

# Admissions 2021-22 Handbook

## Bachelor of Design (B.Des.)

- at National Institute of Design, Ahmedabad
- at National Institute of Design, Andhra Pradesh
- at National Institute of Design, Haryana
- at National Institute of Design, Madhya Pradesh
- at National Institute of Design, Assam

Last date for submitting online application:

**1600 hrs. Sunday, 07 February 2021**

Design Aptitude Test (DAT) Prelims

**Sunday, 14 March 2021**

**Note:**

- This handbook is only available as an online digital download.
- Changes and updates to this document, if any, will be highlighted only on the official NID admissions website (<https://admissions.nid.edu>).
- Candidates are advised to download this handbook only from the official NID admissions website and check for any updates on the website before submitting their application.

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All courses at NID are taught in English.

Candidates must satisfy all of the eligibility criteria stipulated in this handbook in order to be eligible for admission.

Records of exam-related documents will be retained by NID only for a period of one year from the date of declaration of final result.

The courts and tribunals in Ahmedabad alone shall have exclusive jurisdiction to entertain and settle any dispute or claim regarding admission to NID.

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# 1. General Information

National Institute of Design (NID) at Ahmedabad and at its Bengaluru and Gandhinagar Extension campuses is an 'Institute of National Importance' as per the NID Act 2014 as well as an autonomous Institute under the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India. As per the NID Act 2014, the Institute is a statutory authority empowered to award its own degrees— presently offering Bachelor of Design (B.Des.) of four-year duration, Masters of Design (M.Des.) of two-and-a-half year duration and PhD in Design. The Institute is also a member of the Association of Indian Universities (AIU).

NID Andhra Pradesh, NID Haryana, NID Madhya Pradesh & NID Assam are an independent autonomous institute under the DPIIT, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India and offer full time four year Bachelors' Programme in Design (B.Des.)

Admission to all the programmes at NID is on the basis of the candidates' performance in the two-stages of Design Aptitude Test viz. DAT Prelim & DAT Mains. The objective of these exams is to assess the knowledge, skills and behavioural abilities of candidates.

## Stage 1: Design Aptitude Test (DAT) Prelims

Design Aptitude Test (DAT) Prelims will be conducted at various test centres across India (Refer Section 7.3 of this Admissions Handbook). Candidates should note that appearing for the DAT Prelims or being shortlisted for the second stage of admission process does NOT guarantee automatic entitlement to admission.

## Stage 2: Design Aptitude Test (DAT) Mains

Candidates shortlisted after the DAT Prelims will be invited to appear for the Stage 2 DAT Mains. Exact details of the Test Centre will be mentioned in the DAT Mains Admit Card.

### Note:

- Candidates are fully and solely responsible to provide correct information during the application process. If it is found that any information provided by the candidate at the time of filling / submitting application form is not true, NID has the right to cancel the application or admission, at any stage, in accordance with its rules and regulations. Any direct or indirect attempt to influence the management and employees of the Institute will lead to automatic disqualification of the candidate.
- The Institute has the sole prerogative to determine the procedure for each cycle of admission. In case of any matter not covered in this handbook, NID's decisions shall be considered final and binding to all the parties concerned.

## 2. Important Dates\*

Admission Stage		Dates
1	Accepting Application Form online starts	Friday, 08 January 2021
2	Last date for submitting online application	1600 hrs. Sunday, 07 February 2021
3	Submission of online application with payment of late fees	1600 hrs Monday , 08 February 2021 to 1400 hrs Friday, 12 February 2021
5	Window to edit the application forms	1800 hrs. Friday, 12 February 2021 to 1600 hrs. Monday, 15 February 2021
6	Download Admit Cards for DAT Prelim **	1600 hrs. Thursday, 04 March 2021
7	DAT Prelims Exam	Sunday, 14 March 2021
8	DAT Prelims result	Will be announced later
9	Rechecking request for DAT Prelims	Will be announced later
10	Download Admit Card for DAT Mains	Will be announced later
11	DAT Mains for all candidates ***	Will be announced later
12	DAT Mains result	Will be announced later
13	Counselling	Will be announced later

### Note:

**\*NID reserves the right to change/alter this schedule due to unforeseen circumstances.**

\*\* Admit Cards will be available for download on the NID website (<https://admissions.nid.edu>) as per the schedule. It is the responsibility of the candidates to download and print their own Admit Cards. Reporting time will be mentioned in the DAT Prelims Admit Card.

\*\*\*The exact dates & time of DAT Mains will be mentioned in the Admit Card.

