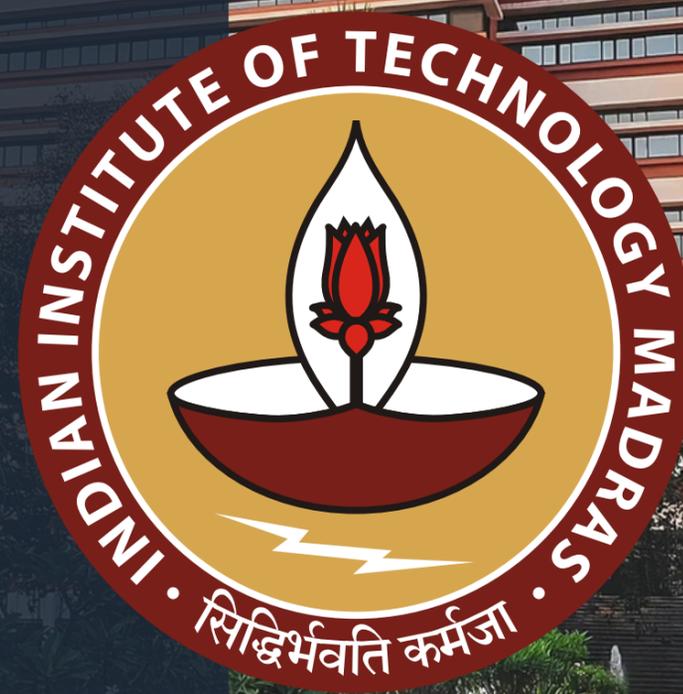


International Semester Exchange Program at IIT Madras

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Plan Your 2026 Academic Calendar



Core Eligibility Requirements



Currently enrolled as a full-time student at an official partner institution.



Officially nominated by your home institution for the exchange program.



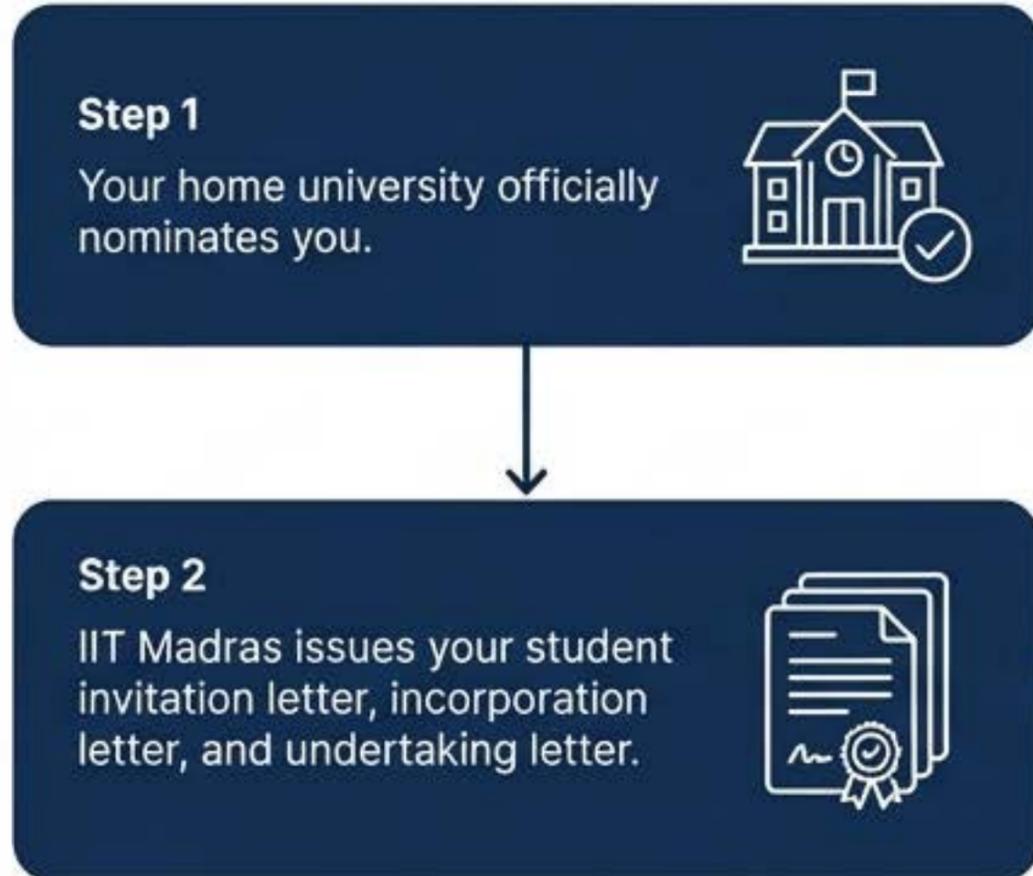
Meet the academic and language proficiency requirements specified for the program.

