

# **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ’S)**

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# FAQ – Bachelor of Arts

## PROGRAM

### **What is an online Bachelor of Arts (BA) degree?**

An online Bachelor of Arts (BA) is an undergraduate degree program that is completely delivered in online mode. Sikkim Manipal University's online BA is a convenient and affordable way to earn a bachelor's degree that is at par with on-campus degrees.

### **What is the course duration for an online Bachelor of Arts?**

Online Bachelor of Arts (BA) is a three-year undergraduate degree program. It is divided into six semesters. The maximum duration for the completion of the degree is 6 years.

### **Will the online BA course be recognized while applying for jobs?**

Yes, Sikkim Manipal University's online BA course is UGC-entitled and accepted by governments, corporate organizations, and higher education institutions.

### **Does WES (World Education Services) evaluate online degrees from Sikkim Manipal University?**

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Here are the highlights of Sikkim Manipal University's online programs-

- Flexible class schedule to suit working professionals.
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- Placement assistance, dedicated student mentors & 24×7 student support.
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### **Will learners receive placement assistance?**

Yes. Online Manipal offers placement assistance to help students with career opportunities upon completion of their programs. The placement cell undertakes initiatives that focus on skill enhancement and skill assessment of the learners to increase chances of employment.

**Will I have access to Sikkim Manipal University's alumni network?**

Yes. Students of online degree programs will join Sikkim Manipal University's alumni network with all associated privileges. As an alumnus, they can interact with peers and build their professional and personal network with professionals from across the globe. They will be given access to Sikkim Manipal University alumni portal.

**What are the different jobs a graduate can take up after online BA?**

Here are some of the jobs you can get after completing your BA degree:

- Public Relations Specialist
- Policy Analyst
- Community Outreach Coordinator
- Urban Planner
- Research Assistant
- Teacher
- Content Manager

**Can students take online examinations from any device?**

Students can take up online examinations from any desktop/laptop with a Windows Operating System only. The Safe Exam Browser (exam portal) is not compatible with iOS devices.

## ADMISSION

**What is the eligibility for Sikkim Manipal University's online BA?**

Candidates must have completed 10+2 from a recognized national or state board institution or 10+3 diploma from a recognized national or state institute.

What is the application process for online degrees at Sikkim Manipal University?

The application process is completely online and applications can be submitted at [www.onlinemanipal.com](http://www.onlinemanipal.com) by providing the required details. If you need further assistance, then you can reach out to our admission counsellors at +91-7996 799 900 and they will assist you with the application process.

**What are the documents required for admission into Sikkim Manipal University's online degree programs?**

Mandatory documents:

- Proof of identity – Aadhaar card (mandatory for Indian citizens)

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Non-mandatory documents:

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**What is the application fee for Sikkim Manipal University's online programs?**

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## **ACADEMICS**

### **How are Sikkim Manipal University's online degree programs delivered?**

Sikkim Manipal University's online programs are delivered in a 100% online mode so that students can attend live classes and complete the program remotely, while also pursuing their professional and personal commitments in parallel.

**Will the program have live lectures and webinars?**

Yes. The program is delivered through a mix of live lectures, pre-recorded videos and discussion forums in which students can interact directly with faculty and self-paced learning. Self-paced learning is driven by video lectures, e-books, quizzes, and assignments that are delivered using a state-of-the-art Learning Management System (LMS).

**Are there any mandatory sessions?**

Students are expected to attend live classes, watch recorded sessions, and go through at least 75% of the self-learning content (reading material and video lectures) available on LMS. This would ensure they are eligible to appear for the final exams.

**When will I get access to the learning modules?**

After admission is confirmed by the university, students will receive access to the Learning Management System (LMS), student portal and e-library. Students can then start accessing the course material and begin their learning journey.

**What are some key subjects in the online Bachelor of Arts curriculum?**

The online BA curriculum offered by Sikkim Manipal University covers important subjects like digital fluency, world literature, theories of international relations, India's foreign policy in a globalized world, sociology of change & development, and others. For detailed information about the curriculum, you may refer to the program brochure.

# FAQ – Bachelor of Commerce (BCOM)

## PROGRAM

### **What is an online BCom degree?**

An online Bachelor of Commerce (BCom) is an undergraduate degree program that is completely delivered in online mode. Sikkim Manipal University's online BCom is a convenient and affordable way to earn a degree that is at par with on-campus degrees.

### **What is the duration for an online BCom degree?**

Online BCom is a three-year undergraduate degree program. It is divided into six semesters. The maximum duration for completion of the degree is 6 years.

