

The Undergraduate Programme



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A portrait of Professor Somak Raychaudhury, a middle-aged man with grey hair and glasses, wearing a white shirt and a grey vest. He is seated and looking towards the camera with a slight smile. In the background, there is a large, faint, light-colored quotation mark graphic. The text is overlaid on a semi-transparent white box.

Message from the Vice-Chancellor

In the past decade, Ashoka University has firmly established itself as a bold and innovative institution which pioneered the kind of interdisciplinary education that the New Education Policy has now recommended for all higher education institutions in India. It is a very exciting time for Ashoka as the University expands its campus, doubles student numbers, and builds strong partnerships in research and pedagogy across the country and the world, in pursuit of its vision to become India's leading University and one of the world's leading institutions of higher education.

Professor Somak Raychaudhury
Vice-Chancellor, Ashoka University
Eminent Indian Astrophysicist
PhD, University of Cambridge

A Transformative Academic Journey

Ashoka University is India's leading interdisciplinary research and teaching university that offers a four-year B.A. (Hons.) and B.Sc. (Hons.) degree in a range of disciplines. These cutting-edge courses are taught by globally renowned faculty.

The Ashoka education helps students gain academic depth, and become well-rounded leaders who can think critically about issues from multiple perspectives, communicate effectively and be socially aware.

Explore before you choose

200+ subject combinations to choose from in Natural Sciences, Social Sciences and Humanities

World-class education made affordable

Approximately 50% students study on Scholarship or merit scholarship for the Sciences

Learn from the finest academic minds

240+ renowned global faculty from Harvard, Oxford, Yale, Stanford, Cambridge, UPenn, IIT, JNU, IISER and others

Make your mark in the global workplace

260+ top recruiters including Google, Microsoft, Amazon, Deloitte, Genpact, McKinsey, Barclays, American Express, HUL

The Undergraduate Programme

An extraordinary educational experience

Ashoka University offers a four-year multidisciplinary undergraduate programme to expose students to different perspectives. Students are encouraged to explore various disciplines before deciding on a major.

The Undergraduate Programme consists of courses that are broadly divided into three categories – **Foundation Courses**, **Major Courses (including Interdisciplinary Majors)** and **Co-Curricular Courses**.

"Prior to joining Ashoka, I enrolled into an Engineering programme where I realised that I wanted to explore more than just Computer Science. That's when I came to know about Ashoka. The variety of options that it offered compelled me to apply. I was tempted by the idea of studying Computer Science, Economics and Entrepreneurship all together."

Aditi Tibarewal

Computer Science & Entrepreneurship
UG '23



Hear what our faculty have to say



Foundation Courses

The Foundation Courses help students explore multiple disciplines in order to choose a subject they are passionate about and make an informed decision with regards to the majors and minors. The 9 mandatory courses that every student at Ashoka has to study are:

- Introduction to Critical Thinking
- Great Books
- Literature and the World
- Indian Civilizations
- Environmental Studies
- Mind and Behaviour
- Economy, Politics and Society
- Quantitative Reasoning and Mathematical Thinking
- Principles of Science



Pure Majors

A Major is the subject in which a student will earn a Bachelor's degree – either a B.A. (Hons) or a B.Sc. (Hons)

B.A. Hons.

- Philosophy
- Economics
- English
- History
- Political Science
- Sociology and Anthropology
- International Relations

B.Sc. Hons.

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Mathematics
- Physics
- Psychology

Interdisciplinary Majors

An Interdisciplinary Major at Ashoka goes beyond the traditional boundaries of disciplines and departments to give students an opportunity to combine multiple academic interests into a single degree programme.

- Computer Science and Entrepreneurial Leadership (B.Sc. Hons.)
- Mathematics and Computer Science (B.Sc. Hons.)
- Philosophy and Computer Science (B.A. Hons.)
- Economics and Finance (B.Sc. Hons.)
- Economics and Public Policy (B.A. Hons.)
- Economics and History (B.A. Hons.)
- English and Performing Arts (B.A. Hons.)
- English and Creative Writing (B.A. Hons.)
- English and Media Studies (B.A. Hons.)
- Politics, Philosophy and Economics (B.A. Hons.)
- Psychology and Philosophy (B.A. Hons.)
- History and International Relations (B.A. Hons.)

