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NOTIFICATION

ADMISSIONS TO THE MASTERS IN PUBLIC POLICY (MPP) PROGRAMME

NLSIU announces admission to its 2-year MPP programme for the academic year 2023-24. Classes will commence on July 1, 2023.

ELIGIBILITY

Any person holding a Bachelor's degree in any discipline from a recognized national or international University is eligible to apply to the programme. Applicants in the General Category should have graduated with an aggregate of not less than 50% of total marks. Applicants in the SC or ST or OBC-NCL or PWD category should have graduated with an aggregate of not less than 45% of total marks. Students in the final year of their Bachelor's degree are also eligible to apply. However, their final offer of admission shall be contingent upon successful completion of their Bachelor's degree with the minimum aggregate marks specified above. Proof of completion of the qualifying degree has to be submitted no later than December 31, 2023.

ADMISSIONS PROCESS

The total intake capacity is 100 for the 2-year MPP programme in the Academic Year 2023-24. Admission to the programme will be through a two-stage national-level examination process - an all-India written admission test (NLSAT-MPP) followed by a personal interview.

NLSAT-MPP

All candidates seeking admission to the programme shall first appear for the National Law School Admission Test for Masters in Public Policy (NLSAT-MPP). The NLSAT-MPP will have a single question paper comprising two parts – Parts A and B. All candidates shall be required to attempt both parts of the question paper. The examination shall be for a duration of 120 minutes.

Part A

Part A will consist of Multiple-Choice Questions and shall be for a maximum of 60 marks. Each question will be of one mark. 0.25 marks shall be deducted for each wrong answer, and for each unanswered question.

A rank list of candidates will be prepared first based on their performance in Part A of the NLSAT-MPP. To qualify in Part A of the NLSAT-MPP, the candidate has to satisfy the following requirements:

- (a) Candidates should have secured more than zero marks in Part A of the NLSAT-MPP.
- (b) Candidates seeking admission in the General or EWS categories must secure a score above the 75th percentile in part A. Candidates seeking admission in the SC or ST or OBC-NCL or PWD categories must score above the 50th percentile in Part A.

Part B of the answers scripts of candidates who have qualified in Part A shall be selected in a ratio of 1:5 for evaluation. That is, five candidates per seat available will qualify for the evaluation of Part B of the examination.

Part B

Part B will consist of policy related subjective questions which shall be for a maximum of 25 marks. A fresh rank list shall be prepared based on the on the cumulative performance in Parts A and B of the NLSAT-MPP for those candidates who meet the qualifying criteria in both Parts A and B.

To be considered for the next round, a candidate has to satisfy the following conditions:

- (a) The candidate should have secured more than zero marks in both Parts A and B of the NLSAT-MPP.
- (b) A candidate seeking admission in the General Category or EWS categories must secure a score above the 75th percentile in both Parts A and B respectively of the NLSAT-MPP, as well as in the aggregate score of Parts A and B. A candidate seeking admission in the SC or ST or OBC-NCL or PWD category must secure a score above the 50th percentile in both Parts A and B respectively of the NLSAT-MPP, as well as in the aggregate score of Parts A and B.

Interview

Calls for interview shall be sent to candidates based on this overall NLSAT-MPP scores' rank list. The personal interview will be for a maximum of 15 marks.

The final rank list shall be generated based on the total scores of candidates in the NLSAT-MPP (85 marks) and personal interview (15 marks). Offers of admission shall be made according to this final rank list.

Note: The applicable reservations policy shall be applied at each stage of the admissions process.

IMPORTANT DATES

The NLSAT-MPP will be held on April 29, 2023 in centres across the country. Application forms for the programme are available on NLSIU's website. Application fees of Rs. 2500 (Two thousand five hundred only) shall be payable at the time of submission of the application. Candidates belonging to the SC or ST or OBC-NCL or PWD or EWS shall be required to pay Rs. 2000 (Two Thousand only). Applications shall be accepted till 11:59:59 pm on April 6, 2023.

The final admissions list will be published by the first week of June 2023. Classes will commence from July 1, 2023.

NLSAT will be held in several centres across the country. List of centres will be available on the application portal. The syllabus for the NLSAT-MPP will be available on the website of the University. Fees and other details of the programme are also available on the website of the University.

INTAKE AND RESERVATION

The total number of seats available are 100 (One hundred). Seats shall be reserved as follows:

Category	Percentage of seats reserved
Scheduled Caste	15%
Scheduled Tribe	7.5%
Other Backward Classes (NCL)	21.6%
Economically Weaker Sections	8%

5% of the total intake shall be reserved horizontally for Persons with Disabilities (PWD). .
24% of the total intake shall be reserved horizontally for Women. 25% of the total intake shall be reserved horizontally (compartmentalised) for Karnataka Students*.

*** Karnataka Students Category:**

1. Candidates who have studied for not less than 10 years in a recognized educational institution in Karnataka shall be eligible to be considered as 'Karnataka Students.'
2. Candidates who have not completed ten years of study in Karnataka shall be eligible to apply under the Karnataka Students category if they fall under any of the below categories:

- a) Children of defence personnel/ex-servicemen, who at the time of joining service, have declared their hometown to be in the State of Karnataka, and who have served or are serving outside Karnataka, corresponding to the candidate's years of study outside Karnataka.
- b) Children of employees of the Karnataka State Government who have served or are serving outside Karnataka corresponding to the candidate's years of study outside Karnataka.
- c) Children of serving or retired employees belonging to the Karnataka cadre of the All India Services (IAS/IFS/IPS), who have served or are serving outside Karnataka corresponding to the candidate's years of study outside Karnataka.
- d) Children of working or retired employees in the Central Armed Police Force service, who upon joining service declared their hometown to be in the State of Karnataka, and who have served or are serving outside Karnataka, corresponding to the candidate's years of study outside Karnataka.

Illustration: If the candidate has studied in Karnataka for three (3) years, they must prove that their parent/s were serving outside Karnataka for at least seven (7) years corresponding to their own period of study outside Karnataka.

If the candidate has not studied in Karnataka continuously for at least one (1) year, they must prove that their parent/s were serving outside Karnataka for at least ten (10) years corresponding to their own period of study outside Karnataka.

3. Eligible candidates must keep their Study Certificates issued by their School/s and other relevant documents ready to be submitted at the time of counselling/admission.

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