# About us

Chandigarh University is a full-fledged university established by the Punjab State Legislature and is recognized by University Grants Commission under Section 2(f) with the right to confer degrees as per Section 22(1) of the UGC Act, 1956. The University was established in 2012. The University has been accredited with the prestigious A+ grade by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC). Chandigarh University has become Youngest and the only private university in India to bag an A+ grade in the first cycle of the accreditation process and has also become the only state private university of Punjab to be accredited by NAAC.

Also, ranked among Asia's best and fastest-growing universities, CU has coupled the experience of top industry leaders and renowned academicians to foster a global approach.

A wide spectrum of programs paired with flexibility, experiential learning and interdisciplinary orientation emancipate our students to explore their interests and pursue dream careers. At CU we are grooming students to be socially sensitive through intellectually challenging and contemporary diverse culture.

- The name of the university is inspired by The City Beautiful Chandigarh, known as the epitome of cultural heritage and urbanization.
- Chandigarh University offers a unique and inspirational academic model designed to match the international standards. A wide spectrum of programs is paired with flexibility, experiential learning and interdisciplinary orientation.
- CU is involved in world-class research, with outstanding results in the contemporary research excellence framework.
- The University has a dynamic academic fraternity drawn from top universities nationally and internationally. CU offers the most conducive student-faculty ratio of 14:1, leading to 85 per cent student satisfaction.
- Chandigarh University provides a global perspective to facilitate the students with international learning opportunities, through partnerships with 515+ top-ranked universities worldwide.
- Our students come from all 28 Indian states, 8 Union Territories and 50 Nations with more than 65% of them coming from other states and Countries. Thus CU has a cosmopolitan, friendly and inclusive atmosphere.
- As a student-centric university, CU provides optimal learning experiences and services
  that lead to student success. We empower our students to take responsibility for their
  academic work, social life and career development.
- CU has state-of-the--art technology integrated into every domain of the university from in-house designed and implemented university information management systems (CUIMS) coupled with the world-renowned Blackboard LMS to high-speed internet access all around the campus, we are driven by technology.

 Chandigarh University is a not-for-profit university that is underpinned by ethical, professional and transparent e-governance, involving the students and staff in the creation of a healthy, vibrant and sustainable society.

## **Our Symbol**

#### The Colour Red

The colour red is the colour of energy, passion and action. It signifies a pioneering spirit and leadership qualities, promoting ambition and determination.

#### Globe

Adopting the International standards of learning and teaching model besides global acceptance is represented by the symbol Globe.

### The Colour Black and White

The combination of Black & White represents transparency adopted in policymaking and the way it is implemented. University rules are transparent and the students are clear about the vision and mission of the University.

#### The Human Chain

It symbolizes cultural diversity, global brotherhood and the spirit of National Integration that the University promotes. Students from different countries, different states and regions belonging to different communities form a team that works for a single goal "Excellence"

#### Vision

To be globally recognized as a Centre of Excellence for Research, Innovation, Entrepreneurship and disseminating knowledge by providing inspirational learning to produce professional leaders for serving the society

### Mission

Providing world class infrastructure, renowned academicians and ideal environment for Research, Innovation, Consultancy and Entrepreneurship relevant to the society.

Offering programs & courses in consonance with National policies for nation building and meeting global challenges.

Designing Curriculum to match International standards, needs of Industry, civil society and for inculcation of traits of Creative Thinking and Critical Analysis as well as Human and Ethical values.

Ensuring students delight by meeting their aspirations through blended learning, corporate mentoring, professional grooming, flexible curriculum and healthy atmosphere based on co-curricular and extra-curricular activities.

Creating a scientific, transparent and objective examination/evaluation system to ensure an ideal certification.

Establishing strategic relationships with leading National and International corporates and universities for academic as well as research collaborations.

Contributing for creation of healthy, vibrant and sustainable society by involving in Institutional Social Responsibility (ISR) activities like rural development, welfare of senior citizens, women empowerment, community service, health and hygiene awareness and environmental protection

# **Quality Policy**

All-round quality is assured through technology-driven professional management of the University.

Academic quality is assured through regular up-gradation of curriculum, teaching-learning model and experiential learning with Industry participation, based on continuous critical self-appraisal.

Traits of Critical Analysis, Creative Thinking & Communication Skills are inculcated among students for producing well-groomed professional leaders, possessing multifaceted personality, respect for professional & social ethics, national values, and the spirit of human emancipation.

Welfare and professional growth of the faculty & employees is ensured by providing strong support and opportunities for their self-development, promoting commitment and willing participation.