Minors

Students can choose one or more Minors in addition to their choice of Major to pursue their multiple interests. All Pure Majors can be chosen as Minors.

Ashoka also offers the following Minors:

- Creative Writing
- Media Studies
- Performing Arts
- Environmental Studies
- Sanskrit Studies
- China Studies
- Astronomy
- Entrepreneurial Leadership and Strategy
- Visual Arts

Co-curriculars

Co-curricular Courses are a mixture of practical training in an art form or a language, and critical analysis of the aesthetic, social, political, economic, and historical dimensions of the same. Students have to take 2 Co-curricular Courses from the following:

Performing Arts:

- Contemporary, Classical and Folk Dance
- Improvisational, Traditional, and Street Theatre
- Global and Indian Instrumental and Vocal Music

Visual Arts: Photography, Sculpture, Drawing, Painting, Filmmaking, Fashion Design, Sub-continental Crafts

Languages: French, German, Arabic, Urdu, Greek, Latin, Spanish, Assamese, Manipuri, Bengali, Tamil, Sanskrit, Hindi

Sciences at Ashoka

Shape the future with groundbreaking discoveries

The Science Programme at Ashoka University emphasizes interdisciplinarity within the different streams of sciences, social sciences and humanities. The cutting-edge courses taught by world-class scientists and the research-based pedagogy helps students attain academic excellence.

Students gain knowledge through classroom lectures, conducting experiments in state-of-the-art labs, and work on high-impact research projects focusing on real-world problems. They are also exposed to frontiers of science through seminars, symposia, and national and international conferences that are routinely organized.

Ashoka boasts an exceptional faculty comprising global faculty from esteemed institutions such as Harvard, Cambridge, Yale, IIT, AIIMS, NUS, Maryland, IISER, IISc, TIFR, JNU.

Know more about Ashoka's Science programme



Centres of Scientific Excellence

Transcending boundaries, inspiring innovations

Trivedi School of Biosciences

The Trivedi School of Biosciences focuses on emerging and frontier areas of Biosciences, and is headed by academic advisors comprising Nobel laureates & renowned scientists.

It comprises three interconnected and interdisciplinary research centres:

- Centre for Disease Biology
- Centre for Inflammation Biology
- Centre for Synthetic Biology

Ashoka School of Advanced Computing

The School for Advanced Computing is committed to inquiry of the future of computing and its evolving applications across disciplines.

- Centre for Health Analytics and Trends
- Centre for Digitization and Society
- Centre for Learning Analytics
- Centre for Data Science and Analytics



World-class Education Made Affordable

Need-Based Scholarship

Ashoka University offers **more scholarship** than any other university in India. While admission is based on academics, extra-curricular activities and other holistic principles, scholarship amount is assessed entirely on the basis of the student's family's ability to pay.

₹610 Crore

awarded as
scholarship
till date

Approx.
50% students
study on
scholarship

Up to
100% scholarship
on tuition and residence
fee

Study at Ashoka without worrying about fees!

How much scholarship can you get?

(for salaried families)

Family income range (after tax)	Scholarship percentage*	Self-paid amount (per annum)
Upto 12 Lakhs	100% Tuition + Residence	0 - 65,000
12 - 22 Lakhs	100% Tuition - 100% Tuition + 50% Residence	1.6 - 2.6 Lakhs
22 - 38 Lakhs	65% - 90% on Tuition	3.5 - 6 Lakhs
38 - 50 Lakhs	25% - 50% on Tuition	7.4 - 10 Lakhs

All Amounts in **INR** | *Scholarship percentages are indicative and subject to the final decision of the Scholarship committee

Know more about Scholarship



Merit-cum-Means Scholarship

**Computer Science | Biology | Physics |
Chemistry | Mathematics**

In addition to the need based Scholarship available to all students, Ashoka University also offers a **100% Merit-cum-Means Scholarship on tuition** to exceptional students intending to major in the sciences.



