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**Undergraduate Courses admissions
for the
Academic Year 2026-27**

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Message from the Director



It gives me great pleasure to share the NIMHANS UG prospectus for the academic year 2026-27, September Session.

NIMHANS is a unique centre which combines the highest standards of clinical care, training and research and the Institute attracts trainees from different regions. Training from NIMHANS is something many aspire for and they continue to cherish the basic foundations they have received here throughout their lives, wherever they may be working. NIMHANS provides a robust academic platform and clinical exposure which fosters an ambient environment of learning. The Institute has 28 departments with dedicated faculty and skilled professionals in basic, behavioural and neurosciences. Currently, there are 1415 students enrolled in different courses which includes 385 Ph.D. scholars. Apart from providing quality care for the patients, human resource development in the areas of mental health and neurosciences has been a major focus of the Institute. NIMHANS has been rated among the top medical institutes in the country in NIRF rankings.

NIMHANS is a leading postgraduate centre of excellence, offering 113 specialised courses. At the Institute, research occurs in a seamless manner, from the bench to the bedside and from the bedside to the community. During the year 2024-25, several external research projects were undertaken and about 969 scientific/research articles published in reputed international and national journals by the faculty, students and project staff of the Institute.

The training provided at NIMHANS is exemplary. NIMHANS has a well-established track record of excellence in the education and training of skilled professionals bound for vibrant careers in mental health and neurosciences. Students who graduate from NIMHANS can carry their degree to any part of the world with confidence and pride.

The prospectus contains comprehensive information about NIMHANS and the academic programs offered at the Institute. Please read the prospectus carefully before applying for the courses of your interest. Do visit the NIMHANS website and contact us if you need further clarifications.

I wish you all the best and look forward to welcoming you to an enriching academic journey at NIMHANS.

Dr. Prabha S Chandra
Director

Brief History of NIMHANS

The Government of India established the All India Institute of Mental Health in 1954 in association with the then existing Mental Hospital of the Government of Karnataka. Major objective of the Institute was to generate manpower in the field of mental health and neurosciences. The Government of India chose the Mental Hospital, Bangalore, as the centre for training, which had built up certain traditions since 1936 in matters related to undergraduate training in the field of Psychiatry. The Institute was then affiliated to the University of Mysore for all courses. Subsequently, the Institute became affiliated to the Bangalore University in 1964. The Bangalore University established a separate faculty of Mental Health and Neurosciences.

The All India Institute of Mental Health and the Mental Hospital of the Government of Karnataka were amalgamated into an autonomous institute and thus the National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS) came into existence in 1974.

NIMHANS was conferred 'Deemed to be University' status by UGC in 1994 and NIMHANS became an autonomous and independent university.

NIMHANS was declared as an Institute of National Importance by an Act of Parliament vide Government of India Gazette Notification dated 14.9.2012. Notwithstanding anything contained in the Indian Medical Council Act, 1956, the Rehabilitation Council of India Act, 1992, the Indian Nursing Council Act, 1947, and the University Grants Commission Act, 1956, the medical degrees, diplomas, nursing degrees and certificates granted by the Institute under this Act shall be recognized medical qualifications for the purposes of the Acts aforesaid and shall be deemed to be included in the Schedule to the respective Acts.

Spread across 135 verdant acres in the heart of the garden city, NIMHANS offers the latest medical advances in an environment that promotes mental health and enhances a sense of wellness. The state-of-the-art facilities bolstered by highly skilled professionals – who are dedicated to providing patients with compassionate and comprehensive care – make NIMHANS a centre of excellence and specialized expertise.

The unique feature of this Institute is its multidisciplinary approach to patient care, training as well as research in the areas of mental health and neurosciences. The manpower development programs at NIMHANS reflect the extent to which the institute has succeeded in fusing and nurturing behavioural, neuro, biological and ancient health sciences/systems under one roof.

Vision of NIMHANS

To be a world leader in the area of Mental Health and Neurosciences and evolve state-of-the-art approaches to patient care through translational research.

Mission

1. To establish the highest standards of evidence-based care for psychiatric and neurological disorders and rehabilitation.
2. Develop expertise and set standards of care for diseases of public health relevance in the developing world
3. Work with the government and provide consultancy services for policy planning and monitoring strategies in the field of Mental Health and Neurosciences and facilitate execution of national health programme.
4. Human resource capacity building by training in diverse fields related to Mental Health and Neurosciences.
5. Develop and strengthen inter-disciplinary, inter-institutional and international collaboration with universities and research institutes across the globe to foster scientific research, training in advanced technology and exchange of ideas in the areas of Mental Health and Neurosciences.
6. Strive to enhance equitable accessibility of primary care in Mental Health and Neurological Disorders to all sections of society and ages including the vulnerable population.
7. Evolve and monitor the strategies for disaster management and psycho-social rehabilitation in different cultural and ethnic groups.
8. Promote Mental Health literacy and eliminate the stigma attached to the Mental and Neurological Illnesses by taking the measures and the delivery system to the centres of primary health care honouring the human rights and dignity.
9. Integrate allopathic and oriental medicine into health care delivery and promote evidence-based research.
10. Integrate physical and metaphysical aspects of Neuroscience research to promote yoga and its application to positive mental health.
11. Participate in broad field of Neuroscience and Behavioural Research applicable to Human Ethics, Organ Transplantation, Stem cell Research, Space Science, and Nuclear Science.

For more details about various activities of NIMHANS, please refer to NIMHANS website (www.nimhans.ac.in).