#### Leaders

# Satnam Singh Sandhu Chancellor, Chandigarh University

Chandigarh University has been strategically working to build an unmatched legacy that could be hard to beat. With research at the core of our approach and course curriculum vetted by the industry experts, CU assures complete dedication to achieve academic excellence.

It has been consistently said that -- the quality of leadership greatly influences the individual's capacity and we at Chandigarh University believe in giving a strong impetus to our students that can impart them with the competence to turn vision into reality.

Chandigarh University has been envisioned to make a difference to the professional and higher education in the region. In the last 14 years, we have been able to garner the support, trust and appreciation of all the stakeholders, thus making us one of India's most reputed professional institutions. Chandigarh University has become a strong brand name associated with excellence in contemporary teaching-learning models, innovation and service to the community.

Adjudged as Asia's Best and Fastest Growing Private University, CU has earned top rankings in terms of our academic quality, diversity, and environmental sustainability. A flexible academic model extends learning at CU far beyond the classroom. CU has committed itself to uphold the values we cherish as an academic institution, and to foster an atmosphere that is respectful, supportive,

and welcoming to all. The diversity of backgrounds, talents, and perspectives helps to enrich students as they live and learn together.

**Prof. Himani Sood - Pro-Chancellor of Chandigarh University**. Her dynamic leadership and resolve for positive change have been one of the primary driving forces behind the formidable legacy of Chandigarh University.

Prof. Himani is an acclaimed HR professional and a dynamic leader who has played a critical role in bringing big brands like Microsoft, Google, Amazon, Deloitte, IBM, EY and many others to Chandigarh University for placements.

Her exceptional skills, hallmarked by proactiveness, critical reasoning and sheer eloquence, are primarily responsible for a strong network of corporate relations that Chandigarh University has been able to build.

With a rich experience of 20+ years of corporate liaising, she has astoundingly succeeded at connecting the University with industry leaders in form of Corporate Advisory Board Meets, and forged various other academia-industry alliances. Her indefatigable zeal and qualities of head and heart have been instrumental in putting the institution on an unparalleled trajectory of growth and sterling placements for students.

# Prof. (Dr) Manpreet Singh MannaVice-Chancellor, Chandigarh University

I am deeply honored to assume the role of Vice-Chancellor at Chandigarh University. My dedication lies in furthering the university's ongoing progress and prosperity.

In today's swiftly changing global educational landscape, it is imperative for institutions to adapt and innovate. Active learning methodologies, which prioritize student engagement and hands-on experiences, are paramount in preparing students for the challenges and opportunities of the 21st century.

Numerous higher education institutions in India are embracing these progressive approaches and making substantial contributions to the advancement of education, both domestically and on the international stage. The National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 has set an ambitious target of achieving a 50% Gross Enrollment Ratio (GER) in higher education by 2035, placing a greater responsibility on Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) to provide quality education and training to a larger student population.

Chandigarh University, guided by its motto "to discover, learn, and empower," is resolutely committed to offering students an unparalleled educational experience. The university's programs are meticulously designed to be flexible, experiential, and interdisciplinary, enabling students to delve into their interests and cultivate the skills necessary for success in their chosen fields. The inclusive and inviting campus environment has attracted the brightest minds from over 40 countries worldwide.

In my capacity as Vice-Chancellor, my focal point will be on equipping students and faculty with the resources and support essential for upholding the university's position

as the premier and fastest-growing HEI. We will persist in collaborating with regulatory bodies, academia, industry, and other leading organizations to implement the latest educational policies and programs, ensuring that Chandigarh University remains at the forefront of educational innovation.

With our visionary leadership, dedicated faculty, and self-motivated learners hailing from diverse corners of the globe, we are poised to set new milestones and benchmarks in both physical and online education within a remarkably short span.

# **Devinder Singh** Pro Vice-Chancellor, Chandigarh University

As the Pro Vice-Chancellor, I want to assure you that you can do wonders with the guidance, facilities, and opportunities provided to you here at CU. I welcome all to this elite institution of quality learning. I am sure you will make the most of the precious time spent here and build a great future for yourself.

Chandigarh University, counted among the top 5% Universities of India with the prestigious NAAC A+ accreditation, is committed to nurturing talented students and providing them with the best opportunities. As one of the country's most reputed universities, CU has strong global linkages, world- class research, and, most importantly, an educational portfolio that blends the best of campus and digital delivery into a highly supportive and personalized student experience.

