathematics will be appreciated and given due consideration in the admission process.

Meeting the eligibility criteria does not ensure shortlisting or firm offer. Admission decisions are based on a holistic review of the applicant's academic performance, personal profile, and assessment outcomes.

Applicant Journey



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Admission Process

Application Submission

a. The online application form is available on the official website.

b. Applicants can submit only one application form during the admission cycle.

c. Once submitted, the application is considered final and cannot be edited, except for uploading Final Transcripts or Test Scores when available.

d. The preferred major specified in the application form is indicative and non-binding.

e. Applications may be disqualified under any of the following conditions:

- Submission of duplicate or multiple applications during the admissions cycle.
- Misrepresentation of facts or credentials in the application or interview.
- Plagiarized or copied content in any part of the application.

f. Incomplete applications may not be considered in the round applied for, which may result in delays in the process. An application is considered incomplete if it includes:

- Invalid or illegible government-issued ID
- Mismatch between manually entered scores and uploaded marksheets
- Password-protected attachments that cannot be accessed
- Illegible grade X or grade XII marksheets
- Screenshots of unverified digital results (Digi locker verified documents are accepted)
- Missing predicted scores

Application Evaluation

a. Submitted applications will be reviewed holistically, assessing various academic and non-academic factors

- **Academic Excellence:** Applicants are expected to demonstrate consistent and strong performance in STEM subjects across their academic records and assessments.
- **Extra-Curricular and Co-Curricular Achievements:** A well-rounded profile is highly valued and should reflect meaningful engagement in:
  - Extra-Curricular Activities (ECA): Participation in sports, visual and performing arts, leadership roles, community service, or other personal interests.
  - Co-Curricular Activities (CCA): Involvement in academic clubs, competitions, research and tinkering projects.

Virtual Interaction

Shortlisted applicants will be invited to a virtual interaction to assess their attitude, motivation, and overall fit for a rigorous, technology-driven academic environment.

Applicants may be required to undergo an additional technical assessment if further evaluation of their academic preparedness is deemed necessary. Applicants will be assessed on conceptual understanding and problem-solving in Mathematics, Physics, or Biology, depending on the subjects they have studied.

Final Assessment and Decision

Upon completion of all required stages of the admissions process, applicants will be notified of their admission decision, which is based on a comprehensive evaluation of their candidature.

Types of Decisions

- **Firm Offer of Admission:** Firm offers of admission are extended to applicants who meet all eligibility and selection criteria. Those who receive an offer before their final Grade XII (or equivalent) results must achieve the minimum aggregate score stated in their offer letter.

- **Conditional Offer of Admission:** The applicant will be required to meet the conditions specified in their decision notification.

- **Deferral of Decision:** The Admissions Committee may defer its decision until the applicant submits their final Grade XII/Equivalent Examination scores. The application will be re-evaluated no later than June 30, 2027* (subject to receiving final Grade XII or equivalent examination results).

- **Waitlisted:** Applicants with the possibility of an Offer of Admission at the end of the admissions cycle or earlier will be placed on a waitlist. Waitlisted applications will be reviewed at the end of the admission cycle, with a final decision communicated no later than 21 July 2027, subject to seat availability

- **Denial of Admission:** The Admissions Committee may deny admission to an applicant based on their overall performance in the holistic admissions process.

Scholarships

Plaksha University offers generous scholarships, including merit-based and need-based financial aid which will be awarded only to applicants who hold an offer of admission.

a. The Financial Aid application will be accessible only to applicants who:

- Indicate their intent to apply for Financial Aid during the initial application submission stage and are shortlisted for the Plaksha Virtual Interaction.
- Intent to apply for Financial Aid will not impact the selection decision.

b. All firm offer holders will be considered for merit scholarships. There is no separate application for merit scholarships.

All decisions made by the Admissions Committee will be considered final.

Disclaimer: *The Admissions Committee will cancel an application or candidature if the candidate does not participate in all parts of the admissions process or fails to submit the required documents*

Admission Revocation

An offer of admission will be revoked if the applicant does not meet the criteria specified above under 'Admissions Criteria'

The University reserves the right to rescind an Offer of Admission at any time if it comes to light that the applicant has provided false, incomplete, or misleading information, engaged in academic misconduct, or conduct that calls into question the integrity of the application or the applicant.

Plaksha University reserves the right to modify or update the admission policy as needed to maintain alignment with the institution's goals and applicable regulations. Admitted students will be expected to maintain academic performance consistent with the standards set by the university throughout their course of study.