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Institute Administration	
Name & Designation	Telephone Number
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Shri. Murugan J, Administrative Officer, Academic & Evaluation Section	080 - 26995012

1. Calendar of Activity for DPN/DNN Courses *

Activities	Dates
Date of Advertisement of Admission Notification	16.05.2026
Submission of Application Forms (Offline Application):	
a. Start Date	16.05.2026
b. End Date	15.06.2026
Date of Provisional Selection List for DPN/DNN Courses	20.08.2026
Date of Admission DPN/DNN Courses	24.08.2026
Date of Course Commencement for DPN/DNN Courses	01.09.2026

2. Calendar of Activity for B.Sc. and Certificate Courses*

Activities	Dates
Date of Advertisement of Admission Notification	16.05.2026
Submission of Online Application Forms:	
a. Start Date	16.05.2026
b. End Date	15.06.2026
Date of Conduct of Entrance Test B.Sc. Courses	26.07.2026
Date of Announcement of overall results B.Sc. Courses	31.07.2026
Date of Provisional Selection List for B.Sc. Courses	06.08.2026
Date of Admission B.Sc. and Certificate Courses	11.08.2026
Date of Course Commencement for all Undergraduate Courses	01.09.2026

* The dates indicated above are tentative and subject to change; relevant details will be made available on NIMHANS website only.

3. Exit Examination

Month	Category of Course/s	Examination	Type of Examination
July/August & December	Undergraduate Courses	B.Sc. Courses– I, II, III & IV Year Diploma Courses– Final	Annual/ Supplementary
Important note regarding exit exam: - Students who have less than 80% attendance or any other course requirements certification, will not be allowed to take up the respective examination. - If a candidate does not appear for exam after applying, it will be treated as “one attempt”. - The candidate should clear the final examination within a duration not exceeding double the normal course duration from the date of admission.			

General Guidelines for Admission to Undergraduate Courses		
Departments in which undergraduate courses are offered		Department of Neuroanaesthesia & Neurocritical Care
		College of Nursing
		Department of Neuroimaging and Interventional Radiology
		Department of Neurology
General Eligibility	Minimum requirement for admission	Qualification as specified for the course concerned. Applicants should have pursued and awarded qualification from a recognized Institution / University.
	Sponsorship / Deputation category	Applicants who are / have been sponsored / deputed employees of Govt. of India / State Government Institutions / Universities and Public Sector Undertakings.
	Other criteria	Applicants should have pursued and awarded qualification from a recognised Board
Mode of Selection		Entrance test + verification of Original Certificates on the day of admission
Qualifying percentage in Entrance Test		UR /OBC/EWS- 50% SC/ST/PwBD- 45%
Age Criteria (as on the day of course commencement)		Minimum Age Limit: 17 Years Maximum Age Limit: 25 Years (Age is relaxable by a maximum of 5 years in the case of SC/ST/PwBD candidates and maximum of 3 years for OBC, for the courses where the seats are reserved for respective categories only)
Emoluments	Course duration	B.Sc. in Medical Imaging Technology / B.Sc. in Anaesthesia Technology / B.Sc. in Clinical Neurophysiology Technology: 3 years.
		B.Sc. in Nursing: 4 years.
		No Emoluments will be paid during the course
		Applicants selected under ‘Sponsorship/Deputation Category’ or who are drawing pay and allowances from their employers, are not eligible for any emoluments from Institute.
	One year Apprenticeship (B.Sc. in Nursing) after completion of course	The program provides an opportunity for 1 (one) year apprenticeship/internship (Junior Nursing Professional) post registration after completion of B.Sc. Nursing course (which is not compulsory) will be paid Rs. 25,000/- per month.
	One year Internship after completion of course	Internees will be paid Rs. 13,150/- per month for other B.Sc. courses
		Applicants selected under ‘Sponsorship/Deputation Category’ or who are drawing pay and allowances from their employers, are not eligible for any emoluments from Institute.
Fees	B.Sc. in Nursing	For Candidates selected under General/Unreserved/OBC/EWS Category: Rs. 53,000/-. For details refer to ‘Fees’ Section of the Prospectus.
		For candidates selected under SC/ST Category: Rs. 38,000. For details refer to ‘Fees’ Section of the Prospectus.
	B.Sc. in Medical Imaging Technology / B.Sc. in Anaesthesia Technology / B.Sc. in Clinical Neurophysiology Technology	Rs. 25,050/-. For details, refer to ‘Fees’ section of the prospectus.
Vacation		6 weeks per year

B.Sc. in Nursing		
Department		College of Nursing
Eligibility		a. Passed Pre-University examination conducted by Department of Pre-University Education with Physics, Chemistry, Biology and English, with a minimum 45% aggregate in the above subjects. b. Passed Higher Secondary School Certificate Examination (12 years course) with Physics, Chemistry, Biology and English with a minimum 45% aggregate in the above subjects. c. Senior School Certificate Examination/Pre-Degree Examination (10+2) with Physics, Chemistry, Biology and English with a minimum 45% aggregate in the above subjects. d. An equivalent with 12 years of schooling from a recognized Board or University with Physics, Chemistry, Biology and English with a minimum 45% aggregate in the above subjects. e. The candidate should be medically fit. (refer page no.16 for more details)
Course Duration		4 Years + 1-Year Apprenticeship (not mandatory)
Total seats	All India Category	35 Seats [UR – 16, EWS - 03, OBC- 09, SC- 05, ST- 02]
	Karnataka Domicile Category	50 Seats [UR- 22, EWS-05, OBC-13, SC-07, ST-03]
Program of Study		The purpose of baccalaureate nursing education is to prepare entry-level practitioners who are able to assist individuals, families, and communities to achieve desired health outcomes through the provision of nursing care and collaboration with other health care providers. In addition, students graduating with a baccalaureate degree in nursing have the educational foundation for graduate study. Active learning with opportunity for reflection is the primary means by which students develop the requisite knowledge, skills, and value for excellence in practice. Faculty members serve as role models, connect students to learning environment that promote engagement, clarify the expected outcomes of learning experiences, and provide timely and useful feedback to students regarding their achievement.
For more details, refer to the relevant department info on NIMHANS website or contact 080-26995818		

B.Sc. in Medical Imaging Technology		
Department		Neuroimaging and Interventional Radiology
Eligibility		a. Pre-University examination conducted by the Department of Pre-University Education or any recognized State Board with English and Physics, Chemistry, Biology and Mathematics as optional subjects with 45% aggregate. b. Job oriented Diploma course from a recognized board with Diagnostic Radiography as vocational subject or equivalent. c. Any equivalent examination recognized by NIMHANS, Bengaluru for the above purpose with Physics, Chemistry, Biology and Mathematics as principal subjects of study with 45% aggregate. d. The candidate should be medically fit. (refer page no.16 for more details)
Course Duration		03 years + 1-year Internship (not mandatory)
Total seats	All India Category	04 seats [UR- 03, OBC-01]
	Karnataka Domicile Category	07 seats [UR- 05, OBC- 01, SC-01]
Program of Study		Course curriculum involves teaching of basic subjects i.e. Anatomy,

