

IIT-G opens doors to professionals

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AHMEDABAD: Bhaskar went to an engineering college in the state and now works with a multinational company. But he has an unfulfilled dream of studying in one of the IITs. However, that may change now.

[Indian Institute of Technology, Gandhinagar \(IIT-G\)](#) has good news for many, like Bhaskar, who had aspired to study at Indian Institutes of Technology. IIT-G will open its doors for students and practicing professionals who are keen on upgrading their knowledge base by coming into the classrooms of the institute.

Beginning this year, IIT-G is accepting applications for `non-degree students`. Students, scientists, engineers and other working professionals can apply to register for one or two courses at IIT-G as non-degree students even as they continue pursuing their endeavours at their parent organizations.

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Director IIT-G Sudhir Jain said, "We have initiated this course to facilitate people to upgrade their knowledge and enable them to grow professionally. By taking part in the courses as a non-degree student, a student may carry out research, take courses for credit or otherwise, or may use other academic facilities of the institute. However, any credits earned by a part-time non-degree student cannot be applied for any degree programme at the institute."

The part-time, non-degree students will have to pay fees between Rs12,000 and 16,000 per course. In addition, students can register for a maximum three courses. The applicants can submit their application forms along with copies of marksheets or grade cards and statement of purpose to the institute's dean or professor in charge of academic affairs at the institute.

The application should be forwarded by competent authority of the institute, or organization where the applicant is registered or employed.

The institute has opened the admission offer for both semester-I (August-November) and semester-II (January-April). The institute is accepting application forms for the semester-I until July 1 and for the semester-II by December, 2011.

"At the end of the course, we would be giving the participants a certificate mentioning that they have taken part in the course at our institute, along with the credits they have earned," said Jain.