

# THAPAR SCHOOL OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES ADMISSIONS DOCUMENT 2023 BA| BBA |BSc

Those being educated today are the entrepreneurs of tomorrow. The changemakers. The ones to break through the traditional patterns of our society, our ways of doing business, our methods of addressing problems, are the role models for future communions functioning in a sustainable, compassionate and constructive way.

Today's society calls for a new perspective on education and collaborative communities. At TSLAS, departing from a highly hierarchical systematic approach, and one-way lecturing (professor  $\rightarrow$  student), we strive to co-create a higher truth honouring multidisciplinary views (professor  $\leftarrow \rightarrow$  student).

Thapar School of Liberal Arts and Sciences's philosophy aims to ignite the self-empowered spirit and community focussed mind of all stakeholders. We summarize it using our 4C's model:

- 1) Creative Pedagogy
- 2) Campus as classroom
- 3) Connected globally
- 4) Compassionate faculty

### **CREATIVE PEDAGOGY**

Pedagogy, broadly refers to the method and practice of teaching. It is not just about teaching a subject within the curriculum, rather is about interaction, about co-creating with students and responding to the energies at play. It is about questioning the truth and facilitating a platform in which everyone can rise by expressing their own inner truths and views that might go beyond the established theories and are experienced in the everyday.

Our faculty is trained to build a co-creative learning space like this, in which students are encouraged to intellectually bloom and inspired to develop and express their personal points of views. We always get to learn, in many forms, therefore we believe that the pedagogical form in class needs to be creative and flexible enough to interplay on this.

### The greatest impact is achieved by students who act from their intrinsic core.

Academic space devotes time and attention to acquire knowledge, expand personal growth and world consciousness. It is not about studying for the sake of studying, rather it is about what drives you as a human being. It is about fuelling your inner fire, and learning to use this for the

fulfilment of others and the world. It is about discovering your ideal world and gaining the confidence and knowledge to create it. It is about living your purpose.

At Thapar we encourage students to study because of their intrinsic inspired goal, a broader view which reveals the essence of their existence. Some of the questions, we ask them to engage with are: What values drive you? What motivates you? Why do you do what you do? How do you wish to serve and bring purpose to your life, others and the world?

### Everyone gets to play their own entrepreneur in this life.

We encourage students to be moved by curiosity and, within the outline of the curriculum, choose subjects that ignite their inquisitive self. This perspective on studying reaches beyond the material and tangible gains of it, it touches which ignites their unique talents, because ultimately nothing brings more impact and success than our heart fuelled motivation.

### **CAMPUS AS CLASSROOM**

All that we offer and facilitate at the Thapar School of Liberal Arts and Sciences is for the purpose of 1) learning & development, 2) sustainability and 3) becoming an emphatic human being. This means that the Thapar Campus experience goes beyond the solid grounds where students reside during their stay, it also involves all the tangible and intangible facets that exist within the campus environment; housing, digital space, catering, people connections, culture, etc. Our campus is a playground which is formed and shaped by those living on these shared grounds, where students learn and develop within the experience of the everyday.

#### Self-realization happens outside the classroom.

Individual experiences shape our lives and teach us how to gain intellectual and emotional knowledge to reveal our talents, to build confidence and feel empowered to live from that essence. This includes all of our experiences, not just the ones learned during a lecture or workshop. Learning about the fine lines between knowledge, being and doing, is taught to us by experiencing life, by trying and failing. It is taught to us by observing life, how we interact within society and the roles we naturally adapt.

Therefore, an informal constitution shapes the culture of the campus. It's from this culture where campus-residents become self-made campus-creators, and where campus itself becomes a vibrant community as part of an all-encompassing learning space.

### **CONNECTED GLOBALLY**

Being globally connected is something we highly value. It is about becoming globally sensitive in the broadest sense of the word. It is about understanding various countries' history, geography, politics, culture, economics, inhabitants and language. Getting a sense of how countries distinguish and where they meet. Gathering different ideas on life and learning how to combine forces that benefits not just you, but all in the world.

At Thapar School of Liberal Arts and Sciences we gratefully honour our close connections and agreements with various prestigious Universities all over the world, who open many broadening opportunities for our students.

### **COMPASSIONATE FACULTY**

Compassion is about meeting each other at the same level-human to human. When infusing this in the faculty's culture and in each and every stakeholder involved, every teacher becomes a student and vice versa.

