FAQ

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Q.1 What are the different Departments in IIT Goa?

We have the School of Chemical and Materials Sciences, School of Electrical Sciences, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, School of Mathematics and Computer Science, School of Mechanical Sciences, and School of Physical Sciences.

Q.2 What is the Faculty to Student Ratio?

With around 51 faculties in total for over 546 students, IIT Goa offers a student to teacher ratio of 10:1 thus making them easily approachable, allowing students sufficient interaction with concerned faculties to discuss even the finest concepts of their courses and beyond.

Q.3 Are Minor and Honour Courses offered?

Yes, IIT Goa has introduced the Minor and Honour courses for their students and interested students can opt for the courses in addition to the Core (Major) courses.

Q.4 Is there a Branch Change Policy?

Yes, as per the academic rules in place, the Institute allows students to change their branch after the end of the first year.

Q.5 What is the No-Fail Policy?

To relieve the stress of the new students who enter the institute, perceiving an intense competition, in an environment entirely new to his/her experience, a No-Fail policy has been implemented. This No-Fail policy will not reduce any Academic credit requirement for obtaining the degree. Following are the salient features of the No-Fail policy -

- For the first semester, the transcript of the student will not show any F grade, will show grades only for the courses which have been cleared by the student.
- A course in which the student has obtained a failing grade will be treated as a course which was not registered.
- The student has to pass in the failed course in the subsequent semesters for completing the requirements for obtaining the degree.
- Grades obtained in the First Semester by the student will appear on his/her transcript, however, No SPI (Semester Performance Index) will be computed for the first semester and the overall performance, i.e., the cumulative performance index (CPI) will be computed on the basis of the rest of the seven semesters.

Q.6 How is the Online Semester being carried out in the current pandemic?

We have shifted to an online mode of teaching. Recorded Lectures are being uploaded, Live Classes are scheduled on Zoom/Google Meet/Online Platforms, and Assignment Submissions and Quizzes are held for regular course evaluation.

Q.7 What were the Opening and Closing Ranks for 2019?

Branch	Opening Rank*	Closing Rank*
Computer Science and Engineering (CSE)	2495	3865
Mathematics and Computing (MnC)	3487	5067
Electrical Engineering (EE)	5985	7048
Mechanical Engineering (ME)	7625	9473

^{*}Above data is for Open Gender-Neutral Category, for the complete list visit - https://josaa.nic.in/webinfocms/Handler/FileHandler.ashx?i=File&ii=177&iii=Y

TRAINING AND PLACEMENT AFFAIRS

Q1. Why should I choose IIT Goa, how is it different from other IITs training and placement wise? Speaking in terms of internships and placements, Goa not only attracts tourists but also various companies. IIT Goa's special allowance of Six Months Internship makes it unique and prepares the students to be industry-ready. This six-month internship (in the 7th semester) is allowed only by a couple of IITs and many startups and big corporations are participating actively in this six-month internship drive. Some of the good companies where our students are working are ARM (now part of NVIDIA), Schneider Electric, MathWorks, Siemens, ABB, and a couple of students got selected for foreign universities (NTU). As far as placements are considered, last year (2016 batch) a total of 5 students grabbed a package of around 30 LPA in world-famous companies like Microsoft, Amazon, Media.NET. The average package for SDE Role was around 18 LPA. One student even got selected for GMO Japan. We are looking forward to an even more amazing and successful placement drive this year.

Q2. Does IIT Goa allow foreign internships for Six Months?

Yes, we do invite various companies for foreign internships, especially from Japan and Universities from France and Portugal (do have a look at the list of MoUs signed by IIT Goa).

Also, many of our professors are collaborating with projects with various multinational organizations, which not only provides our students with the opportunity to work on those projects but also allows them to be in touch with them.

Q3. What are the famous companies that visit IIT Goa for placements/internships?

Well, there are a lot of them, to name a few: Amazon, Microsoft, Media.NET, GMO, ABB, MathWorks, Siemens, ARM, RIL (Reliance Industries Ltd.), Paytm, etc.

For more information, do visit: https://www.iitgoa.ac.in/~placement/

CULTURAL AFFAIRS

Q1. What are the various cultural clubs in IIT Goa and what are the requirements to join them?

The following are the cultural clubs at IIT Goa -

Music Club: Orion
Dance Club: Meraki
Fine Arts Club: Eunoia
Oratory Club: Panache
Drama Club: Mukhota
Literature Club: Qalam
Photography Club: Originals
Student Design Team

Every club conducts events of their own on a regular basis and students can join any club which interests them even if they have no prior experience, the only thing you need is to have a sincere interest and will to learn while you enjoy.

Q2. What are the cultural fest(s) conducted by the college and what are some of the other fests that IIT Goa participates in?