**Depending on the prevailing pandemic situation of COVID-19, the schedules as well as the nature/structure of the exams can change and all tests can be conducted entirely online or entirely offline or in a combination of both modes as per the discretion of the Institute.**

## 3. Programmes and Intake Capacity

### 3.1 Bachelor of Design (B.Des.) at NID Ahmedabad

The four-year Bachelor of Design (B.Des.) programme is offered at NID Ahmedabad in the following areas of specialization:

#### Faculty of Communication Design

Discipline	Number of Seats
Animation Film Design	19
Exhibition Design	13
Film & Video Communication	13
Graphic Design	19

#### Faculty of Industrial Design

Discipline	Number of Seats
Ceramic & Glass Design	13
Furniture & Interior Design	13
Product Design	19

#### Faculty of Textile, Apparel, Lifestyle and Accessory Design

Discipline	Number of Seats
Textile Design	19

#### Note:

- Successful candidates admitted to B.Des. Programme at NID Ahmedabad will be required to attend a mandatory Foundation Programme of one-year duration. Allotment of a discipline of choice is based on a candidate's merit and preference only after successful completion of the Foundation Programme. Number of seats for Indian Nationals in Bachelor of Design programme, including reserved categories, is One Hundred & Twenty Five (125). The percentage of seats reserved for candidates (Indian nationals) belonging to various reserved categories are as prescribed in the Government of India guidelines (Refer Section 5 of this document for more information).
- **The decimal number is rounded off to nearest whole number for deriving available seats in a particular discipline.**

### 3.2 Bachelor of Design (B.Des.) at NID Andhra Pradesh, NID Haryana, NID Madhya Pradesh & NID Assam

The four-year-Bachelor's Programme in Design (B.Des.) is offered at NID Andhra Pradesh, NID Haryana, NID Madhya Pradesh & NID Assam campus in the following areas of specialisation with a multi-disciplinary approach to design education:

1. Industrial Design
2. Communication Design
3. Textile & Apparel Design

The details about the Programme and fees structure of the respective campus can be viewed and available for download on official website <https://admissions.nid.edu>

#### **Note:**

- Successful candidates admitted to the B.Des. programme at NID Andhra Pradesh, NID Haryana, NID Madhya Pradesh & NID Assam will be required to attend a mandatory Foundation programme of one-year duration. Allotment of a specialization of choice is based on a candidate's merit and choice only after successful completion of the foundation programme.
- The B.Des. programme at NID Andhra Pradesh, NID Haryana, NID Madhya Pradesh & NID Assam has 75 seats each for only Indian nationals including all categories. The percentage of seats reserved for candidates (Indian nationals) belonging to various reserved categories are as prescribed in the Government of India guidelines (Refer Section 5 of this Handbook for more information).

## 4. Eligibility Criteria

### 4.1 Bachelor of Design (B.Des.)

All candidates applying for the B.Des. must fulfill the eligibility criteria of both age and education qualification as under.

#### Age Limit:

- For Indian Nationals in General Category and General EWS Category: Only those candidates born on or after **1 July 2001** are eligible to apply for admission.
- For Indian Nationals in Reserved Category (Other Backward Class-Non Creamy Layer (OBC-NCL), Scheduled Caste (SC), Scheduled Tribe (ST): Only those candidates born on or after **1 July 1998** are eligible to apply for admission.
- For Indian Nationals in PwD Reserved Category: Only those candidates born on or after **1 July 1996** are eligible to apply for admission.
- For Foreign Nationals in Overseas (Supernumerary) Category: Only those candidates born on or after **1 July 2001** are eligible to apply for admission.

#### Educational Qualification:

Applications for academic year 2021–22 are open to candidates who have passed or will appear for higher secondary (10+2) qualifying examinations in the academic year 2020–21 in any stream (Science, Arts, Commerce, Humanities etc.) from any recognised board of education such as CBSE, IB, ICSE or equivalent.

#### Examinations considered equivalent to these are as follows:

- Final examination of the 10+2 system under a Central or State Board recognised by the Association of Indian Universities (AIU, Refer <http://www.aiu.ac.in>).
- Intermediate or two-year pre-University examination under a Board or University recognised by the Association of Indian Universities.
- Final examination of the two-year course of the Joint Services Wing of the National Defence Academy.
- Senior Secondary School examination under the National Institute of Open Schooling, with a minimum of five subjects.
- Any public school, Board or University examination completed in India or in any foreign country recognised as equivalent to the 10+2 system by the Association of Indian Universities.
- H.S.C. vocational examination.
- General Certificate Education (GCE) examination at the Advanced (A) level taken in London, Cambridge or Sri Lanka.



- AICTE-approved three-year Full time Diploma after Class X offered by Board of Technical Education of any state in India or Union Territories as mentioned on <http://www.aicte-india.org>.
- Candidates who have completed final examinations for class XII (or equivalent) outside India or from a Board not specified above should produce an equivalence certificate from the Association of Indian Universities (AIU) confirming that the examination they have passed is equivalent to the Class XII examination conducted in India. This certificate is required to be submitted at the time of document verification. Visit <http://www.aiu.ac.in> for more details about how to obtain equivalence certificate.

## 4.2 Overseas Category (Supernumerary) candidates:

Foreign citizens—candidates holding citizenship of a country other than the Republic of India—are eligible to apply only under the Overseas (supernumerary) category, provided they fulfill all the eligibility criteria mentioned in Sections 4.1.