	Physiology and Radiation Physics during the first year. The second and third years of the programme involves practical training about radiography, special procedures, digital subtraction angiography, C-Arm, film processing, CT and MR imaging along with basic nuclear medicine methods. Theoretical aspects related to the above-mentioned techniques are also taught simultaneously.
For more details, refer to the relevant department info on NIMHANS website or contact 080-26995424	

B.Sc. in Anaesthesia Technology		
Department		Neuroanaesthesia & Neurocritical Care
Minimum requirement for admission	Eligibility	Pass in 2-year Pre-University examination or equivalent with a Science group having secured an aggregate of 45% in Science subjects. (refer page no.16 for more details)
	Other Criteria	Indian National Candidates with Domicile of Karnataka certificate can apply under 'Karnataka Domicile Category'.
Course duration		3 years + 1-year Internship (not mandatory)
Seats offered	All India Selected	04 seats [UR - 03, OBC- 01]
	Karnataka Domicile Category	07 seats [UR - 05, OBC- 01, SC-01]
Program of Study		The course encompasses theoretical components in the basics of medicine (anatomy, physiology, biochemistry, pathology, microbiology, pharmacology, obstetrics, medicine and surgery). The students will have both theory and practical sessions in biomedical technology and anaesthesia technology. They will learn practical aspects of anaesthesia technology in operation theatres, at NIMHANS and other hospitals.
For more details, refer to the relevant department info on NIMHANS website or contact 080-26995415		

B.Sc. in Clinical Neurophysiology Technology		
Department		Neurology
Minimum requirement for admission	Eligibility	Pre-Degree/Pre-University/12 th standard with Physics, Mathematics, Chemistry and Biology as main subjects and having 45% aggregate in the above subjects. (refer page no.16 for more details)
	Note	Indian National Candidates with Domicile of Karnataka certificate can apply under 'Karnataka Domicile Category'. Seat under Sponsored Category is for NIMHANS Staff (based on service seniority) /Any Government Staff / Any Medical Colleges.
Course Duration		3 years + 1-year Internship (not mandatory)
Seats offered	All India Selected	02 seats [UR-02]
	Karnataka Domicile Category	04 seats [UR-03, OBC – 01]
	Sponsorship Category	01 Seat under Sponsored Category
For more details, refer to the relevant department info on NIMHANS website or contact 080-26995140		

General Guidelines for admission in Diploma Courses		
Departments in which Diploma Courses are offered		Department of Nursing
General Eligibility	Minimum requirement for admission	Qualification degree as specified for the concerned Course.
	Sponsorship category	a. Applicants who are employees of Government of India/State Government Institutions/ Universities and Public Sector Undertakings who are either sponsored or permitted to pursue course at NIMHANS with or without pay or leave or allowances, should apply under 'Sponsored Category'. b. Applicable for courses with sponsorship category only.
	Other requirements	Applicants should have pursued and awarded qualification from an Institution/University recognized by Indian Nursing Council.
Course Duration		01 Year
Mode of Selection		Committee constituted by Director shall consider submitted Application Forms, for selection of candidates for admission. Weightage in selection shall be given to those candidates sponsored by the Government and other Institutions.
Age Criteria (as on day of course commencement)		No Age Limit
Emoluments	Institute Supported	Rs. 2,000/- per month.
	Sponsored Category	Applicants selected under 'Sponsorship Category' or who are drawing pay and allowances from their employers, are not eligible for any emoluments from Institute.
Fees		Rs. 7,350/-. For details refer to 'Fees' Section of the Prospectus.
Leave		30 Days of Annual Leave

Post Basic Diploma in Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing	
Department	Nursing
Minimum requirement for admission	Should be registered Nurse (RN & RM) with State Nursing Council and have one-year experience as staff nurse.
Seats offered	45 seats under 'Institute Supported Category' *Vacant seats will be filled by NIMHANS Sponsored candidates based on service seniority
Program of Study	The course which is of one-year duration is designed to develop an understanding of the dynamics of human behaviour, principles and practices of psychiatric nursing. The students are given 400 hours of theory classes on the practical aspects of Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing. The students will be posted to various clinical areas viz. Male and Female Psychiatric wards, Chronic Psychiatric wards, de-addiction unit, Child Psychiatric Unit, Family Psychiatric unit, Rehabilitation and Community Mental Health centre. They are expected to complete a small research project. The students will be awarded a diploma upon successful completion of the course.
For more details, refer Department's information on NIMHANS Website or contact 080-26995225	

Post Basic Diploma in Neurosciences Nursing	
Department	Nursing
Minimum requirement for admission	Should be registered Nurse (RN & RM) with the State Nursing Council and have one year experience as staff nurse.
Seats offered	09 seats under 'Institute Supported Category' *Vacant seats will be filled by NIMHANS Sponsored candidates based on service seniority
Program of Study	The course is designed to prepare registered nurses with specialized knowledge, skills and attitude in providing advance quality care to neuro-science patients. The students will be trained in understanding of philosophy, principles, management, education and research in Neuroscience nursing. The students are given 400 hours of theory class on the practical aspects of Neuroscience nursing. They will be posted in Neuromedical and surgical wards, paediatric neuro wards, Recovery ward, Head injury ward and Neuro rehabilitation wards. They are expected to complete a small research project. The students will be awarded a diploma upon successful completion of the course.
For more details, refer Department's information on NIMHANS Website or contact 080-26995225	

