POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN
HERITAGE STUDIES
2023-24

Learner-centric pedagogy

Progressive academic content

Interactive sessions and peer learning

Critical thinking and informed discourse

Eminent academics and professionals as resource people

Hands-on practical experience
Postgraduate Diploma in Heritage Studies focuses on developing a wider understanding of the notion and nature of heritage, while gaining an informed perspective on the protection, preservation and continuity of the significant aspects of heritage. The programme helps to build an integrated and inclusive perspective towards heritage. The theoretical aspect of the programme is complemented with on-site practical hands-on sessions in the field, conservation laboratories or specialised workshops.

The students of the programme get the opportunity to interact with a wide range of experts in the field of heritage and build connections with practitioners, academics and organisations, therefore becoming a part of the heritage community. The diploma trains students to become guardians of heritage as critical thinkers, professionals and entrepreneurs. The course is recognised as prior learning for MA in Conservation Studies at the University of York, UK.

**Future Possibilities**

This diploma opens opportunities to work with organisations in the field of heritage. Going beyond the job opportunities, the thrust of Diploma is to create new prospects in the sector in the form of entrepreneurial enterprises.

**Who Can Apply?**

The diploma is open to graduates who have demonstrated active interest and dedication in the field of heritage. A cohort of students from multi-disciplinary backgrounds and varied experience will help create a rich and diverse learning environment.

**Required qualifications:** An undergraduate degree with minimum 50% (overall) marks in any discipline.

**Duration and Structure**

The one-year full-time diploma will be spread over four quarters. Quarter 1-3 consists of the following courses:

- Orientation to Heritage
- Documenting Heritage
- Conservation Philosophy
- Conservation Practices
- Heritage Project
- Heritage Policy & Legislation
- Research Methodology in context of heritage
- Heritage and Sustainability
- Cultural and Heritage Entrepreneurship
- Heritage Economics & Livelihoods

Quarter 4 is dedicated to interning with an organisation working in the field of heritage.

**What Do You Gain By Taking This Diploma?**

With over three decades of work in the domain of art cultural heritage, INTACH has become an enviable repository of expertise, knowledge and experience. The course is built upon this accumulated intellectual wealth of INTACH. Some of the key benefits of pursuing this diploma offered by INTACH Heritage Academy (IHA) are:

1. Develop a wider understanding of the notion and nature of ‘heritage’
2. Gain an informed perspective on the protection, preservation and continuity of the significant aspects of culture and its expression
3. Develop a critical understanding of the history, theory and ethics of heritage conservation
4. Learn hands-on practical skills by working alongside traditional master craftsmen, communities and heritage specialists
5. Build connections with heritage experts, cultural practitioners and research organisations, and be part of a wider conservation community
6. Study at INTACH and gain access to our chapter/members network, INTACH knowledge Centre, conservation labs and other facilities
7. Study in the historic city of Delhi that is home to a variety of tangible, intangible and living heritage

**Mode of Teaching**

The diploma is taught in combination of lectures, hands-on working sessions, workshops, focused discussions, seminars and tutorials. All courses and classes are mandatory for students who register for the diploma. There will be certain courses that will be open to external participants to nurture and promote cross disciplinary learning.

**Application Process**

Applicants need to provide the following documents:
- Duly filled application form (available on our website www.heritage.intach.org)
- Self-attested copy of education transcripts
- Statement of purpose (max. 1500 words)
- Sample of work
- Portfolio (working professionals)
- Two references from academics or profession as applicable
- Identity Proof

**Fee Structure**

Diploma fee for Indian Nationals: INR 50,000/

All taxes as applicable by the Government of India are to be paid in addition to the course fee.

Diploma fee for Non-Indian Nationals: USD 6,000/

How to pay the diploma fee?

The fee needs to be paid all together after receiving the offer letter. It can be paid either through cheque, NEFT or DD.

*All courses are run by INTACH on a no-profit basis. Bursaries may be awarded to deserving members of INTACH.

Note: The PG Diploma in Heritage Studies is offered by INTACH Heritage Academy and INTACH and is not affiliated to any university or educational institute. IHA is not a university/deemed university/institute which has sought UGC or AICTE approval/recognition.
INFRASTRUCTURE

INTACH Knowledge Centre (IKC)
INTACH Knowledge Centre consisting of library, documentation centre, audio-visual centre and archives has been established to preserve and disseminate valuable information published by various Chapters and Divisions of INTACH in the form of heritage listings, project proposals and reports, books, pamphlets, brochures, journals, newsletters, conference proceedings, documentary films and other such resources – published and unpublished.

INTACH Conservation Institutes (ICI)
INTACH Conservation Institutes or the Art & Material Heritage Division have their main conservation centres located in Delhi, Lucknow, Bangalore and Bhubaneswar. The Division houses specialised departments for the treatment and care of paintings, works on paper, 3D objects, textiles and other works of art. The ICI laboratories are equipped with modern tools and facilities and a dedicated team of trained conservators to undertake art conservation.

Classroom / Discussion Room
Most of the classes conducted for the diploma are audio-visual classes. INTACH has an additional discussion room for students and staff to discuss their assignments and work.

Multipurpose Hall
INTACH has a multipurpose hall with a capacity of 100 people and has in-house facilities for audio-visual conferences, meetings, workshops, seminars, etc.

Courtyard/ Amphitheatre
The INTACH headquarters has well designed amphitheatre. This space is used for both informal and formal events. Many events such as annual meeting, concerts, award ceremonies etc. are also held here.

ABOUT US

The Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage (INTACH) was founded in 1984 in New Delhi with the vision to spearhead heritage awareness and conservation in India. Today INTACH is recognised as one of the world’s largest heritage organisations, with over 200 Chapters across the Country.

INTACH Heritage Academy (IHA), established in 2012, is envisioned to be a centre of excellence for training, research and capacity building relating to cultural and natural heritage in India. The Academy aims to strengthen the implementation of the mission and objectives of INTACH across the sub-continent, and in the wider international context. It is the first-of-its-kind in the country, running programmes for training, capacity building and research in all aspects of heritage conservation and management.

OBJECTIVES OF IHA

1. Encourage capacity building by developing skills through training programmes
2. Encourage and support a wide range of research, taking advantage of the strong multidisciplinary ethos at INTACH
3. Offer special courses on conservation and management of cultural heritage places
4. Complement the initiatives and activities taken up by technical divisions and chapters of INTACH
5. Connect the training and capacity building needs and potentials across the divisions and chapters of INTACH

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