Admission to two-year M.Des. in XR Design, AY 2026-27

IIT Jodhpur invites applications for admission to the M.Des. program in XR Design offered by the School of Design for the semester commencing from July 2026.

Overview: The MDes XR Design is a pathbreaking program in the emerging area of Augmented Reality (AR), Mixed Reality (MR), and Virtual Reality (VR) experience design that addresses the growing need of the industry to create useful, engaging, and socially relevant experiences that extend the real world or live entirely in the virtual, in areas such as healthcare, entertainment, and education.All details about the program can be seen here: https://iitj.ac.in/school-of-design/

The M.Des. in XR Design program offers the following categories of seats.

(a) Full time regular with fellowship

The full-time regular seats are filled based on the following process:

1. Candidates will be shortlisted based on a shortlist score derived from the candidate's CEED score and Portfolio submitted along with the application.

2. Shortlisted candidates will be called for the studio test and personal interview. The studio test and interview will assess the candidate's design aptitude, problem-solving skills, and creativity. The final selection will be based on the CEED score, portfolio, studio test and interview. Not appearing for the studio test and interview would lead to disqualification.

The category distribution of these seats will be as per government guidelines.

(b) Self Sponsored

The self-sponsored seats are filled based on the following process:

1. Candidates will be shortlisted based on a shortlist score derived from the candidate's Portfolio submitted along with the application.

2. Shortlisted candidates will be called for the studio test and personal interview. The studio test and interview will assess the candidate's design aptitude, problem-solving skills, and creativity. The final selection will be based on the portfolio, studio test and interview. Not appearing for the studio test and interview would lead to disqualification.

Seats: Students can apply for full-time regular with fellowship (if they have a valid CEED 2026 score) or self-sponsored seats, or both. **The program has 28 seats - 15 in the full-time regular with fellowship category, and 13 in the self-sponsored category.** Candidates who wish to apply under both seat categories (full-time regular with fellowship and self-sponsored) must create a separate login in the ERP system using a different email ID and then apply for the second category.

Faculty: Some of the best minds in the country have contributed to the creation of the industry-ready program. The faculty members from across the country who will be mentoring the students are listed here:
https://iitj.ac.in/school-of-design/faculty.php

A. APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Application link: Candidates are requested to use the following link to fill out and submit the application form online: ERP Application Link

Submission of Portfolio:

● Upload the Portfolio (as a single 11-page PDF file, less than 10 MB) after filling out the IITJ application form in ERP.

● The Portfolio must have the following content:

Content	Number of Slides/Pages
Title Slide (Name and Application Number)	1
Best Project 1	4
Best Project 2	4
Sample Sketches	1
Skills (Sculpting, CAD modeling, Weaving, Model making, Painting, Digital Sketching, Rendering, Photography, etc.)	1
Total Slides/Pages	**11**

Application dates:

For full-time regular with fellowship and self-sponsored seats, admission to the First Semester of the AY 2026-2027 commencing in July 2026, the online link will remain active till 21st April 2026.

Application Processing Fees:

The application processing fee applies to each program selected. Candidates belonging to GEN-UR, GEN-EWS, and OBC categories are required to pay a processing fee of Rs. 300 (for each program) online, while SC, ST, and PD

candidates need to pay Rs. 150 (for each program) during the submission of their application forms.

Note:

- *Candidates applying for multiple programs (XR and Smart Product Design) under the same admission category (full-time regular with fellowship or self-sponsored) can use a single application form in ERP for both programs.*

- *Candidates should select both XR Design and Smart Product Design only if they are interested in applying for both programs.*

- *In the ERP application form, under the dropdown labeled "Preference of Disciplinary Major/Centre/School/Course," candidates can select either XR Design or Smart Product Design as Option 1. If they wish to apply for both programs, they can select the second program under Option 2. Please note that the term "Preference" in this context does not indicate any ranking or priority. The order in which you select the programs will have no impact on the evaluation, admission process, or final offer.*

- *Candidates who wish to apply under both categories (full-time regular with fellowship and self-sponsored) must create a separate login in the ERP system using a different email ID and then apply for the second category.*

Queries

In case of any technical query with respect to the online application, candidates may contact the ERP Team (erp@iitj.ac.in).

General queries may be directed - between 10.00 a.m. and 5.00 p.m. on working days - to the following:
Office of School of Design, Phone Number: 0291-280-1782
Email: office_design@iitj.ac.in

A step-by-step guide to the application process in the ERP portal is available here:
How to Apply through the ERP Portal

B. ELIGIBILITY FOR ADMISSION

1. A valid CEED scorecard (mandatory only for full-time regulars with fellowship seats).

2. The applicant must have a bachelor's degree (program duration: 4 years or more) **OR** Professional Diploma in Design: 10+2+4 years (minimum 4-year diploma program **OR** Master's Degree, or an equivalent degree as decided by IIT Jodhpur.

3. A minimum of 60% marks in the qualifying degree for GEN/OBC (55% for SC/ST/PD) category in aggregate or as specified by the university/institute or a minimum CGPA of 6.0 for GEN/OBC (5.5 for SC/ST/PD) category on the scale of 10; with corresponding proportional requirements when the scales are other than on 10 (for example 4.8 for GEN/OBC category, 4.4 for SC/ST/PD on a scale of 8), or a first-class as specified by the university/institute.

C. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND AWARDS

1. All full-time regular students eligible for assistantship/fellowship may be eligible for a monthly stipend as per MoE notified rate in return for 8 hours of work per week of Teaching or Research Assistantships as per the Institute norms amended from time to time.

2. All students can be considered for various school and institute support in the form of awards, grants, etc as per the Institute norms amended from time to time.

D. RESERVATION POLICY

The norms of reservation for different categories shall be adopted as laid down by the Ministry of Education, Government of India.

E. TOTAL SEATS

The program will admit a total of 28 students - 15 in the full-time regular with fellowship and 13 in the self-sponsored categories. After three rounds of seat allotment, if any seats remain unfilled, they will be filled through spot admission.

F. ACCOMMODATION : Admitted students under various categories may be provided with institute hostel accommodation, subject to availability.

G. IMPORTANT DATES

Last Date for Submission of online application (full-time regular and self-sponsored)	21 April 2026
Studio test and interview	May 18 to May 23, 2026
Declaration of merit list and offer of admission - First round	May 27, 2026, Wednesday
Fees payment and confirmation of admission - First round	June 02, 2026, Tuesday
Declaration of merit list and offer of admission - subsequent rounds	June 04, 2026, Thursday
Spot admission (If any seats remain vacant)	Dates to be announced

H. IMPORTANT NOTE ON ELIGIBILITY AND ADMISSION CANCELLATION

IIT Jodhpur reserves the right to immediately cancel the admission of any candidate at any stage of the admission process or at any stage of the program, if it is found that the candidate does not fulfill the prescribed eligibility criteria as per the official advertisement or the candidate has provided incorrect/incomplete information in the Application Form. The decision of the Institute in such matters will be final and will be binding on the candidates. All legal matters shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the Competent Court and Forum in Jodhpur, Rajasthan, India only.