

IIHMR University: 35 Years of Institutional Excellence

This is a crucial moment of the corona pandemic in India and around the world, and IIHMR University has an imperative to both serve and lead. IIHMR University is closely monitoring the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, and our top priority remains the health, safety, and well-being of our community, on and off-campus. We are taking decisive, informed action to limit the spread of COVID-19 while ensuring the continuity of our teaching and research mission. We have begun transitioning to virtual instruction for students. The goal of these changes is to minimize the need to gather in large groups and spend prolonged time in proximity to each other in spaces such as classrooms, dining halls, and residential buildings. Together we will propel the University's collective work to confront, understand, and solve all the major public health challenges we all face.

To begin with, the university has started online teaching in the MPH program – a collaborative program with Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, Baltimore, USA. IIHMR University is leaving no stone unturned to reach out to its students. Therefore, the university is providing access to expert faculty, best practices, and other online learning resources for their students.

IIHMR University decided to conduct GD/PI online over the virtual communication app to complete the admission process. The process of digital GD/PI and online test commenced from the 2nd week of May. Staying on schedule is the topmost priority of IIHMR University, and that is the reason to execute the entire admission process online.

During the lockdown, the institution ensures that the faculty are engaged in writing research proposals, writing papers in peer-reviewed journals, and mentoring students for summer training and dissertation. Students are encouraged to do online courses to enhance their skill set and use this time appropriately. In response to COVID-19, we have started a webinar series for our students and alumni on critical thematic issues, and participation is encouraging. Student mentoring is going on through online meetings and webinars.

Today, IIHMR University is established as the South Asian Region's premier knowledge institution dedicated to world-class research and education in the management of healthcare, hospital, pharmaceutical, and development sectors. The institution offers MBA, MPH (in collaboration with JHU), doctoral programs, executive education, research and consultancy in the fields of hospital management, health management, pharmaceutical management, rural management, and a variety of fields related to the health sector. The institution has played a pioneering role in establishing health management as a distinctive discipline in India and overseas.

IIHMR is committed to becoming an internationally acclaimed healthcare and research institute. With a global outlook grounded in Indian ethos, with students keen to excel, a competent and dedicated faculty, meticulously designed curriculum, excellent infrastructure, a global network of alumni, and international collaborations, IIHMR University is the most desirable university in healthcare. We are striving to build further on the strong foundations and attain greater heights of eminence.

Over the past thirty-five years, IIHMR has carved a niche for itself among management institutions, both in India and abroad. In its long journey building around a culture of action-oriented research, the University has worked collaboratively with the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, USA as well as international agencies like the World Health Organization (WHO), World Bank, United Nations (UN), and Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation in a range of research, training, and education activities.

IIHMR university has ranked 1st amongst the cleanest higher educational institutions in India, in the category of non-residential Universities-UGC, Swachh campus ranking-2019 by the Ministry of HRD, Government of India. Besides this, university has been ranked 72 under the "Management Category" in India by the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) 2019. Recently, the institution has also been accredited by NAAC. It is worth mentioning that southeast



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Asia Public Health Education Institutions Network (SEAPHEIN) awarded IIHMR University with the 'Public Health Leadership Award' for its significant contribution in promoting public health education in the region.

We have a research legacy of 35 years. Excellence in research comes from our experienced faculty and research officers. Research is a major focus at IIHMR University, which has been evident through our expansion and outreach to industry by getting into active collaborations with renowned organisations. Research collaboration is not an additional feather in our cap but an integral part of our growth strategy. It has conducted more than 800 research projects and studies in health policies and programs at the national and international levels. These research areas include family welfare; maternal and child health, health systems and policies, program management, monitoring and evaluation of program, strategy planning, nutrition, behavioral change communication, health policies, quality assurance, operations research, reproductive health, and gender health.

The Executive Education programs running under the University offer curricula that are designed to enhance the leadership and managerial skills by covering a wide range of programs for individuals and organizations engaged in areas of health management, hospital management, pharmaceutical management. Under this program, IIHMR University trains as many as 600+ professionals every year from almost 40 countries.

On behalf of the IIHMR family, I take this opportunity to welcome all of you and specially our young, bright minds who are eager to explore new vistas of knowledge and become part of this transformational journey.

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