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National Council of Science Museums
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ADMISSION TO TWO-YEAR M.TECH. COURSE IN SCIENCE COMMUNICATION

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National Council of Science Museums (NCSM), an autonomous scientific organization under the Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India, engaged in popularization of Science & Technology among the people at large, invites application for **M. TECH. COURSE IN SCIENCE COMMUNICATION**. The Council offers Post Graduate Fellowships (**15 Nos.** excluding candidates sponsored by NCSM) for the course commencing from **January 2024**. The selected Fellows will undergo a two-year four-semester full-time **Master of Technology (M. Tech) Course in Science Communication** being conducted by NCSM under the recognition of the **Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi** on an off-campus mode. The lectures and tutorials would be held at National Council of Science Museums, Kolkata.

Essential Qualification: A Candidate shall be considered for admission to the M. Tech. programme if he/she possesses:

- a. **MSc in any subject** (including MSc in Museology) with at least 55% marks at MSc level for candidates belonging to General/General-EWS & 50% at MSc level for candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC-NCL/Third gender and Persons with Disability categories.
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- b. **BE/BTech in any subject** with at least 55% marks at BE/BTech level for candidates belonging to General/General-EWS & 50% at BE/BTech level for candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC-NCL/Third gender and Persons with Disability categories.

Candidates with **PhD (in Science or Engineering)** or **MTech in Engineering** are also eligible to apply. However, for such candidates, the minimum marks at MSc/BE/BTech level can be relaxed.

Age limit: The upper age limit for candidates is 30 years as on 01.01.2024. For sponsored candidates, the upper age limit is 45 years.

Application fee: There is no application fee.

Admission procedure: The admission to the course will be strictly based on all-India admission test and interview. However, for candidates sponsored by NCSM or any other organization, no admission test will be taken provided the candidates possess the essential qualifications.

Admission fee: There is a nominal and non-refundable admission fee of Rs. 2000/- per candidate. For candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC-NCL/Third gender/Persons with Disability categories, the admission fee is Rs. 1000/-.

Semester fee and Tuition Fee: There is no Semester fee. For all candidates, the monthly Tuition Fee is Rs. 2000/- except for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC-NCL/Third gender/Persons with Disability categories who are not required to pay any tuition fee.

Fellowship: NCSM will offer a monthly fellowship of **Rs. 12,000/-** to all candidates except to the sponsored candidates. The fellowship will be offered for two years subject to satisfactory performance by the student. NCSM will also offer **Rs. 12,000/-** contingency grant per annum to all candidates (except to the sponsored candidates) for purchase of books, stationeries etc. For candidates sponsored by NCSM, such contingency expenditure may be reimbursed by the respective zonal headquarters.

Accommodation: Free bachelors' hostel accommodation (both ladies and gents) will be available in Kolkata.

Mere possession of requisite qualifications shall not entitle the candidates to be called for the Test and Interview. Decision of the Council in this regard shall be final. Canvassing in any form and/ or bringing in any influence, political or otherwise, will be treated as disqualification for the fellowship. Interim enquiries will not be entertained.

Sponsored Candidates:

Persons working in various Govt. /Semi Govt. organizations/Schools/Colleges etc. should apply through proper channel. If any such candidate is sponsored by the Employer, NCSM may accept applications of candidates from other disciplines of science or engineering also. However, the requirement of Essential Qualification will remain unchanged. The sponsored candidates shall not be considered for the fellowship. Admission Fee, Tuition Fee, and any other fees to be deposited to JNU for such candidates are to be borne by their sponsors or by the candidates themselves.

Students who will successfully complete the course, may apply for the post of Curators (Group 'A' post) in various Science Museums/Science Centres.

The last date for submission of the application is 31st August 2023. Interested candidates may view details and submit online applications through the Council's website www.ncsm.gov.in. There is no Application fee.

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