In addition to the seats available for the B.Des. Programme, an additional 15% supernumerary seats are available for Overseas candidates. The number of seats available under Overseas (supernumerary) category are as under:

Programme	No. of supernumerary seats
Bachelor of Design, NID Ahmedabad	19
Bachelor of Design, NID Madhya Pradesh	11

### Note:

- Supernumerary seats under Overseas category are **not available to the B.Des. programme at NID Andhra Pradesh, NID Haryana & NID Assam.**
- Candidates under Overseas (supernumerary) category fall outside the ambit of seats reserved for the GEN-EWS, OBC-NCL, SC, ST and PwD categories and are required to pay the fees as per Overseas fees structure.
- Candidates holding OCI and PIO card will have to apply only under the Overseas (supernumerary) category.
- Non-Resident Indians (NRIs) holding an Indian passport are not eligible to apply under the Overseas (supernumerary) category and will have to apply as Indian nationals.
- Candidates will be offered admission to NID based on the final merit list of the Overseas (supernumerary) category, which will be prepared after all the stages of the admission process have been completed. Candidates will be offered admission to NID based on the minimum qualifying criteria as mentioned in Section 8.5.
- To accept the offer of admission, overseas candidates are required to visit the NID campus in person, as per the schedule. At this time, candidates will be required to produce the following documents along with their self-attested photocopies:

- Self-attested copy of the relevant pages of their valid passport.
- Self-attested copies of their grade sheets/mark sheets of SSC (Grade X) and HSC (Grade XII). Candidates in the process of completing their Grade XII must submit a bonafide certificate from their school or college.
- An equivalence certificate from the Association of Indian Universities (AIU), New Delhi, which have to be obtained in advance and required to be submitted at the time of document verification tentatively scheduled in July/August 2021.
- The candidate will be responsible for obtaining a student visa for the entire duration of the programme at NID, before the commencement of the programme.
- If selected candidates do not pay their programme fees or fail to produce any of the required documents, or if they decline the offer of admission, their candidature will stand cancelled and their seat will be offered to the next candidate in order of merit under overseas category.
- Seats remaining vacant in the Overseas (supernumerary) category will lapse and will not be transferred to candidates from any other categories.
- Overseas candidates will have to appear for DAT Prelims and DAT Mains as per the schedule mentioned in Section 2 of this document.
- Overseas candidates may choose their test centre for DAT Prelims from any test centre mentioned in Section 7.3 of this document.
- The medium of instruction at NID is English language.

**Important Note:**

- Candidates must have passed their Class XII examination (higher secondary (10+2)) or equivalent at the time of document scrutiny/in-person counseling tentatively scheduled in July/August 2021.
- Candidates who have not passed their final board exam or equivalent before the document scrutiny/in-person counseling will not be eligible for admission.

## 5. Reservation of Seats

The total number of seats available (as mentioned in Section 3 of this document) for Indian Nationals under the B.Des. programmes are classified into different categories as mentioned below:

Seat Category	Category of Eligible Candidates
Open	GEN, GEN-EWS, OBC-NCL, SC, ST, GEN-PwD, OBC-NCL-PwD, SC-PwD, ST-PwD, GEN-EWS-PwD
General- Economically Weaker Section (GEN-EWS)	GEN- EWS, GEN-EWS-PwD
Other Backward Class-Non Creamy Layer (OBC-NCL)	OBC-NCL and OBC-NCL-PwD
Schedule Caste (SC)	SC and SC –PwD
Schedule Tribe (ST)	ST and ST –PwD
Open—Persons with Disability (PwD)	GEN-PwD, GEN-EWS-PwD, OBC-NCL-PwD, SC-PwD, ST-PwD
Other Backward Class-Non Creamy Layer—Persons with Disability (OBC-NCL-PwD)	OBC-NCL-PwD
Schedule Caste —Persons with Disability (SC-PwD)	SC-PwD
Schedule Tribe—Persons with Disability (ST-PwD)	ST-PwD

Foreign nationals applying under the Overseas category are outside the ambit of reservation of seats for the GEN-EWS, OBC-NCL, SC, ST and PwD categories.

In accordance with the guidelines of the Government of India, the prescribed number of seats reserved for each of these categories are as follows:

Category-wise reservation of seats					
Institute	Total No. of Seats	GEN-EWS (10%)	OBC-NCL (27%)	Scheduled Caste (15%)	Scheduled Tribe (7.5%)
NID Ahmedabad	125	13	34	19	9
NID Andhra Pradesh	75	8	20	11	6
NID Haryana	75	8	20	11	6
NID Madhya Pradesh	75	8	20	11	6
NID Assam	75	8	20	11	6

**Reservation of seats for Economically Weaker Section (EWS):**

General category belonging to the Economically Weaker Section (GEN-EWS) will be a reserved category in which the percentage of reservation is 10%. The benefit of reservation will be given only to those General category candidates who satisfy the condition given in the OM No. 20013/01/2018-BC-II dated 17 January 2019 issued by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Department of Higher Education, Government of India.

The benefit of reservation under GEN-EWS can be availed upon production of an Income & Asset Certificate issued by a Competent Authority. **The Income and Asset Certificate issued by any one of the following authorities in the prescribed format as available on the website <https://admissions.nid.edu> shall only be considered valid.**

- (i) District Magistrate/Additional District Magistrate/ Collector/ Deputy Commissioner/Additional Deputy Commissioner/ 1<sup>st</sup>Class Stipendiary Magistrate/ Sub-Divisional Magistrate/ Taluka Magistrate/ Executive Magistrate/ Extra Assistant Commissioner
- (ii) Chief Presidency Magistrate/Additional Chief Presidency Magistrate/ Presidency Magistrate
- (iii) Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tehsildar and
- (iv) Sub-Divisional Officer of the area where the candidate and/or his family normally resides.