IIT Goa Cultural council organizes the intra-college fest called Flock each year. It sees participation in large numbers from the student community. IIT Goa also conducted the 1st edition of its Inter College Techno-Cultural fest CultRang in early 2020. It saw participation from multiple colleges around Goa. The student community of IIT Goa also consistently participates in the following fests from other colleges -

Saavyas: NIT Goa
Waves: BITS Goa
Inkarno: NICMAR
Happenings: GEC
Inter IIT Cultural Fest

Q3. How are the Cultural activities being carried out in IIT Goa during this pandemic?

In spite of the semester being held virtually, IIT Goa's Cultural Council has been very active in organizing several events and competitions to keep the students engaged. Some of these competitions are online photography competitions, music jam sessions, tv shows quiz contests, guess the jingle, online literature, oratory competitions like poetry, debate, etc. Song covers have been made by our music club and an online dance collaboration was done by our dance club too recently. The Culturals have a lot to offer here and everyone is very much enthusiastic to participate because all the students are given a chance to showcase their talents and management skills in addition to gaining new skills and experiences on the way.

Q4. What are the opportunities and work culture offered by the Cultural Clubs of IIT Goa?

Since ours is a comparatively new IIT, hence the strength is less, hence everyone gets a lot of opportunities, not only in cultural activities but technical, sports as well. Most of the people who join the clubs as a fresher are complete beginners, and since the senior-junior relationship is so constructive and frank on the campus, it becomes easy to approach the senior members of the club and learn a skill that you might not have right now. The freshers get ample opportunities to showcase their talent, not only in intra-college events but also in inter-college events, and each junior member is constantly backed and motivated by the senior members.

For more information, do visit: https://www.iitgoa.ac.in/student/cultural/

SPORTS AFFAIRS

Q.1 What is the criteria to get selected for Inter IIT Competition?

Selection rounds are conducted by the secretary of the respective sport under the guidance of senior players.

Q.2 Where will interested students practice swimming?

The bus facility is arranged from IIT Goa Campus to Ponda Gymkhana where a swimming pool is available for interested students to practice swimming.

Q.3 In which competitions does the sports team of IIT Goa participate?

Our college team participates in many sports at Inter IIT Sports Meet, we have regular practice matches with BITS Goa's team and other teams of Goa. We also participate in Aavhan, IIT Bombay, and many more sports competitions.

Q.4 Which sports event does IIT Goa organize?

Our main sports event is Chakrvyuh in which we have all kinds of indoor and outdoor sports and apart from that we regularly hold tournaments of basketball, volleyball, cricket (Cricverse), football (Liga Nogometa), table tennis, and many more small and fun events.

Q.5 What games are mostly played by girls?

Girls in our college actively participate in various games like basketball, throwball, cricket, table tennis, badminton, chess, and many more games including fun activities.

Q.6 How can one express their interest in a particular sport?

As soon as freshers enter the college, there will be an orientation program following which a form will be circulated. The form consists of various questions that give a clear idea of which game the student is interested in either to learn/train or to expertise in.

Q.7 How many girls' teams are usually present for each game?

There is at least one team for each sport. Whereas, few sports such as chess, table tennis, etc., have a good number of players.

Q.8 What sports facilities are available in the Hostel Complex, and what are their play timings?

The IIT Goa hostel contains two Badminton Courts (one inside the Hostel, and one in the Gymkhana). The Hostel one has no restrictions on timings while the Gymkhana one has its own timings in the morning and the evening. Our hostel also contains a well-maintained Gymnasium with the latest types of equipment, and a trainer available in the evening. The hostel has two Table Tennis tables which have no restrictions on timings, and a coach available in the evening. The Basketball Court is at the center of our Hostel and also has no restrictions on timings along with the Volleyball Court, with coaches available to both of these sports in the evening. Cricket Nets are also made available along with a full-time coach. We also have a Lawn Tennis Court. Most of these facilities have no restrictions on timings so that you can enjoy yourself with your friends anytime.

For more information, do visit: https://www.iitgoa.ac.in/student/sports/

TECHNICAL AFFAIRS

Q.1 Which different Technical Clubs are currently active in IIT Goa & which fields in technology they are focused on?

Currently, in IIT Goa we have;

- Coding Club Go Myno (competitive coding and other coding sectors)
- Web & App Development Club ArchiTechs
- Google Developer Student Club (machine learning, cloud computing)
- Cyber Security Club INFOSEC
- Electronics & Robotics Club
- Competitive Team Team Steel-X (competes in technical competitions happening outside IIT Goa)
- Mechanical Designing & simulation Club M-Dash
- Motor Sports Team (builds formula student car for events like Formula Bharat)

Recently we have started working on domains like Open Source and Robotic Operating System in addition to exploring other areas also.