General Guidelines for Admission to Certificate Course		
General eligibility	Minimum qualification for admission	Qualification as specified for the course concerned
	Sponsorship Category	Indian National Candidates who are/have been sponsored/deputed employees of Government of India/State Government Institutions/Universities and Public Sector Undertakings.
	Other criteria	Candidates should have pursued and awarded qualification by recognized Board.
Course duration		1 year
Mode of selection		Committee constituted by the Director shall consider submitted Online Application Forms, for selection and admission of candidates.
Age criteria (as on the day of course commencement)		40 Years
Emoluments	Institute Supported	No Emoluments
	Sponsored Category	Candidates selected under 'Sponsorship Category' or who are drawing pay and allowances from their employers, are not eligible for any emoluments from Institute.
Fees		Rs. 9,450/-. For details refer to 'Fees' Section of the Prospectus.
Leave		30 days of Annual Leave

Certificate Course in Panchakarma		
Department		Integrative Medicine
Eligibility		Pass in Intermediate/Senior School Certificate (Class XII/12 th) with any stream
Seats offered*	All India Selected	02 seats [UR-02]
	Karnataka Domicile Category	02 seats [UR-02]
	Sponsorship Category	02 Seats
*Each category shall be filled by one male and one female candidate, as per the course requirements.		
Program of Study		Training of Panchakarma Technician is based on Panchakarma's philosophy, principles and methods. The course provides insight on clinical care, academic training and hands on training. This should enable the technician to excel in providing high quality panchakarma services to the patient.
For more details, refer to the relevant department info on NIMHANS website or contact 080-26995730		

Categories of Candidates

A. Classification based on Nationality

1. Indian Nationals
2. Foreign Nationals

1. Categorization of Indian Nationals:

i. **Unreserved OR General Category:**

All Indian National Candidates including Overseas Citizen of India (OCI)

Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) Candidates registered under Section 7A of Citizenship Act 1955 are eligible to apply under this category and all terms and conditions applicable for Indian National Candidates will be applicable to such Candidates. Such Candidates will submit proof of Registration as OCI under Section 7A of Citizenship Act 1955 to be eligible to appear for Entrance Test.

ii. **Other Backward Classes Category:**

Indian Nationals belonging to **Non-Creamy Layer** of various communities as per the Gazette Notification issued by Government of India, from time to time, are considered under this category. For more information, kindly visit the following link to see the Central list of OBC: <http://www.ncbc.nic.in>

Candidates belonging to Non-Creamy Layer of various Caste/Communities designated as OBC, should be in possession of OBC Certificate (format enclosed) issued by the following Gazetted Officers, and the certificate should be uploaded in the Online Application Form:

- a. District Magistrate/Additional Magistrate/Collector/Deputy Commissioner/Additional Deputy Commissioner/Deputy Collector/1st Class Stipendiary Magistrate/Sub-Divisional Magistrate/ Taluka

Magistrate/Executive Magistrate/Extra Assistant Commissioner (not below the rank of 1st Class Stipendiary Magistrate).

- b. Chief Presidency Magistrate/Additional Chief Presidency Magistrate/Presidency Magistrate.
- c. Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tehsildar and
- d. Sub-Divisional Officer of the area, where the candidate and/or his or her family resides.

The candidates must upload/attach while filing the Online Application Form and produce a certified English Translation Copy of the Caste Certificate during the Counselling, if the Caste Certificate is in Regional Language.

iii. Scheduled Caste (SC) / Scheduled Tribe (ST) Categories:

Indian Nationals belonging to Scheduled Caste (SC) or Scheduled Tribe (ST) as per the Gazette Notification issued by various State Governments or Government of India from time to time, fall under this category.

Candidates belonging to SC or ST should be in possession of SC/ST Certificate issued by Gazetted Officers of various State Governments or Government of India and the SC/ST Certificate should be uploaded in the Online Application Form. The candidates must upload/attach/produce a certified English Translation Copy of the Caste Certificate, if the Caste Certificate issued is in Regional Language.

iv. Domicile Category :

Indian Nationals having 'domicile' in any of the below mentioned states can apply for the following courses under this category by providing valid Domicile documents/certificate at the time of Online Application Form:

Domicile State/s*	Courses
Karnataka	B.Sc. in Nursing, B.Sc. in Anaesthesia Technology, B.Sc. in Medical Imaging Technology, B.Sc. in Clinical Neurophysiology Technology, and Certificate Course

* To claim that candidates are residents/domiciles of the above mentioned states, he/she should produce a certificate from the Tasildar to the effect that he/she or his/her father/mother has been a resident of that state for a period of 07 years or has owned or possessed land or property or house in that state. Candidates submitting Domicile Certificate in any other language than English need to provide a certified Translation of the Certificate at the time of the admission.

Candidates are further classified on the basis of Reserved Categories (Other Backward Classes/Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe) under the 'Domicile Category' for the purpose of admission to B.Sc. Courses.

v. EWS Category:

Indian Nationals (Economically Weaker Section) who are not covered under the scheme of reservation for SC/ST/OBC and whose family gross annual income is below Rs.8 Lakh (Rupees eight

lakh) are to be identified as EWS for benefit of reservation for EWS as per the GOI, Gazette notification time to time.

To claim that candidates should produce latest income certificate of their parents issued by Gazette Officers of Government of India and the Certificate should be uploaded in the Online Application Form and the same should be submitted to Academic & Evaluation section on the day of admission.

vi. Persons with Benchmark Disability (PwBD) Category:

5% of the seats are reserved for PWD (between 40% to 70% disability) as per the Government of India regulations.

No dedicated seats available for PWD candidates. However, if the PWD candidate qualifies in the Entrance Test 5% of the total sanctioned seat will be allotted to PWD category for that course.

Age is relaxable by a maximum of 5 years in the case of PWD candidates as on the date of commencement of concerned course. All provisions as per the PWD Act 2016 are applicable.

The confirmed admission shall be given to candidate subject to fitness on medical examination duly constituted by Medical board involving the faculty from relevant discipline. Vacant seat, if any under PWD in a course, shall be offered to the eligible candidate from the general/relevant category under the same course.