"I hail from a small town in West Bengal. Before I joined Ashoka, I was already enrolled in another university but wasn't satisfied with the learning there. I was awed by the Ashoka education and knew I had to study here. However, I couldn't have imagined it had it not been for the scholarship. We didn't even have to pay for the application form! From this point on, there was no looking back for me."

Pritam Chandra

Major in Mathematics, UG'21
Research Fellow, Microsoft

Academic & Research Centres

Igniting change through trailblazing innovation

Ashoka has set up dedicated centres which spearhead pioneering research to foster collaborative academic programmes. These specialised centres serve as catalysts for expanding the horizons of learning and research, going beyond the confines of traditional academic methods of teaching.

- Centre for Writing and Communication
- InfoEdge Centre for Entrepreneurship
- Trivedi Centre for Political Data
- Centre for Studies in Gender and Sexuality
- Centre for Social Impact and Philanthropy
- Centre for Economic Data and Analysis
- Ashoka Centre for China Studies
- Ashoka Centre for Translation
- Ashoka Centre for Well Being
- Ashoka Science Policy Initiative
- Centre for Interdisciplinary Archaeological Research
- Centre for Social and Behaviour Change
- The Centre for the Creative and the Critical
- Isaac Centre for Public Policy
- Centre for a People-centric Energy Transition
- Centre for Data Sciences and Analytics
- Centre for Digitalisation, AI and Society
- Archives of Contemporary India
- Koita Centre for Digital Health at Ashoka
- Centre for Bioinformatics & Computational Biology
- Centre for Climate Change & Sustainability
- Centre for Data, Learning & Decision Sciences

A Diverse, Inclusive and Vibrant Student Community

Ashoka University is deeply committed to creating a campus culture that embraces, values and respects diversity and inclusivity. It is a melting pot of socio-economic backgrounds, ethnicities, diverse abilities, geographies, and genders.

3,000+
Students

16
Countries

130+
Indian Cities
and Towns

4%
International
Students



Pursue Your Multiple Interests

Unleash your passion, expand your horizons

55+ Clubs & Societies

The Ashoka campus is a vibrant hub of cultural and intellectual activities. Student-run clubs and societies make Ashoka an interactive space for artists and performers to express themselves.

Clubs and Societies are autonomous bodies which design their own leadership structure and modes of functioning. A few of them are:

- Ashoka Broadway Club
- Abhinaya: The Dance Club
- Vistaar: The Music Society
- The Comic Relief
- Odyssey: The Travel Society
- Neev: Community Engagement Club
- The Mad Batter Club
- Ashoka Women In Business and Leadership
- Caperture: The Photography Club
- Navrang: Film Society
- Hallyu: Korean Culture Club
- Anime Club
- Ashoka Consulting Club
- Ashoka Fintech Club and many more!



Placements and Higher Education

Pathways of possibilities after Ashoka

An Ashoka education prepares students for the future by equipping them with both domain knowledge and life skills, helping them develop career-relevant skills for a range of careers.

Ashoka graduates prove to be highly coveted employees in the professional arena, and are placed in top global organizations like Google, Microsoft, Amazon, Deloitte, McKinsey, Barclays, American Express, HUL, BCG, Genpat, World Bank, WWF, and the UN.

2024 Placements

100%
Placement

250+
Students
Placed

260+
Companies
on Campus

35 LPA
Highest Salary
Offered

11.95 LPA
Average
Salary



Many Ashokans have been offered admission to and are studying at some of the world's leading universities such as Oxford University, LSE, Sciences Po, Central European University, Columbia University and the University of Chicago.



Student experiences: Placements and higher education



Summer & Semester Abroad Programmes

Enrich your education with international experiences

The Office of Global Education & Strategic Partnership (GESP) provides Ashoka students interested in spending a semester or summer abroad the opportunity to get a unique experience in a different academic and cultural setting.

