

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Q1. What is a Fellow Programme in Management (FPM) and Executive Fellow Programme in Management (EFPM)?

A. FPM is a full time residential doctoral level programme and EFPM is a non-residential doctoral level programme for working professionals and faculty in business schools. These programmes are designed to equip students for career in research, academics and industry. Both the programs are approved by All India Council for Technical Education (Ministry of HRD, Govt. of India).

Q2. Who should do FPM/EFPM?

A. Students/professionals who want to pursue a career in research and academics (including teaching) are the ideal candidates for doctoral level programmes. The applicant should have high scholastic ability and aptitude for research. He/She should have enough motivation to withstand the rigour of the programme.

Q3. What is expected from FPM/EFPM students?

A. The FPM/EFPM programmes consist of two phases. The first phase of the programme involves Fellow Programme-level course work. Students are required to complete the course work within the duration of three semesters of 6 months each. Each semester is followed by a Comprehensive Examination.

The second phase requires scholars to work on their thesis, which involves the preparation and defense of a thesis proposal, writing of the thesis and defense of the thesis. The minimum duration for completion of thesis work is 2 years, while the maximum time a candidate is permitted to submit his/her thesis is 3 years.

The students are also required to produce at least two publishable research articles and case studies before they submit their thesis.

Q4. What is the selection process?

A. The selection will be based on candidate's CAT/GMAT/UGC-NET/BIMTECH Entrance Exam score, performance in personal interview, work experience and past academic performance.

Q5. What is the syllabus for BIMTECH entrance examination?

A. The entrance examination will consist of objective type questions on verbal ability/ language proficiency and mathematical ability.

Q6. Do I apply for a specific area or can I choose my area after getting admission?

A. The candidates are expected to enrol in one of the broad areas of management prior to commencement of the programme. They may be allowed to change the area till the end of the course work. Once the thesis proposal is approved, any change in topic is generally not allowed.

Q7. Does BIMTECH allow foreign nationals to apply for FPM/EFPM?

A. Yes, the eligibility criteria are same. Please refer our website/brochure for details.

Q8. What's the degree/title that I get at the completion of the programme?

A. Students are awarded the title 'Fellow of BIMTECH' after successful completion of the programme.

Q9. What financial aid is available?

A. BIMTECH offers one of the best financial packages for FPM students. Currently the students are provided: 1st Year - Rs. 25,000/-; 2nd Year – Rs. 26000/-; 3rd Year onwards – Rs. 27,000/- per month for 3 years and 6 months as stipend and are exempt from tuition fees. For details refer the brochure.

Q10. Do FPM/EFPM students get any other financial support to meet academic expenses?

A. Financial support for presenting papers in international conferences/seminars held abroad is available once over a period of 3 years. Financial support for presenting papers in conferences/seminars held in India is available once every year.

Q11. Do FPM students get hostel accommodation?

A. Accommodation is available to FPM students subject to availability on nominal rent.

Q12. Do FPM/EFPM students need to teach?

A. No, but FPM students may be assigned academic related work like organising conferences and seminars.