# INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS GUIDE BOOK





# **VIT**A PLACE TO LEARN; A CHANCE TO GROW

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#### **WELCOME**

This pre-arrival and orientation guide has been produced for students who are coming to study at Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT), India. It provides practical guidance on coming to live and study in VIT from an international student perspective and information on some of the University's central support services. With over 400+ international MoUs\_across the globe, Vellore Institute of Technology has a strong international presence abroad. The International Relations office of Vellore Institute of Technology with institutes and universities all over the world helps the students to explore diverse environments and various cultures across the world. International Relations team help students and faculty with peers many foreign institutions abroad.

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# **VISION & MISSION**

#### **VISION** - Institution

Transforming life through excellence in education and research

# **VISION** – International Relations Office

To internationalize the academic environment by enhancing international Student and faculty mobility and work for strengthening international research collaboration.

#### **MISSION** – International Relations Office

To promote and co-ordinate international academic and cultural activities that reflect the institution's commitment to internationalization.

#### **IMMIGRATION SERVICES: FRRO**

- 1. On arrival at VIT, the student has to visit the International Relations
  Office and to register with efrro formalities within 24 hours of his/ her
  entry in to INDIA
- 2. Periodical update on the entry and Exit of his . Her travel abroad
- 3. Renewal processes' guideline will be given by the International relations Office
- 4. The students have to be aware of his/ her visa status
- 5. Supporting letter with respect to renewal will be given by the International Relations Office



#### **ACCOMMODATION**

A home away from home, the hostels at VIT is more than four walls and a roof. They have been designed to provide a comfortable, safe, inclusive and secure living even as they provide opportunities to form lasting friendships and ease the transition from home to college. Residential staff is always available to support the students from different backgrounds to promote community. Living on campus provides students with opportunities to:

- \* Connect with a diverse population of people
- \* Develop stronger interpersonal and communication skills
- \* Engage in campus leadership, organizations and activities
- \* Establish relationships with faculty and staff members

Hostel review committee meetings are conducted once in 15 days by the hostel administrators to address students' queries and requirements, and to keep them updated on upgradation of services and events. Students are also given the privilege to give suggestions to improve the hostel facilities.

#### DINING

A spacious Visitors' Lounge has recently been added for the benefit of visiting parents/guardians, supplementing the residential guest house facilities available. The spotlessly maintained and spacious vegetarian and non-vegetarian dining halls in the hostels serve wholesome, nutritious food with the help of a unique steam cooking facility. Foreign students can also choose from a limited list of special food items. A Chinese mess is functioning separately.

For those who want to try out different cuisines, a variety of hygienic food facilities are available on campus. A popular eating spot is the 600 square meters Food Court, that serves delicious non-vegetarian and vegetarian food at reasonable prices. Fast food outlets are also attached to both the Men's and Women's Hostels.

# MENS AND LADIES HOSTEL ADMINISTRATION

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Men's Hostel Office	Senior Supervisor's (24 hours X 7 days) Phone No: 0416 - 220 2524
Men's Hostel Office - Security Guard	Security Guard (24 hours X 7 days) Phone No: 0416 - 220 2527

#### **VIT MILESTONES**

- VIT has been ranked by MHRD NIRF Ranking, Govt. of India 2023
  - • 8<sup>th</sup> Best in University
  - • 11<sup>th</sup> best in Research
  - • 11<sup>th</sup> best in Engineering
  - • 17<sup>th</sup> best in Overall
- ✓ QS World University Ranking within **851 900** in the world.
- ✓ QS Asia Ranking: 173<sup>rd</sup> Rank.
- ✓ QS Ranking by Subject
  - Engineering & Technology (Overall) 240th in the world (India Rank 9)
  - Electrical and Electronic Engineering within 201-250 in the world (India Rank 8)
  - Chemical Engineering within 301-350 in the world (India Rank 11)
  - Computer Science & Information Systems within 201-250 in the world (India Rank 7)
  - Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering within 251-300 in the world (India Rank 10)
  - Chemistry within 351-450 in the world (India Rank 9)
  - Biological Sciences within 451-500 in the world (India Rank 10)
  - Mathematics within 351-400 in the world (India Rank 11)
  - o Physics & Astronomy within 451-500 in the world (India Rank 12).
- \( \tau \) Times Higher Education (THE) World University Ranking within 801 1000 in the world.
- Times Higher Education (THE) Asia Ranking within 251-300 in the world
- ✓ Times Higher Education (THE) Young University Ranking within 301-350 in the world
- ✓ The following new Undergraduate Programmes started in 2023:
  - B.Tech, Computer Science and Engineering (Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning)
  - B.Tech. Electronics Engineering (VLSI Design and Technology)
  - B.Tech. Electrical and Computer Science Engineering
  - B.Tech. Computer Science and Engineering (Data Science)
  - B.Tech. Electrical and Computer Science Engineering
  - B.Com. Business Process Services
  - B.Com. Banking and Capital Markets
  - B.Com. Financial Technology
  - B.Sc. Computer Science
- The following new Postgraduate Programmes started in 2023:
  - M.Arch. (Digital Technologies for Buildings)
  - M.Tech Electronics and Communication Engineering (Intelligent Communication Systems)
  - M.Tech. Electric Mobility
- ✓ Inauguration of Muthamizh Arignar Kalaignar M. Karunanidhi Hostel Block and Pearl Research Park

