

Title: MERIT- BASED SCHOLARSHIP POLICY

1. Purpose

The scholarship scheme aims to support deserving candidates based on academic merit. **The objective is to attract high-quality talent to AIDTM's PGDM programs.**

2. Scope

This policy applies to all applicants offered admission to the following programs:

- a. **PGDM (Big Data Analytics)**
- b. **PGDM (AI & Data Science)**

Scholarships apply only to the two-year full-time programs, following all admission criteria listed in the Admission Policy.

3. Merit Based Scholarship: For candidates with exceptional past academic records. **BOTH Eligibility Criteria Must Be Met Simultaneously:**

Eligibility Criteria 1:

- **Percentage in Graduation $\geq 75\%$**

And

Eligibility Criteria 2:

- **One of the Entrance Exam Criteria below:**

Scholarship % Range fee waiver	CAT or XAT (Percentile)	CMAT (Percentile)	MAT or ATMA (Score)
15%	≥ 80	≥ 90	≥ 720
10%	≥ 75	≥ 85	≥ 680
5%	≥ 70	≥ 80	≥ 640

- Candidates must satisfy **Criterion 1 (Graduation $\geq 75\%$) AND the specific entrance exam threshold for their chosen scholarship tier** to qualify. All thresholds are minimum requirements.
- Students availing benefits from any other scholarship will not qualify for this scholarship and vice-versa.
- Scholarships will be awarded on a **first-come, first-served basis to up to 10% of the intake of 150 students (i.e., maximum 15 students).**

4. Application Process

4.1 Submission Requirements: Applicants must submit a scholarship application along with:

- Offer letter copy with acceptance
- Fees Receipt
- Valid Entrance test scorecard

- Academic mark sheets (Graduation)
 - Experience certificates (if applicable)
- (Documents listed align with the verification list in the Admission Policy.)

4.2 Timeline

- Scholarship applications will open along with the admission offer.
- Deadline: As per the AICTE admission Calendar.

5. Selection Process

5.1 Evaluation Committee: A Scholarship Committee consisting of:

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| • Dean – AIDTM - | Chairperson |
| • Head- Operations - | Member |
| • Program Chair(s) - | Member |
| • Admission team Representative - | Member Secretary |

5.2 Approval: Decisions of the Scholarship Committee are final and binding.

6. Disbursement of Scholarship:

Scholarships apply only to tuition fees.

- Waivers are adjusted in the last instalment fee as per the schedule listed in the Admission Policy.
- Registration fee and caution deposit must be paid in full and are not waived.

7. Conditions & Withdrawals: Scholarship may be revoked if:

- Candidate provides false information.
- A candidate is involved in misconduct.
- If a candidate fails to make the fee payment as per fee schedule.
- If a candidate withdraws admission at any stage.

8. Policy Amendment

AIDTM reserves the right to modify, withdraw, or introduce new scholarship categories at any time. Decisions of the Institute will be final and binding.