**The date of issue of EWS certificate must be 01 April 2020 or later based on the gross annual income of the financial year 2019-20 (as mentioned in the format available on the website <https://admissions.nid.edu> in Download section)**

Based on the information provided by the candidate in the application form while applying online, the candidate will be provisionally allowed to appear for the DAT Prelims and subsequent test if shortlisted. It will be the responsibility of the candidate to provide / upload valid certificates at the time of applying online.

Candidates who get shortlisted for DAT Mains under GEN-EWS category but fail to produce a valid GEN-EWS certificate after DAT Prelims will be moved to General category and their General merit rank will be considered for shortlisting in DAT Mains. However, if the GEN-EWS candidate is unable to produce a valid GEN-EWS certificate during the final stage of the admission process wherein the candidate was shortlisted under reserved category for DAT Mains, the candidature of such candidates shall stand cancelled.

**On verification, even after admissions, if the information/document/ certificate are found to be incorrect / invalid, the candidature of such candidate will summarily stand cancelled.**

NID's decision will be final and binding. No further communication in this regard will be entertained.

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**Reservation of seats for Other Backward Classes (Non-Creamy Layer):**

The name of the caste must be in the current Central list of OBCs available at: [http://www.ncbc.nic.in/User\\_Panel/CentralListStateView.aspx](http://www.ncbc.nic.in/User_Panel/CentralListStateView.aspx) and the format of the OBC-NCL certificate must be as per the Central format (available on the website <https://admissions.nid.edu> in Download section). The caste of the OBC candidate is mentioned in the state list, but not mentioned in the Central list, such candidates will not be entitled to claim the benefit of reservation under OBC-NCL category.

**Candidates belonging to the Creamy Layer of OBC are not entitled to apply under reserved category (OBC-NCL) and will have to submit their application under General (unreserved) category only.**

Candidates applying under the OBC-NCL (Non-Creamy Layer) category are required to produce (upload) **a valid certificate** on their name **in English language only (issued after 1 April 2020 or later)** from the relevant competent authorities of their respective State or Union Territory, certifying that they do **NOT** belong to the Creamy Layer along with the final application form.

Based on the information provided by the candidate in the application form while applying online, the candidate will be provisionally allowed to appear for the DAT Prelims and subsequent test if shortlisted. It will be the responsibility of the candidate to provide / upload valid certificates at the time of applying online.

Candidates who get shortlisted for DAT Mains under OBC-NCL category but fail to produce a valid OBC-NCL certificate after DAT Prelims will be moved to General category and their General rank will be considered for shortlisting in DAT Mains. However, if the OBC-NCL candidate is unable to produce a valid OBC-NCL certificate during the final stage of the admission process wherein the candidate was shortlisted under reserved category for DAT Mains, the candidature of such candidates shall stand cancelled.

**On verification, even after admissions, if the information/document/ certificate are found to be incorrect / invalid, the candidature of such candidate will summarily stand cancelled.**

NID's decision will be final and binding. No further communication in this regard will be entertained.

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**Reservation of seats for Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes:**

The benefit of this reservation will be given only to candidates belonging to castes and tribes mentioned in the central list published by the Government of India, which can be viewed at the following web links:

<http://socialjustice.nic.in/UserView/index?mid=76750>

<https://tribal.nic.in/ST/LatestListofScheduledtribes.pdf>

Candidates applying under SC and ST categories are required to upload the relevant caste/tribe certificate (in English language only) from the competent authorities of their respective state, union territory or the National Commission of Tribes, **valid at the time of applying online.**

Based on the information provided by the candidate in the application form while applying online, the candidate will be provisionally allowed to appear for the DAT Prelims and subsequent test if shortlisted. It will be the responsibility of the candidate to provide / upload valid certificates at the time of applying online.

**On verification, at any stage during the admission process or even after admissions, if the information/document/ certificate is found to be incorrect / invalid, the candidature of such candidate will stand cancelled.**

NID's decision will be final and binding. No further communication in this regard will be entertained.

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**Reservation of Seats for Persons with Disability (PwD):**

Of all seats across Open, GEN-EWS, OBC-NCL, SC and ST categories, 5% of the seats are reserved for Persons with Disability (PwD). Admission will be granted to the top 5% of the candidates in order of merit, irrespective of their parent category.

The benefit of reservation will be given only to those candidates with disability as described by the Government of India at

<http://www.disabilityaffairs.gov.in/upload/uploadfiles/files/RPWD%20ACT%202016.pdf>

Candidates seeking admission under this category are required to upload a valid Disability Certificate issued by competent medical authority as certified by the Government of India, **valid at the time of applying online.** The formats of the certificate are available on the official website of admissions <https://admissions.nid.edu> under the Download section.

Based on the information provided by the candidate in the application form while applying online, the candidate will be provisionally allowed to appear for the DAT Prelims and

subsequent test if shortlisted. It will be the responsibility of the candidate to provide / upload valid certificates at the time of applying online.