It is not about learning the perfect theory that explains everything. It is also not about making the perfect decision. It is about co-creating theories and making decisions with the best intention, and using that opportunity to learn and grow.

At Thapar compassion flows in every direction, which establishes an open culture of equality, beyond the old beliefs of hierarchy. It is a culture of mutual identification as human beings, so everyone can feel safe enough to interact, express and explore freely. It also establishes an inspirational environment to see the dream becomes the reality.

We are on a common journey, developing ideas, training minds, challenging thoughts and stretching possibilities. Together we dream the world into being.

# Foundation year at TSLAS

The students start their journey with the first year of foundation courses, irrespective of their area of specialization or major.

The first year Foundations program is a group of courses that is directed toward perspective building and transdisciplinary thinking. The Foundation program is not meant simply as a steppingstone for the Majors or specializations. It has a unique and autonomous function of its own—it is really a foundation for creative thinking and living. It aims to help students get a grasp of the intellectual environment and how to think seriously, logically, and consistently about things, along with the scholarly stance necessary to engage with them. Its focus is to make students sensitive to the demands and rigors of academic life. But it also emphasizes the acquisition of formal skills such as good writing, logical thinking, basic data handling, and project-based working.

# **Majors at TSLAS**

The students start to choose the major during the second year at TSLAS (for some majors, the prerequisites are offered during the second semester). The students can take an extra year (the fourth year) to earn an honours degree. In 2023, Thapar School of Liberal Arts and Sciences is offering the following discipline areas as Majors:

#### **Bachelor of Sciences (BSc)**

- Biotechnology
- Chemistry
- Cognitive Science
- Computer Sciences
- Environment and Sustainability
- Mathematics
- Physics
- Data Science & Al

### Bachelor of Arts (BA)

- Economics
- History and Societal Transformation (Students can take the 4<sup>th</sup> year to get a undergraduate in research as per NEP in any one of subjects from History, Political Science or Sociology)
- Literary and Cultural Studies
- Philosophy
- Psychology

#### **Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA)**

(Specialization in 6<sup>th</sup> Semester)

- Analytics
- Finance
- Human Resource Management
- Information Systems
- International Management
- Marketing
- Operations
- Organizational Leadership

The overall number of credits to complete a major is defined and decided by the departments offering the program based on the demands of the industry, national and international higher education institutes, and national and international accreditation agencies.

\* Note - any major will be offered if there are at least 5 students who choose that particular major.

### **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

Admission to BA/BBA/BSc programs is subject to the fulfilment of the following eligibility criteria:

- The candidate has obtained 60% marks in 10+2 or equivalent examination (55% for SC/ST candidates) in aggregate of any five subjects (One of the subjects must be English)
- Any 3-year diploma after 10th grade (60% aggregate) with adequate score in any of the following English Language Test. (English Proficiency Test)

Tests	Scores	Minimum Requirement
IELTS	Band 6	6 per component
Duo Lingo	120 and above	
TOEFL	80	20 per individual section

- The University may relax entrance requirements for candidates with extraordinary achievements in the areas such as sports, music, dance, painting, social work, software development etc, with passing marks in their 10+2 examination.
- SAT scores will be given due consideration (if available) and Applicants with an SAT score of 1260 or above can directly appear for the Personal Interaction without appearing for the online test.

# **ADMISSION PROCESS**

Candidates will be shortlisted and invited for further assessment irrespective of reservation or quota as per the following:

### Step 1- Apply for the Admission

Candidates seeking admission in Thapar School of Liberal Arts and Sciences shall fill up the online application form available on our website <u>https://apply-tslas.thapar.edu/</u>

The candidates are required to fill complete details in the online form and pay the required application fee. Follow the process mentioned hereunder for filling up online application form

Step 1:	Register Yourself-	
	Thapar School of Liberal Arts and Sciences-	
	https://apply-tslas.thapar.edu/	
Step 2:	Verify your Mobile Number	
Step 3:	Fill Application Form Online	
Step 4:	Pay Application Fee	
Step 5:	Submit Application	

Once you have filled the application form and paid the application fee successfully through online mode, you will receive a confirmation by email regarding acceptance of your online application form.

Candidates are not required to send the printout of application form but they must produce it at the time of document checking of original documents during 'In-person' counselling or document checking day.

#### Step 2 – Assessment of Application

The admission committee checks all the application forms for further processing. The Letter of Motivation (following video will help you in writing the letter: <u>https://youtu.be/y4CsWSQfrk0</u>) helps the committee to find out about your background and interests that would make you a good candidate for the program.