Seat Matrix

- a. Reservation Roster prescribed by the Government of India will be followed for each course as applicable. If suitable candidates are not available under the reserved category (for the courses which NIMHANS conducts the Entrance Test only), the seats will be filled on the basis of merit under the same course as detailed below:
 - I. “Any seat that remains unfilled All India Category will be converted as per following:
 - EWS seats to UR
 - OBC seats to UR
 - ST seats to SC and is still unfilled, to UR
 - SC seats to ST and is still unfilled, to UR”
 - II. “Any seat that remains unfilled under the Karnataka Domicile Category will be converted as per following:
 - Karnataka Domicile EWS → Karnataka Domicile UR → All India EWS → All India UR
 - Karnataka Domicile OBC → Karnataka Domicile UR → All India OBC → All India UR
 - Karnataka Domicile ST → Karnataka Domicile SC → Karnataka Domicile UR → All India ST → All India SC → All India UR
 - Karnataka Domicile SC → Karnataka Domicile ST → Karnataka Domicile UR → All India SC → All India ST → All India UR”

Number of seats and reservation may vary from time to time as per the directions of the Government of India through relevant notifications.

b. The following seats are reserved for various 'Domicile Categories' in various courses:

Domicile reservation category	Karnataka Domicile
B.Sc. in Nursing Course	50 Seats
B.Sc. in Anaesthesia Technology Course	07 Seats
B.Sc. in Medical Imaging Technology Course	07 seats
B.Sc. in Clinical Neurophysiology Technology	04 seats
Certificate Course in Panchakarma	02 seats

Age Limit

- The age is calculated as on **01.09.2026**.
- For all B.Sc. courses (B.Sc. in Nursing, B.Sc. in Medical Imaging Technology, B.Sc. in Anesthesia Technology and B.Sc. in Clinical Neurophysiology Technology), age of the candidate should be between 17 and 25 years.
- The upper age limit for certificate course will be 40 years.
- Age is relaxable by a maximum of 5 years in the case of SC/ST candidates and by a maximum of 3 years for OBC candidates, for the courses where the seats are reserved for OBC/SC/ST only.
- The upper age limit for Certificate course in Panchakarma Technology will be 40 years.

Eligibility Criteria for UG courses

- Candidates with PUC or 10 + 2 with Physics, Chemistry, Biology and English with 45% aggregate in the above subjects can apply for B.Sc. in Nursing course.
- Candidates with PUC or 10 + 2 with English, Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics and Biology or job-oriented diploma courses from a recognized board with an aggregate of 45% can apply for B.Sc. in Medical Imaging Technology course.
- Candidates with PUC or 10 + 2 or equivalent with a Science group having secured an aggregate of 45% in Science subjects for B.Sc. in Anaesthesia Technology/ B.Sc. in Clinical Neurophysiology Technology courses.
- A relaxation of 5% marks in aggregate will be given for candidates belonging to SC/ST category.

Online application submission procedure

- Application should be submitted through the Online mode (only) along with all the attachments, signature and photograph through the link available in website along-with this Prospectus.
- All claims made in the application must be supported with documentary proof in original along with a set of photocopies at the time of admission.
- A candidate can apply for a maximum of 3 (three) courses only (provided they are eligible). Candidates are not permitted to submit multiple online applications.**
- Any reasons for delay in submission of application / or applications received after the last date will not be considered under any circumstances.**
- All relevant communications regarding UG 2026 September session entrance test will be notified in official website time to time. Any query regarding the same may be addressed to admissions@nimhans.net . No other mode of communication will be entertained.**

Enclosures to be Uploaded in Online Application Form

The below mentioned certificates/documents are required to be uploaded in Online Application Form by Candidates:

a. Certificates/Documents to be uploaded under 'educational qualification' Field:

- i. 10th/SSLC/Matriculation Certificate.
- ii. HSLC or 12th or I & II PUC or Equivalent of 12 years of schooling from a Recognized Board or University Mark Sheet.
- iii. Statement of Marks of Job Oriented Diploma with Diagnostic (If applicable).
- iv. Mark Sheets or Statement of Marks for All Years of a Degree or Diploma Course (If applicable).
- v. Migration Certificate from Board/Department of Pre-University Education/University, under whom the Candidate last studied.

b. Certificates/Documents to be uploaded under 'Caste/Community Certificate' Field (Refer also to 'Student Categories' Section' of this Prospectus):

- i. OBC Certificate (for details regarding the requirements of the OBC Certificate, kindly refer to 'Annexure' Section of this Prospectus).
- ii. SC/ST Certificate (for details regarding the requirements of the OBC Certificate, kindly refer to 'Annexure' Section of this Prospectus).

If the above certificates are in vernacular language of the state, then a certified translation copy in English needs to be uploaded along with Original Certificate.

c. Certificates/Documents to be uploaded under 'Domicile Certificate' Field:

Recent and valid domicile certificate with minimum of 07 Years issued by Tasildar (with certified translation copy in English if the certificate is in the language of the state by the issuing authority).

If the domicile certificate is of lesser duration than specified above, then valid document/certificate that the candidate/his or her parent(s) has been a resident of the said domicile state or has owned or possessed land or property or house in the said domicile state.

d. Certificates/Documents to be uploaded under 'EWS Certificate' Field:

To claim that candidates should produce latest income certificate of their parents issued by Gazetted Officers of Government of India and the Certificate should be uploaded in the Online Application Form. The Certificate should also be submitted on the day of admission to the course.

e. Certificates/Documents to be uploaded under 'PwBD Certificate' Field:

Disability Certificate validating the 'Type of Disability' Field in the Online Application Form. The Certificate should also be submitted on the day of admission to the course.

f. Certificates/Documents to be uploaded in 'Sponsorship Certificate' Field (Refer also to 'ANNEXURES' of this Prospectus):

Indian National Applicants sponsored by NIMHANS, should upload 'Sponsorship Certificate' from Competent Authority of the Parent Organization.

Indian National Applicants sponsored by Government of India OR State Government - Organizations/PSUs/Institutions/Universities OR Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) should upload Sponsorship certificate, with proper seal and signature clearly stating the Name of Applicant, name of course to which he/she is being sponsored, and terms and conditions regarding the drawing of pay, leave and allowances during the period of course duration by the Applicant and other conditions. A proforma format of Sponsorship Certificate is provided in 'Annexure' Section of this Prospectus.

