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Participants are admitted to the program based on a combination of requirements. First, the candidate must hold a Bachelor's Degree of any of the Universities incorporated by an Act of the Central or State legislature in India or other educational institutions established by an Act of Parliament or declared to be deemed as a University under section 3 UGC Act, 1956, or possess an equivalent qualification recognized by the Ministry of HRD, Government of India. The Bachelors Degree or equivalent qualification obtained by the candidate must entail a minimum of three years of education after completing higher secondary schooling (10+2) or equivalent. Diploma holders cannot apply to this program unless they also possess a Bachelors degree.

Second, applicants need to have a minimum of two years experience in the IT industry as on June 1, 2013. The average experience for the batch of 2012 is about 8 years.

Admission Requirements

For the PGSEM batch starting 2013, applicants must mandatorily choose any one of these two options for selection:

Applicants may take the Common Admission Test (CAT 2012) conducted jointly by the IIMs and indicate that they want to apply for the PGSEM in the CAT 2012 Application Form. The CAT 2012 scores will be used in their application process. Please see the CAT IIM website at http://www.catiim.in/ for more details on CAT. A separate application has to be submitted for PGSEM between December 18, 2012 - February 15, 2013 with the CAT 2012 score (Details are provided in the section 'How to Apply').

Applicants may take the GMAT. Applicants who have already taken the test may attach a copy of their GMAT scores along with the application. Scores of GMAT taken after Jan 1, 2010 only are valid. Applicants who are going to take the test may have the score sent directly to the PGSEM Office. The GMAT Code for IIMB PGSEM is Q9H-KK-32. Separate application has to be submitted for PGSEM between December 18, 2012 - February 15, 2013 with the GMAT score (Details are provided in the section 'How to Apply').

No other test (GATE/GRE/etc.) will be considered in lieu of the above options.

Interviews will be conducted for short-listed candidates in Bangalore only. At the time of interview, candidates are required to produce letters of approval from their employers indicating that they are permitted to pursue the program. Final selection will be made based on the prior academic performance, duration and nature of work experience, CAT/GMAT test scores, and performance in the interview.

Candidates who are unable to attend the interview on defined location and date may be interviewed through video-conferencing system. This facility is available subject to the following conditions:

- Requests should be made at least 15 days in advance of the scheduled interview date.
- Video interviews will be held during the specified interview period only at a date and time to be indicated by IIMB. No extension of date or other changes will be permitted in this regard.
- Arrangements for video conferencing system usage at the candidate's location have to be made by the candidate as per date and time specified.
- Charges for video conferencing system usage at the candidate's location and charges for connectivity to IIMB's facility will have to be borne by the candidate or his/her employer.
- The duration of such an interview is expected to be about 30 minutes under condition of good connection and transmission. In the event of poor link connectivity, the time may be extended if necessary as per the discretion of the admission committee.