



VIT®

Vellore Institute of Technology

(Deemed to be University under section 3 of UGC Act, 1956)

INFORMATION BROCHURE

Admission open for

**MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK (MSW)
POST GRADUATE PROGRAMME
(2026- 27)**

**2
YEAR**



VIT - A Place to Learn, A Chance to Grow



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1. ABOUT VELLORE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (VIT)

Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam was right in saying, “Dreams transform into thoughts and thoughts result in action” because Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT) is a dream of Dr. G. Viswanathan (Chancellor, VIT) come true. Founded in 1984 as Vellore Engineering College, it has grown by leaps and bounds to attain its present status as VIT, one of the premier Institutions in India.

VIT Group of Institutions offer 71 Undergraduate, 58 Postgraduate, 15 Integrated, 2 Research programmes and 2 M.Tech. Industrial Programmes. In addition, full-time PhD programs in Engineering and Management disciplines, PhD programs in Social Sciences and Languages and direct PhD programs in engineering disciplines are offered. VIT was established to provide quality higher education on par with international standards. It persistently seeks and adopts innovative methods to improve the quality of higher education on a consistent basis. The campus has a cosmopolitan atmosphere with students from all corners of the globe. Experienced and learned teachers are strongly encouraged to nurture the students. The global standards set at VIT in the field of teaching and research spur us on in our relentless pursuit of excellence. Our Memoranda of Understanding with various International Universities are our major strength. They provide for an exchange of students and faculty and encourage joint research projects for the mutual benefit of these Universities. Many of our students, who pursue their research projects in foreign Universities, bring high quality to their work and esteem to India and have done us proud.

OUR STRENGTHS IN A NUTSHELL

- More than 67,000+ students from all quarters of India and also from 54 different countries across the globe.
- 1900+ fully-qualified and highly experienced faculty and 230 adjunct professors from foreign universities.
- 450+ MoU's with academic and research institutions in India and abroad.
- 1000 industry partners.
- Highest number of research publications in India as per the Scopus Database (2016-2025).

AN OVERVIEW OF ACADEMICS AT VIT

- A healthy culture of diversity and inclusivity on-campus.
- Focus on the teacher and learner autonomy and wellbeing.
- Emphasis on multidisciplinary and transdisciplinary approaches to learning and research.
- FFCS (Fully Flexible Credit System) and PBL (Project Based Learning) for better learning.
- Fully digitized academic portals to facilitate effective employability skills.
- Hackathons / Makeathons aimed at honing problem solving skills.
- 8th module of every subject handled by industry experts, to enable contextualization of concepts learned in the classroom.



Ranking and Accreditations

Where Aspirations Meet Accreditation, Success Prevails



University Rank - 14
Engineering Rank - 16
Research Rank- 14



A++
Accredited
by NAAC



SHANGHAI RANKING
2024

Global Rank - 501-600
India Rank - 2



WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS
2026

Ranked
691



Ranked

691



WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS
BY SUBJECT | 2025

142
Engineering &
Technology Category

51-100
Data Science &
Artificial Intelligence

110
Computer Science &
Information Systems



SUSTAINABILITY | 2026

Global Rank - 352
India Rank - 7





2. ABOUT THE SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES & LANGUAGES (SSL)

Established as a distinct entity in 2009, the School of Social Sciences and Languages (SSL) employs innovative teaching methods and adopts interdisciplinary approaches to learning. The School helps students gain knowledge and skills that are required in the global market. It adheres to the highest standards in teaching-learning by employing innovative practices, ensuring excellence in research and by adopting rigorous internal peer and student review.

The school is committed to providing a dynamic intellectual environment by fostering critical, reflective and conceptual thinking in students and aims to enrich their education by adopting unique approaches to learning. Integrating international perspectives into its teaching, the school attracts students from a wide range of cultural backgrounds and provides a uniquely rich and diverse learning and teaching environment.

The school maintains an outstanding record of awards for excellence in teaching within the VIT community and in the broader higher education context. It is equipped with state-of-the-art laboratories and a team of excellent faculty members with commendable research capabilities. The school offers the MSW programme in addition to B.Com. and Ph.D. programmes in Commerce, Economics, Tamil, English, Hindi, Psychology, Sociology, Political Science, International Relations, History, Spanish and French.

The Master of Social Work (MSW) is a two-year postgraduate programme. The most compelling rationale for having a MSW programme at VIT University is to broaden its mission of serving society. The MSW programme is a postgraduate qualification for those looking to practice as a qualified Social Worker.



3. MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK (MSW)

(I) ABOUT THE PROGRAMME

- The Master of Social Work (MSW) programme was started in August 2021 at Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT). It is a four-semester field and research-intensive postgraduate program that intends to build skilled human resources in professional social work. The programme facilitates extensive exposure to the various fields of social work practice. The programme is designed with a diversified curriculum to understand and acknowledge the practical skills essential to becoming competitive social work professionals.
- The MSW at VIT has a comprehensive field and research-oriented curriculum focusing on existing and emerging areas of social work practice. The curriculum is on par with the National and International standards

(II) PROGRAMME EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES

- To acquire a hands-on practical application of Social Work theories.
- To find solutions to existing and emerging social problems.
- To apply the knowledge, skills, values and ethics of social work in all aspects of their professional activities and to enhance leadership qualities for social change and social welfare.

(III) PROGRAMME OUTCOMES

- Learn to apply the concepts and theories of Psychology in Social Work practice.
- Understand the relevant sociological theories and analyze the social problems through appropriate theoretical frame works.
- Apply knowledge and skills for community understanding, assessment, development and progressive social change.

(IV) SPECIALIZATIONS

- Community Development (CD)
- Medical and Psychiatric Social Work (M & P)
- Human Resource Management (HRM)



Industry Experts' Interaction with MSW HR, CD and M&P Students

**Mr. Nagesh, Vice President & CHRO, TVS Electronics Ltd,
Mr. Vinod Jacob Chacko, VP & Head CSR, L&T Construction,
Mr. Dr. K.S Ramesh, Director -Education, The Banyan Academy of
Leadership in Mental Health, and Ms. Mrinali Ravi (Ph.D), Associate
Director, Alaadamara Foundation & Director Partnerships, The Banyan.**



Visit to Christian Medical College, RUSHA



Rural Camp



**(V) Learning Outcome Based Curriculum**

Components of the MSW Programme	Expected Outcomes
Theory	Sound knowledge of methods of Social Work
Field Work	Exposure to practical applications of the theories and experiential learning
Social Work Research	Carrying out qualitative and quantitative research studies on social issues
Rural Camps	Getting in touch with the realities of rural and tribal communities
Industrial Visits & Study Tours	Exposure to various settings of social work
Internship	Application of theories, knowledge and skills for professional development



**(VI) Scope of Employment**

Qualified Professional Social Workers work with various government and non-governmental organizations, including social welfare departments, industries, medical and psychiatric settings, public health settings, correctional settings, research projects, CSR projects, HR departments, labor welfare, teaching and International organizations

MEDICAL & PSYCHIATRY (M&P)	HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT (HR)
◆ Psychiatric Social Workers/Mental Health Professionals	◆ Human Resource Managers (IT, Manufacturing, Construction, Health Care, Hospitality & BPOs, etc.)
◆ Medical Social Worker	◆ Talent Acquisition Specialist
◆ School Social Workers	◆ HR Business Partner (HRBP)
◆ Counsellors	◆ Training Manager (L&D)
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (CD)	ACADEMIC & OTHER CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
◆ Community Development Officer	◆ Compensation and Benefits Analyst
◆ Rural Development Officer	◆ Employee Relations Manager (ER/IR)
◆ Development and Welfare Officers in the Government Sector	◆ Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)
◆ Probation Officer/Family Courts	◆ Labour Commissioner
◆ Child Welfare Officers/Child Protection	◆ Welfare Officer
◆ Project Management	◆ People and Culture Officer / Diversity & Inclusion Officer
ENTREPRENEURSHIP	
◆ Social Entrepreneurship	◆ Director HR/ CHRO
◆ HR Consulting	◆ Professors
◆ Policy Analyst / Independent Research	◆ Social Scientist / Research
	◆ Consultancy

**4. (I) ELIGIBILITY**

- Any graduation with 60% marks (Inclusive of all subjects) from a Recognized University or Institution with a minimum of three years duration.
- Candidates will be called for the Personal Interview in the order of merit based on the U.G. marks.
- Applicants from Correspondence / Open University mode are not eligible.
- The qualifying marks is relaxed by 10% i.e. 50% in Overall Aggregate for applicants belong to SC/ST and applicants hailing from Jammu & Kashmir and the North Eastern states of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim and Tripura.
- SC/ST applicants must submit the Appendix-II proforma duly attested by a competent authority, while applicants from Jammu & Kashmir and the North-Eastern states must submit the Nativity Certificate as per Appendix-I.