In case of absence of the above, a 'No Objection Certificate' from the Employer to apply for the concerned course and appear for Online Entrance Test can be uploaded. If qualified and selected for admission, applicant will have to mandatorily submit 'Sponsorship Certificate' as specified in above point at the time of admission to the course.

g. Any other Certificate/Document:

Experience Certificate, if mandatory as per 'Minimum Requirement' Section of respective course.

Conduct of Entrance Test

- a. **Entrance test will be conducted in Bengaluru city only.**
- b. Separate Entrance Test for B.Sc. Nursing and Common Entrance Test will be conducted for other 03 B.Sc. courses (B.Sc. Anaesthesia Technology, B.Sc. in Medial Imaging Technology and B.Sc. in Clinical Neurophysiology Technology) for 100 marks and the seat allotment is based on merit list.
- c. Eligible candidates for Entrance Test will be informed to download the admit card, which should be produced at the time of Entrance Test.
- d. No individual intimation will be sent to candidates who are not selected and no correspondence on this subject will be entertained.
- e. The candidates are requested to keep themselves updated by visiting the NIMHANS Official website <https://nimhans.ac.in> regularly from time to time.
- f. Candidates called for Entrance Test will have to make their own arrangements for travel and stay where the test is conducted. No TA/DA will be paid by NIMHANS.
- g. The question paper for Entrance test will contain multiple choice objective type questions. The duration of the test for each course will be 90 minutes and the number of questions to be answered is 100.
- h. There will be negative marking and 0.25 marks will be deducted for all wrong answers. No marks will be deducted for unanswered questions.
- i. Any changes in date, time, venue and or schedule of the Entrance Tests, Interview/ Admission will be announced on the website and notice boards of the Institute.
- j. In the event of unforeseen problem/force majeure, a re-exam will be held at a later date only for those who attended the test. NIMHANS reserves the right to decide whether the re-exam relates to one or more cities, or one or more centre, or one or more courses.
- k. Possession/use of mobile phones/spy cameras/ Bluetooth and any other electronic devices is strictly prohibited on the premises of NIMHANS entrance test centres and candidates shall be liable for penal action for any such act.

Announcement of Results and Pre-Admission Formalities

- a. Selection will be purely based on merit in the Entrance Test.
- b. Preference of course if selected in multiple courses or willingness to join the course, should be provided by the candidate.
- c. If no eligible candidates are available against reserved seats, they shall be filled up as per the seat matrix.
- d. A merit list will be prepared course wise and reserved category wise based on the marks scored by the candidates in the entrance test. Eligible candidates list will be notified for admission for all courses. A separate merit list will be prepared for courses with Karnataka domicile.
- e. **In the case of two or more candidates obtaining equal marks in the Entrance test, their inter se merit will be determined as under:**

1. Number of Attempts in the qualifying exam.
2. If no of attempts are the same candidates securing higher marks in the qualifying exam will be considered.
3. If one candidate has a GPA and no Marks and the other candidate has Marks to use a standard Formula to equalise Marks and GPA . This formula is being used by other universities including IIT.

Formula:

Cumulative grade point average (CGPA) performance will be converted into 'marks percentage' as shown below:

$$\text{Marks Percentage} = 60 + \frac{40}{3.5} \times \left[\frac{\text{CGPA obtained}}{\text{Total CGPA}} \times 10 - 6.5 \right]$$

Note: The above conversion is only for computing the academic rating (AR). While submitting the application online, applicants should fill in the actual marks percentage/CGPA as provided by her/his University/Institution/ College, as applicable. We will NOT accept any equivalence of conversion from CGPA to percentage marks provided by any individual universities/ institution/college; in this case, the final and binding method of conversion will be as provided above.

4. If the above is equal then the Negative Marks in the entrance exam will be used.
 5. If 4 is also the same then Age will be the criteria.
- f. List of all the qualified candidates and those called for admission will be notified on the Institute's website. **No separate individual intimation will be given. Non-receipt of notice by any individual candidate will not vitiate the selection process having regard to publication of result on the NIMHANS Official website.**
 - g. The decision of the Director in all matters regarding selection will be final and no representation in any form will be entertained.

Admission/ Joining and Commencement of the Course

- a. After the Entrance Test, a list of candidates qualified for admission in the order of merit will be announced on the Institute's website with the details of venue, date and time of admission.
- b. Candidates qualified for admission will have to make their own arrangements for travel and stay at Bengaluru, if required. No TA/DA will be paid by NIMHANS.
- c. No form of representations on behalf of any candidate/s will be entertained on the day of admission. If a candidate does not attend admission on the designated day as per the Schedule announced, will be marked as absent and his/ her candidature for the admission process will be cancelled. Such candidates will not be considered for the purpose of operating waiting list for the particular course/s.
- d. The candidates are instructed to produce and submit the original certificates/documents for verification at the time of admission.
- e. Candidates should produce all necessary documents for claims made in the online application form.
- f. Tie-breaking exercise will be carried out during this stage, hence a candidate who has been tied with other candidate/s will be informed of the rank or the status of the tie after this stage. Tie-breaking rules are detailed in Method of Selection Section.
- g. Candidates without proper documentation to support claims made in the Online Application Form, will be disqualified from admission Process.
- h. The candidates who have been selected under various categories should submit the Original Certificates/Documents on the day of admission as shown under "Enclosures" along with requisite fee as shown under "Fee Structure" of the Prospectus.
- i. **The fee is accepted only through online mode by Debit/ Credit Cards/UPI/Net Banking. No other means of payment is accepted. The link to process payment is - <https://rzp.io/l/22QtOG8w>.**
- j. In case a candidate does not report on the day of admission, the seat of such candidate will be allotted to the candidate in the waiting list in the order of merit.
- k. Any requests for extension in date of joining should be intimated to 'Academic & Evaluation Section' well in advance via email to 'admissions@nimhans.net'. Such extensions are subject to the approval of the Competent Authority. A late joining fee of Rs. 100/- per day in addition to the fees as mentioned under 'Fees' Section of the Prospectus or as mentioned in Official Memorandum provided to the candidate, will be levied on the day of joining.
- l. **There is no penalty for discontinuation of UG course.**
- m. **Fees paid will not be refunded.**

Additional Information

- a. The rules and regulations in this prospectus are subject to change in accordance with the decision of the Institute from time-to-time.
- b. Selected candidates should give the following declaration:
"I fulfil all the eligibility criteria and I am applying for the courses at NIMHANS. I understand that my candidature will be cancelled, if I am found to have given wrong information. I also substantiate my claim by attaching necessary certificates".
- c. All courses are conducted on a full-time basis. Private practice in any form is prohibited. The candidates are strictly not permitted to undertake any other part time or correspondence courses.
- d. Selected candidates admitted to the Institute shall maintain good conduct, attend their classes

regularly and abide by the regulations of the Institute.

