



Post Graduate Diploma in Alternative Dispute Resolution Methods (PGAdrm) (Through Distance Learning)

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. Is the Post Graduate Diploma in Alternative Dispute Resolution Methods conducted by the Indian Law Society for Arbitration and Mediation (ILSCA) recognized by any University?

- No. This course is an autonomous course conducted by the Indian Law Society, Pune.
- Indian Law Society is an independent body, is a public charitable trust, registered under the Society's Registration Act, and has no affiliation with the UGC nor with the University of Pune nor is a deemed University.
- Thus, the Indian Law Society is free to design its courses – as regards, the design, its curriculum, duration, and methods of assessment.
- Various Diploma/certificate courses including the PG Diploma in ADR Methods are run by the Indian Law Society with due approval of the Governing Council of the Indian Law Society.
- We call the course PG Diploma because we only admit students who are graduates in any faculty – law science or arts.

2. Does the course promise to participants who complete the course jobs or placements?

No, the course does not offer placements nor promise jobs.

3. Can I practice arbitration or mediation after this diploma?

Yes, you can practice arbitration after you complete this program effectively.

The pre-condition is that the parties who are willing to resolve their dispute either through mediation or arbitration choose to appoint you as an arbitrator or mediator. ILSCA's diploma program in ADR Methods gives you an advantage in the market.

As regards empanelment on the panel of Arbitrators and Mediators of any institution is concerned, every institution has its own set of rules, policies, and guidelines to empanel and appoint arbitrators/mediators.

This course acts as an **entryway to the successful candidates** for being considered to be on the ILSCA panel of arbitrators. Furthermore, the successful participants of this course will have an edge over others for being considered to be on the ILSCA panel of arbitrators, on a precondition that the candidates need to complete certain pre-decided criteria of ILSCA. ILSCA invites applications from time to time from candidates desirous of being empanelled on the ILSCA Panel of Arbitrators.

To be empanelled on the ILSCA Panel of Mediators – one has to complete the ILSCA Mediators training conducted by ILSCA and complete other assessment criteria laid down by ILSCA.

4. When do applications open and what is the deadline for applying?

- The admission for the course will be announced on 12th September 2023. Applications for the Diploma course for the year 2023-24, will be invited on **12th September 2022**.
- The admission notice will be released on **the ILS website - ilslaw.edu**
- The last date for filling out the application forms for the diploma course is **30th September 2023**

5. What is the duration of the Course?

The duration of the course is six (6) months.- 3rd October 2023 to 3rd April 2024.

6. Whether the course is correspondence course or classroom mode?

PG Diploma in Alternative Dispute Resolution Methods is conducted by ILSCA in an online mode – The larger part of the program consists of self-study where the study material is sent to the student and the student must study and learn on their own. In addition, there will be online classes conducted on the various topics of the course at intervals by experts on topics that are part of the program.

7. Whether contact classes will be on weekdays or weekends?

All our resource persons are professionals. It depends upon their availability as well. We endeavour to schedule classes on the weekends. However, sometimes due to faculties availability, we may also schedule a session on weekdays. But in such cases, classes will be scheduled only in the evening, and prior notice will be given.

8. How are the classes conducted?

- Classes will be conducted online, preferably on weekends. The participants will log in through
- The students will need to keep their cameras on throughout the classes. Participants will connect through ZOOM Meeting.
- Classes are mostly interactive.

- The timings of the sessions, the topic on which the session will be conducted, and the resource person details, will be shared in advance.

9. Whether attendance for contact classes compulsory?

Yes, attendance for contact classes is compulsory.

10. Fees for the course – inclusive of Reading Material

- Rs. 42,373/- + Rs. 7,627 (18 % GST) = Rs.50,000/-

11. For the Registration Form and payment link for admission please go to the link mentioned below.

- <http://ilslaw.edu>

12. Will reading material will be provided?

- Reading material will be provided offline (Hard Copies) and online from time to time.

13. Where will be the assessment pattern?

The final assessment of the student is done which is based on the following factors: Marks will be allotted to each of the following criteria.

- Attendance for the contact classes
- Group Discussion
- Project Submission (participants can choose any topic from the list of topics provided to them)
- Final examination (Online) at the end of the course

14. Are recent graduates eligible to apply for the course?

Yes, recent graduates are eligible to apply for the course.

15. What documents are to be submitted at the time of Admission?

Candidates selected for admission are required to produce the following documents: (scan copies and submit them online)

1. Passing Certificate of the qualifying Examination
2. Statement of marks of the qualifying Examination
3. One passport-size photograph

16. What is the procedure for cancellation of admissions and refund if any?

The candidate who intends to withdraw their admission must apply expressing his/her inability to continue with the course with valid reasons. The chart for refunding the fees on withdrawal of admission is as under:

| On Cancellation of Admission | Fees to be refunded |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Within 8 days of admission | 80 % of total Fees |
| 2. 9 to 15 days of admission | 50 % of total Fees |
| 3. After 15 days of admission | No refund |

P.S. - Fees once paid will not be adjusted to the subsequent course, under any circumstances, after the commencement of the course for which the fees are paid.