

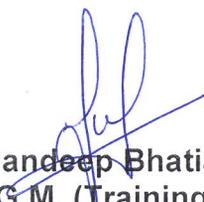
## Circular

This is to inform that the Institution has been receiving requests from the students regarding launching Bridge Programme of additional one year leading to award of B. Des. Degree for those students, who complete their B.Sc. Programme in session 2015 to 2018, is under consideration. Pending framing of detailed framework and curriculum regarding the name; following is brought to knowledge of all concerned with an intention to bring clarity on the matter and to dispel various information in circulation.

It is hereby clarified that:-

1. The eligibility for Bridge Programme shall be B.Sc. Degree (without any Re-Do/ Back log) in the relevant field.
2. The Institute intends to launch the Bridge Programme with the commencement of next academic year and the registration/enrolment for the same shall be conducted in the month of July-2018.
3. The Institute intends to conduct Bridge Programme in Noida, Kolkata and Chennai campus. However, if at any other FDDI campus apart from these 3 campuses, the number of students opting for Bridge Programme in concerned field is more than 15, the Institute may consider the request to launch the Bridge Programme in the concerned academic stream at the concerned campus.
4. The prescribed fee for the Bridge Programme will be the same as charged for the Under Graduate Programme in Session 2015 at the Campus at which the bridge Programme will be conducted.
5. Intention of a candidate for taking up the Bridge course shall has no bearing on the Programme that he/she is currently pursuing in any manner whatsoever including matter like placement, internship etc. Students are advised to pursue their present course in the normal manner notwithstanding the Bridge Programme.

Therefore, it is advised that all those students who enrolled for B.Sc. Programme in Session 2015 to 2018 should first successfully complete their respective 3 year B.Sc. Programme in order to be considered eligible for enrollment in Bridge Programme as and when the course is launched. For the sake of addressing various queries that may arise, a FAQ is being appended with the Circular. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

  
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- 1) Training Department all FDDI Campuses- For Student Notice Boards.
- 2) I.T. Department- For FDDI website.

## Frequently Asked Questions

1. What is the bridge Programme?

**Answer:** Multiple requests were received from students of various campuses of FDDI that they would like to be benefited by the advancement in curriculum and upgradation course content that is proposed to be incorporated in the four years B. Des. Programme being offered from academic year 2018-19. Keeping in view such requests, the institution is in the process of developing a bridge Programme which will address the academic and skills gap between the present B.Sc. Programmes and the proposed B. Des. Programmes. The bridge Programme is presently in the planning and formulation stage and structure and content of the same shall be finalized sometime in the month of April-May 2018 only. Students who will successfully complete their BSc Programme for the academic year 2017-18 without any redo/backlog shall be eligible to enroll in the bridge Programme. Consequent upon such enrolment into the bridge Programme, the relevant curriculum (which is presently being formulated) shall be administered to such students. Successful completion of bridge Programme shall make the student who was earlier eligible to receive a three year BSc degree from the Institute shall receive a four-year B. Des. degree from the institute.

2. What will be the duration of the Bridge Programme offered?

**Answer:** The duration of the Bridge Programme will be one additional year, comprising of two semesters, after the completion of B.Sc. Programme - Session 2015 - 2018.

3. What will be starting date of the Bridge Programme?

**Answer:** The Bridge Programme shall commence with the commencement of the new academic year in FDDI, tentatively from August 2018.

4. What will be the benefit of the Programme?

**Answer:** The benefit of the Programme maybe many fold.

- i) Firstly the student shall receive an advanced and updated curriculum with contents more in line with the requirement of the industry.
- ii) Student will be awarded Four Year B. Des. Degree which in some cases is the eligibility criteria for PG Programmes at other premium Design Institutes.

5. Is it compulsory for all the students to join the Bridge Programme? If not which Degree will be provided to the students who do not pursue one year additional Bridge Programme?

**Answer:** No, it is not compulsory for the students to join the Bridge Programme. FDDI will award Three Year B.Sc. Degree, the course which is presently being pursued by the students of Session 2015 - 2018, to those students who do not wish to pursue the bridge Programme. Only for those students who wish to pursue the bridge Programme, FDDI will withhold awarding of final BSc degrees to them and such students shall be awarded four year B. Des. degree upon successful completion of bridge Programme.

6. Will the students be eligible for two Academic Degree i.e. B.Sc. & B. Des. both after successful completion of additional one year Bridge Programme.

**Answer:** No, Students will be only eligible for award of Four Year B. Des. Degree after successful completion of additional one year Bridge Programme.

7. What will be the status of a student who does not successfully complete the bridge Programme.

**Answer:** Any student who has enrolled in the bridge Programme after successful completion of the B.Sc. Programme but for some reason, like unavoidable circumstances, failure, withdrawal etc. is not able to complete the bridge Programme will be awarded BSc degree for which he was otherwise eligible. In such circumstances however, the student shall not be eligible for a refund of fees paid and shall be awarded the B. Sc. degree only upon clearance of the fees etc. due from him/her.

8. What will be the status of internship of the students pursuing the BSc Programme.

**Answer:** As mentioned in the circular, the Bridge course shall have no bearing on the Programme that a student is currently pursuing in any manner whatsoever including matter like placement, internship etc. Students are advised to pursue their present course in the normal manner notwithstanding the Bridge Programme. Internships shall be pursued in the normal course as further requirement of the BSc Programme.

9. Should the student who intends to pursue the bridge course appear for the placement?

**Answer:** As mentioned in the above answer, conduct of the bridge course has no bearing on the Programme that a student is currently pursuing in any manner whatsoever including matter like placement, internship etc. It is up to the student whether he wishes to appear for the placements or not. FDDI will not stop any students from appearing in the placements whether they intend to pursue the bridge Programme or not.

10. Will the students who successfully completed B.Sc. Programme in any specialized field i.e. Footwear, Retail, Leather Goods, Fashion may be allowed to change their area of specialization in Bridge programme.

**Answer:** No, students will only be allowed to pursue further one year additional Bridge programme in the same field in which they successfully completed their B.Sc. programme.

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