**On verification, at any stage during the admission process or even after admissions, if the information/document/ certificate is found to be incorrect / invalid, the candidature of such candidate will stand cancelled.**

If the PwD certificate is not valid and the candidate has availed the compensatory time and/or availed the services of a Scribe, he/she cannot be rolled back to the PARENT/OPEN Category. His/her candidature will stand cancelled.

NID's decision will be final and binding. No further communication in this regard will be entertained.

### **SERVICES OF A SCRIBE & COMPENSATORY TIME**

The services of a scribe are available to candidates who have a disability and require assistance to fill the OMR sheet for the Objective type of questions of the DAT Prelim exam. However, the candidate will be required to attempt subjective part of the DAT Prelims exam without the services of scribe and assistance, due to its nature, as described below.

- To avail this benefit, the candidate should select the option of Scribe during the online registration form AND upload a copy of the valid PwD certificate (format available on the website <https://admissions.nid.edu>), at the time of filling the online application form. The compensatory time of PART A & PART B are non-transferable.
- If a PwD candidate wants to avail compensatory time (20 minutes per hour) and/or request the assistance of a scribe, they have to select relevant option, while filling the online application form. A valid PwD certificate must be uploaded along with such requests (formats available on the website <https://admissions.nid.edu>).
- The Admission Cell Office will assess the request along with the supporting document and contact the candidate via email on their registered email id with further instructions if necessary.
- If it is found that a candidate has used the services of a scribe and/or compensatory time, but DOES NOT possess the extent of disability that warrants the use of a scribe and/or compensatory time, he/she will be excluded from the process of DAT Prelims answer sheet evaluation, ranking and subsequent stages of admissions. If the candidate has already been admitted, his/her admission will stand cancelled.

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Candidates belonging to the GEN-EWS, OBC-NCL, SC, ST and PwD categories will be declared as qualified on the basis of the **minimum qualifying criteria** as mentioned in section 8.5 of Admissions Handbook.

Unfilled seats based on minimum qualifying criteria (which will be announced at a later date) or unavailability of eligible candidates as per minimum qualifying criteria in the OBC-NCL category will be de-reserved and allotted to Open Category candidates in order of merit.

The category selected by a candidate at the time of submitting the application form will be final. Requests for **any change of category will not be permitted** during the later stage of the admission process.

Candidates must note that that benefit of reservation will be given to them subject to verification of documents (at any stage after DAT Prelims). If it is found at any stage that a candidate has used a false/fake/incorrect document, or has furnished false/ incorrect/ incomplete information in order to avail the benefit of reservation, then such a candidate shall be excluded from the subsequent stages of admissions. In case a candidate has already been given admission, then the admission shall stand cancelled.



## 6. How to Apply

Candidates will have to visit the official admissions website at <https://admissions.nid.edu> and follow the steps below:

### Step 0:

Read and familiarise yourself with the eligibility criteria, number of seats, test centres, reservation policy and other relevant information related to admissions to the B.Des. programmes in Admissions Handbook 2021 -22 and confirm that you have read and agreed the same.

**Note:** The Design Aptitude Tests – DAT Prelims and DAT Mains—are common to candidates to all institutes, NID Ahmedabad, NID Andhra Pradesh, NID Haryana, NID Madhya Pradesh & NID Assam.

### Step 1: Signup/Registration

1. All the candidates are required to register/sign up online before proceeding to fill the application form. This is to be done only at <https://admissions.nid.edu>
2. Candidate must provide a valid email address and an active mobile number while registering, since the email address and mobile number will be used for all future communication with the candidate. Ensure that this email id and mobile number is active till 31 August 2021. Candidates are advised to check their email and SMS on a regular basis for any important communication made by the Admission Office via email id [admissions@nid.edu](mailto:admissions@nid.edu) or [nid@applyadmission.net](mailto:nid@applyadmission.net)
3. After registration, login credentials will be sent via an email to the registered email address (do remember to check your spam or junk folders in case you do not find the email in your inbox). **In case, the wrong email address and/or mobile number has been provided during signup, you are required to register afresh with the correct details.**
4. Do not delete the email sent to you, as this will be useful for future reference.
5. Log in to your account using login credentials to proceed further.

### Step 2: Fill the Online Application Form

1. Log in and proceed to Step 2–Application Form.
2. Fill in all the required details.
3. After filling all details, click ‘Save & Proceed’ to go to the next section ‘Upload Document’.
4. Click ‘Save & Exit’ to complete the form at a later time or date.

### Step 3: Uploading your Documents and signature

1. Check List of documents to be uploaded by candidates submitting their application under reserved category at the time of applying online are summarized as under:

Category/Documents	Photo	Signature	Certificate	Remarks
General	Yes	Yes	No	---
General EWS	Yes	Yes	Yes	EWS Certificate
OBC-NCL	Yes	Yes	Yes	OBC-NCL Certificate
SC	Yes	Yes	Yes	Caste Certificate
ST	Yes	Yes	Yes	Tribe Certificate
General-PwD	Yes	Yes	Yes	Disability Certificate
GEN-EWS-PwD	Yes	Yes	Yes	EWS Certificate
				Disability Certificate*
OBC-NCL-PwD	Yes	Yes	Yes	OBC-NCL Certificate
				Disability Certificate*
SC-PwD	Yes	Yes	Yes	Caste Certificate
				Disability Certificate*
ST-PwD	Yes	Yes	Yes	Tribe Certificate
				Disability Certificate*
Overseas	Yes	Yes	No	First page of Passport
				Last page of Passport

