

**Categorization of International / NRI Students** A foreign national may seek admission in any of the courses being offered by the University through the International Students Office under any of the following categories-

- (i) Candidates with nomination / sponsorship by any foreign State, Embassy or authority in India under a Study in India / Exchange Programme, etc.
- (ii) Foreign nationals or their wards who are self-financed students (not seeking admission through a mode as mentioned in (i) above).
- (iii) Non- resident Indians or their Wards (not seeking admission through a mode as mentioned in (i) above).

The definition of the terms, “Foreign Nationals, Non-resident Indians and Wards” be considered as under:-

**1. Foreign Nationals:** Foreign Nationals holding passports issued by foreign countries including people of Indian origin who have acquired the nationality of foreign countries are included as foreign students. Provided any subsequent changes in the definition as may be notified by the Government of India shall have the same latest meaning respectively assigned to them. The other expressions not defined herein shall have the meaning as may be assigned in any subsequent notification of the Government of India.

**2. Non-resident Indians:** A person shall be deemed to be Non-resident Indian for seeking admission in Panjab University if s/he fulfils the criterion (as amended from time to time) for status of NRI under Income Tax Act, 1961, in the year in which he/she seeks admission in Panjab University.

As per Income Tax Act, 1961 the present criterion for determination of status of NRI is as follows:- „Non-resident Indian“ is an individual who is a citizen of India or a person of Indian origin and who is not a resident of India. Thus, in order to determine whether an Individual is a non-resident Indian or not, his residential status is required to be determined under Section 6. As per Section 6 of the Income-tax Act, an individual is said to be non-resident in India if he is not a resident in India and an individual is deemed to be resident in India in any previous year if he satisfies any of the following conditions:-

- (i) If he is in India for a period of 182 days or more during the previous year; or
- (ii) If he is in India for a period of 60 days or more during the previous year and 365 days or more during 4 years immediately preceding the previous year.

However, condition No. 2 does not apply where an individual being citizen of India or a person of Indian origin, who being outside India, comes on a visit to India during the previous year. A person shall be deemed to be of Indian origin if he, or either of his parents or any of his parents or any of his grand – parents, was born in undivided India.

### **3. Wards of Foreign Nationals and NRIs:**

a. A student who seeks admission as a ward of Foreign National or Non-resident Indian should be in a first degree / blood relationship with foreign national or Non-resident Indian. The term first degree / blood relationship includes (a) spouse (b) children (natural / adopted / foster) (c) real brother and sister of father i.e. real uncle and real aunt (d) real brother and sister of mother i.e. real maternal uncle and maternal aunt (e) father and mother of father i.e. grand – father and grand-mother (f) Father and mother of mother i.e. maternal grand-father and maternal grand-mother (g) first degree-paternal and maternal cousins.

**Eligibility and Admission Criterion:**

- (i) The students who will be admitted against the NRI quota should have the basic qualification fixed by the Medical Council / Dental Council / Bar Council of India / Pharmacy Council of India for admission in Medical / Dental / Law graduate / post graduate courses. The Rules of respective Regulatory Bodies shall apply as amended from time to time.
- (ii) NRI candidates seeking admission to any course will be required to produce the Test Scores of Scholastic Aptitude Test-II (SAT-II) with permissible combination of subjects, conducted by the Education Testing Service, Princeton, U.S.A., for admission to under graduate courses; Graduate Record Examination (General) (GRE) from Princeton, U.S.A., or GMAT for admission to Post Graduate Courses. In the case of foreign nationals (non-English speaking countries), TOEFL/IELTS Scores should also be produced.
- (iii) Admission to all Engineering courses against NRI quota in the University Institute of Engineering & Technology (UIET), University Institute of Chemical Engineering & Technology (UICET) and P.U. Regional Centre, Hoshiarpur shall also be admissible through Direct Admissions Students Abroad (DASA) w.e.f. the academic session 2018-2019.
- (iv) NRI candidates shall compete amongst themselves for admission to various courses. Their inter-se merit shall be determined on the basis of the score obtained in SAT-II, GRE, GMAT etc.
- (v) A candidate once admitted as NRI candidate in an undergraduate course shall be covered under the definition of NRI for subsequent admission to any course at Panjab University.
- (vi) Candidates who take admission under the NRI quota and are promoted from Undergraduate to Postgraduate course in the Hons. School framework (ongoing program) shall not be allowed to change their category.
- (vii) A candidate admitted under NRI quota may change his/her admission to a vacant seat provided the candidate falls within the merit of admitted candidates in General or Reserve Category.
- (viii) NRI candidates shall have to comply with any other requirements prescribed by the Govt. of India and Panjab University from time to time.
- (ix) For admission to B.P.Ed. and M.P.Ed. (Physical Education), a candidate will be required to undergo mandatory Physical Efficiency Test. The scores of Physical Efficiency Test will be counted for determining merit.

(X) NRI candidates shall provide the following certificates/documents:-

- a. Academic certificates of passing the qualifying or equivalent examination approved by the Association of Indian Universities (AIU)/Commonwealth Universities/ International Association of Universities (IAU) as equivalent to the corresponding Indian Degrees/Certificates.
- b. Test Score of Scholastic Aptitude Test II (SAT-II)/ GRE / GMAT/ TOEFL/ IELTS ETC.

**C. Fee Structure**

Enclosed as Annexure-I

**D. International Internships/ Summer Training/ Semester Abroad**

Foreign national/ NRI candidates who wish to apply for the above three experiences at Panjab University should send their choice of discipline along with a detailed CV to [dis@pu.ac.in](mailto:dis@pu.ac.in). They will receive detailed guidance within five working days.