

What Next? After 10th Class · Updated 2026

Choose your path — each leads to somewhere different

WHAT NEXT?						
Intermediate (2 yrs)		Polytechnic (3 yrs)		ITI (2 yrs)		Paramedical (3 yrs)
Science / Commerce / Arts		Diploma → B.Tech lateral		Trade-based skilled jobs		Allied health diplomas
↓ ← Intermediate streams →						
SCIENCE		COMMERCE		ARTS / HUMANITIES		OTHERS
• MPC • BiPC • Forensic Science combo		• CEC • MEC		• HEC • History • Pol. Science • Economics		• Library Science • Beauty & Cosmetology • Jewelry Designing • Fashion Designing • Photography
← ITI Trades →						
MECHANICAL		ELECTRICAL		COMPUTER / CIVIL		OTHERS
• Fitter • Mechanical • Diesel • Welder • Machine Tools		• Electrician & Plumber • Electrical • Surveyor • Firemen		• Computer • Civil (Draughtsman) • DTP • Motor Vehicle		• Radio & TV • Marine • Cookery • Paint Technology
← Short-Term Courses (6 mo – 1 yr) →						
DTP · PGDCA · Tally	Graphics · Animation · Web Designing	Cyber Security	Full-Stack Dev Bootcamp NEW	AI Prompt Foundations NEW	Data Annotation / AI Labeling NEW	UI/UX Basics NEW
Government Jobs (after 10th / 18 yrs)						
DIRECT RECRUITMENT				DEFENCE ROUTES		
• VRA / VRO • Agniveer (Agnipath) • Anganwadi Worker (F) • Driving Posts • Forest Beat Officer • Constable (States)				• Agniveer – Army/Navy/AF • ITI Tradesman posts • Multi-Tasking Staff (MTS) • SSC Matric-level • Railway Group D		

After Intermediate — Engineering & Medical

Engineering (4 yrs · B.E/B.Tech)
Eligible: MPC | Entrance: JEE, EAMCET, BITSAT, CUET

Medical (5.5 yrs · MBBS)
Eligible: BiPC | Entrance: NEET-UG

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← Engineering Branches →

CORE BRANCHES	EMERGING TECH [NEW]
- CSE - IT - ECE - EEE - Civil Eng - Mechanical Eng - Chemical Eng - Aeronautical Eng - Aerospace Eng - Agricultural Eng - Automobile Eng - Bio-Medical Eng - Bio-Technology Eng - Ceramic Eng - Industrial Eng - Environmental Eng - Marine Eng - Mining Eng - Silk & Textile Eng	· CSE – AI & ML NEW · Data Science & Analytics NEW · Cybersecurity NEW · Cloud Computing NEW · IoT & Embedded Systems NEW · Blockchain Technology NEW · Robotics NEW · Quantum Computing (research) NEW · Paramedical (via Bio-Med)

NEP 2020: certificate after 1 yr → diploma after 2 yrs → B.Tech after 3 yrs → B.Tech (Hons. Research) after 4 yrs [UPDATED]

← Medical Degrees →

MEDICAL DEGREES	ALLIED HEALTH (2-3 yrs)
· MBBS – Allopathic · BUMS – Unani · BHMS – Homeopathy · BAMS – Ayurveda · BNYS – Naturopathy · BDS – Dental · BVSc – Veterinary · BPT – Physiotherapy · Ag.BSc – Agricultural · B.Pharma	· BSc Nursing · BOT – Occupational Therapy · BSc Anesthesia Tech · BSc Cardiac Tech · BSc Medical Lab Tech · BSc Radio Therapy Tech · BSc Clinical Optometry · BSc Nuclear Medicine · BSc Operation Theatre · BSc Physician Assistant · BSc Respiratory Care · BMLT – Medical Lab Technology · Digital Health & Telemedicine NEW · Health Informatics / AI Diagnostics NEW

Paramedical (via Bio-Medical Eng / Diploma)

Dialysis Tech	ECG Tech	X-Ray Tech	OT Tech	DLMT · DHFM	Health Inspector	Sanitary Inspector
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TechStudyHubCore's Pharmacy track walks B.Pharma / Allied Health students through this Medical branch, semester by semester — pharmacy.techstudyhubcore.in