(II) TUITION FEE

PROGRAMME	CAUTION DEPOSIT	TUITION FEE (ANNUAL)
Master of Social Work (MSW)	Rs. 2,000/- (Refundable)	Rs. 60,000/-

Tuition fees (Per Annum) (Caution deposit Rs.2000/- will be paid along with tuition fee in the first year only)

5. ONLINE APPLICATION

- The applicants should apply online in the respective link provided in the website (www.vit.ac.in) by paying a non-refundable application fee of Rs.600/- (Rupees six hundred only).
- The applicants should also have their scanned copy of all documents with photo and signature ready to upload.
- Not eligible and in-complete applications shall not be considered and NO correspondence shall be made in this regard.
- The Admission will be on the basis of the performance in the qualifying examination U.G. Degree.

6. ADMISSION PROCEDURE

- The Admission will be on the basis of the performance in the qualifying examination U.G. (or its equivalent).
- Candidates will be called for the Personal Interview in the order of merit based on the U.G. marks.
- The fact that a candidate has qualified and has been called for the Personal Interview does not guarantee admission to him / her. This depends upon the cut-off fixed on the merit list and the availability of seats.
- The selected candidates list / result will be published on VIT website.

(VII) Highlights

- Contemporary Curriculum & Learning on par with National and International Standards.
- Vibrant Learning Environment.
- Field-based learning: Field Visits, Field Work, Rural Camp, Educational trips and Internships.
- Blended learning and holistic development.
- Research-intensive curriculum and environment.
- Community outreach programmes.
- Training to enhance communication and interpersonal skills.
- Employability skill training on various fields of social work.
- Value Added Programmes.
- Full Semester/Internship.
- Study Abroad Programme.

(VIII) MSW Curriculum & Syllabus

Please go through the following link to refer the Curriculum and Syllabus of Master of Social Work (MSW).

<https://vit.ac.in/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/msw-curriculum-ay-2024-25.pdf>



7. DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED AT THE TIME OF ADMISSION

The following documents are required to be submitted at the time of Admission in Original and Copies:

Originals

- Check List (Ready format will be provided by PG Admissions).
- Two copies of recent passport size colour photograph.
- Transfer/Migration/College Leaving Certificate obtained from the Institute last studied.
- Student Profile <https://vtop.vit.ac.in/studentprofile/>
- Physical Fitness Certificate https://vit.ac.in/files/admissions/PhysicalFitness_Certificate.pdf
- Affidavits are to be signed separately by the student & parent in Rs.200/- Stamp paper.
https://vit.ac.in/files/admissions/Affidavit_Student.pdf
https://vit.ac.in/files/admissions/Affidavit_Parent.pdf
<https://vit.ac.in/files/admissions/Affidavit-Software-Usage-Policy.pdf>

Photo copies

- X and XII Std / Diploma Marks statement.
- Mark Sheets of all semesters - Year / Semester wise or consolidated.
- Qualifying Degree / Provisional Certificate (If already received).
- Community Certificate (only for SC/ST categories).
- Conduct Certificate.
- Provisional Admission Letter.
- Admission First year Fee receipt - including Hostels (if any).
- Nativity Certificate

Important Notes:

- University Registration Number will be generated to the candidates those who have submitted the above documents only.
- In due of original TC submitted, a TC from VIT will be issued on completion of the course.
- The candidates should produce statement of final year marks and provisional degree certificate before 14th August, 2026 failing which admission will be cancelled with the forfeit of admission fee.



All Applicants admitted to the institute shall maintain good conduct, pay the requisite tuition fees and other charges by the due dates, attend their classes regularly and abide by the rules and regulations of the Institute.

If at any point of time, if the conduct and character of an applicant is not satisfactory or is of suspicious nature, the Management reserves the right, without assigning any reason, to make him / her vacate the hostel or expel him / her from the Institute.

Measures for prevention of ragging at the Institute level:

- Ragging is totally prohibited in the institution and anyone found guilty of ragging and / or abetting ragging, whether actively or passively, or being a part of a conspiracy to promote ragging, is liable to be punished in accordance with the regulations as well as under the provisions of any penal law for the time being in force.
- Ragging Juniors in any form is forbidden. If anyone is found ragging his/her juniors, he/she can be rusticated from the Institute.
- It is mandatory that Applicants and parents who are attending interview has to sign an undertaking in Rupees 200/- non-judicial stamp paper as per the information given the “Documents to be submitted page No.10 Annexure I & II (as per UGC Regulations-2009, www.ugc.ac.in).

