

# भारतीय प्रबंध संस्थान अमृतसर Indian Institute of Management Amritsar



# POST GRADUATE CERTIFICATE PROGRAM IN DATA SCIENCE & BUSINESS ANALYTICS

(Online)

February 2023 – January 2024

**PROGRAM BROCHURE** 



#### **About IIM Amritsar**

Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Amritsar is the 15th IIM set up by the Ministry of Human Resource Development with the support of the Government of Punjab. Being located in Amritsar, the land of the Golden Temple and Wagah Border, the Institute benefits from the enriching experience offered by this holy city. The Institute is currently run in the Punjab Institute of Technology Building, 5 km away from the railway station and 10 km from the airport. Its permanent campus will be constructed about 7 km from the ISBT and 8.5 km from the railway station, making it easily accessible.

IIM Amritsar believes in collectively igniting possibilities. Towards fulfilling this objective, the institute plays a crucial role in human capital development by offering various programs like MBA, MBA Business Analytics, MBA HR, EMBA, PhD and various short—and long-term executive education programs. Owing to its indefatigable allegiance to providing exemplary education, IIM Amritsar has established itself as the vanguard of quality education and learning in a short span of time.

The Institute follows the same pedagogy as practiced by the other members of the prestigious IIM fraternity. With the state-of-the-art infrastructure, IIM Amritsar provides a nurturing environment for its students to learn and grow. IIM Amritsar also focuses on creating an entrepreneurial culture, where the students and faculty work together to create the best enterprising solutions. Besides getting to learn from qualified faculty and industry leaders, the students, here, learn by involving themselves in various club and committee activities. The tireless efforts of our students result in their winning many corporate and B-school competitions and, ultimately, their bagging promising career opportunities.

### **About the Program**

**Data is the new oil**. It's is valuable, but if unrefined it cannot really be used. It has to be changed into gas, plastic, chemicals, etc. to create a valuable entity that drives profitable activity; so, data must be broken down, analyzed for it to have value. — Clive Humby, 2006

Today, with the increasing adoption of digital technologies we have access to more data than we had at any point in human history. There is a huge volume of data that has been emanating from various digital sources including our cell phones, social media platforms, computers, financial institutions, and more. For companies to stay relevant and competitive in the 21st century, there is a need to transform this data into actionable insights. Over the past two decades, analytics has rapidly evolved from a simple number crunching exercise to a competitive strategy that is driving innovations across organizations. The explosive growth in the use of analytical methods in the recent years has been fuelled by three major developments – technological advancements leading to a tumultuous surge in data generation at both individual and organizational levels, methodological developments resulting in more effective computational approaches and faster algorithms for handling and exploring massive amount of data, and finally, exponential progress in computing power and storage capabilities.

According to a study by MicroStrategy, companies worldwide are using data to boost process and cost efficiency, drive strategy and change, and monitor and improve financial performance. It also says that over the next few years, the investments in analytics are predicted to accelerate for 71% of the global enterprises. However, as the requirement for skilled professionals in these fields soars, many companies continue to report the short supply of skilled employees. Quanthub has recently compiled data from major job services and reported a shortage of 250,000 in 2020 for skilled data scientists. In light of such trends, skills related to data science, machine learning, artificial intelligence, big data and operations research have become indispensable. And the need for relevant upskilling and specialization has become more important now than ever before.

The Post Graduate Certificate Program in Data Science & Business Analytics – Online (DSBA-Online) from IIM Amritsar provides an avant-garde curriculum with a special focus on the required tools and techniques to formulate, analyze and find solutions to the problems faced by businesses in today's data-driven world. This rigorous 11-months program will be delivered in the online mode offering flexibility to the working professionals who aspire to develop analytical thinking and decision-making skills while continuing with their jobs. There is also an optional 3-day Campus Immersion module at IIM Amritsar campus in which the participants will have the opportunity to meet and interact with the IIM faculty. The program is designed to help aspiring professionals build a robust foundation and advance their careers in the fields of data science and business analytics. The participants will develop basics to advanced understanding of these areas using hands-on training with in-demand tools and techniques, case studies, and capstone projects.