***\*If a PwD candidate is using the facility of the scribe or compensatory time, they have to select relevant option, while filling the online application form and upload a valid PwD certificate.***

2. Upload a color scanned copy of recent passport-size photograph as per the instructions. The photograph must be in JPG/JPEG format, should be of minimum 75 KB and maximum 100 KB in size. It must be a coloured photograph taken at a professional studio. Photographs with self-composed portraits will not be accepted.
3. Upload your scanned signature as per the instructions. All signature files must be in JPG/JPEG format and should be of minimum 75 KB and maximum 100 KB in size. You should have your signature digitally photographed or scanned and cropped to the required size.
4. Candidates applying under the GEN-EWS category are required to upload their valid EWS Certificate issued by a competent authority, **in the prescribed format as available on the website <https://admissions.nid.edu>, shall only be considered valid. The date of issue of**

**EWS certificate must be 01 April 2020 or later based on the gross annual income of the financial year 2019-20.** The certificate must be in JPG/JPEG format and should be of minimum 75 KB and maximum 150 KB in size.

5. Candidates applying under the OBC-NCL category are required to upload their valid OBC-NCL Certificate issued by a competent authority. **The format of the OBC-NCL certificate should be as per the Central format** (available on the website <https://admissions.nid.edu> in Download section). **The date of issue of OBC-NCL certificate must be 01 April 2020 or later.** The certificate must be in JPG/JPEG format and should be of minimum 75 KB and maximum 150 KB in size.
6. Candidates applying under the SC and ST categories are required to upload their valid Caste Certificate issued by a competent authority. The certificate must be in JPG/JPEG format and should be of minimum 75 KB and maximum 150 KB in size.
7. Candidates applying under the Persons with Disability (PwD) category are required to upload their valid Disability Certificate issued by a competent medical authority as per the guidelines of the Government of India (format of which is available on the website <https://admissions.nid.edu>). The certificate must be in JPG/JPEG format and should be of minimum 75 KB and maximum 150 KB in size.
8. Candidates applying under the Overseas category are required to upload the first and last page of their valid passport in JPG/JPEG format, clearly showing all of their personal information. The certificate must be of minimum 75 KB & maximum 150 KB in size.
9. Click 'Save & Proceed' to go to the next section to pay Application Fees. Your Application Form will be accepted only after successful payment of the application fees
10. If you wish to complete the form later after uploading all the necessary documents, you can click 'Save and Exit'.

#### **Step 4: Pay Application Fee and Print**

1. Category-wise Application Fees for Academic Year 2021-22 are as under:

<b>Category</b>	<b>Application Fees</b>
General	Rs.3000/-
General- EWS	Rs.3000/-
OBC-NCL	Rs.3000/-
SC	Rs.1500/-
ST	Rs.1500/-
General-PwD	Rs.1500/-
General – EWS-PwD	Rs.1500/-
OBC-NCL-PwD	Rs.1500/-
SC-PwD	Rs.1500/-
ST-PwD	Rs.1500/-
Overseas (Supernumerary)	Rs.5000/-

Note: For applications received after 1600 hrs. Sunday, 7 February 2021, the application fees (including late fees) applicable will be double the amount indicated above.

2. The above fees are applicable for NID Ahmedabad, NID Andhra Pradesh, NID Haryana, NID Madhya Pradesh & NID Assam irrespective of gender.
3. **Application fee is NEITHER refundable NOR transferable.**
4. The Application fees paid online (by Debit/Credit Card) DOES NOT INCLUDE any bank transaction charges / convenience fee, and the same, as applicable, will have to be borne by the candidate.
5. Candidate will be asked to verify their details, after which they can proceed to make the payment.
6. The fees for the application can be paid only through Debit/Credit Card
7. You will be directed to the payment gateway. After completing the payment process, you will be redirected to the 'Print' section where you can save and print a copy of your application form (which would be done only after successful payment of the application fee).
8. **Window to Edit Application Form (1800 hrs.12 February 2021 until 1600 hrs. Monday, 15 February 2021)**
  - Candidates will be given an opportunity to review and correct their information in the application form starting from **1800 hrs.12 February 2021.**
  - The information related to eligibility criteria, date of birth, category, email id, and nationality/citizenship filled in at the time of submitting the application form **CANNOT be modified.**
  - Application fees already paid will not be refunded in case the application is found not eligible for admissions to NID after modifying the information in the application form.
  - Candidates are fully and solely responsible to provide correct information during the application process. At any stage, if it is found that the information provided by the candidate is not correct, NID has the right to cancel his/her candidature. Any direct or indirect attempt to influence the management and employees of the Institute will lead to automatic disqualification of the candidate.

## 7. Design Aptitude Tests (DAT)

The Design Aptitude Tests will be conducted in two stages:

**Stage 1:** Design Aptitude Test (DAT) Prelims

**Stage 2:** Design Aptitude Test (DAT) Mains

### 7.1 Important Date:

DAT (Prelims) for Bachelor of Design (B.Des.) will be conducted on Sunday, 14 March 2021.

