



Frequently asked questions (FAQs) – F.Y.B.Sc. Admissions

1. What is the eligibility criteria for admission to F.Y.B.Sc. Forensic Science?

12th Science (or 10+2 equivalent) with subjects like Physics, Chemistry, and Biology/Mathematics with minimum 45% marks from Maharashtra State Board, CBSE Board or any other recognized board.

2. When does the application process begin?

The application process usually commences around May, immediately after the declaration of Maharashtra State Board result of class 12th. Specific dates vary each year, so candidates should monitor the official website of the institute for the latest schedule.

3. What is the procedure for applying for admission?

Apply for pre-admission registration at the university website https://hbsu.ac.in/ by carefully selecting the program name and the institute. Then apply on the institute website https://ifsm.ac.in/ for the required program. Applications are accepted in online mode only through the institute's official website during the admission period. No application by email or hard copy shall be considered for admission. Make sure to complete the registration and follow all steps carefully. Read the **ADMISSION NOTICE** carefully.

4. Is there any entrance exam for admission, or is it based on merit?

No entrance exam will be conducted by the Institute or the University for the admission. The admissions shall be based on marks obtained in 12th Science. The scores of the Common University Entrance Test (CUET) UG and All India Forensic Science Entrance Test (AIFSET) are not being considered for F.Y.B.Sc. admissions as of now.

5. What documents are required for the admission process?

All educational qualification documents like marksheets and certificates, Leaving Certificate or Transfer Certificate, Academic Bank of Credit (ABC) enrollment, other applicable documents like domicile certificate, caste certificate, caste validity certificate, non-creamy layer certificate, PWD (Divyangjan) certificate, gap certificate, migration certificate, etc. are required for the admission process.

6. Are there any reservations or quotas for certain categories of students?

Yes, the social reservation policy of state government and Dr. Homi Bhabha State University, Mumbai shall be followed strictly. There shall be a quota of 6 seats out of total 60 seats for the candidates domiciled from states other than Maharashtra.

7. What is cut-off percentage for admission to F.Y.B.Sc.?

The cut-off percentage changes every year depending on the total number of applications, social and other reservation norms, etc. Nothing can be predicted about the cut-off percentage.

8. What is the duration of the B.Sc. program in Forensic Science?

The duration of B.Sc. (Forensic Science) is four years (eight semesters) with relevant exit options as per the provisions of NEP-2020. No integrated B.Sc.-M.Sc. program is being offered.

9. Is there any age limit for admission to B.Sc. in Forensic Science?

There is no age limit for the admission to B.Sc. (Forensic Science) as such, but only candidates below the age of 25 are encouraged to apply.

10. What is the total intake capacity for B.Sc. at the Institute of Forensic Science?

The total intake capacity for B.Sc. (Forensic Science) is 60. A total of 54 students from Maharashtra state and 6 students from other states.

11. What is the fee structure for the B.Sc. program? Are there any scholarships available?

The fee structure for the B.Sc. (Forensic Science) program is as per the directions from the Dr. Homi Bhabha State University, Mumbai. The fee payable is dependent on domicile, social category, board, etc. The admission fee ranges from Rs. 5,000/- to Rs. 15,000/- per year. The exact amount of fees will be communicated after successful verification of documents during the admission rounds. The examination fee ranges from Rs. 500/- to Rs. 2000/- per semester depending on the number of theory, lab and project courses. Scholarships are available as per the government norms (Maha DBT portal). The institute does not provide its own scholarships or any financial aid.

12. Is there any provision for lateral entry into the program for students who have completed diplomas or equivalent qualifications in related fields?

Currently there is no provision for lateral entry for the admissions to F.Y.B.Sc. Admissions to subsequent classes may be considered on case-to-case basis, subject to the availability of vacancies. Multiple entry and exit will be followed as per the provisions mentioned in NEP-2020. Admissions shall be done at the beginning of odd semesters only.

13. What is the procedure of admission to direct second/ third year of B.Sc. program?

The first/ second year should be completed from a recognized university and there should be no backlog (ATKT) in any of the preceding semesters. Apply on plain paper in the name of the Director, Institute of Forensic Science, Mumbai seeking admission to the desired class. Attach marksheets of all preceding semesters. Submit the application to the office. Online application for these classes shall not be entertained. The admissions shall be made based on available vacancies, merit of the candidate and equivalence.

14. What is the syllabus and course structure for B.Sc. in Forensic Science?

Please visit the official <u>website</u> of the institute for the syllabus and course structure of B.Sc. (Forensic Science) program.

15. Are there any internship opportunities or practical training included in the program? Yes, internships/ on-job-training/ field projects are an integral part of the curriculum.

16. What are the career prospects after completing B.Sc. in Forensic Science?

There are various career prospects after completing B.Sc. (Forensic Science) program in various private industries from the field, technical posts in forensic science laboratories like scientific assistant, etc. Progression to master and doctoral studies is also a great option for B.Sc. (Forensic Science) graduates.

17. Does the institute provide placement assistance or career counseling services? Yes.

18. What are the facilities available for research and practical training in forensic science at the institute?

Basic as well as sophisticated instruments are available in the institute for research and practical training of its students.

19. Is hostel accommodation available for outstation students?

Yes, hostel accommodation is available for outstation students on need-cum-merit basis. There is a fixed number of seats available for the students of the institute at state government owned hostels. The institute only provides Bonafide certificate for hostel admission. The admissions to hostel are done by hostel administration separately, independent of the institute. Admitted students can apply for hostel accommodation as per schedule which will be provided only after confirmed admission.

20. Is there any provision for distance or online learning for B.Sc. in Forensic Science? No, the institute offers only full-time on-campus offline UG & PG degree/ PG diploma programs.

21. How to reach the institute?

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From Churchgate: Walking or By BEST bus number 106, 112, 123 or 137 – Museum. *From Mumbai CSMT*: By BEST bus number 111 or 108 – Golden Gate; 116 or 139 – Museum.

22. Who can I contact for further information or assistance regarding admission to B.Sc. in Forensic Science at the Institute of Forensic Science, Mumbai?

Please read the above FAQs carefully. If you still have a query about B.Sc. admissions, then contact UG admission committee through email only. <u>ugadmissions@ifsm.ac.in</u>
No calls shall be entertained for the inquiry.

For general queries: institute.forensicscience@gmail.com

For admission to M.Sc. and/ or PG Diploma Programs: pgadmissions@ifsm.ac.in