The Three-Part Application Roadmap



Securing Your Invitations and Visa

Invitation Flow



Requires SII Portal

Visa Flow



Navigating Course Approvals via the SSP Portal

Process opens in June

Step 1

Review the courses offered by departments and the official course list.



Step 2

Log into the SSP portal.



Step 3

Select your preferred courses in the system.



Step 4

Course instructors review your request (they may accept, reject, or offer suggestions).



Step 5

The final list of selected courses is finalized.



Prepare Your Required Documents

PDF Documents Group

Max 1.5 MB each

-  Home Institute ID Card
-  Curriculum Vitae (CV)
-  English Proficiency Certificate
-  Nomination Letter from Current Institute
-  Latest Transcript

Image Documents Group

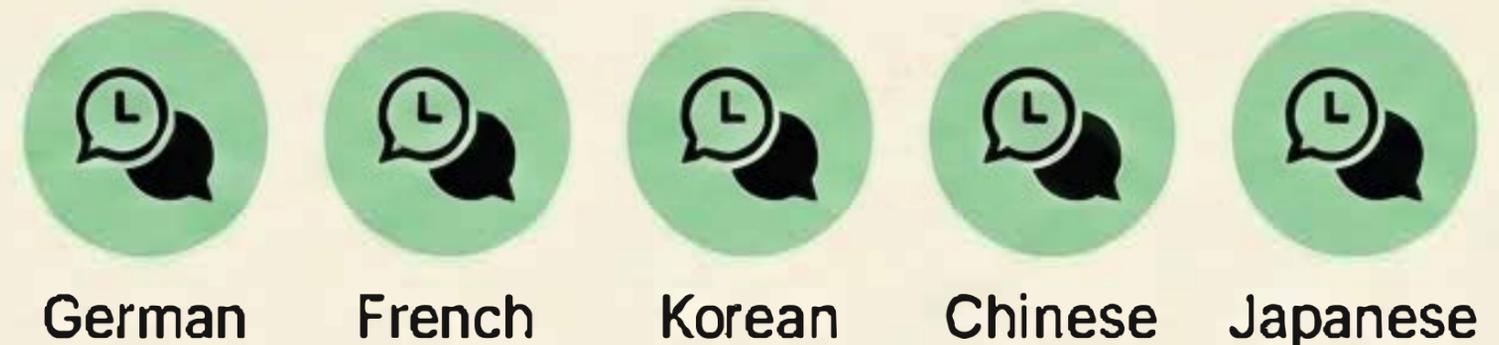
Max 2 MB each | JPG, JPEG, PNG

-  Student Signature
-  Student Photo (for ID Card Purposes)

Academic Landscape



Global Language Courses



Rules for Course Selection

Undergraduate Guidelines

UG students must select UG-level courses appropriate to their current level of study.

Postgraduate Guidelines

PG-level course requests are strictly subject to faculty approval.

The Review Mechanism

All courses are thoroughly reviewed by IITM instructors.

Approve the request

Suggest an alternate course

Reject the request

IIT Madras Credit System



1 Credit hour lecture requires 2 Credit hours of outside classroom work (homework/tutorials).

**1 Credit =
50 minutes
(1 credit hour)
per week.**



**2.5 hours of Lab work
= 3 Credit hours.**



Maximum Workload: Students should not register for more than **66 credit hours** in any given semester. This equates to a maximum time commitment of roughly **55 clock hours** every week.

Academic Expectations: Grading and Attendance

Attendance

Percentage	Category	Code
≥ 95%	Very Good	VG
80 – 94%	Good	G
75 – 79%	Marginal	M
< 75%	Poor	P

Grade Points

S (10 Points)
A (9 Points)
B (8 Points)
C (7 Points)
D (6 Points)
E (4 Points)
U (0 Points)

 Grades 'S' to 'E' indicate successful completion of the course.

Managing Campus Logistics



Accommodation Information

Hostel and Mess facilities are provided on a payment basis. Please note that all accommodation is strictly subject to availability.



Institute Fees & Payment Portal

Students must visit the dedicated fee portal to pay applicable semester and hostel fees after joining the Institute. Once payment is completed, students must download the e-receipt directly from the portal.

Arrival and Onboarding Logistics



Mandatory ID Card Collection

All students must collect their mandatory student ID card upon arrival. This is essential for campus access and identification.



Location

Location: Academic Courses Section, 4th Floor, Administration Building, IIT Madras.



Timing

Timing: From 20.01.2026 onwards, 3 PM to 5 PM.



Requirement

Show invitation letter issued by IIT Madras through SSP.



Prepare for Your Arrival

A warm welcome to our Chief Guest!
All the best for your semester at IIT Madras.
We look forward to welcoming you to our campus.



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