### 7.2 About DAT Prelims:

The B.Des. DAT prelims paper will consist of an examination of 3 hours duration and 100 marks. This is a paper-and-pencil/pen test, conducted at the same time on the same day across all test centers. The questions asked may involve text and visuals.

The question paper will be in English language ONLY.

Based on the DAT Prelims scores, separate merit lists shall be prepared for each category (GENERAL, GENERAL-EWS, OBC-NCL, SC, ST & PWD) as applied for by the candidate. Only shortlisted candidates will be eligible to appear for the DAT Mains exam as per the schedule announced.

Separate merit list will be prepared for Overseas candidates.

**Depending on the prevailing pandemic situation of COVID-19, the schedules as well as the nature/structure of the exams can change and all tests can be conducted entirely online or entirely offline or in a combination of both modes as per the discretion of the Institute.**

### 7.3 Test Centres for DAT Prelims:

The DAT Prelims will be conducted in the following cities in India:

Ahmedabad, Bengaluru, Bhopal, Bhubaneswar, Chandigarh, Chennai, Dehradun, Guwahati, Goa, Hyderabad, Jaipur, Kolkata, Kurukshetra, Lucknow, Mumbai, Nagpur, New Delhi, Patna, Raipur, Ranchi, Shimla, Thiruvananthapuram and Vijayawada.

NID reserves the right to add or remove any test centre and allot a test centre that may not be of the candidate's choice. A city may have more than one test centre. Any request for change of test centre will not be entertained.

#### **7.4 About DAT Mains:**

Based on the scores obtained in the DAT Prelims, eligible candidates will be shortlisted for the DAT Mains. Admit Cards for shortlisted candidates will be available for download only on the official NID admissions website (<https://admissions.nid.edu>).

**Due to the current pandemic situation prevailing in the country, the information regarding the DAT Mains will be announced later.**

#### **7.5 Weightages of DAT Prelims & DAT Mains for Final Result**

The final marks of the candidate appearing for the B.Des programme of the National Institute of Design, will be calculated based on the weightages of the marks obtained in the DAT Prelims and DAT Mains, which will be announced later.

**Note: Only candidates who have appeared for all the tests in both the stages will be considered eligible for the Merit List.**

## 8. Announcement of Results

In order to be considered for the merit list, a candidate must have appeared for all the tests in both the DAT Prelims and the DAT Mains exams.

### 8.1 Results for DAT Prelims:

Based on the scores obtained in the DAT Prelims, separate merit lists shall be prepared for each category as applied for by the candidate (GENERAL, GENERAL-EWS, OBC-NCL, SC, ST, PWD & OVERSEAS). Results for admission to NID for the Academic Year 2021 -22 for the B.Des. (including overseas candidates) will be declared only on the official admissions website (<https://admissions.nid.edu>) as per the schedule announced in Section 2 of this document. The candidates' scores will also be available for viewing at this time.

Separate result score cards (digital or hard copy) will NOT be provided to the candidates.

In case the total marks scored by two or more candidates are the same, the following tie-break policy will be used for awarding ranks:

- (i) Higher rank will be assigned to the candidate who has obtained higher marks in Part B of the DAT - Prelims.
- (ii) If this does not break the tie, higher rank will be assigned to the candidate who has obtained higher marks in Part A of the DAT - Prelims.
- (iii) If this still does not break the tie, then both the candidates will be assigned the same rank.

### 8.2 Rechecking of DAT Prelims - Exam:

1. Requests for rechecking the answer booklet of the DAT Prelims - can be submitted ONLINE ONLY on the official website <https://admissions.nid.edu>  
Rechecking will be restricted to—
  - (i) Whether all the answers have been marked.
  - (ii) Whether there has been any mistake in the totaling of marks for each question in Part II of answer booklet and transferring the marks correctly onto the cover page of the answer booklet.
2. No other re-evaluation of the answer script or other work done by the candidate as a part of the examination will be carried out.
3. No candidate, person or organization shall be entitled to claim re-evaluation or disclosure or inspection of the answer scripts or copies of it and other documents as these are treated as most confidential by the NID Admission Cell.
4. On rechecking the answer booklet, if it is found that there is an error, the marks will be revised accordingly.
5. The communication regarding the revision of marks, if any, shall be sent to the candidate's registered email ONLY.

6. The Institute will not be responsible for any loss or damage or any inconvenience caused to the candidate consequent to the revision of marks and no claims in this regard shall be entertained. The revised score after rechecking will be considered final.
7. Any rechecking requests submitted without a scanned copy of the Admit Card signed by the invigilator with the seal of the test centre will not be processed. Rechecking requests will not be accepted over email and have to be submitted by the candidate online only at the official website of admissions [ <http://admissions.nid.edu>]
8. The details about “How to submit the rechecking request” will be available on the official website of admissions at a later stage.
9. The fees for rechecking of DAT Prelims paper is **Rs.2000/-** each and the same will have to be paid online only on the official website of admissions (<https://admissions.nid.edu>).

### 8.3 Candidates Shortlisted for DAT Mains:

Based on the Merit list of DAT Prelims, eligible candidates will get to appear for DAT Mains. The number of candidates shortlisted will be no less than three times in each category applied for by the candidate (GENERAL, GENERAL-EWS, OBC-NCL, SC, ST, PWD & OVERSEAS). Please refer to Section 3 of this handbook to see the total number of seats available. If the total scores of two or more candidates in the DAT Prelims are the same after applying tie-break policy, they will be assigned the same rank.

