

## **PGDM (Securities Markets)**

### **Admission 2026-28 (Batch-VIII)**

### **FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions)**

#### **Q1. What is NISM PGDM(SM) Program?**

**A1. Post Graduate Diploma in Management (Securities Markets)**, a Two-Year AICTE Approved Full-Time program by NISM focusing on the securities markets.

#### **Q2. What are the Academic Eligibility Criteria for the PGDM(SM)?**

**A2.** Interested applicants who fulfil the below-mentioned eligibility criteria are required to register for the **PGDM-SM 2026-28 (Batch-VIII)**.

- Applicants must hold Bachelor's Degree of minimum 3 years' duration and obtained at least 50% marks.
- Applicants in the last year of their Bachelor's Degree program and awaiting their final results can also apply. However, their admission will be considered as provisional and is subject to fulfilling the above-mentioned eligibility criteria within the specified timeframe.
- Candidates are required to qualify in any of four All India Common Admission Tests i.e. **CAT 2025, XAT 2026, CMAT 2026 and MAT 2025/2026**.

#### **Q3. Those who are in last year and are waiting for final results, can they apply?**

**A3.** Yes! Admission will be provisional till graduation marks are submitted.

#### **Q4. Who should apply for PGDM(SM)?**

**A4.** The program is ideal for students pursuing graduation in Economics, Commerce, Finance, Engineering, or Management aspiring for a career in capital markets.

**Q5. What is the Selection Process of NISM for PGDM(SM)?**

**A5.** The offer of admission to the candidate will be made strictly on the basis of merit/ rank list. The Merit List will be generated based on the valid composite score of **Entrance Score, Online Personal Interview (PI), Past Academics** and **Gender Diversity**. The merit list for the admissions is prepared as per the weightage given below:

<b>Component</b>	<b>Weightage (%)</b>
Competitive Exam Score (CAT 2025, XAT 2025, CMAT 2025, MAT 2025/26)	50
Personal Interview (PI)	30
Past Academics (Xth /SSC) or Equivalent Examination	5
Past Academics (XII/HSC) or Equivalent Examination	5
Past Academics (Graduation)	5
Profile (Academic Diversity and Gender Diversity)	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>

**Q6. How many seats are available in the PGDM(SM)?**

**A6.** There are 180\* seats in the PGDM (SM) program.

**Q7. Is distance learning or online available for PGDM(SM)?**

**A7.** No! The program is not offered in distance or online mode.

**Q8. How can I apply?**

**A8.** Register online at <https://apply.nism.ac.in/pgdm>

- New Registration: Receive User-ID and Password via email/SMS.
- Login and complete application with **Rs.1,000/- (Rupees One Thousand Only)** Fee Payment via Debit/Credit Card, Net banking, or UPI

**Q9. What leads most students to choose this college?**

- Expert faculty with securities market knowledge
- Strong infrastructure
- Established by SEBI

- Simulation lab for stock trading
- Blend of faculty from academia, industry, and regulators
- Regular industry interaction

**Q10. May I visit the campus? If so, when?**

**A10.** Yes, visits can be scheduled from Monday to Friday between **1000 Hrs and 1600 Hrs**. Kindly email **apu@nism.ac.in** to schedule an appointment. Campus details are available on the NISM website.

**Q12. What certifications are covered in the PGDM(SM) program?**

**A12.** The program includes embedded NISM certifications:

<b>Embedded NISM Certifications</b>		
<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Name of Certificate</b>	<b>Trimester</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>NISM Series VII:</b> Securities Operations and Risk Management Certification Examination	<b>I</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>NISM Series V A:</b> Mutual Fund Distributors Certification Examination	<b>II</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>NISM-Series-VIII:</b> Equity Derivatives Certification Examination	<b>III</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>NISM Series-XV:</b> Research Analyst Certification Examination	<b>IV</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>NISM Series-IX:</b> Merchant Banking Certification Examination	<b>V</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>NISM-Series-X-A:</b> Investment Adviser (Level 1) Certification Examination	<b>VI</b>
<b>7</b>	Bloomberg BMC Certificate	<b>VI</b>

**Q13. What is the estimated cost for two year PGDM(SM) at NISM?**

**A13.** The estimated cost for two year programme is given below:

- Program fee: **Rs. 6,78,800/- (Rupees Six Lakh Seventy-Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Only).**
- Accommodation and Dining Fee: **Rs. 3,85,000/- (Rupees Three Lakh Eighty-Five Thousand Only).**
- Fee payable in Four Installments.

**Q14. What are some options for financing my PGDM(SM) education?**

**A14.** NISM is enlisted on [Vidya Lakshmi Portal](#) for education loan applications.

**Q15. Where do PGDM(SM) students get placed?**

**A15.** Placement profiles include: Treasury, Advisory, Merchant Banking, Compliance, Corporate Banking, etc. Recruiters include Banks, Stock Exchanges, Depositories, Mutual Funds, etc.

**Q18. Name of the Past recruiters?**

**A18.** ICICI Bank, SBI MF, STCI, BSE Ltd., Federal Bank, Axis Trustees, IFA Global, IDBI Bank, NSDL, and more.

**Q19. What is the placed Student CTC?**

- Average: Rs.9.07 LPA
- Maximum: Rs.16.32 LPA (based on performance)

**Q20. What are the key dates for admission?**

- **Online Application Open:** December 20, 2025
- **Last Date for Submission of Online Application:** March 23, 2026
- **Date of Online Personal Interviews (PI):** Tentatively from May 04-09,2026
- **Academic Session Begins:** July 13, 2026

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