

# GATE 2021



Organising Institute  
Indian Institute of Technology Bombay

## GRADUATE APTITUDE TEST IN ENGINEERING

GATE is a national examination jointly conducted by IISc Bangalore and seven IITs (Bombay, Delhi, Guwahati, Kanpur, Kharagpur, Madras, Roorkee) under the aegis of Ministry of Education (MoE), Government of India. GATE examination is a Computer Based Test (CBT).

Qualification in GATE examination is required for admission to Postgraduate Programs (Master's and Doctoral) with Ministry of Education (MoE) and other Government Scholarships/Assistantships, subject to fulfilling the admission criteria of the admitting institute.

The GATE score is also used by some PSUs for their recruitment and by several other universities in India and abroad for their admissions.

GATE 2021 score will remain valid for THREE YEARS from the date of announcement of results.

## ELIGIBILITY

The following candidates are eligible to appear in GATE-2021:

A candidate who is currently studying in 3<sup>rd</sup> or higher years of any undergraduate degree program OR has already completed any government approved degree program in Engineering / Technology / Architecture / Science / Commerce / Arts.

**Disclaimer:** GATE is NOT an admission ensuring examination. Qualifying in GATE examination does NOT guarantee admission / scholarship. Admission to any institute is fully dependent on the admitting institute's criteria for educational qualification. Similarly, GATE qualification does not assure a Public Sector Undertaking (PSU) job, as it depends on the recruitment procedure of the concerned PSU. GATE committee is NOT liable for any legal obligations related to admission / job.

## GATE PAPERS

The following are the GATE-2021 subject papers:

Aerospace Engineering (AE)	Instrumentation Engineering (IN)
Agricultural Engineering (AG)	Mathematics (MA)
Architecture and Planning (AR)	Mechanical Engineering (ME)
Biomedical Engineering (BM)	Mining Engineering (MN)
Biotechnology (BT)	Metallurgical Engineering (MT)
Civil Engineering (CE)	Petroleum Engineering (PE)
Chemical Engineering (CH)	Physics (PH)
Computer Science and Information Technology (CS)	Production and Industrial Engineering (PI)
Chemistry (CY)	Statistics (ST)
Electronics and Communication Engineering (EC)	Textile Engineering and Fibre Science (TF)
Electrical Engineering (EE)	Engineering Sciences (XE)
Environmental Science and Engineering (ES)*	Humanities and Social Sciences (XH)*
Ecology and Evolution (EY)	Life Sciences (XL)
Geology and Geophysics (GG)	

\*Note: ES and XH are new papers introduced in GATE-2021.

A candidate may appear either in ONE or TWO subject papers. For candidates who choose TWO papers, the combination must be from the approved list of combinations and subject to the availability of infrastructure and date.

## IMPORTANT DATES

### Dates of Examination

5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> February 2021

**Important note:** Dates mentioned may change because of COVID-19 situation.

### Application Timeline

Opening date of online registration / application portal:  
**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2020**

Closing date of REGULAR online registration / application:  
**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2020**

End of EXTENDED period for online registration / application  
(with late fee): **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2020**

Announcement of Results: **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2021**

## APPLICATION FEE (PER SUBJECT PAPER)

Gender / Category	Regular period	During the extended period (with late fee)
Female/SC/ST/PwD category candidates	₹ 750	₹ 1250
All other candidates	₹ 1500	₹ 2000

## EXAMINATION CENTRES

GATE-2021 examination will be conducted in select cities and towns in India.

## BAR CODE

All candidates must apply online at GATE Online Application Processing System (GOAPS).

For online application, information brochure and further details, visit the following URL:

<https://gate.iitb.ac.in>



Further details can be obtained by accessing any of the GATE zonal web pages as well.



## Highlights of GATE 2021

- Dates of examination: Friday 5<sup>th</sup>, Saturday 6<sup>th</sup>, Sunday 7<sup>th</sup>, Friday 12<sup>th</sup>, Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> February, 2021. There are two sessions (forenoon and afternoon) each day.
- Fully Computer Based Test (CBT).
- Two NEW subject papers are introduced:
  - i. ES (Environmental Science and Engineering)
  - ii. XH (Humanities and Social Sciences) in Economics / English / Linguistics / Philosophy / Psychology / Sociology.
- Total number of subject papers: 27.
- Syllabi of all subject papers have been revised for GATE 2021.
- All Test Papers of GATE 2021 examinations will be entirely objective type. The pattern of questions will include some Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ), while the remaining questions may include Multiple Select Questions (MSQ) and/or Numerical Answer Type (NAT) questions.
- ONE or TWO subject papers allowed. TWO Paper combinations have to be chosen from the given list of combinations of papers. Final allotment of TWO papers will still be subject to availability of infrastructure and dates.
- Eligibility criteria is relaxed. A candidate who is currently studying in the 3<sup>rd</sup> or higher years of any undergraduate degree program OR has already completed any government approved degree program in Engineering / Technology / Architecture / Science / Commerce / Arts is eligible to appear for GATE 2021 examination.
- There is NO age limit to appear for GATE 2021 examination.
- Applications will be accepted ONLINE only through GATE 2021 website link GOAPS. Even if a candidate is appearing for TWO papers, the candidate should fill ONLY ONE application form.
- GATE 2021 score card will remain valid for THREE years from the date of announcement of results.
- Depending on COVID-19 situation, the schedule of the GATE 2021 examination may change.
- Due to COVID-19 related international travel restrictions, examination at the International centres may be dropped, if situation is not conducive by end of November 2020.
- Details available at the official website: <https://gate.iitb.ac.in>
- Organising Institute: Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (IIT Bombay).