### 8.4 Final Merit List:

The final common merit lists will be generated category wise (Open, GEN-EWS, OBC-NCL, SC, ST, and PwD), based on the sum total of the weighted scores obtained by the candidate, viz. the DAT Prelims and DAT Mains. Separate merit list will be prepared for Overseas candidates for B.Des. programme.

Common merit list will be generated based on the percentile score.

$$\text{Percentile Score} = \frac{(\text{No. of candidates appeared in DAT Mains}) - (\text{Rank of the candidate}) \times 100}{\text{Total no. of candidates}}$$

Results for admission to NID for the academic year 2021 -22 for B.Des. (including Overseas candidates) will be declared ONLY on the official admissions website (<https://admissions.nid.edu>) as mentioned in Section 2 of this document.

The candidates’ scores and ranks will be available for viewing on the website and candidates will have to log in to the website to view their final results. Separate result scorecards (digital or hard copy) will not be sent/provided to the candidates.



In case the total marks scored by two or more candidates are the same, the following tie-break policy will be used for awarding ranks:

- (i) Higher rank will be assigned to the candidate who has obtained higher marks in DAT Mains.
- (ii) If this does not break the tie, higher rank will be assigned to the candidate who has obtained higher marks in Stage 1 Design Aptitude Test.
- (iii) If this does not break the tie, higher rank will be assigned to the candidate who has obtained higher marks in Stage 1 Design Aptitude Test Part B.
- (iv) If this does not break the tie, higher rank will be assigned to the candidate who has obtained higher marks in Stage 1 Design Aptitude Test Part A.
- (v) If this does not break the tie, higher rank will be assigned to the candidate who has obtained higher marks in the question of DAT Mains exam which carries maximum marks.

The scores obtained during the application process in 2021-22 cycle are valid only for admission for the academic year 2021-22 .

Allotment of seat will be purely based on the preference of campus filled in by the candidate at the time of **submitting the application form**.

Scores obtained in NID's DAT exam cannot be used by any person/institution without prior permission of the National Institute of Design.

**Note: Obtaining a rank in the merit list does NOT guarantee admission to the programme of your choice.**

## 8.5 Minimum Qualifying Criteria

Candidates from the various categories will be considered eligible for admission only if their final percentile score exceeds the minimum qualifying criteria which will be announced later.

Candidates who get shortlisted for DAT Mains under OBC-NCL or GEN-EWS category but fail to produce a valid OBC-NCL or GEN-EWS certificate after DAT Prelims will be moved to General category and their General rank will be considered for shortlisting in DAT Mains. However, if the OBC-NCL or GEN-EWS candidate is unable to produce a valid OBC-NCL or GEN-EWS certificate during the final stage of the admission process wherein the candidate was shortlisted under reserved category for DAT Mains, the candidature of such candidates shall stand cancelled.

In the OBC-NCL category if seats are left unfilled due to no eligible candidates as per the minimum qualifying (which will be announced at a later date) criteria or unavailability of candidates, the seats will be de-reserved and will be allotted to candidates from the Open

category. Seats remaining vacant under the GEN-EWS, SC and ST categories will NOT be allotted to candidates belonging to other categories. It must be noted that the category chosen by a candidate at the time of submitting the application form will be considered as final, and requests for change of category will not be entertained.

\* Amendments to the minimum qualifying criteria if any, will be updated on the official website <https://admissions.nid.edu> only in the Amendment Section of this Handbook.

## 8.6 Allotment of seat

The procedure of allotment of seats for the B.Des. programme will be conducted at Ahmedabad. Each candidate will be required to remain present in person with the requisite documents as per the schedule (which will be announced at a later date). Failing to report with the requisite documents as per the schedule will lead to forfeiting the candidate's seat and their seat will be allotted to the next eligible candidate in the order of merit in the respective category.

**Depending on the prevailing pandemic situation of COVID-19, the candidate may be asked to pay the partial fees online for the confirmation of admission and the physical verification of documents may take place at the time of reporting at the campus.**

## 9. Other Information

### A. Answer Sheets

The answer sheets of the candidates will be available for one year after the announcement of the final result. The answer sheets will be available on request, only after the admissions process is complete. No request for answer sheets during the admissions process will be entertained.

Any candidate seeking his/her answer sheet for the admission cycle 2021-22 will have to make an online payment of Rs.1000/- separately per exam and also submit the admit card duly attested by the Invigilator with the seal of the Test Centre. The answer sheet will be provided to the candidate within 15-20 days after receiving the payment, on their registered email id.

### B. Result

The result of the candidate will be available for one year after the announcement of the final result. Any details regarding the same will not be provided after one year. The evaluation criteria/break-up of marks followed for the assessment of paper/interview or the procedure followed in the interview may not be shared as it is highly subjective in nature, and in a larger public interest may not be furnished. The personal details of the candidates shortlisted after each stage will not be shared with any other person.

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**For any queries related to NID Campuses other than Ahmedabad, candidate may refer the Admissions Handbook of respective NID campuses.**

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