### **Students Welfare Department**

Small steps lead to big changes and so, every attempt is being made by the Office of Students' Welfare for the upliftment of the students. The management joins hands with VIT'S Clubs and Chapters to make every student find an environment where they can learn and grow, together. This provides for a very lively, fun, and resourceful community to employ their erudite years. Conscious of the influence these active years can have on the minds of the expectation of our nation and the globe, VIT endeavours to promote, introduce, and expand any and all ventures to shape their minds. This is why VIT has a well-organized structure that allows for daily activities being conducted by the Clubs and Chapters. These events are carefully approved and monitored to ensure the students' growth. We also see several external participants gaining an opportunity to participate in our cultural and technical events. We believe our students are the future leaders and hence, we provide them with multiple opportunities to grow in this domain- Students can find their place in the Student Council or may even start a new Club or Chapter and get it approved from the Office of Students' Welfare. The University's student teams provide exposure and a cordial experience for students to interact with and work together. VIT expresses support by selecting students and distributing scholarships. The University also aids in issuing funding for National and International student competition participation.

The Office of Students' Welfare is responsible for a plethora of initiatives for the benefit of the students. The International Students' Welfare overlooks the foreign students' academic progress, and if there is any issue, they step in and support them so they can have a general fruitful academic stay in the college. The college has a 0% tolerance policy for ragging and hence conducts several anti-ragging activities. To make sure that every child is looked after, each faculty is assigned around 20 children and they hold meetings with the students where they solve all their problems together. Also, several welfare activities are hosted for our Day Scholars and Day Boarders.

The primary aim of the Office of Students' Welfare is to make every student in VIT stay safe and we work hard towards this goal by joining hands with the Counselling Division. Every child is unique, and we provide them with a platform to hone their skills and emerge as better individuals.

# **Student clubs**

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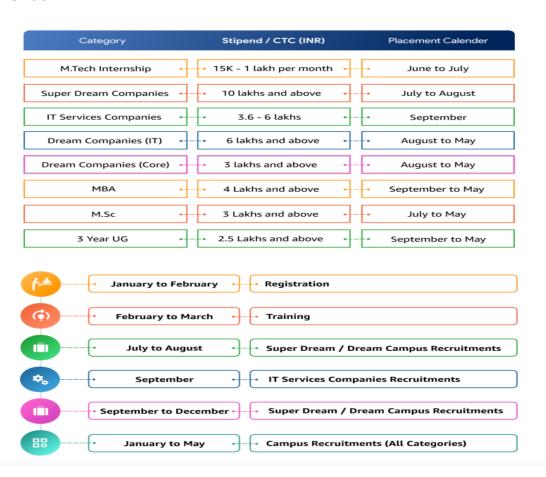
# **Career Development Center**

The Career Development Centre is to empower students to achieve their career aspirations by providing them with the necessary support, guidance, and resources. The Centre is committed to promoting a culture of lifelong learning and to helping students acquire the skills and knowledge needed to succeed in a rapidly changing job market.

The primary objective of CDC is to provide students with a variety of career-related services that will help them to prepare for, enter, and succeed in the workforce. The key objectives of CDC are as follows:

- To provide students with the resources, tools, and guidance they need to explore career options and make informed decisions.
- To assist students in developing the skills and competencies necessary to succeed in the workforce.
- To connect students with potential employers and job opportunities.
- To support students in their job search efforts and provide ongoing career support throughout their professional journey.

