

PRESS RELEASE

Shiv Nadar University opens Admissions for B Tech & BS programmes

- Special orientation session organized for students and their parents in Hyderabad
- Announcement of new schools at SNU - School of Natural Sciences, School of Humanities & Social Sciences after the School of Engineering
- First-of-its-kind scholarship programs launched. Students to receive scholarship benefits
- SNU is conducting a special orientation in Hyderabad with its faculty

June 7 2012, Hyderabad: The Shiv Nadar University today announced admissions for B Tech and BS programmes at the university. All **B. Tech and BS** programmes respectively are four-year courses and are open for the School of Engineering, the School of Natural Sciences and the School of Humanities & Social Sciences. The faculty is also conducting a special orientation in Hyderabad with its faculty for parents and students alike. To know more and register, students and parents can call the counselor at 1800-102-1768 or visit the website.

The Shiv Nadar University also announced India's most generous PhD scholarship program across Engineering, Natural Sciences and Humanities & Social Sciences. Under the unique program, PhD scholars would be entitled to scholarships between **Rs 6 lakh to Rs 9.4 lakh** for four years and **Research Fellowship worth Rs 5.45 lakh per annum**. The University also announced its scholarship program for undergraduate and post graduate courses aimed to help students meet a significant portion of the cost of their education.

Announcing the admissions and the scholarships, **Dr. N Gopal, Director, School of Engineering, Shiv Nadar University** said, *"Shiv Nadar University is committed to providing a dynamic, exciting, discovery-driven intellectual environment for exceptional students. Our unique research lead programs are in line with our vision to create India's premier research-led university. We have also launched a wide range of scholarship programs for deserving students. We believe that a combination of interdisciplinary research, global pedagogy, world-class faculty and infrastructure and the right enabling environment would help us train students for leadership positions in academia, industry, government, research laboratories and nonprofit organizations."* He further added, *"In fact, students from Andhra Pradesh are among the most technology driven and this is reflected by students from the state accounting for among the highest percentage enrolled in the country's top engineering colleges such as the IITs. We're therefore very excited about creating greater salience for SNU with students and their parents here and to enable that we're organizing a special orientation with our faculty here in Hyderabad."*

The University will also be offering scholarships ranging from 25% to 98% on the basis of the merit list. Students who qualify for these scholarships will be required to meet academic and non-academic performance criteria throughout their program of study. The University has categorised various types of scholarships under each program:

- **Scholarships for Undergraduate Programs** – Total value of scholarships per student under this category ranges from Rs. 2,00,000 to 11,60,000

- **Merit Scholarship:** SNU follows a merit based admissions process and is committed to supporting and nurturing the brightest minds to transform them into lifelong learners and leaders. A merit scholarship will entail a 100% tuition fee waiver for 4 years
- **Special Scholarships:** The scheme will support students of exceptional caliber from diverse backgrounds such as students from rural India and those who demonstrate leadership potential through achievements in Sports, Arts, Music etc. A special Rural Scholarship program called the **Vamasundari Scholarship scheme** is being introduced to support merit from rural India. The scheme offers 98% fee waiver to students
- **Interest Waivers:** Under this program, **the University will bear the interest expenses on education loans up to a maximum of INR 4 lakhs for the first three years of the students' program of study**
- **Scholarships & Fellowships for Masters Programs**
 - **Full Tuition and Fees Waiver Program:** Outstanding scholastic achievers will receive scholarships which would cover all the academic tuition and hostel fees for two years of the program
 - **Tuition Fee & Special Fee Waiver:** Students with high scholastic achievements will receive Tuition and Special Fee waivers which would cover the Tuition Fee and Special Fee for two years
- **Scholarship and Fellowships for PhD Programs:** All students who are selected for the PhD programs at the Shiv Nadar University will be awarded a scholarship that covers their Tuition Fee and Special Fee expenses for the entire duration of their program of study. Doctoral students also receive an internationally competitive Research Fellowship of INR 5.45 lakhs per annum for 4 years for working as a research or teaching associate of SNU faculty

The **last date** of receiving application forms for the B. Tech and BS programmes is June 15th 2012. Details of admissions and scholarships programs and information on the new courses are available on the University website www.snu.edu.in.

About Shiv Nadar University

The Shiv Nadar University (www.snu.edu.in) is a research-led, interdisciplinary university designed to create a global centre of learning and education in India. A key initiative of the Shiv Nadar Foundation in higher education, SNU is benchmarked to international education standards with a strong focus on innovation and research and a stimulating learning environment. Set up on a 286-acre campus in the National Capital Region, in close proximity to Delhi, Shiv Nadar University offers a full range of academic degree programs including undergraduate, postgraduate and professional degrees across multiple disciplines.

About Shiv Nadar Foundation

The Shiv Nadar Foundation (www.ShivNadarFoundation.org) has been established by Shiv Nadar, Founder, HCL - a \$6.2 billion leading global technology and IT enterprise, with over 90,000 employees across 31 countries. The 35-year-old enterprise, founded in 1976, is one of India's original IT garage start-ups and offers diverse business aligned technology solutions spanning the entire hardware and software spectrum, to a focused range of industry verticals.

The Foundation is committed to the creation of a more equitable, meritocracy based society by empowering individuals to bridge the socio-economic divide. To that purpose the Foundation is focused on the underdeveloped disciplinary areas in India related to transformational education, creativity and art.

The Foundation set up the SSN Institutions (www.SSN.edu.in) in 1996, comprising the SSN College of Engineering (already a highly ranked private engineering college in India), in Chennai, Tamil Nadu. In addition the Foundation runs the VidyaGyan schools (www.vidyagyan.in) in Bulandshahr, Sitapur and upcoming school near Varanasi. VidyaGyan is a radical social experiment in nurturing leadership from amongst highly gifted rural poor children in Uttar Pradesh. The Foundation is also setting up Shiv Nadar Schools (www.shivnadarschool.edu.in) across India to build world-class schools aiming to provide children with education that creates lifelong learners.

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