- e. **Selected candidates should submit Transfer Certificate (from the College/Institute where the last qualification is attained) and Migration Certificate (from the University to which the College/Institute is affiliated where the last qualification is attained) at the time of admission.**
- f. **Hostel accommodation will be provided subject to availability and not guaranteed.**
- g. Selected candidates should produce a medical fitness certificate from a registered medical practitioner.
- h. In case any candidate is found to have supplied false information or a false certificate or is found to have withheld or concealed some information, he/she shall be debarred from continuing the course and shall face such appropriate action initiated against him/her by the Director of the Institute.
- i. Students have to mandatorily register on the www.amanmovement.org (OR) www.antiragging.in for the purpose of signing declaration for Anti-Ragging.
- j. Details of Student Well Being @ NIMHANS (SWAN) program is available on the website.
- k. Rules & Regulations of the Institute are subject to vary as and when the directives received from the Government of India.
- l. All students shall mandatorily follow scientific ethics and exhibit utmost integrity. Any scientific misconduct including fabrication, falsification, plagiarism or violation of ethics in scientific / clinical research studies, communication/publication will result in debarring from the Institute and suitable disciplinary action will be initiated by the Institute authorities.
- m. The decision of the Director of the Institute shall be final in all matters of selection of candidates for admission to the various courses and no appeal shall be entertained on this subject. Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) trained certificate should be submitted at the time of admission or within 6 months of admission.

Fees

a. Fee Structure for Indian National (UG/Diploma Courses)

(All figures are in rupees)

Details	Amount per Year	B.Sc. Nursing Course		B.Sc. in Medical Imaging Technology / B.Sc. in Anaesthesia Technology / B.Sc. in Clinical Neurophysiology Technology	Certificate Course in Panchakarma	DPN / DNN Course
		Candidates selected under Unreserved OR OBC or EWS Category	Candidates selected under SC OR ST Category			
		4 Years	4 Years	3 Years	1 Year	1 Year
Registration fee	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	-
Tuition fee	35,000	35,000	-	-	1,000	-
	20,000	-	20,000	-	-	-
	10,000	-	-	10,000	-	-
Laboratory fee	300	1,200	1,200	900	-	-
Gymkhana & recreation Fee	250	1,000	1,000	750	250	250
Library fee	1,000	4,000	4,000	3,000	1,000	1,000
Caution Money & Hostel Deposit	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Identification card fee	100	100	100	100	100	100
NHS card fee	100	100	100	100	100	100#
Examination fee :	1 st Year	500	-	-	1000	-
		750	-	-	-	750
		1,250	1,250	1,250	-	-
	2 nd Year	1,250	1,250	1,250	-	-
	3 rd Year	1,250	1,250	1,250	-	-
	4 th Year	1,250	1,250	-	-	-
Examination Application fee	50	200	200	150	-	50
Marks card fee	100	400	400	300	-	100
Total		53,000	38,000	25,050	9,450	7,350

2% of Basic Pay per month as NHS fee from sponsored candidates if opting for NIMHANS Health Scheme (NHS) Facilities to be paid for the entire year.

- Late joining fee of Rs. 100/- per day will be levied for candidates joining the course after the prescribed date, subject to approval of extension from Competent Authority.
- Fees once paid will not be refunded.**

b. Fee Structure for Foreign Nationals except from SAARC Countries

(All figures are in USD)

Sl. No.	Name of the Course	Tuition fee *	Registration fee
1	B.Sc. in Nursing Course	20,000	-
2	DPN OR DNN Courses	-	100

* Tuition fee to be paid in equal annual instalments. The amount indicated is for the entire duration of the course. All fees other than Tuition Fee is as applicable to Indian Nationals.

- The fees once paid will not be refunded at any cost**
- The fees for SAARC Nationals applying for various courses at NIMHANS will be on par with Indian Nationals (in Indian Rupee).

Events Observed at NIMHANS	Date
Institute Day	14 th February
National Science Day (Birth commemoration of Sir. C.V. Raman)	28 th February
International Women's Day	8 th March
World Health Day (Commemoration of Foundation of World Health Organization)	7 th April
International Nurses' Day (Birth commemoration of Florence Nightingale)	12 th May
International Day of Yoga	21 st June
Teachers' Day (Commemoration of the birth anniversary of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan)	5 th September
World Suicide Prevention Day	10 th September
Hindi Diwas (Hindi Day)	14 th September
World Mental Health Day	10 th October
Graduation Day	29 th November
International Day for Persons with Disability	3 rd December
Vigilance Awareness Week	November/ December
Annual Convocation	After September

Student Programs

As a Policy, NIMHANS is committed to the cause of health, wellbeing and welfare of its student community and constantly strives to create all the necessary framework and systems in this direction. Various student wellbeing activities are in place at the Institute.

a. Kannada Language Learning Program

Kannada is one of the oldest Dravidian languages. It is the Karnataka state's official language. It is desirable that Non-Kannada speaking students make efforts to learn this language for better communication with patients and their family members.