After Intermediate — Degree, Teaching & Others

B.A. (3 yrs)	B.Sc. (3 yrs)	B.Com (3 yrs)	Other Degrees
↓	↓	↓	↓
• HEP • HTP • Linguistics • Economics • Psychology • Fine Arts • Political Science • Sociology • Library Science	• MPC • MEC • Applied Maths • BZC / CBZ • CPZ • Horticulture • Computer Science • Artificial Intelligence NEW - Bio-Chemistry - Dairy Science - BioTechnology - Micro Biology - Home Science - Anthropology - Data Science NEW	• Regular • Computers • Bank Management • Tax Procedure	• LLB • BBA (Bus. Admin.) • BCA (Comp. Appl.) • BBM (Bus. Mgmt.) • BAF (Acc. & Fin.) • BFM (Fin. Mgmt.) • BMS (Mgmt. Studies)

NEP 2020: 4-yr Honours / Honours-with-Research track · 120 credits (3-yr) / 160 credits (4-yr) · Multiple entry-exit [UPDATED]

Dual-Degree (4 yrs) & Professional Courses

BA+B.Ed	B.Sc+B.Ed	BA+LLB	B.Com+LLB	BBM+LLB	BBA+LLB	CMA (formerly ICWA)	CS — Company Secretary
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CA: CPT → ATC (9 mo) / IPCC → ITT (100 hrs) → Articleship → Final Exam → Become a CA

Teaching	Others
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TEACHING	OTHERS
• D.Ed (2 yrs) – Primary Teacher • UDPED (2 yrs) – PET Teacher • ECCED – Early Childhood Care • B.Ed (after any degree) UPDATED • Integrated B.A+B.Ed / B.Sc+B.Ed (4 yrs) NEW	• NDA · Army · Navy · Air Force • Foreign Languages • Fire Safety • Journalism • Home Science • Tourism • Hotel Management • Rural Development • Designing: Fashion / Interior / Jewelry • Film: Direction / Writing / Camera / Sound / Editing • Management: Finance / Event / Hotel • Prompt Engineering / AI Careers NEW • Creator Economy NEW • Sustainability & ESG NEW • Remote / Freelance Work NEW

Whichever degree column you land in, TechStudyHubCore's content philosophy stays the same: teach the subject, not just the exam — techstudyhubcore.in

After Graduation — PG Eligibility

UGC 2025: pursue any UG/PG irrespective of Class 12 subjects — just qualify the entrance [UPDATED]

Engineering → M.Tech / MS

Medical → MD / MS / DM

BA/BSc/BCom →
MA/MSc/MCom

LLB → LLM / DTL / DLL

BCA/BBA → MCA / MBA

Any → CUET-PG NEW



Arts, Commerce & Languages

PG Course	Eligibility
MA Telugu	Any degree with Telugu
MA English	Any degree with English
MA Hindi	Any degree with Hindi
MA Economics	BA with Economics
MA History	BA with History
MA Sociology / Pol. Sci. / Public Adm.	BA (any group)
MS Public Relations	BA
M.Com	B.Com / BA with Commerce
M.A Archaeology	BA

Science & Technology

PG Course	Eligibility
M.Sc Computer Science	B.Sc/B.Com/BA with Computers, or BCA
MCA	BA / B.Sc with Maths
MBA	Any degree + CAT/MAT/XAT/CMAT/CUET-PG
M.Sc Maths / Chemistry / Physics	Relevant B.Sc
M.Sc Botany / Zoology / Home Science	Relevant B.Sc
M.Sc Bio-Chem / Bio-Tech / Microbiology	Relevant B.Sc
M.Sc Data Science / AI & ML NEW	B.Sc / B.Tech with Maths
PGD Analytics NEW	Any degree (quantitative)
UX / Design PG NEW	Any degree; portfolio-based
Public Policy NEW	Any degree

Kartik's path: B.Pharm → M.Pharm Pharmacy Practice (RIPER, RGUHS) — a live example of 'Medical → Allied Health → PG specialisation' — techstudyhubcore.in

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Entrance Exams — At a Glance (2026 verified)

CUET is the biggest structural change — 280+ universities now admit UG via CUET [UPDATED]

