

# **Common Admission Test**

## **1. Top Institutes that accept CAT Score**

1. Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad
2. Indian Institute of Management Bangalore
3. Indian Institute of Management Calcutta
4. Indian Institute of Management Lucknow
5. Indian Institute of Management Indore
6. Indian Institute of Management Kozhikode
7. Faculty of Management Studies, University of Delhi, Delhi
8. Management Development Institute, Gurgaon
9. National Institute of Industrial Engineering, Mumbai
10. Department of Management Studies, Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi
11. Shailesh J Mehta School of Management, Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay
12. SPJIMR, Mumbai
13. Vinod Gupta School of Management, Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur
14. Department of Management Studies, Indian Institute of Technology, Madras
15. Indian Institute of Management Raipur
16. Indian Institute of Technology Roorkee
17. Indian Institute of Management Tiruchirappalli
18. Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur
19. Great Lakes Institute of Management, Chennai
20. TA Pai Management Institute, Manipal

## **2. Eligibility Criteria**

1. General and NC-OBC Candidates must hold Bachelor's Degree with at least 50% marks or equivalent CGPA. SC/ST/DA Candidates must hold Bachelor's Degree with at least 45% marks or equivalent CGPA.
2. General and NC-OBC Candidates who have completed professional degree (CA/CS/ICWA) with 50% marks. SC/ST/DA Candidates who have completed professional degree (CA/CS/ICWA) with 45% marks.

3. Candidates in final year of Graduation are also eligible to apply - If selected, the final year candidates will be allowed to join the programme provisionally, only if she/he submits a certificate latest by June 30, 2019 from the Principal/ Registrar of the College/Institute (issued on or before June 30, 2019) stating that the candidate has completed all the requirements for obtaining the bachelor's degree/equivalent qualification on the date of the issue of the certificate
4. No Age Bar

### **3. Timelines**

1. Late July – Notifications and Dates Announcement
2. Early August – CAT Registrations Begin
3. Late September – CAT Registrations Close
4. Mid October – CAT Tutorial Available
5. Late October - CAT Admit Cards available for Download
6. Late November – CAT Exam
7. Early January (Next Year) – CAT Results

### **4. Syllabus**

#### **A. Verbal Ability and Reading Comprehension**

1. Fill in the Blanks
2. Grammar
3. Para Completion and Inference
4. Reading Comprehension
5. Verbal Logic
6. Parajumbles
7. Verbal Reasoning
8. Syllogisms

9. Contextual Usage
10. Analogies
11. Different Usage of Same Word
12. Antonyms
13. Sentence Completion
14. Jumbled Paragraphs
15. Foreign Language Words Used in English
16. Sentence Correction
17. Idioms
18. One Word Substitution
19. Miscellaneous

## **B. Logical Reasoning and Data Interpretation**

1. Blood Relations
2. Direction Sense
3. Puzzles
4. Data Arrangement
5. Seating Arrangement
6. Data Structures
7. Series
8. Coding – Decoding
9. Clocks and Calendars
10. Family Tree
11. Venn Diagram
12. Syllogism
13. Proposition
14. Assumptions

15. Statements
16. Binary Logic
17. Sets
18. Tables
19. Bars
20. Pie Charts
21. Line Graphs
22. Caselets
23. Data Sufficiency
24. Miscellaneous

## **B. Quantitative Aptitude**

1. Geometry
2. Trigonometry
3. Mensuration
4. Ratios and Proportion
5. Number system
6. Work and time
7. HCF & LCM
8. Algebra
9. Profit & Loss
10. Geometric Progression
11. In-equations Quadratic and linear equations
12. Percentages
13. Averages
14. Partnership
15. Time-Speed-Distance

16. Surds and Indices
17. Inequalities
18. Logarithms
19. Miscellaneous

## **5. Paper Pattern & Marking Scheme**

1. Number of Sections – 3 (Verbal Ability & Reading Comprehension, Data Interpretation & Logical Reasoning, and Quantitative Aptitude)
2. Duration of Exam – 180 minutes (60 minutes per section)
3. Number of Questions – 100
4. Total Marks – 300
5. Language of Paper – English
6. Number of Answer Choices – 4
7. Mode of Examination – Online
8. Marking Scheme – +3 marks for correct answer, -1 mark for incorrect answer, 0 for not attempting a question, and no negative marking for TITA Questions (Non-MCQ Questions)

Sections	MCQ's	Non MCQ's	Total	Time (in min)
Verbal Ability and Reading Comprehension (VA & RC)	24 - 27	7 - 10	34	60
Data Interpretation & Logical Reasoning (DI & LR)	24	8	32	60
Quantitative Aptitude (QA)	22 - 27	7 - 12	34	60
<b>Total</b>	<b>70 - 78</b>	<b>22 - 30</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>180</b>

## **6. Actual Paper – Order of Sections & Jumping between sections**

1. The candidates will not be allowed to choose any section to start with or switch from one section to another. They will have to follow the CAT paper **chronologically**, from section 1-3.

The chronology of the sections will be Verbal Ability and Reading Comprehension, Data Interpretation and Logical Reasoning and Quantitative Aptitude.

2. Candidates need to know that apart from the complete test duration, CAT 2018 exam also has sectional duration as well. Each section is time bound for one hour (60 minutes) and candidates are not allowed to switch between sections within this one-hour duration. However, applicants are free to answer any question within a particular section.
3. Watches, cellphone and other such **electronic gadgets are not allowed** inside the exam hall
4. Use of **basic onscreen calculator** will be allowed for computation
5. An **onscreen clock** will help candidates keep a check on time
6. A **rough paper** will be provided for rough work, which has to be submitted at the exam centre as soon as the exam gets over