#### 1. Eligibility:

A. Bachelor's degree in any field of science/technology as a subject in a 10+2+3/4/5 pattern of education with

(i) A minimum of 55% marks for GEN/OBC (50% for SC/ST) category in aggregate or as specified by the university/institute, OR

(ii) A minimum CGPA of 5.5 for GEN/OBC (5.0 for SC/ST) category on a scale of 10; with corresponding proportional requirements when the scales are other than 10 (for example 5.2 for GEN/OBC category (4.8 for SC/ST) on a scale of 8).

B. Only GAT-B 2023 qualified candidates, i.e., students who have scored above the declared cut-off category-wise and have their names on the official merit list of GAT-B as declared by NTA, shall be considered first for admission to M.Sc. degree programs at GBU. However, if seats remains still vacant after the GAT-B 2023 admission round, students who have successfully cleared or scored above the declared cut-off category-wise of JAM 2023 and after it if still seats are vacant, students who have successfully CUET PG 2023 and would be considered for the remaining seats after due approval from competent authorities.

#### 2. <u>Reservation policy</u>

The reservation policy for M.Sc. admission at GBU has been prepared as per prevailing norms of Gujarat State Government.

For the purpose of admission, seats shall be reserved for candidates who are of Gujarat origin and fall under the following categories and proportions:

- 1. Category A: X% of seats are reserved for candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes (SC).
- 2. Category B: Y% of seats are reserved for candidates belonging to Scheduled Tribes (ST).
- 3. Category C: Z% of seats are reserved for candidates belonging to Socially and Educationally Backward Classes (SEBC).
- 4. Category D: P% of seats are reserved for candidates with Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) certificates.
- 5. Category E: Q% of seats are reserved for candidates with Physically Disabled (PD) certificates.

Note: The above percentages (X, Y, Z, P, Q) are subject to change as per the government norms, regulations and guidelines of the concerned authorities.

Candidates seeking reservation under any of the categories mentioned above must provide valid and appropriate supporting documents during the application process.

The reservation policy aims to provide equal opportunities and promote diversity in admissions to M.Sc. programs at GBU, while ensuring compliance with the applicable regulations and guidelines.

| Sr. No. | Caste/Category                    | Percentage          |
|---------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1.      | Scheduled Castes                  | 7%                  |
| 2.      | Scheduled Tribes                  | 15%                 |
| 3.      | Socially & Educationally Backward | 27%                 |
| 4.      | Physically Handicapped            | 5% (Vertical)       |
| 5.      | EWS*                              | 10% (Supernumerary) |

\*The supernumerary seats that remain vacant shall not be offered to anyone other than the respective category.

- A. A candidate seeking admission on a reserved seat shall be required to produce a certificate of inclusion in the concerned category.
  - However, candidates belonging to the socially and educationally backward classes are required to provide a certificate indicating non-inclusion in the creamy layer as per government norms, in addition to the caste certificate.
- B. Please note that no caste/category certificate shall be considered valid unless it is duly stamped, signed, and issued by the competent authority specified by the state government.
- C. Likewise, a certificate indicating non-inclusion in the creamy layer shall only be valid if it is duly stamped, signed, and issued by the competent authority specified by the state government. The validity of such a certificate shall be subject to the prevailing rules of the state government.
- D. If a candidate fails to submit the required certificates within the stipulated time, their candidature shall be considered for admission under the unreserved category.
- E. In the event that a candidate from a reserved category secures admission on an unreserved seat according to their merit, they may be

granted admission to the unreserved seat based on their preference.

