

NIFTEM – M. TECH ADMISSION FAQs

1. M.Tech programs at NIFTEM is offered in how many discipline and how many seats are available?

NIFTEM offers five M.Tech programs, each with an intake of **20 seats**:

- **Food Technology and Management (FTM)** - 20 seats
- **Food Process Engineering and Management (FPEM)** - 20 seats
- **Food Plant Operations and Management (FPOM)** - 20 seats
- **Food Safety and Quality Management (FSQM)** - 20 seats
- **Food Supply Chain Management (FSCM)** - 20 seats

2. How can I apply for the M.Tech degree program at NIFTEM?

Applications must be submitted **online** via the official admission portal:

🔗 <https://admission.niftem.ac.in>

3. Is there any offline mode for application submission or fee payment?

No. Both application and fee payment processes are strictly **online** only.

4. What is the admission process for the M.Tech program?

Admission is offered through two modes:

- **GATE-based Admission:** Selection is based on the **GATE score merit list**.
- **Non-GATE Admission:** If any seats remain vacant after filling the seats with the GATE qualified candidates, they will be filled through the **NIFTEM's M.Tech Entrance Test**, conducted at the NIFTEM-K Campus, details of which are available in the Admission Brochure uploaded on Institute website i.e. https://niftem.ac.in/newsite/?page_id=1494.

5. Where can I find the eligibility criteria for M.Tech programs?

Eligibility criteria, including essential qualifications for each specialization, are included in the **NIFTEM Admission Brochure**.

6. How should I prepare for the Non-GATE entrance test conducted by NIFTEM-K?

Details regarding the entrance test schedule, syllabus, and pattern are provided in the **Admission Brochure**.

- 7. If two candidates have same GATE score or NIFTEM's test score and have given the choice for the same discipline then what is the criteria for allotting a discipline to a student.**

If two students have same GATE score in case of GATE qualified candidates or same NIFTEM's test score for non-GATE qualified candidates & have the same preference for a discipline then percentage of marks in the Bachelor degree, research publication, if any are the criteria for allotting a preferred discipline to a candidate. In a hypothetical situation, if two candidates having same scores in their respective categories have obtained same percentage of marks & have same number of research paper, preference is given to a candidate based on age.

- 8. In case if any degree awarding Institute has a system of Grade Point Average (OGPR/CGPA) during a Bachelor's degree programme, what is the formula for counting it to percentage.**

The conversion formula as mentioned by the Degree awarding Institute in their mark sheet/ score cards will be taken into account. In case of the Institute/ University awarding degree does not mention it on the mark sheet/ score cards, a letter mentioning the conversion formula duly signed by Registrar/ Controller of Examination/ Authorized Signatory can be considered.

- 9. What is the weightage of GATE scores in the admission process?**

For GATE-qualified candidates, **100% weightage** is given to the GATE score.

- 10. Are GATE qualified candidates eligible for any scholarships?**

Yes. Candidates admitted through a valid GATE score are eligible for the **GATE scholarship**, as per **AICTE guidelines**.

- 11. What is the amount of the GATE scholarship?**

The scholarship amount is presently **₹12,400 per month**, for a duration of up to **24 months**.

- 12. Can GATE scholarship recipients apply for a tuition fee waiver?**

No. Students availing the GATE scholarship are **not eligible** for any tuition fee waiver.

- 13. Are any other scholarships available for M.Tech students?**

Yes, the following scholarships are offered to M. Tech students at NIFTEM:

- **Merit Scholarship**
- **Merit-cum-Means Scholarship**
- **Corporate Scholarships**

14. Does NIFTEM follow a reservation policy?

Yes. NIFTEM follows the **Government of India's reservation policy** for admissions.

15. What kind of internship or research opportunities are available during the program?

- **Internship:** Students generally avail an **Industry internship** during **3rd semester**.
- **Research:** Students may engage in research projects under NIFTEM faculty for conducting research in state-of art labs & may **departmental research support**.

16. What laboratory facilities and high-end equipment are available at NIFTEM-K to support research activities?

"Within the NIFTEM-K campus, a wide range of research facilities are available, including the Central Instrumentation Laboratory (CIL), dedicated laboratories for each of the five academic departments, fully functional five Pilot Plants, and a state-of-art laboratory notified as Primary Referral & National Reference laboratory by FSSAI. These facilities are equipped with advanced instruments to support high-quality research and innovation. A detailed list of available equipment can be accessed through the NIFTEM-K official website."

17. What are the placement opportunities after completing M.Tech at NIFTEM?

Some of the career opportunities:

- Corporate Resource Cell (CRC) deals exclusively with Internship & Placement.
- Campus placements **with reputed companies such as** Nestlé, Coca-Cola, PepsiCo, Mondelez, Mother Dairy, Bikanervala, Haldiram's, etc.
- Government jobs **including** Food Safety Officers, Research Scientists, **and allied services**
- International placements **and** Ph.D. opportunities **in top global universities**
- Start up/ Entrepreneurship opportunity

18. Is the M.Tech program residential with hostel accommodation, or is it meant for day scholars?

All M.Tech students admitted to NIFTEM-K are required to reside at the Institute's hostels. Separate hostel facilities are available for boys and girls within the campus. Please note that there is no provision for day scholar admission in the M.Tech programs.

19. What kind of student activities and interactive sessions are conducted at NIFTEM-K?

NIFTEM-K offers a vibrant campus life with a wide range of student activities aimed at holistic development. Regular academic and professional events such as seminars, workshops, expert talks, industry interaction sessions, and technical competitions are conducted throughout the year. Students also participate in various clubs and societies related to culture, technology, innovation, entrepreneurship, and sports. Annual fests, hackathons, food expos, and inter-college competitions further enrich the student experience and foster leadership, teamwork, and creativity.