

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, VINAYA-BHAVANA, VISVA-BHARATI, SANTINIKETAN

HISTORY OF THE DEPARTMENT

The genesis of the Department of Education dates back to the functioning of a full-fledged craft-oriented Teacher Training Institution, named as Vinaya-Bhavana, in 1948. Right from its inception it has been mandated to make a Praxis of Education by bridging the gap between theory and practice. Orientation and training of teachers, initially of craft and subsequently of secondary and master level teachers, have been its prime concern. With the passage of time and in keeping pace with the contemporary demands, the department has relentlessly worked and added feathers to its cap with two-year B.Ed. and two-year M.Ed. teacher education programs and M.A. (Education) Program as a liberal stream of education. Doctoral level research program is gaining momentum in the department. Its esteemed faculty members have always made their remarkable contributions towards formulation of National Policies of Education, National Curriculum Frameworks of Teacher Education under NCTE, National Curriculum Frameworks of School Education and formulation of Learning Outcomes at school level under NCERT and Model Curriculum of UGC. Introduction of four-year integrated teacher education program, adoption of villages having schools facilitating internship in B.Ed. and M.Ed. programs for their all-round development through need-based community services, and establishment of Centre for Studies in Human Values and Epoch-making Thinkers are the future plans on priority.

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS AND COURSES OFFERED WITH STUDENT INTAKE

Program Name	Number of Courses	Student Intake
Two-year B.Ed.	27	100
Two-year M.Ed.	20	50
M.A. (Education)	16	50
Ph.D. in Education	03	As per Vacancy

TWO-YEAR B.Ed. (BACHELOR OF EDUCATION)

The two-year B.Ed. Program is of four semesters with student intake of 100. It offers training in 19 pedagogy subjects: Bengali, English, Hindi, Sanskrit, Santali, Economics, Education, Geography, History (Ancient & Modern), Music (Rabindra-Sangeet & Classical), Philosophy, Mathematics, Statistics, Physical Science (Physics & Chemistry) and Life Science (Botany & Zoology). The pre-service candidates must have studied any two of the subjects cited above at graduation level, one of which should be Honours/Major subject passing with 50% marks. It offers limited seats for direct admission to in-

service candidates with at least three years continuous teaching experience in any secondary school recognized by the Central or respective State Government.

TWO-YEAR M.Ed. (MASTER OF EDUCATION)

The two-year M.Ed. Program is of four semesters with student intake of 50 in three groups of pedagogy: Language, Social Science and Science. Candidates seeking admission to the M.Ed. program should have obtained at least 50 % marks or an equivalent Grade each in a) B.Ed., b) B.A. B.Ed./ B.Sc. B.Ed., c) B. El. Ed. or, d) D. El. Ed. and in undergraduate degree.

M.A. (MASTER OF ARTS) IN EDUCATION

The Master of Arts in Education is a regular four-semester program with a student intake of 50. The candidates who have passed three-year B.A. (Honours/ Major) with 50% marks in Education are primarily eligible for the program. However, students of Visva-Bharati with 50% marks in three-year B.A. (Honours/ Major) in any other discipline with Education as a Subsidiary Subject/ B.Ed. with 50 % marks are also eligible to apply.

Ph.D. IN EDUCATION

The candidates with M. A. (Education)/M. Ed. degree with 55% or equivalent are eligible for admission to the program. The student intake depends upon the availability of seat(s) and the priority areas of research.

For admission to any academic program, reservation and any other relaxation (marks, age, etc.) for the candidates belonging to SC, ST, OBC, EWS, PWD and other applicable categories, if any shall be as per the rules of the Government of India and Visva-Bharati. The relevant information regarding admission is displayed on the Visva-Bharati website: www.visvabharati.ac.in