#### **LEARNING OUTCOMES**

- Handle structured and unstructured data and demonstrate data visualization and storytelling through data.
- Develop descriptive, predictive, and prescriptive analytical skills and make real-time, data-driven business decisions.
- Gain hands-on training with in-demand tools and data science languages such as Python, R, MySQL, Tableau, Power BI, and Spreadsheets, and appreciate their utility in solving contemporary business problems.
- Learn to implement AI and ML techniques in decision making.
- Understand Database Management, Big Data and Social Media Analytics and develop skills to analyze Big Data for inferences.
- Appreciate the use of Data Science and Analytics in the domains of Marketing Management, Operations Management, Retail Management, Supply Chain Management, Finance and Human Resource Management.



#### PROGRAM CURRICULUM

Module	Contents
Descriptive Analytics	<ul> <li>♦ Introduction to Data and Statistics</li> <li>♦ Basic Statistical Measures</li> <li>♦ Probability and Random Variables</li> <li>♦ Discrete &amp; Continuous Distributions</li> <li>♦ Hypothesis Testing</li> <li>♦ Analysis of Variance</li> </ul>
Predictive Analytics and Forecasting	<ul> <li>♦ Introduction to R and Exploratory Data Analysis</li> <li>♦ Linear Regression</li> <li>♦ Multivariate Regression Techniques</li> <li>♦ Time Series Regression Analysis and Forecasting</li> <li>♦ Logistic Regression</li> <li>♦ Panel Data Regression</li> </ul>
Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, and Deep Learning	<ul> <li>♦ Introduction to AI and ML</li> <li>♦ Supervised Machine Learning</li> <li>♦ Unsupervised Machine Learning</li> <li>♦ Neural Network</li> </ul>
Database Manage- ment, Big Data and Social Media Ana- lytics	<ul> <li>◆ Database Management Systems</li> <li>◆ Big Data</li> <li>◆ Data Scraping, Data Preprocessing and Data Storage</li> <li>◆ Natural Language Processing (NLP)</li> <li>◆ Network Theory and Social Network Analysis</li> <li>◆ Data Visualization using Tableau and Power BI</li> </ul>
Prescriptive Analytics	<ul> <li>♦ Optimization for Complex Decisions</li> <li>♦ Linear, Integer, Goal and Non-Linear Programming</li> <li>♦ Decision Modelling using Spreadsheets</li> <li>♦ Sensitivity Analysis</li> <li>♦ Decision Making under Uncertainty and Risk</li> <li>♦ Simulation</li> <li>♦ Stochastic Programming</li> <li>♦ Multi-criteria Decision Making</li> </ul>
Application Module	◆ Storytelling using Data  ◆ Marketing Analytics and Digital Marketing  ◆ Operations and Supply Chain Analytics  ◆ Retail Analytics  ◆ Financial Analytics  ◆ People Analytics

Capstone Projects: Participants will be required to take up practical projects so as to gain practical orientation of the analytical tools and techniques learned during the Program. The objective of the project is to give the participants an opportunity to synthesize their learnings from the program, while getting hands-on experience in applying the key principles in a practical context. The projects would provide the participants an opportunity to integrate theoretical and practical aspects and help them develop actionable solutions leading to leadership skills in data science and business analytics.

#### **PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

- Program delivery in the online mode on weekends offering flexibility to working professionals.
- Learn from world class IIM Amritsar faculty from anywhere.
- 3-day long Campus Immersion module in which the participants will have the opportunity to meet and interact with the IIM faculty.
- 11-months rigorous program with casebased interactive sessions, hands-on training with in-demand tools and techniques, periodic evaluations and capstone projects.
- Program Completion Certificates from IIM Amritsar.
- ♦ Alumni status as per institute policy.