### **Will the online BCom degree be recognized while applying for jobs?**

Yes, Sikkim Manipal University's online BCom degree is UGC-entitled and accepted by governments, corporate organizations, and higher education institutions.

### **Does WES (World Education Services) evaluate online degrees from Sikkim Manipal University?**

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### **What are the highlights of online degree programs at Sikkim Manipal University?**

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**What are the different jobs a graduate can take up after online BCom?**

Here are some of the jobs you can get after an online BCom:

- Bank Officer
- Tax Consultant
- Loan Officer
- Financial Manager
- Economist
- Credit Analyst
- Auditor

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## ADMISSION

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**Are there any mandatory sessions?**

Students are expected to attend live classes, watch recorded sessions, and go through at least 75% of the self-learning content (reading material and video lectures) available on LMS. This would ensure they are eligible to appear for the final exams.

**When will I get access to the learning modules?**

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**What are the study materials given to learners of online degree programs at Sikkim Manipal University?**

Students are given access to an exhaustive e-library, video lectures, audio-visual interactive material, virtual classroom sessions, audio podcasts, virtual simulations, and self-assessment quizzes or tests. Students are free to download e-books and print them for convenience.

**How much time should I dedicate to complete the learning activities?**

Although the learning is flexible, students are expected to spend at least 15-20 hours per week watching concept videos, reading learning material, attempting quizzes, and attending live webinars. This would ensure that you get your degree within the minimum duration.

**How can I get my academic queries answered?**

Students will be assigned dedicated course mentors and coordinators who can be contacted to clarify doubts using discussion forums, instant messaging, and email on the Learning Management System (LMS).

### **What is the examination pattern for online degrees at Sikkim Manipal University?**

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- Candidates can appear for the exams from the comfort of their homes.
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- On satisfying all criteria stipulated by the University, successful students will be awarded their respective program degree by the University.

### **What is the evaluation & assessment pattern?**

- A student's performance evaluation will be based on both continuous assessments (CA) through assignments and term-end examinations (TEE) which consist of descriptive and multiple-choice questions. A student must score at least 40% in each of these to be declared as having passed the exam. The assessment ratio of TEE to CA is 70:30.
- A student must score at least 40% in both the parts to be declared as having passed.

### **What is the minimum grade to complete the online degree program?**

Students must score at least 40% in continuous evaluation and 40% in term-end examinations in each course to successfully complete the program. In case the minimum score is not attained, they will need to apply for re-sit with applicable fees and appear for exam to pass the course.

# FAQ - Master of Arts (MA) - English

## PROGRAM

### **What is an online Master of Arts in English?**

An online Master of Arts (MA) in English is a two-year postgraduate program that is completely delivered in online mode. It provides students with advanced knowledge and skills in English literature, language, and writing through online coursework, allowing for flexible study from anywhere with internet access.

### **What is the course duration for online MA in English?**

Online Master of Arts in English is a two-year postgraduate program. It is divided into four semesters. The maximum duration for the completion of the program is 4 years.

### **Will the online MA in English be recognized while applying for jobs?**

Yes, Sikkim Manipal University's online MA English degree is UGC-entitled and accepted by governments, corporate organizations, and higher education institutions.

### **Does WES (World Education Services) evaluate online degrees from Sikkim Manipal University?**

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### **What are the different jobs a graduate can take up after an online MA English?**

Here are some of the jobs, you can get after completing MA English degree:

- Academician
- Linguist
- Author
- Editor/Proofreader
- Content writer
- Journalist
- Public Relations Manager

### **Can students take online examinations from any device?**

Students can take up online examinations from any desktop/laptop with a Windows Operating System only. The Safe Exam Browser (exam portal) is not compatible with iOS devices.

## **ADMISSION**

What is the eligibility for Sikkim Manipal University's online MA?

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### **What are some key subjects in MA English curriculum?**

The online MA in English curriculum offered by Sikkim Manipal University covers important subjects like gender studies in literature, evolution of theater, literary theory & criticism, postcolonial literature, and more. For detailed information about the curriculum, you may refer to the program brochure.

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## FAQ - Master of Arts (MA) – Political Science PROGRAM

### **What is an online Master of Arts in Political Science?**

An online Master of Arts (MA) in Political Science is a postgraduate program that is completely delivered in online mode. It offers a comprehensive understanding of political systems, theories, and policies through virtual classrooms and online platforms, providing flexibility for working professionals and distance learners.