The Kannada Cell and Department of Publication organize a three-month Kannada Language Learning Program in collaboration with the Department of Kannada & Culture, Government of Karnataka. Students are required to attend these sessions. As majority of the patients seen at NIMHANS speak Kannada, it is mandatory that students learn to comprehend and speak Kannada.

b. Orientation Lectures

Orientation Lectures are organized for all the newly admitted students by the Heads of the Departments in order to familiarize the students with the vast diversification of facilities under Basic, Behavioral and Neurosciences Divisions at NIMHANS.

c. Anti-Ragging Policy

NIMHANS being has zero tolerance towards ragging and prohibits ragging in all forms. We are proud to state that our campus is ragging free and students are informed to abide by the rules and ensure a ragging free campus. As per the guidelines of UGC under section 26 (1)(g) of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956, which is modified as UGC Regulations, 2009 on curbing the menace of ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, an Anti-Ragging Committee exists in NIMHANS.

d. Internal Complaints Committee

The Internal Complaints Committee is constituted in order to review issues concerning harassment of women at the workplace. This committee functions as per the guidelines of the Sexual Harassment at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act 2013.

ANNEXURE**I. Declaration Certificate Format****a. To be provided by the Candidate**

- i. I agree to undergo the course on a full time basis and shall not engage myself in any kind of private practice during the period of the course. I will not pursue any part time course elsewhere unless permitted by the Institute.
- ii. I agree that during my stay at the Institute, I shall not draw my pay/allowances or fellowships from any other source, if I am employed as a Resident.
- iii. I declare that I shall abide by the Rules and Regulations of the Institute and those that are framed from time to time.
- iv. I hereby declare that the information given in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. In case any information given in this application proves to be false or incorrect, I shall be responsible for the consequences.
- v. I agree that I will not indulge in ragging and am aware that Ragging is banned in this Institution. If at any point of time, any incident of ragging comes to the notice of the authority, and if I cannot give satisfactory explanation, the authority may expel me from the Institute.
- vi. I shall mandatorily follow the scientific ethics and exhibit utmost integrity. I am aware that any scientific misconduct including fabrication, falsification, plagiarism or violation of ethics in scientific / clinical research, communication/publication shall result in debarring from the Institute or any suitable disciplinary action initiated by the Institute authorities.
- vii. I also declare that if any information provided by me is found false, my candidature will be rejected at any point of time. Mere permission to write the Entrance Test does not mean that I am eligible for admission to courses at NIMHANS.

Place:**(Signature of the Candidate)****Date:****2. To be provided by Parent/Spouse/Guardian of the Candidate**

- i. I hereby declare that I am responsible for the timely payment of all dues to the National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS), Bengaluru, in respect of my son/daughter/ward/spouse
 _____ **(Name of the Candidate)**
 during the period of his/her study at the Institute and thereafter, until the accounts are cleared.
- ii. I am also aware that ragging is banned in this Institution, if any incident of ragging comes to the notice of the authority and if my son/daughter/ward/spouse cannot give satisfactory explanation, the authority can expel him/her from the Institute.

Place**(Signature of Parent/Spouse/
Guardian of the Candidate)****Date:****3. Forwarding note to be signed by the Employer under whom the candidate is employed (Applicable for Sponsored/Deputed Candidates)**

- i. I certify that the application is being made with my permission and that there is no objection to relieve the Candidate if selected for the course, within the prescribed limit of time.
- ii. I also certify that I shall inform the authorities of the National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS), Bengaluru, about the financial terms and remit salary, leave salary, deputation allowances, etc., to the Institute Account which will be paid to the Candidate for the period of training from the Institute.

Place:**(Signature and Seal of the Employer)****Date:**

II. OBC Certificate Format

Form of Certificate to be produced by Other Backward Classes Applying for Admission to Central Education Institutes under the Government of India

This is to certify that Shri/Smt./Kum. _____ Son/Daughter of Shri/Smt. _____ of Village/Town _____ District/Division _____ in the _____ State belongs to the _____ Community which is recognized as a backward class under:

Resolution No. 12011/68/93-BCC(C) dated 10/09/93 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section I No. 186 dated 13/09/93. Resolution No. 12011/9/94-BCC dated 19/10/94 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section I No. 163 dated 20/10/94. Resolution No. 12011/7/95-BCC dated 24/05/95 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section I No. 88 dated 25/05/95. Resolution No. 12011/96/94-BCC dated 9/03/96. Resolution No. 12011/44/96-BCC dated 6/12/96 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section I No. 210 dated 11/12/96. Resolution No. 12011/13/97-BCC dated 03/12/97. Resolution No. 12011/99/94-BCC dated 11/12/97. Resolution No. 12011/68/98-BCC dated 27/10/99. Resolution No. 12011/88/98-BCC dated 6/12/99 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section I No. 270 dated 06/12/99.

Resolution No. 12011/36/99-BCC dated 04/04/2000 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section I No. 71 dated 04/04/2000. Resolution No. 12011/44/99-BCC dated 21/09/2000 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section I No. 210 dated 21/09/2000. Resolution No. 12015/9/2000-BCC dated 06/09/2001. Resolution No. 12011/1/2001-BCC dated 19/06/2003.

Resolution No. 12011/4/2002-BCC dated 13/01/2004. Resolution No. 12011/9/2004-BCC dated 16/01/2006 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section I No. 210 dated 16/01/2006.

Shri/Smt./Kum. _____ and/or his family ordinarily reside(s) in the _____ District/Division _____ of _____ State.

This is also to certify that he/she does not belong to the persons/sections (Creamy Layer) mentioned in Column 3 of the Schedule to the Government of India, Department of Personnel & Training O.M. No. 36012/22/93- Estt.(SCT) dated 08/09/93 which is modified vide OM No. 36033/3/2004 Estt.(Res.) dated 09/03/2004.

Dated:
Seal

District Magistrate/ Deputy Commissioner

NOTE

- a. The term 'Ordinarily' used here will have the same meaning as in Section 20 of the Representation of the People Act, 1950.
- b. The authorities competent to issue Caste Certificates are indicated below:
 - i. District Magistrate / Additional Magistrate / Collector / Deputy Commissioner / Additional Deputy Commissioner / Deputy Collector / I Class Stipendiary Magistrate / Sub-Divisional magistrate / Taluka Magistrate / Executive Magistrate / Extra Assistant Commissioner (not below the rank of I Class Stipendiary Magistrate).
 - ii. Chief Presidency Magistrate / Additional Chief Presidency Magistrate / Presidency Magistrate.
 - iii. Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tasildar
 - iv. Sub-Divisional Officer of the area where the candidate and / or his family resides.