Exam	Admits To	Conducted By	Website
APEAMCET / TSEAMCET	State engg/medical/pharma (AP/TG)	State Govt.	sche.ap.gov.in/EAMCET
JEE Main	B.E/B.Tech, B.Arch (NITs, IIITs)	NTA	jeemain.nta.nic.in
JEE Advanced	UG at IITs, ISM Dhanbad	IIT (rotating)	jeeadv.ac.in
VITEEE	B.Tech at VIT University	VIT	vit.ac.in
COMEDK	Engg/Medical, Karnataka	COMEDK	comedk.org
NEET (UG)	MBBS / BDS / AyUSH	NTA	neet.nta.nic.in
BITSAT	BITS Pilani/Goa/Hyd	BITS Pilani	bitsadmission.com
CLAT	UG & PG law programmes	Consortium of NLUs	consortiumofnlus.ac.in
ICAR AIEEA	Agriculture & Allied Sciences	ICAR	icar.org.in
IIST	4-yr B.Tech & 5-yr Dual (Space)	IIST	iist.ac.in
IISc	UG Integrated degree	IISc Bangalore	iisc.ac.in
KEAM	Engg/Medical/Agri (Kerala)	Kerala CEE	cee.kerala.gov.in
IMU-CET	UG Marine Science & Tech	Indian Maritime Univ.	imu.edu.in
NDA & NA Exam	Army/Navy/Air Force (NDA)	UPSC	upsc.gov.in
NEST	Integrated M.Sc	Dept. of Atomic Energy	nestexam.in
NATA	5-yr B.Arch	Council of Architecture	nata.in
CUET (UG) NEW	UG — central & state/private univs	NTA	cuets.nta.nic.in
CUET (PG) NEW	PG — central & participating univs	NTA	cuets.nta.nic.in

CUET UG 2026: fully CBT · 37 papers · max 5 subjects · 50 Q/paper · +5/-1 · 60 min each [UPDATED]

6 subjects dropped: Entrepreneurship, Teaching Aptitude, Fashion Studies, Tourism, Legal Studies, Engineering Graphics

Notification dates move every year — TechStudyHubCore posts exam-window reminders as announced — sslc.techstudyhubcore.in

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Exams by Field — Engineering, Medical & Defence

National-Level Engineering Entrance Exams

ENGINEERING EXAMS

- BITSAT — bitsadmission.com
- COMED-K — comedk.org
- IPU-CET — ipu.ac.in
- Manipal — admissions.manipal.edu
- VITEEE — vit.ac.in
- AMU — amucontrollerexams.com
- NDA Entrance (PCM) — careerairforce.nic.in
- JEE Main — jeemain.nta.nic.in
- State CETs — sche.ap.gov.in/EAMCET

National-Level Medical Entrance Exams

AIIMS & JIPMER UG seats now filled through NEET-UG counselling. NEET 2026: 180 Q, 720 marks, +4/-1. CBT shift confirmed for 2027. [UPDATED]

MEDICAL EXAMS

- NEET (UG) — neet.nta.nic.in
- CMC-Vellore — admissions.cmcvellore.ac.in
- CMC-Ludhiana — cmcludhiana.in
- COMED-K — comedk.org
- JIPMER (via NEET) — jipmer.edu.in
- Manipal (MBBS) — admissions.manipal.edu

Marine, Navy & Defence

MARINE & DEFENCE

- IMU-CET — Diploma in Nautical Science → B.Sc; Class 12 PCM; imu.edu.in
- Indian Navy B.Tech Entry — Class 12 passed; nausena-bharti.nic.in
- Army TES — Class 12 PCM; joinindianarmy.nic.in
- NDA & Naval Academy — Class 12 passed; upsc.gov.in
- Indian Navy Sailors — Class 12 (Maths+Physics/Chem/Bio/CS)
- Agniveer (Agnipath) — 4-yr service; age 17.5-21; joinindianarmy.nic.in

Law Entrance Exams

LAW EXAMS

- CLAT — BA LLB/B.Com LLB/BBA LLB; consortiumofnlus.ac.in
- LSAT India — Class 12+/Graduates; pearsonvueindia.com/lsatindia
- AILET — BA LLB/LLM/PhD; nludelhi.ac.in
- Lloyd Entrance Test — BA LLB 5-yr; lloydlawcollege.com

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More Exams & School-Level Talent Tests