### **What is the course duration for an online MA in Political Science?**

Online Master of Arts in Political Science is a two-year postgraduate program. It is divided into four semesters. The maximum duration for the completion of the program is 4 years.

### **Will the online MA in Political Science be recognized while applying for jobs?**

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**What are the different jobs a graduate can take up after an online MA in Political Science?**

Here are some of the jobs, you can get after completing MA in Political Science:

- Political Analyst
- Diplomat
- Lobbyist
- Political Campaign Manager
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## **FAQ - Master of Arts (MA) - Sociology**

### **PROGRAM**

#### **What is an online Master of Arts in Sociology?**

An online Master of Arts (MA) in Sociology is a postgraduate degree program that is completely delivered in online mode. It provides students with advanced knowledge of sociological concepts like human social behavior, relationships, and societal structures through online coursework, allowing for flexible study from anywhere with internet access.

#### **What is the course duration for an online MA in Sociology?**

Online Master of Arts in Sociology is a two-year postgraduate program. It is divided into four semesters. The maximum duration for completion of the program is 4 years.

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## **FAQ – Master of Computer Applications (MCA)**

### **PROGRAM**

#### **What is an online MCA?**

Master of Computer Applications (MCA) is a two-year postgraduate program for students interested in the field of information technology. Sikkim Manipal University's online MCA is recognized at par with any other on-campus MCA degree.

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Online MCA is a two-year postgraduate program. It is divided into four semesters. The maximum duration for the completion of the program is 4 years.

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## **ADMISSION**

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# FAQ - Master of Commerce (MCOM)

## PROGRAM

### **What is an online MCom?**

An online Master of Commerce (MCom) is a postgraduate degree program that is completely delivered in online mode. The program offers learners thorough understanding of managerial economics, financial accounting & reporting, management accounting, and corporate financial management through live online lectures and e-learning materials that allow working professionals to learn at their own convenience.

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Yes. The program is delivered through a mix of live lectures, pre-recorded videos and discussion forums in which students can interact directly with faculty and self-paced learning. Self-paced learning is driven by video lectures, e-books, quizzes, and assignments that are delivered using a state-of-the-art Learning Management System (LMS).

### **Are there any mandatory sessions?**

Students are expected to attend live classes, watch recorded sessions, and go through at least 75% of the self-learning content (reading material and video lectures) available on LMS. This would ensure they are eligible to appear for the final exams.

### **When will I get access to the learning modules?**

After admission is confirmed by the university, students will receive access to the Learning Management System (LMS), student portal and e-library. Students can then start accessing the course material and begin their learning journey.

### **What are the study materials given to learners of online degree programs at Sikkim Manipal University?**

Students are given access to an exhaustive e-library, video lectures, audio-visual interactive material, virtual classroom sessions, audio podcasts, virtual simulations, and self-assessment quizzes or tests. Students are free to download e-books and print them for convenience.

### **How much time should I dedicate to complete the learning activities?**

Although the learning is flexible, students are expected to spend at least 15-20 hours per week watching concept videos, reading learning material, attempting quizzes, and attending live webinars. This would ensure that you get your degree within the minimum duration.

### **How can I get my academic queries answered?**

Students will be assigned dedicated course mentors and coordinators who can be contacted to clarify doubts using discussion forums, instant messaging, and email on the Learning Management System (LMS).

### **What is the examination pattern for online degrees at Sikkim Manipal University?**

- The University term-end examination (TEE) will be held digitally viz. computer-based and online proctored.
- Candidates can appear for the exams from the comfort of their homes.
- The details of the examination schedule will be made available in the photo admit card. Other details on the examination pattern are available in the program guide provided to students.
- Examination results will be published on the student portal. If a student fails to clear any of the papers (either in UE or IA or both), he must re-appear by applying to the University through the re-sitting application along with relevant fees, within the due date.
- On satisfying all criteria stipulated by the University, successful students will be awarded their respective program degree by the University.

### **What is the evaluation & assessment pattern?**

- A student's performance evaluation will be based on both continuous assessments (CA) through assignments and term-end examinations (TEE) which consist of descriptive and multiple-choice questions. A student must score at least 40% in each of these to be declared as having passed the exam. The assessment ratio of TEE to CA is 70:30.
- A student must score at least 40% in both the parts to be declared as having passed.

### **What is the minimum grade to complete the online degree program?**

Students must score at least 40% in continuous evaluation and 40% in term-end examinations in each course to successfully complete the program. In case

the minimum score is not attained, they will need to apply for re-sit with applicable fees and appear for exam to pass the course.