Q.2 Is there a Technical Festival of IIT Goa? What kind of events & competitions are conducted in IIT Goa?

IIT Goa Technical Council has conducted a Techno-Cultural Festival named 'CultRang' in early 2020. It was an inter-college festival where many colleges from Goa participated.

We have conducted many competitions like RC Car Racing, Robo-Soccer, and Line follower.

On the coding side, we have conducted a Weekly Coding Competition known as 'Game of Codes'. We have conducted 'Pokethon', an intra-college hackathon. Also, our students take part in many other competitions like Smart India Hackathon, Robocon, and in TechFest mentioned like -

Quark: BITS GoaSaavyas: NIT GoaHappenings: GEC

IIPT: Indian Institute of Project Technology

Q.3 What are the plans for the coming Academic Year and what kind of events are being conducted in this online mode of college?

As currently the semester is being conducted in online mode, we are conducting all the coding events and competitions and webinars. The sessions for Mechanical Designing and Solidworks are also being conducted online. Similar to all these events we also have planned events like Capture The Flag, Arduino Coding Challenge, Intra college Hackathon, and many more in online mode for students. We are also taking part in competitions like

E-YANTRA conducted by IIT Bombay and IIPT by the Indian Institute of Project Technology.

For more information, do visit: https://www.iitgoa.ac.in/student/STAB/

HOSTEL AFFAIRS

Q.1 What is the present status of the IIT Goa Permanent Campus?

The land required for the permanent site (10 lakh sq m in Melauli, Sattari, Goa) is already handed over to IIT Goa by the State Government of Goa. The design plan for the architecture of the permanent is ready and the implementation is right on track.

Q.2 What is the present status of the IIT Goa Temporary Campus?

Presently, though IIT Goa campus functions from GEC premises, we have our separate Hostel and independent Academic premises. The working in IIT Goa is completely explicit from that of NIT Goa and GEC. The present campus is located at Farmagudi, Ponda nearly 29 km from Panaji (the capital city). Do check out the Campus Tour Video to get an insight into life at IIT Goa.

Q.3 Is Goa a Safe State for Girls?

Goa state has been ranked as the 'Safest State for Women' with a Gender Vulnerability Index of 0.656. It is ranked first in terms of the protection of women and their rights. In addition to that, our institute also has a Gender Sensitization Committee consisting of student representatives and wardens.

Q.4 What are the facilities and amenities provided in the current campus?

Present hostel premises at IIT Goa have all the necessary amenities for you to have a fulfilling campus life, including -

- Two students accommodation per room
- 24-hour electricity supply
- Dedicated cleaning staff
- Appliances like washing machines, water coolers, and refrigerators
- High speed enabled WiFi connection throughout the Hostels
- Recreational activities like games room, TV room, and music & dance room
- Gym and other sports facilities inside the hostel premises including basketball, volleyball, tennis, and badminton courts
- In campus dispensary and ambulance service
- Night canteen for late-night snacks
- Mess facility included in the premises
- Easy transportation available to Ponda city (arranged by the Institute)

Q.5 What are the policies regarding issues of ragging?

IIT Goa follows 'Zero Tolerance towards Ragging' policy and hence the accused if found guilty can be arrested by the police without a warrant and then will be expelled from the hostel or the institute.

Q.6 What are the disciplinary actions in place against smoking or the consumption of alcohol and other intoxicants?

Smoking or consumption of intoxicants in individual rooms or at any place within hostel premises is a punishable offense. Strict disciplinary actions will be taken against the defaulters.

Q.7 What are the healthcare facilities at IIT Goa?

IITGoa has an in-campus dispensary that caters to the immediate minor health care requirements and the complete procedure from treatment to medicines is free of cost. In addition to that, there is a Medical Representative who is appointed to facilitate the students under medical emergencies. A 24x7 Ambulance service is set up by the administration which under extreme cases takes the student to the Hospitals in Ponda. Also, IIT Goa has tie-ups with various hospitals like Savaikar Hospital, Ponda.

Q.8 How is the connectivity of Ponda from other cities & life in and around the town?

Ponda is well connected with other cities via the public transport system (Buses). It is nearly 24 km from Margao Railway station and 38 km from Goa Airport at Dabolim, Vasco. Ponda is a town that fulfills all the requirements of the students. It has various Supermarkets, Theatres, Shopping complexes to facilitate the needs of students beyond the campus facilities.

For more information, do visit: https://www.iitgoa.ac.in/student/Hostel/

RELEVANT LINKS FOR MORE INFORMATION -

- ANNUAL REPORT
- <u>IIT GOA NEWSLETTER</u>
- PLACEMENT BROCHURE
- FACEBOOK INSTAGRAM TWITTER LINKEDIN YOUTUBE

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