

Eligibility Criteria for Fine Arts and Culture Excellence Admission

The candidates should satisfy ALL the following criteria to be eligible to apply for FACE admission to IIT Madras.

- A. The candidate should be an Indian national (by birth or naturalization) or OCI/PIO candidate who have chosen to be treated at par with Indian nationals at the time of JEE (Advanced) 2025 registration¹.
- B. The candidate should be qualified in JEE (Advanced) 2025 and have obtained a rank in the Common Rank List (CRL) or category-wise rank list in JEE (Advanced) 2025. The position in the rank list may be in any of the categories for which rank lists are prepared, thereby ensuring that the benefits of reservations are not lost and the requisite academic requirement is not diluted.
- C. The candidate should have obtained the minimum required marks in class XII as per the eligibility criteria for IITs (Clause 26 of the Information Brochure (IB), JEE (Advanced) 2025).
- D. Candidates should have received a recognition in at least one of the following in recognition of their excellence in fine arts and cultural activities.
 - a. Must have received an award that is given **once-in-a-lifetime** for an art form given by the government of India (See Appendix A for the list of awards that are considered).
 - b. Must have at least one of the recognitions in category A or category B in the list of awards/recognition/fellowships listed in Appendix A, in the **last SIX years**.

Table 1: Proposed Point System for FACE Admission. The details of the Award/Recognition type are provided in the **Appendix-A**

Sl.No.	Award/Fellowship/Certification	Points
1	Once-in-Lifetime	100
2	Category A	75
3	Category B	50

¹ As per the decision dated 03 February 2023, passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in WP(Civil) 891/2021, OCI/PIO candidates who have obtained their OCI/PIO card before 04.03.2021 will be treated at par with Indian nationals.

APPENDIX - A

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Sl. No.	Event Name	Category
1	Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar under Arts and Culture awarded by Ministry of Women and Child Empowerment, Government of India	One-Time
2	National Bal Shree Honour in <i>creative performance, creative art, creative painting</i> awarded by Ministry of Education, Government of India	One-Time
3	National Youth Award under <i>Art/Culture</i> awarded by Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India	One-Time
4	Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar awarded by Sangeet Natak Akademi , Government of India	One-Time
5	Active B-grade certification from All India Radio or Doordarshan, Prasar Bharati, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India during the last SIX years.	Category A
6	Empaneled Artists to perform in Indian Festivals Abroad by the Government of India in the last SIX years	Category A
7	Award of Scholarship to Young Artists (SYA) , Ministry of Culture, Government of India	Category A
8	Award in National Youth Festival Competition in the stage 4 where the presentation (in the domain of Arts and Culture) is made to the Prime Minister	Category A
9	Cultural Talent Search Scholarship Award (CCRT) , Ministry of Culture, Gol.	Category B