### Step 3 – Online Test

An online test will be conducted to measure the academic readiness of the candidate based on:

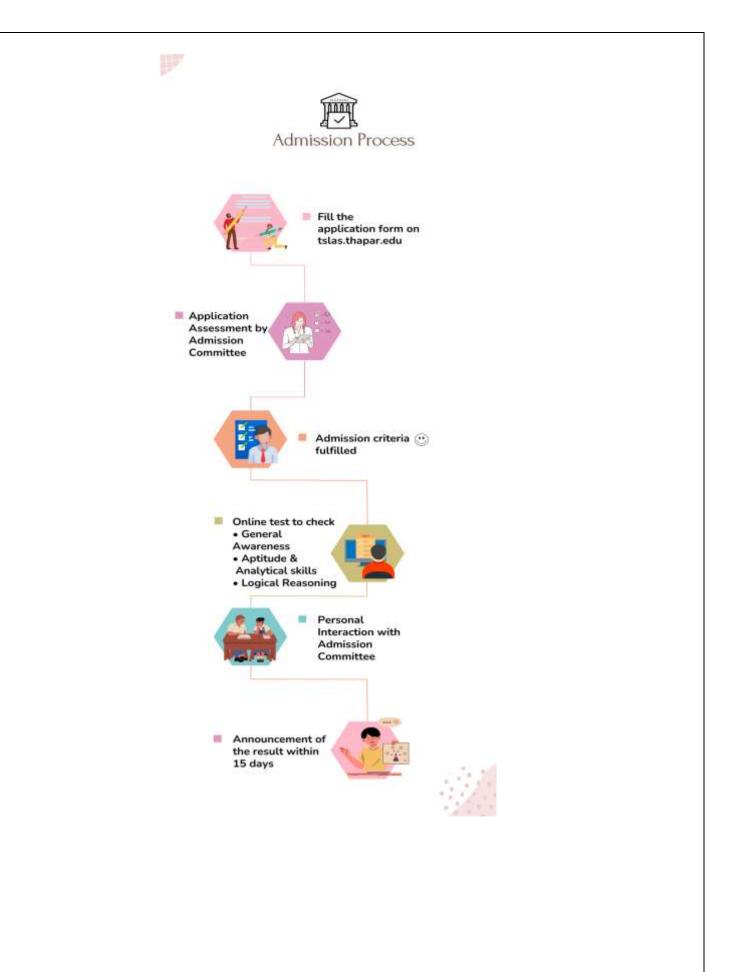
- General Awareness
- Aptitude and Analytical skills
- Logical Reasoning

### Step 4 – Personal Interview

One-on-one interaction with the admission committee to explore the applicant's fit, aptitude, and overall ability to undergo the program successfully.

Offers are made to the applicants based on their past academic performance and overall performance in the admissions process including the Letter of Motivation.

Application to Admission Journey



### **Seat Reservation**

- 25% seats are reserved for SC/ST applicants
- 3% seats are reserved for differently- abled applicants
- 10% seats are reserved for Backward class candidates from Punjab.
- 2% seats for Sports category candidates having Gradation Certificate issued by the Director Sports Punjab with at least C grade.
- 15% seats are reserved for FN/NRI candidates
- 1% seats shall be reserved for children of TIET employees

#### Remaining seats are available for General Category.

In case, candidates belonging to the reserved categories are not available then such vacant seats shall be offered to the General Category candidates.

### **SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA**

TSLAS recognizes the importance of scholarships for the students. The needy one can focus on their studies and excel in their area without any apprehensions about the finances; whereas merit scholarships support the endeavour of the students to get motivated and outshine in their fields of study.

#### Scholarship for first year of Undergraduate Studies

Eligible students will receive scholarship based on one of the two categories listed below:

Criteria for Scholarship	Tuition Fee Scholarship	Criteria to carry forward the scholarship in subsequent years*
98% and above in Class	80% Tuition Fee	Maintain minimum 8.5 CGPA in each
12	Scholarship	Academic year
94% and above in Class	40% Tuition Fee	Maintain minimum 8.5 CGPA in each
12	Scholarship	Academic year
90% and above in Class	20% Tuition Fee	Maintain minimum 8.5 CGPA in each
12	Scholarship	Academic year