Students keen on these programmes spend a summer or semester abroad studying at a top university. In the process, they gain invaluable experience in different institutions, cultures, and classrooms, with peers from across the globe.



"My experience as an exchange student at Yale has been enriching as it has exposed me to a vast variety of subjects and different ways of thinking as a result of the very diverse student population here, and studying under some of the world-renowned professors has been inspiring."

Vernika Mrig

Ashoka University, UG'23



Student Support and Mentorship

Guiding you through your Ashoka journey

Office of Student Affairs (OSA)

OSA encompasses student and residence life, dining and sports. The office works towards creating a robust learning and living environment on the campus.

Centre for Writing and Communication (CWC)

CWC works to develop writing and communication skills in students. It provides pedagogical support across disciplines through lectures, workshops and one-on-one sessions. Its unique English Language Training (ELT) programme trains students in critical thinking.

Office of Learning Support (OLS)

OLS supports students with physical and learning disabilities. In the last nine years since its inception, the office has expanded support to those facing academic challenges as well as to neurodiverse learners.

Ashoka Centre for Well-being (ACWB)

ACWB offers counseling and psychological support in a confidential and non-judgemental space. With a focus on well-being, the center concentrates on the preventive aspect of mental well-being.



A State-of-the-Art Residential Campus

Where modern comfort meets the warmth of home

The Ashoka Campus is a tight-knit learning environment that redefines the boundaries of comfort and fosters a sense of belonging like no other. Through various clubs, societies, initiatives, and events, the students are guided and empowered to actively engage and thrive in campus life.

- 90 classrooms & 12 teaching and research labs
- Fully furnished, air-conditioned rooms
- 24X7 open well-equipped, modern library
- Multiple common lounges and reading rooms
- Facilities for laundry, fitness and unisex salon
- Round-the-clock access to first aid and medical assistance
- Shops for general provision such as grocery, stationery & printing and photocopy
- Dining hall and food outlets with multi-cuisine menus
- Amphitheatres for cultural activities and festivals



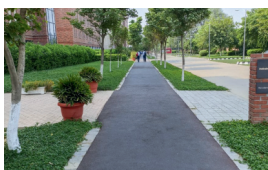
Here's a glimpse of the Ashoka campus



World-Class Sports and Fitness Facilities

Elevate performance, achieve excellence

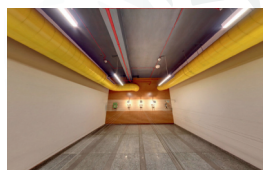
Ashoka University's expert coaches provide training, guidance and support to students in a wide range of sports. The nationally-acclaimed coaches bring a wealth of experience and technical prowess to help students excel in the sport of their choosing.



Synthetic Running Track



Squash Courts



10m Shooting Range



Basketball Courts



Badminton Courts



Swimming Pool



Comprehensive Gymnasium
(with Yoga, Aerobics & Zumba)



Football Field



Mini Field
(for Frisbee, Cricket, Football etc.)



"In search of an educational setup that was different from the typical education system found in India, I turned to Ashoka. The approachability of the faculty, the freedom to explore different interests at the same time, and most importantly for me, the class-apart sports facilities that allowed me to pursue my passion for sports made Ashoka the right choice for me."

Arjun Khanna

Economics and Finance, UG'23

Holistic Admissions Beyond Cutoffs



Stage 1 →

Application & Assessments

Application

- Academic scores
- SAT/ACT scores (non-mandatory)
- Personal Essays
- Recommendation (non-mandatory)
- Non-academic Engagement

Assessments:

- Ashoka Aptitude Assessment (Mandatory)
- On-the-Spot Essay (Mandatory)



Stage 2 →

Shortlist for Interview

Interview with Panel (Mandatory)



Stage 3 →

Admission Decision

- Confirmed Offer
- Conditional Offer
- Waitlist (upon availability)
- Deferral of Decision
- Denial of Admission



Stage 4 →

Scholarship Application & Decision

No student has ever been denied education at Ashoka due to financial constraints.

*Only for students applying for scholarship.



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