

IIM Nagpur Joins CFA Institute University Affiliation Program

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NAGPUR: The Indian Institute of Management Nagpur has become the youngest IIM to be accepted into the CFA Institute University Affiliation Program, where it joins the ranks of first-generation IIMs.

With this affiliation, the total number of IIMs under the CFA Institute University Affiliation Program rises to six. The CFA Institute is the global association of investment professionals that sets the standard for professional excellence and administers the CFA charter which is considered as the gold standard in the investment management industry. The organisation is a champion for ethical behaviour in investment markets and a respected source of knowledge in the global financial community.

The CFA Program sets a standard for developing skills, standards, competence, and integrity of financial analysts, portfolio managers, investment advisers, and other investment professionals worldwide. This globally recognized credential is held by over 160,000 professionals across 164 markets.

The partnership is a testament to the growth that IIM Nagpur has witnessed in five years of its inception. IIM N was recently ranked at the 30th position in the India Today's "Best Business School of India" rankings and was ranked 14th among the IIMs for the first time that it participated in the NIRF Ranking 2020, instituted by the Government of India. This affiliation allows students of IIM Nagpur to avail scholarships for pursuing the CFA program.

Dr Bhimaraya Metri, Director, IIM Nagpur, said that this is a major step towards enabling a comprehensive learning environment for students of the MBA program at the Institute. It opens up an array of opportunities for IIM students to engage with global experts and get an early start in a rapidly changing industry scenario. "We are happy to welcome IIM Nagpur into the University Affiliation Program and thank IIM Nagpur for their commendable efforts. By becoming a part of this program, they have exhibited a commitment to building a talent pool of competent young professionals who would lead the improvements in the practice of investment management in India", said Vidhu Shekhar, CFA, Country Head, India, at CFA Institute.

The University Affiliation Program requires an institute to embed at least 70% of the CFA Program Candidate Body of Knowledge (CBOK) into their two-year MBA curriculum. The affiliation offers the Institute the chance to work with the CFA Institute to bring practical knowledge into classrooms. This benefits the students as they will gain access to invaluable insights about the industry from global industry practitioners through various sessions and learning opportunities. Also, students receive scholarships and fee waivers for the CFA Exam.