Agriculture, Hotel Management & Design

AGRI / HM / DESIGN

- ICAR AIEEA — Agriculture & Allied Sciences; icar.org.in
- NCHMCT JEE — B.Sc Hospitality & Hotel Admin; nchmct.org
- AIEED — 4-yr UG Design; aieed.com
- NATA — 5-yr B.Arch; nata.in
- JEE Main Paper 2A (B.Arch) & 2B (B.Plan)
- UCEED (UG Design) — IIT Bombay; uceed.iitb.ac.in
- CEED (PG Design) — IIT Bombay; ceed.iitb.ac.in
- NID DAT — National Institute of Design; nid.edu
- NIFT Entrance — nift.ac.in

Design Schools

Design School	Website
Srishti School of Art, Design & Tech	srishti.ac.in
School of Fashion Technology	softpune.com
Pearl Academy	pearlacademy.com
Symbiosis Institute of Design	sid.edu.in
Footwear Design & Development Inst.	fdiindia.com
MIT Institute of Design	mitid.edu.in
National Institute of Design (NID)	nid.edu
National Institute of Fashion Tech (NIFT)	nift.ac.in
CEPT University	cept.ac.in

Talent & Olympiad Exams (School Level)

Exam	Eligible Students	Website
NTSE / NMMS UPDATED	Class 8/10	ncert.nic.in
KVPY (merged with INSPIRE)	Inter (Science)	online-inspire.gov.in
HBCSE Talent Search	Class 6-9	hbcse.tifr.res.in
NSO / NCO (Science / Cyber)	Class 1-12	sofworld.org
UCO (Unified Cyber Olympiad)	Class 8-12	unifiedcouncil.com
MTSE (Maths Talent Search)	Class 3-9	ganithasastraparishad.org
IMO (Intl. Maths Olympiad)	Class 1-12	imoofficial.in
NLSTSE	Class 1-12	unifiedcouncil.com
NSEJS (Jr. Science)	Class 1-10	iapt.org.in
IAIS	Class 3-12	macmillaneducation.in/iais

RMO (Regional Maths Olympiad)	Intermediate	isical.ac.in
NSEB / NSEC / NSEA / NSEP	Senior Inter	iapt.org.in
ZIO / IIO (Informatics)	Class 1-12	iarcs.org.in
NIMO / NBTO	Class 5-12	eduhealfoundation.org
IGO (Geography Olympiad)	Class 2-12	geogeniusindia.com

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Degree Glossary — What Every Abbreviation Means

ENGINEERING / TECH	MEDICAL & HEALTH	ARTS / COMMERCE / SCIENCE	EDUCATION / LAW
• B.E / B.Tech — Engineering • B.Arch — Architecture • B.F.Tech — Fashion Technology • B.H.M.C.T — Hotel Mgmt & Catering	• M.B.B.S — Medicine & Surgery • B.D.S — Dental Surgery • B.A.M.S — Ayurvedic Medicine • B.H.M.S — Homeopathic Medicine • B.U.M.S — Unani Medicine • B.S.M.S — Siddha Medical • B.V.Sc — Veterinary Science • B.Pharm — Pharmacy • B.P.T — Physiotherapy • B.Optom — Optometry & Vision • B.Sc Nursing	• B.A — Arts • B.B.A — Business Admin. • B.B.M — Business Mgmt. • B.Com — Commerce • B.C.A — Computer Applications • B.Des — Design • B.F.A — Fine Arts • B.S / B.Sc — Science • B.T.A — Tourism Admin. • B.H.M — Hotel Mgmt. • B.H.T.M — Hospitality & Tourism • B.Sc (AI) NEW • B.Sc (Data Science) NEW	• B.Ed — Education • B.El.Ed — Elementary Education • B.P.Ed — Physical Education • B.S.E / B.Sc.Ed — Science Education • LL.B — Law • B.S.L.L.B — Socio-Legal + Law

Integrated Courses

B.A + B.Ed	B.A + LLB	BBA + LLB	B.Sc + B.Ed	B.Sc Nursing
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Postgraduate Courses

PG DEGREES	MORE
• M.Arch · M.Sc — Science • M.A · M.Tech — Technology • M.B.A — Business Admin. · MD / MS / DM / MCh — PG Medical • M.Com — Commerce · M.Sc (AI & ML) / (Data Science) NEW • M.C.A — Computer Applications · MDS — PG Dental • M.Ed — Education · M.Phil — Philosophy (research) • LL.M — Law	• Ph.D • Integrated / Dual Degree • Diploma • PG Diploma • PGD — Data Analytics NEW • PGDM — PG Diploma in Management