#### **Placement Calendar:**



# **CAMPUSES**

- 1. VIT Vellore
- 2. VIT Chennai
- 3. VIT AP
- 4. VIT Bhopal



#### **SCHOOLS**

- School of Advanced Sciences (SAS)
- School of Bio Sciences and Technology (SBST)
- School of Civil Engineering (SCE)
- School of Chemical Engineering (SCHEME)
- School of Computer Science and Engineering (SCOPE)
- School of Electrical Engineering (SELECT)
- School of Electronics Engineering (SENSE)
- School of Information Technology and Engineering (SITE)
- School of Mechanical Engineering (SMEC)
- School of Social Sciences and Languages (SSL)
- VIT School of Design (V-SIGN)
- VIT Business School (VITBS)
- VIT Law School (VITSOL)
- VIT School of Planning & Architecture (V-SPARC)
- School of Hotel & Tourism Management (HOT)
- VIT Fashion Institute of Technology (VFIT)
- VIT School for Agricultural Innovations and Advanced Learning (VAIAL)

#### **RESEARCH CENTRES**

- Automotive Research Centre (ARC)
- Centre for Biomaterials, Cellular and Molecular Theranostics (CBCMT)
- Centre for Nanotechnology Research (CNR)
- Centre for Crystal Growth (CCG)
- Centre for Disaster Mitigation and Management (CDMM)
- Centre for Nano Biotechnology (CNBT)
- CO<sub>2</sub> Research and Green Technologies
- Centre for Bio-Separation Technology (CBST)
- Technology Information Forecasting Assessment Council Centre of Relevance & Excellence (TIFAC-CORE)
- VIT Technology Business Incubator (VIT-TBI)
- Centre for Innovative Manufacturing Research (CIMR)



# Library

The Central library spreads over an area of 7770 sq m with six floors (Excluding ground floor). It has specialized collections of books, journals & other resources in Mathematics & Sciences, Engineering and Technology, Biotechnology, Humanities, Social Sciences and Management ranging from printed books, e-books, back volumes and CDs\DVDs. The Central Library subscribes to national and international journals in print and e-Journals. The library has a video conferencing facility and NPTEL video courses, ePGpathashala, Swayam Programme and other E-Learning resources initiated by the Government of India. Central Library is using Koha software for Library automation and has implemented RFID technology with self-issue and return kiosk, WEB-OPAC (Online Public Access Catalogue), and online renewal facility.

#### **Services**

- Circulation Service
- Reference Service
- Web OPAC (On-line Public Access Catalogue)
- Study Book Service
- STARS Book Bank
- Resource Sharing (Inter Library Loan)
- Multimedia Resource Service
- On-line Databases
- NPTEL e-Learning Facility
- User Education Program
- Tele / Video Conferencing

# Membership

All students, faculty members and staff of the institute are membership of the library.

#### Riviera

We at VIT believe that education isn't confined to academic excellence, but extends to the overall development of a student. To facilitate this, VIT conducts various events and workshops.

Riviera, the annual International Sports and Cultural Fest, is one of the major events that gives our students a platform to showcase and shape their talent in various technical and managerial areas. Riviera has the honour of being the first University Cultural & Sports Event in India to be ISO 9001:2015 certified. The four day extravaganza is a celebration of dance, drama, debate, literature, art and culture. Our flagship events Aikya and Infusion add colour and richness to what we call "The Riviera Phenomenon". Apart from these, there are events conducted by various clubs and associations which are also graced by celebrity guests from various walks of life. The Proshows on all four days witness leading playback singers and performers from the Indian music and film industry who perform at the big stage.

Riviera has been growing in magnitude with each passing year. Riviera 2019 had a big celebrity list to boast about, with phenomenal artists like Sonu Nigam, Ayushmann Khurrana, Andrea Jeremiah, Shruti Haasan, Devi Sri Prasad, and DJ Shan, and the band The Local Train performing at the Proshows. Apart from these celebrities, Indian Cricketer Murali Vijay, Music Director Ghibran, Actor Manchu Manoj, Actress Priya Anand, Radio Jockey-cum-Actor RJ Balaji and Nehal Chudasama and Miss India-Universe 2018 also graced us with their presence as Chief Guests for various events held during Riviera'19.

#### **Gravitas:**

GraVITas is VIT University's Annual Technological and design carnival. This festival is an endeavor to provide a platform to all individual to show cases their skills and improve their innovation skills in the fields of technology. The three-day festival sees participation of students from all across the country and also promotes exchange of ideas and sparks a collective growth in development of this nation and its youth



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