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Additional Frequently Asked Questions from Institutes

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Q1) Our admissions processing cycles are January/February and July / August . Can our students apply later?
Yes, the Students can apply later . There will be a bit of a flexibility of the dates, and we can consider applications till 2nd week of February. However, in case our process for the Jan-Feb batch is over, TCS will consider the application for the July-August batch.

Q2) The Research Area and Guide can be decided only after the course work is over. Can the student apply after the course work is over?
Yes the student can apply after the course work is over, provided the student is a fresh admission in this academic year. However, we recommend that the Institute give us a preliminary application with the proposed area / supervisor stated to the best possible extent now. There will be sufficient flexibility to change as the research evolves. TCS encourages the Institute and the Student to put in that extra effort to create this write-up; this will reinforce the seriousness of the Institute to find the best deserving candidates for such a scheme.

Q3) Is this program open to students who are already registered in the PhD program?
The scheme is meant to encourage the Institute to find new deserving students for the PhD program and to help make the Institute's PhD program attractive by toping-up their scholarship with the TCS Research Scholarship. Thus 2011 or earlier batch students will not be considered by TCS Research Scholar program. However if there are exceptional individuals please do bring them to our notice and we will see what we can do outside of this scheme

Q4) Is there any limit in the number of applications from an Institute?
TCS has deliberately not stated a limit, since the institution is expected to set the standards high. We have 40 scholarships available for the year and are expecting 100-120 applications from the 61 top institutions we are inviting in this cycle.