

Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Bombay
Information for IPDF Applicants

Institute Post-Doctoral Fellowships are available for interested candidates in the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences.

Duration and benefits

The tenure of Institute Post-Doctoral Fellowship (IPDF) would be initially for one year and extendable for another year, subject to satisfactory academic performance in the 1st year.

Consolidated Salary + Contingency Grant:

1. Consolidated salary of Rs. 80,000/- per month with HRA as per the Government of India norms (currently 30% of the consolidated salary).
2. Non-lapsable contingency grant of Rs. 50,000/- per annum.

Eligibility & Evaluation:

1. Candidates who wish to be considered for such an appointment may be fresh Ph.D. or Ph.D.'s with less than two years of experience or research scholars who have submitted their thesis and are awaiting examination.
2. Candidates should be preferably below 32 years of age.
3. Candidates should have atleast two publications that are peer-reviewed.

Before applying

Applicants are advised to view the webpage of the Department (<https://www.hss.iitb.ac.in/>) to learn about existing facilities and the faculty members (<https://www.hss.iitb.ac.in/people/faculty>) and their fields of teaching and research. Every applicant should identify a faculty member in the Department to act as the IPDF Mentor/Supervisor.

Process for application

1. The candidates are required to identify a mentor amongst the faculty of the department and communicate with them.
2. Please fill the application form (<https://www.iitb.ac.in/career/apply/postdoc>)
3. If the faculty agrees along with the application please attach the mentor's email consent.
4. Please attach your publications along with the application. The Search Committees meet regularly to consider the applications and arrange for invited seminars and/or interviews as the need arises.
5. The applicant submits recommendation letters from two or three referees.
6. There is no last date for the applications.

Note: IIT Bombay's own Ph.D. students are not eligible for this position.

How to apply

Applications can be made by email to the Head of Department (head.hss@iitb.ac.in) throughout the year, and will be processed by the Search Committee as they are received. The IPDF email application must include the following documents, all as PDF files:

- (1) Filled Application form
- (2) CV
- (3) Research Proposal
- (4) Two best publications (single merged PDF file)
- (5) PhD certificate/ proof of PhD Submission
- (6) DOB proof (Date of Birth)

Recommendation Letters

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After selection: Duties and Facilities expected from an IPDF

The IPDF is not meant for writing papers based on one's PhD work. It is meant for carrying out new research with the Supervisor as formulated in the IPDF proposal, on a full-time basis.

1. A PDF will have a mentor whose area is closest to that of their planned research.
2. In addition to research, the Head of the Academic unit may assign reasonable academic tasks.
3. Financial support is provided for one international conference during the tenure of the fellowship for the presentation of research work done at IIT Bombay.
4. Financial support for one national conference per year is also provided.

Research costs:

IPDF applicants should note that the Department or Institute do not cover the costs of the IPDF research (such as costs of field work etc.). It is expected that such proposal-specific expenses will be met by the IPDFs, by applying to external funding agencies, or external collaborators' funds, etc.

The above information covers most aspects of the IPDF programme in the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences. For any query not covered, prospective applicants may please email the undersigned.

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