- F. The admission of a candidate from a reserved category on a reserved seat shall be valid, subject to verification of the caste/category certificate issued to them by the competent authority specified by the state government. If this certificate is found to be invalid during verification, the candidate shall not have the right to claim admission on the reserved seat. Furthermore, if the candidate has already been granted admission, it shall be cancelled. However, their admission may continue if vacant unreserved seats are available, subject to meeting the eligibility criteria and merit.
- G. Reservation for Physically Disabled Candidates: Five percent (5%) of the available seats in each category shall be reserved, in accordance with the provisions of section 32 of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 (49 of 2016), for persons with benchmark disabilities who are capable of performing the academic activities in the respective course. A candidate with a disability shall be required to submit a disability certificate issued and duly signed by the certifying authority. Explanation: "Person with disability" means a person suffering from a disability certified by a competent medical authority, which is not less than forty percent.
- H. Students who are on the list of qualified candidates of GAT-B 2023, as declared by NTA, shall be eligible to fill the online application form for M.Sc. admission at GBU. University shall follow the Government of Gujarat norms for granting seats based on the reservation policy of Gujarat to reserved category candidates for M.Sc. admission. After admitting all the reserved category candidates from Gujarat state, if reserved seats remain vacant, the University shall fill the remaining vacant seats as per Government of Gujarat norms upon approval from a competent authority. Following the approval, admission will be granted in order of merit (merit list based on the marks obtained by students in GAT-B 2023) to all remaining applicants, and this list will be inclusive of all applicants (including reservation and general category, i.e. These seats will be filled in order of marks, irrespective of the category.)

3. <u>Distribution of seats</u>:- According to reservation percentages as per the current Government of Gujarat (GoG) norms, a total of 100 seats are distributed as follows:

| Sr.<br>No. | Caste/Category           | Percentage          | No. of<br>Seats |
|------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| 1.         | General                  | 51%                 | 51              |
| 2.         | Scheduled Castes         | 7%                  | 7               |
| 3.         | Scheduled Tribes         | 15%                 | 15              |
| 4.         | Socially & Educationally | 27%                 | 27              |
|            | backward classes         |                     |                 |
| 5.         | Physically Handicapped   | 5% (Vertical)       | 5               |
| 6.         | EWS*                     | 10% (Supernumerary) | 10              |

4. The <u>tuition fees</u> payable for students admitted to M.Sc. degree programs at GBU for the academic year 2023-2024, for each semester, are as follows:

|                     | Semester- | Semester- | Semester-3 | Semester- |
|---------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|
|                     | 1         | 2         |            | 4         |
| Fees (in INR) - For | 21,000/-  | 15,750/-  | 15,750/-   | 15,750/-  |
| SC, ST              |           |           |            |           |
| candidates.         |           |           |            |           |
| Fees (in INR) - For | 42,000/-  | 31,500/-  | 31,500/-   | 31,500/-  |
| all others.         |           |           |            |           |

The fees shall be paid online.

- The students shall pay an amount of tuition fee as token fee to confirm their seat during admission. The token fees shall be Rs. 15,000/-. The remaining fees of the first semester shall be paid within 15 days of the token fee submission or as notified by the competent authority.
- Students getting admission have to pay the token fee in the stipulated time period, failing which the admission will stand cancelled and the seat would be offered to the next eligible applicant as per norms.

5. The seats shall be filled based on the merit prepared by the admission committee, considering the GAT-B 2023 score obtained by the candidates. The merit list shall be prepared category-wise and contain the following details:

- a. Candidate name
- b. GAT-B roll number
- c. GAT-B score
- d. GBU merit number
- e. Applicable category
- f. Admission seat category

#### 6. Tentative admission timeframe

| SI. | Event Steps  | Date        |
|-----|--|-------------|
| No. |  |             |
| 1   | GAT-B 2023 Examination                             | 13.05.2023  |
| 2   | Declaration of GAT-B 2023 Scores byNTA.            | ТВА         |
| 3   | The online admission application form live on      | 09.06.2023  |
|     | GBU website.                                       |             |
| 4   | Last date for filling up the online formon the     | 26.06.2023* |
|     | GBU website  |             |
| 5   | Display of merit list by GBU on thewebsite         | 30.06.2023* |
| 6   | Last date for payment of fees (registration/token) | 06.07.2023* |
|     | for confirmation of seat                           |             |
| 7   | Display of vacant seats for additionalround of     | 10.07.2023* |
|     | merit list   |             |
| 8   | Admissions on vacant seats by                      | 15.07.2023* |
|     | counselling (online/offline)                       |             |
| 8   | M.Sc. 2023 batch Academic sessionbegins.           | ТВА         |

\* Tentative dates, subject to the GATB timeline released.