

Gujarat Maritime University – A Pioneer par Excellence

Background

India is endowed with a 7500 km long coastline, rich marine resources and is strategically located along one of the busiest shipping routes in the world. When compared to global trade where 80% of trading by volume is conducted by maritime transport, India's 95% of trading by volume is moved through maritime transport. In spite of this, India is yet to feature amongst the top 10 shipping nations in most performance parameters, including performance in Shipping, Finance and Law, Technology, Ports and Logistics as per "The Leading Maritime Capitals of the World 2019 report". This indicates that there is an acute need to develop maritime specific capacity and expertise if India has to be recognized as a top maritime nation.

Driving Growth in the Maritime Sector

Through initiatives like Sagarmala, revisiting archaic acts, introducing digitization and technology and promoting multi modal transport logistics amongst other initiatives, the Government of India has sought to modernize the sector. In response, the industry and academia need to take commensurate actions, since implementation of any policy and reform in its true letter and spirit requires committed participation on all fronts.

It is critical for industry, academia and government to be responsive to mutual development needs of each other. Academia in particular must be extremely cognizant of the rapidly evolving need of skill and expertise in the sector.

Demand and Supply of Human Resources in the Maritime Sector

Recent estimates of manpower deployment in Maritime Management sector in India indicate the demand-supply gap of 52 thousand management professionals in the conservative scenario and 2 lakh management professionals in the average-case scenario by 2030 given the supply capacity and the growth rates of the sector.

In India, there are more than 150 DG Shipping approved institutes offering variety of courses, covering technical and non-technical courses in the Maritime sector. However, among all the institutes offering

courses in Maritime sector in India, the ratio of technical and commercial courses within India is 92:8 whereas the ratio of technical to commercial jobs is 60:40. Hence there is a priority need of adding capacity in the commercial side of the maritime sector, which forms the preliminary focus area of Gujarat Maritime University (GMU). There is a dearth of institutes in India catering to this mismatch. Hence, often, students interested in pursuing such courses opt to study outside India.

About Gujarat Maritime University

An endeavour by Gujarat Maritime Board (GMB), the state regulator for port and maritime activities in Gujarat, GMU envisions to become a world-renowned, research-oriented institution renowned for its pursuit of academic excellence – training and empowering brilliant minds to captain and lead the global ports and maritime arena. The Gujarat Maritime University (GMU) is a state private university registered under UGC section 2(f) and established by Gujarat Private Universities Act, 2009.

The governing body of the university consists

of professionals across Government, Industry and Academia. The Governing Body is led by the Chief Secretary to Government of Gujarat and has senior bureaucrats, industry leaders and leading academicians as its members.

Our recent efforts at GMU reflect our commitment to raise the bar of India's performance at the global maritime education platform. While India has many institutes of repute offering technical courses, the aspect of inculcating and fostering a spirit of entrepreneurship and competitiveness seems to be missing, which would set us on the trajectory to be the best. GMU recognized that, in addition to the technical know-how, specialized capacities related to law and business management need to be specially developed for maritime sector, which is intrinsically complex and transnational in nature.

Raising the bar of Indian Maritime Education

In the first year of our inception, under the **School of Maritime Law, Policy & Administration (SMLPA), we started**

offering our flagship programmes: LL.M and PGD with specialization in Maritime Law and International Trade Law in 2019-20.

GMU has also launched a **Centre for Executive Education (CEE)**, which would exclusively focus on short term courses for working professionals and shall be delivered in collaboration with global leaders in maritime education, **the Erasmus UPT and STC International, Netherlands**. GMU has been conducting a number of events, seminars and webinars, which have been receiving encouraging responses from the industrial and academic circles.

The Global MBA in Shipping and Logistics

Considering the pressing need to develop management professionals, who would drive further the much-needed changes in the maritime sector, we have launched our **MBA Programme in Shipping and Logistics** from this year under our **School of Maritime Management**. The programme would be designed by the prestigious Copenhagen Business School - Executive, which is

founded by Copenhagen Business School that offers the world-renowned "**Blue MBA**" - **one of the best maritime management programmes in the world**. The MBA in Shipping and Logistics offered by GMU is the first-of-its-kind offering in India, with a meticulously designed curriculum benchmarked with global standards.

Pedagogy and Curriculum

All the courses offered by GMU have a judicious mix of lectures, field visits and case studies to equip students with requisite skills and a holistic perspective of the sector. Through an interdisciplinary pedagogy and a well-rounded curriculum, both intensive and participatory in nature, GMU has strived to create professionals who are trained to meet the demands of the industry, well-equipped to undertake leadership roles in the industry and contribute significantly to their organizations and will allow them to contribute to the maritime sector in India and abroad.

Future Offerings

Going forward, in coming years, the University shall endeavor to launch various Schools & Centres to cater to the requirements of the entire value chain of the maritime sector.

📍 **School of Marine Technology:** This school would offer programs focused on engineering, science and technology related aspects of the maritime sector

📍 **School of Liberal Arts & Social Sciences:** This school would offer programs focused on liberal arts and social sciences

📍 **Centre of Continuing Education:** This centre would offer Continuing Education programs for professionals in the maritime sector.

📍 **Centre for Faculty Development:** This centre will cater to needs of faculty development in maritime education.

With a vision to develop into a global center of excellence in maritime education, research and development, professional training and with an aim to enhance the capacity of maritime industry both in India and across the globe, GMU has already embarked on this voyage and is steadily sailing towards the horizon of academic excellence!!!



Last date of receiving applications
31-08-2020



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