Scholarships — Where the Money Actually Is (2026-27)

NSP 2026-27 cycle opened 1 June 2026 · Pre-matric deadline 31 Aug · Post-matric 31 Oct · OTR via Aadhaar mandatory [UPDATED]

Central · All Stages

NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PORTAL (NSP)

- Single gateway for most Govt. of India scholarships (matric)
- Pre-Matric, Post-Matric (SC/ST/OBC/Minority), merit schemes
- Register once with OTR, then apply per scheme
- Student deadline: 31 Oct 2026 (post-matric)
- scholarships.gov.in

Technical Education

AICTE PRAGATI & SAKSHAM (2026-27)

- Pragati — girl students (~10,000 awards)
Rs. 8 lakh
- Saksham — differently-abled (40%+, ~1,000 awards)
2026
- AICTE-approved diploma/degree courses
aictesaksham.gov.in
- Rs. 50,000/year · family income limit
- Paid by DBT · Apply on NSP by 31 Oct
- aictesaksham.gov.in / aictesaksham.gov.in

Science UG

INSPIRE SCHOLARSHIP (DST)

- For top-rank science stream students pursuing B.Sc/M.Sc
INSPIRE channel
- Keeps talent in basic sciences alongside professional courses
- KVPY is now administered through
- online-inspire.gov.in

*State-Level · Karnataka***VIDYASIRI & e-KALYAN**

- Karnataka post-matric hostel/scholarship schemes
- For SC/ST/OBC/minority students
- Department top-ups for professional courses

Also check:

Central Sector Scheme (SC/ST/OBC/EBC)	PM Scholarship (NDA/CAPF dependents)	PM YASASVI (OBC/EBC/DNT)	CSR: Reliance Foundation, Tata Trusts	Institution fee waivers & merit aid
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How to apply: OTR with Aadhaar → fill application on NSP → upload documents → enter DBT bank account → submit to college nodal officer for verification → status must read 'Verified' not just 'Submitted'

Scholarship deadlines slip past every year — TechStudyHubCore posts NSP & AICTE reminders the week they open — techstudyhubcore.in

New Career Frontiers (barely existed in 2020)

Most reachable from more than one academic branch — not just Engineering

01	AI/ML Engineer & Prompt Engineer From CSE-AI/ML, Data Science, or any tech degree + self-taught skills
02	Data Scientist / Analyst Open to Engineering, Statistics, Commerce, even Pharmacy/Life Science
03	Cybersecurity Analyst Certification-based entry even without a CS degree (CEH, OSCP, Security+)
04	Cloud Engineer AWS/Azure/GCP certifications matter as much as the degree
05	UX / Product Designer Open to Design, Fine Arts, Psychology and Engineering backgrounds
06	Digital Health Specialist Telemedicine, health informatics — fastest-growing edge of Pharmacy & Allied Health

07	Sustainability / ESG Analyst Open to Commerce, Science and Engineering grads
08	Creator Economy Content creator, video editor, social strategist — a real full-time career now
09	Remote / Freelance Digital Work Upwork & Kolabtree-style platforms — location-independent income
10	Vernacular AI & Localization Adapts AI/content for regional languages — edge for multilingual graduates
11	EdTech & Instructional Design Builds the courses and platforms students actually learn from
12	IoT & Embedded Systems The hardware side of 'smart everything' — sensors and the software

How to start: free course (NPTEL/SWAYAM/Coursera audit) → build 2-3 projects/portfolio → earn one certification → join community → offer small paid project to local business/NGO

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Wherever You Are, There's a Next Step

This map is deliberately wide — the right path depends on your subjects, your finances, and what you actually enjoy doing every day, not just what ranks highest on a chart.

01 Shortlist 2-3 branches
Not one. Keep a backup that doesn't depend on a single entrance exam.

02 Check the real eligibility
Subject combination and cut-offs, not just the course name.

03 Map the cost, not just the course
Cross-check the Scholarships page before ruling anything out on price.

04 Talk to someone who walked it
TechStudyHubCore connects you to students already on each path.

05 Keep one tech / digital skill
AI, data or cloud literacy is now a backup career in itself.

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