

6. MCA PROGRAMME

6.1 MODES OF PROGRAMME:

- o Regular Mode(3yrs, 2yrs)
- o Distance Education Mode(3 yrs)

6.2 ELIGIBILITY:

MCA (3 years duration)

Recognized bachelor degree of minimum 3 years duration in any discipline with at least 60% marks (55% for SC/ST) in aggregate. Mathematics must be studied at 10+2 level or at graduation level, and has also appeared in the entrance test to be conducted by the university.

Mode of Selection: Admission shall be made on the merit of the entrance test to be conducted online by the University across India.

MCA Lateral Entry (2 years duration)

Recognized bachelor degree of minimum 3 years duration in BCA, B.Sc. (IT/ Computer Science) with atleast 60% marks (55% for SC/ST) in aggregate. Mathematics must be studied at 10+2 level or at graduation level, and has also appeared in the entrance test to be conducted by the university.

Mode of Selection: Admission shall be made on the merit of the entrance test to be conducted **offline** by the University at Patiala.

6.3 REGULAR MODE

6.3.1 Duration of the Programme:

The programme is spread over a period of three years consisting of six semesters. The first year is exempted for candidates admitted through lateral entry in the second year. The students study courses for five semesters at the University and do a Software Development Project (SDP) in the sixth semester in some reputed industry.

6.3.2 Number of Seats: 90

In addition to above seats, 1% over and above seats are reserved for children of employees of Thapar University. The candidates seeking admission under this category are required to satisfy the eligibility as mentioned above at 6.2.

6.3.3 Distribution of Seats:

(a) First year

General	SC/ST	PH	Total
64	23	3	90 (+ 14 FN/NRI seats. Refer section 11 for eligibility & other conditions)

(a) Second year through lateral entry

General	SC/ST	PH	Total
17	6	1	24

6.4 DISTANCE EDUCATION MODE:

This programme is also spread over a period of three years consisting of six semesters. The programme is approved by the UGC-AICTE-DEC. The students study courses for five semesters and do a software development project in the sixth semester in the Institution/Industry recognized by TU. The objective of the programme is to provide an opportunity to those students who want to upgrade their studies/ knowledge through distance education as well as for those who are working in any organization. The main thrust in the programme will be to polish the professional aptitude of the students through lectures by the experts in their respective fields.

6.4.1 Salient Features of Distance Education Mode:

- Admission would be made once in a year along with regular MCA students through the same Entrance test conducted by Thapar University, Patiala.
- Expert Lecture notes/ Self Instruction Material would be provided to students at the start of each semester for each subject.
- Ten (10) personal contact hours for laboratory work per semester would be made available for all the students for each subject having laboratory component.
- 16 weeks Project semester would be on similar lines as that for regular MCA students.
- Students would be provided one instructor in-charge for each subject in each semester for clearing the problems.
- Evaluation of the students would be made in the form of quizzes/short answer type questions/ laboratory examination/ assignment sheets and end semester examination with different weightage to each component.

6.4.2 Number of seats: 60

General	SC/ST	PH	Total
43	15	2	60

Note:

- 1 The University, if deems fit, may also admit students in Distance Mode in August 2014 for vacant seats (if any). The eligibility will be same as mentioned at 6.2 above & schedule of admission shall be available on our website in the last week of July 2014.
- 2 MCA (Distance mode) shall run only if minimum of 10 students are admitted in the program.
- 3 In case a candidate is eligible for both MCA (3 years) and MCA (2 years) then he/she is required to apply separately for each program.

IMPORTANT DATES AND INFORMATION:

The online application form is available on www.thapar.edu. Fill the complete details and then take the **print out** of the form. Paste a recent passport size photograph on it. Please keep one copy of the printout of completely filled form as it will be required at the time of document checking during counselling. You can pay the the required amount online or attach DD (in favour of Thapar University and payable at Patiala) and send it to "Incharge Admission Cell' Thapar University, Patiala (Punjab)-147004.

Application fee:

Amount to be deposited with print out of application forms taken from website.	Rs 1500
---	---------

IMPORTANT DATES

	MCA programs
Last date for receipt of completed application forms.	June 04, 2014
Date of Entrance test to be conducted by TU	ONLINE Entrance test (June 24 – 29, 2014) Browse www.thapar.edu for details MCA(OFFLINE TEST for lateral entry) to be conducted at Thapar University, Patiala: June 15, 2014
Display of result of Entrance Test	MCA(OFFLINE TEST for lateral entry): June 22.2014 For others: July 07,2014

Admission schedule:**MCA admission schedule (2 year program)**

Counselling including deposit of fee : June 28, 2014

MCA admission schedule (3 yr program)

Counselling including deposit of fee : July 16, 2014

2 yr program 9.00 AM

3 yr program 10.00 AM

Last round of counselling for vacant seats if any : July 29, 2014

Venue for counselling/document checking: University Auditorium

FOR ANY OTHER DETAILS INCLUDING ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA, FEE ETC

CONTACT (08288008120, 08288008121)
Email: admissions@thapar.edu
Website: www.thapar.edu

IMPORTANT NOTE: Candidates are advised to regularly browse www.thapar.edu for information/instructions regarding admissions. No separate letters shall be sent.

All applications must be sent to "Incharge Admission Cell" Thapar University, Patiala (Punjab)-147004.

Documents required at the time of counselling:

Candidates must bring with them following original certificates and **a set of attested copies of all the certificates** at the dates specified hereunder for various programmes.

- **Copy of the Application form**
- 10+2 /diploma/graduation/post graduation DMC
- Matriculation/Higher Secondary Certificate showing Date of Birth
- Result Card of Entrance Exam
- Admit Card of Entrance Exam
- Character Certificate
- Medical Fitness Certificate
- Reserved Category Certificate on the prescribed proforma and signed from the competent authority (if applicable)
- Affidavit required in case of discontinuity of studies
- Undertaking by candidates not having result of qualifying exam as per prescribed format.
- Migration Certificate
- Income Certificate
- Experience certificate & No objection certificate from employer. (For PhD candidates)
- **Check list proforma**

Commencement of session: July 21, 2014

