

Application Process for Sponsored Candidates

Addendum to Executive MBA – Admissions policy¹

IIM Nagpur is one of the fastest growing IIMs with a tailor-made program for working professionals namely Executive MBA. This program has been designed to provide impetus for professional growth by preparing working professionals to leadership roles. The curriculum has been designed by benchmarking it with international business schools. The program aims at preparing future ready managers and leaders. With this motivation, IIM Nagpur invites Sponsoring organizations both from Public and Private sector, who would like to engage in Knowledge Partnership with IIM Nagpur and sponsor their employees to upskill in a weekend-based Executive MBA program². Executive MBA is a two years part-time face-to-face program conducted in Main campus at MIHAN and Pune campus. This program will lead to a Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree.

Based on current Knowledge Partnerships, there are few suggested types of sponsorships

- A) Sponsors paying full fees for candidates selected in Executive MBA
- B) Sponsors paying part fees and the remaining financed by the selected candidates through own resources.
- C) Nomination of high performers with/without financial assistance.

In addition to the admissions policy of the current batch, the following are key highlights regarding the process of sponsored candidates admissions to Executive MBA.

- Executive MBA admission is through our own screening test (IIMNAT) held on a weekend normally in a pen and paper mode.
- Sponsored candidates will follow the same process namely application scrutiny, IIMNAT, Personal Interviews (PI).
- Sponsored candidates must be currently employed in the sponsoring organizations. They must have an
 overall minimum of three years full-time experience after graduation (including current/previous
 employers). They must have an undergraduate degree or professional qualifications and meet all criteria
 as per admissions policy.
- There will be a different merit list for the sponsored candidates coming through nominations from sponsoring organisations.
- Merit list will be prepared by considering the profile of sponsored candidates in a holistic manner including academic credentials, work experience and professional accomplishments assessed through personal interview, supporting documents, IIMNAT exam performance and application.
- Sponsoring organisations can come up with an internal list and nominate them to Admissions department, further may lead to a selection of up to 1:2 candidates³ only if they are found meritorious.
 - o For example if they nominate 10 candidates, up to 5 candidates may be considered based on their merit list.

¹ Admissions policy applicable to current Executive MBA admission cycle. Latest Executive MBA admissions policy is available in IIM Nagpur's website: Main Campus, MIHAN and Pune Campus

² Few weekday evenings as per students and faculty convenience

³ Subject to candidates being found meritorious and comparable with other sponsored/non-sponsored candidates.



- o Based on rank in the merit list, remaining candidates may be kept on the sponsored candidates waitlist. Waitlisted candidates may be considered as per withdrawals received.
- The fees will be as per Executive MBA admissions policy.
- A sponsoring organization need to provide timely support to the candidate at all stages including adhering to the fee payment schedules and other deadlines.
- A formal Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) could be signed with valued partners considering long-term upskilling and preparing future leaders in partnering organizations.
- The commitment to the programme will be expected at the same level as other candidates. Irrespective of MOU, the candidate needs to adhere with the admissions process and after selection must maintain academic performance as per Executive MBA program policy.

It is noted that the sponsoring organizations may adopt an internal competitive process to identify and nominate candidates further inviting them to apply for the upcoming admissions cycle.

Interested sponsoring organizations could contact Admissions Department, IIM Nagpur (admission-associate@iimnagpur.ac.in) or 07122870323