9. HOSTEL ACCOMMODATION

- Ragging is totally prohibited in the institution and anyone found guilty of ragging and / or abetting ragging, whether actively or passively, or being a part of a conspiracy to promote ragging, is liable to be punished in accordance with the regulations as well as under the provisions of any penal law for the time being in force.
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10. ADMISSION CANCELLATION

The refund will be made as per the norms of the UGC and Institute guidelines.

10.1. Academic Cancellation: (Documents to be submitted in the Office of Admissions).

- Apply online on VIT website: Fresher withdrawal.
- Collect the No Dues certificate Form from Office of PG Admissions.
- Original Provisional Admission Letter and Student ID Card (if received from VIT).
- Migration / Transfer / College Leaving Certificate with Original. (If not submitted at the time of admission)

10.2. Hostel Cancellation (Documents to be submitted in the Office of Admissions).

- Write an application with Parent Signature.
- Collect the No Dues Certificate Form from concern Hostel Office.
- Hostel Admission Letter.

11. APPENDIX-I

NATIVITY CERTIFICATE FORM

APPENDIX - I

Nativity Certificate

(For applicants from Jammu & Kashmir and North Eastern States)

Certified that Mr. / Ms. an applicant for admission to PG Degree Programme in in the year, son / daughter of Shri. / Smt
..... residing at in District of
..... State is a native of State.

Signature of Tahsildar or Revenue Authority

Name :

Designation :

Place :

Date :

Office Seal



12. APPENDIX-II

COMMUNITY CERTIFICATE (FOR SC / ST ALONE)

APPENDIX – II

COMMUNITY CERTIFICATE (FOR SC / ST ALONE)

Certified that Mr. / Ms. an applicant for admission to PG Degree Programme in in the year, son / daughter of Shri. / Smt residing at..... in District of belongs to the Caste/Tribe.

Which is recognized as a Scheduled Caste / Scheduled Tribe under the Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Order 1950 / The Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order, 1950, as amended by the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes | Orders Amendment Act, 1976.

Signature of Competent Authority

Name :

Designation :

Place :

Date :

Office Seal

Authorities empowered to issue Scheduled Caste / Scheduled Tribe Certificate

District Magistrate / Additional District Magistrate / Collector / Deputy Collector / Deputy Commissioner / 1st Class Stipendiary Magistrate / City Magistrate / Sub-Divisional Magistrate / Taluk Magistrate / Executive Magistrate / Extra Assistant Commissioner. Chief Presidency Magistrate / Additional Chief Presidency Magistrate / Presidency Magistrate Revenue Officer Not below the rank of Tahsildar Sub-Divisional Officer of the area where the applicant and / or his family normally resides.



13. IMPORTANT DATES

Issue of Online Application	28 th January, 2026 (Wednesday)
Last date to apply	25 th May, 2026 (Monday)
Result & Choice preference (Campus & Programme)	To be announced
Seat Allotments	To be announced
Last date of payment of Tuition fees	To be announced
Orientation Program	To be announced
Commencement of classes	To be announced

Beware of fraudulent calls, emails, SMS, WhatsApp, and social media messages claiming direct admission to VIT Group of Institute. Do not fall for such false claims. For authentic information, visit our official website: www.vit.ac.in

13.1 FOR FURTHER DETAILS

The Director PG-Admissions Vellore Institute of Technology Vellore – 632 014, Tamil Nadu, INDIA Phone: +91-416 220 2188 / 2060 / 2050 2055 Email: mswadmission@vit.ac.in	The Dean School of Social Sciences & Languages Vellore Institute of Technology Vellore - 632 014, Tamil Nadu, INDIA Phone : 0416 - 220 2370 / 2371 / 2373 Email : dean.ssl@vit.ac.in
The Deputy Director / Chief Warden - Men's Hostels Vellore Institute of Technology Vellore –632 014, Tamil Nadu, INDIA Phone : +91-416-2202528, 2202028, 2202127 Fax :+91-416 2244705 Email : mh@vit.ac.in	The Deputy Director / Chief Warden - Ladies Hostel Vellore Institute of Technology Vellore –632 014, Tamil Nadu, INDIA Phone : +91-416 2202710 Fax : +91-416 4207074 Email : lh@vit.ac.in

13.2 LEGAL JURISDICTION

All suits and actions arising out of or relating to Vellore Institute of Technology, Vellore shall be instituted within the jurisdiction of courts at Vellore, Tamil Nadu only. The Registrar of the Institute shall be the legal person in whose name the Institute may sue or be sued.