# PROGRAM COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS

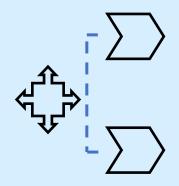
- The program will have periodic evaluations comprising both objective and subjective assessments in the form of assignments, quizzes, practical projects, and presentations.
- IIM Amritsar awards program completion certificates to the course participants who successfully complete all the academic requirements and adhere to IIM Amritsar's academic and non academic policy requirements.





#### WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Data has rightly been called the new Oil. With the advent of technology driven business practices, individuals trained and upskilled in Data Science and Business Analytics are the most sought-after candidates for various job roles across industries.



Fresh graduates from any discipline having familiarity with high school mathematics and aspiring to build a career in data science, business analytics and related fields

Working professionals with work experience in any industry, having appreciation of high school mathematics and a keen interest towards enhancing their skills in data science and business analytics

#### **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

- Bachelor's degree in any discipline with consistent academic performance.
- Familiarity with high-school mathematics and good oral and written communication skills
- Preference will be given to candidates with work experience after completion of Graduation

#### PROGRAM STRUCTURE

- ♦ Duration: 11 months with 220 contact hours
- ♦ Days: Classes on Saturdays and Sundays
- Mode: Instructor led Virtual Classroom
- Campus Immersion (optional): 3 day-long campus immersion at IIM Amritsar

#### **APPLICATION PROCESS**

- The application form for admission to the 11-months DSBA-Online Program (February 2023 January 2024) will be available at the institute's website.\*
- A non-refundable application fee of INR 1500/- + 18% GST has to be paid electronically at the time of submitting the application form.
- The applicants may subsequently be called for a personal interaction round to be conducted online by IIM Amritsar.





#### **IMPORTANT DATES\*\***

Registration & Orientation	<b>February 5, 2023</b>
Classes Start Date	February 11, 2023
Program Ends by	January 2024

<sup>\*\*</sup> Tentative and subject to change

#### **PROGRAM FEE**

Application Fee	INR 1,500/- + 18% GST
	INR 1,65,000/- + 18% GST
Campus Immersion Fee (Single occupancy) (Optional)##	INR 21,000/- + 18% GST

#### **INSTALMENT SCHEDULE (INCLUDING GST)**

Enrolment fee Within 7 days from the date of Offer	INR 48,675
Instalment 1: On or before March 5, 2023	INR 48,675
Instalment 2: On or before May 5 2023	INR 48,675
Instalment 3: On or before July 5, 2023 (without campus immersion)	INR 48,675
Instalment 3: On or before July 5, 2023 (with campus immersion)##	INR 73,455

<sup>\*</sup>Fee includes tuition and study materials for the program.

<sup>##</sup>Not applicable for participants who have not opted for campus immersion. However, these participants will still attend the sessions online during this week.

# **SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS**

- Processor: with Dual Core 2 Ghz or higher (i3/ i5/ i7 or AMD equivalent)
- RAM: 4 GB or higher
- OS: Either MacOS 10.7 or higher OR Windows 8 or higher
- Browser: IE 11+, Edge 12+, Firefox 27+, Chrome 30+
- Speakers and microphone: built-in or a USB plug-in or wireless Bluetooth
- Webcam: built-in or USB plug-in
- Zoom software client installed on your PC/ Laptop/ Mac

## **PROGRAM COORDINATOR**



Prof Shuvabrata Chakraborty

Quantitative Methods & Operations Management

Dr. Shuvabrata Chakraborty is associated with the Quantitative Methods and Operations Management area at the Indian Institute of Management Amritsar. He has completed his Ph.D. from the Indian Institute of Management Lucknow under the guidance of Prof. Yogesh K. Agarwal. His teaching interests include Operations Research, Operations Management, Business Analytics and Simulation.

Shuvabrata is a B.Tech. (Gold Medalist) in Mechanical Engineering from the National Institute of Technology Silchar and has worked as a piping engineer with the Engineers India Limited (EIL) for nearly five years before pursuing his PhD.



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