**Table 1:** Scholarships for First year of Undergraduate Studies (based on Class 12 marks)

Table 2: Scholarships for Second and Third years of Undergraduate studies

Criteria for Scholarship	Tuition Fee Scholarship
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9.5 and above CGPA	50% Tuition Fee Scholarship
9 and above CGPA	30% Tuition Fee Scholarship

#### **Table 3**: Scholarships for Fourth year of Undergraduate studies

Criteria for Scholarship	Tuition Fee Scholarship
Students who have opted for a Four-year program, without any 'E' grade in any course during the first three years and a minimum of 7.0 CGPA.	50% Tuition Fee Scholarship

\*Note: Once a student loses the scholarship due to non-maintenance of CGPA, she/he will not be considered for the continuation of scholarship under this category later at any stage of undergraduate studies. They may avail other scholarships as defined in Table 2 and Table 3 below. A student will receive the scholarship which maximizes her/his scholarship benefits.

### **FEE STRUCTURE**

#### For Students other than FN/ NRI

Fee for liberal Arts	Sem-1	Sem-2	Total Year-1
Admission Fee-One Time	13,000	-	13,000
Security Deposit	10,000	-	10,000
Total (A)	23,000	-	23,000
Semester wise Fee Year-1	Sem-1	Sem-2	Total Year-1
Tuition fee	1,71,900	1,71,900	3,43,800
Development fee	40,000	40,000	80,000
Student Activity fee	7,500	7,500	15,000
Exam fee	3,000	3,000	6,000
Medical fee	1,100	1,100	2,200
Total (B)	2,23,500	2,23,500	4,47,000
Total (A+B)	2,46,500	2,23,500	4,70,000

Fee for liberal Arts -NRI	Sem-1	Sem-2	Total Year-1
		Amount (USD)	Amount (USD)
Admission Fee-One Time	250		250
Security Deposit	250		250
Total (A)	500	-	500
Semester wise Fee Year -1	Sem-1	Sem-2	Total Year-1
Tuition fee	2,350	2,350	4,700
Development fee	500	500	1,000
Student Activity fee	240	240	480
Exam fee	35	35	70
Medical fee	25	25	50
Total (B)	3,150	3,150	6,300
Total (A+B)	3,650	3,150	6,800

### For FN/ NRI Students (Amount (USD))

### **HOSTEL AND MESS FEE**

Hostel fee will be charged as per accommodation type allotted, for more details please visit: www.thapar.edu

### WITHDRAWAL OF SEAT / REFUND OF FEE

Candidates wishing to withdraw the seat, must submit the application to IN-CHARGE, ADMISSION CELL, Thapar School of Liberal Arts and Sciences. The fee will be refunded after adjusting all the outstanding dues (if any). The candidates are advised to mention their Bank Account Number and IFSC code of the bank for the prompt refund. Refund policy will be made available on the website.

### **GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES**

TSLAS offers an opportunity for students (fulfilling all the academic requirements) to gain much needed global exposure. Students can engage with our global partners for the various programs (not all of the universities mentioned below accept applications from all the majors offered at TSLAS):

- University College Groningen, The Netherlands
- University of Queensland, Australia

- Temple University, Japan Campus
- University of Toledo, Ohio, USA

# **INTERNSHIPS AND PLACEMENTS**

With a view to equip students with practical applications of classroom knowledge, internship opportunities may be arranged by the institute for the students, helping them enhance their corporate proficiency and providing a broader perspective on future career paths.

Corporate roles offered to our students include Marketing and Corporate Communications, Human Resources, Marketing (Digital and Sales), Content Writing, Public Relations, Business Research, Analytics, and Corporate Social Responsibility.

Some companies where our undergraduate students have interned are Aditya Birla Capital, GMR Group, Spark Minda Group, M3M India, Digiaccel, TestingXperts, Girl Power Talk, XOR Labs, Xebia, Indian Collegiate Athletic Program and Uengage.

# **OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

Discipline: https://admission.thapar.edu/downloads/624d2202931fb690585971\_31DISCIPLINE.pdf

Hostel & Other Facilities: https://admission.thapar.edu/downloads/623d962a776d0584602750\_30HOSTELFACILITIES.pdf

Anti-Alcohol & Anti-Drug Policy: <u>https://admission.thapar.edu/downloads/623d96472dc8e438080792\_32ANTIALCOHOLANTIDR</u> <u>UGABUSEPOLICY.pdf</u>

Library: https://cl.thapar.edu/