Our students are smart, collaborative, and entrepreneurial. We provide them with opportunities to develop a global mindset through our partnerships with universities and institutes around the world. We have forged 502+ tie-ups with top-ranked universities of the world to encourage a global outlook among students. With a curriculum designed by industry and academic experts and various high-end industry-sponsored labs, we make our students industry- ready as soon as they step out of the university.

A pedagogy to imbibe holistic development in each and every learner to harness goodness factor in his/her entire career with a positive mind is the hallmark of CU education. The pandemic might have amplified your concerns regarding learning but we have kept our primary focus on the academics of our students. We have adopted a world-leading Learning Management System to ensure hassle-free and uninterrupted learning when the physical mode of learning is not feasible.

# **Dr Raghuveer VR** Pro Vice Chancellor – Academic Affairs

At Chandigarh University, we believe that academic excellence is the foundation on which the future of our students is built. With the presence of diverse disciplines under one roof, we are uniquely positioned to offer domain-based education that empowers students to explore, specialize, and thrive in their chosen fields.

We ensure that academics is seamlessly integrated with our broader ecosystem—research, innovation, career development, international collaborations, and entrepreneurship—so that students experience a holistic, outcome-driven education.

This integration allows for rich interdisciplinary exposure and equips learners to address complex challenges through multiple lenses.

As the Pro Vice Chancellor – Academic Affairs, I take pride in ensuring that we provide the best academic environment to our students through:

- A progressive and flexible curriculum, aligned with global standards
- Qualified and committed faculty, who bring both depth and dynamism to the classroom
- Experiential learning models, lab immersion, and real-world problem solving
- Support for personalized and customized learning pathways
- Challenging and meaningful assessments that go beyond rote learning
- Robust mentoring frameworks aligned with individual career aspirations
- Emphasis on honours and minors programs, multidisciplinary specializations, and industry-recognized certifications
- A continuous drive to benchmark learning outcomes with industry and international standards

In the age of AI, we place a strong focus on nurturing essential human skills—critical thinking, problem solving, collaboration, and communication—that define a student's ability to adapt and lead.

We are committed to shaping an academic culture that is inclusive, innovative, and globally oriented, ensuring every learner is prepared not only for their first job but for lifelong success.

## **Prof. (Dr.) S S Sehgal** Pro Vice Chancellor (Operations) & Registrar

It is with great pride and purpose that I welcome you to Chandigarh University — a dynamic institution where innovation meets inclusivity, and education transcends conventional boundaries to shape future-ready leaders and socially responsible citizens.

Enlighted by our vision to become "a globally recognized centre of excellence for research, innovation, entrepreneurship, and dissemination of knowledge," Chandigarh University has consistently strived to redefine the benchmarks of academic excellence. We believe that quality education is not merely about the transmission of knowledge but about transforming lives, communities, and the world at large.

Our academic philosophy emphasizes interdisciplinary learning, ethical leadership, and global perspectives. The University's Centres of Excellence in collaboration with various industries in Artificial Intelligence, Cybersecurity, Health-Tech, and Renewable Energy provide a launchpad for cutting-edge research and real-world applications that benefit industries and communities alike.

The University has strong focus on entrepreneurship and employability, supported by industry linkages, dynamic placement records, and tailored incubation through the Technology Business Incubator (TBI). Our graduates go on to become not just employees, but entrepreneurs, policymakers, educators, and change-makers.

As Registrar, I am committed to upholding administrative integrity, academic transparency, and student-centric governance. We ensure that every aspect of the university experience—from admissions to examinations—is guided by principles of fairness, inclusiveness, and continuous improvement.

Chandigarh University stands as a beacon of hope, knowledge, and progress. With unwavering dedication to academic excellence and social responsibility, we continue our journey of nurturing talent, creating innovation, and building a better tomorrow.

#### Core Values

The Core Values of the University as under:

# **Human Dignity**

- Respecting
- Treating fairly and being inclusive

## **Empathy**

- Exhibiting sensibility to others plight
- Exhibit Solidarity through action

### Humility

- Modesty in success
- Openness to learn

#### Giving

- Contributing to society, nation & family
- Sharing knowledge to create a more enlightened & purposeful society

# Ranking

Chandigarh University was established in July 2012. It began appearing in NIRF rankings starting from **2019**. **Debuted in 2019**.

### 2020 (NIRF)

- Engineering: Jumped from 117th to 84th nationwide—a 33-position climb.
- Management: Improved by 13 positions compared to 2019
- 2021:

Overall (All Institutions): Ranked 77th

University Category: 52nd

Engineering: 61st

Pharmacy: 51st

o Architecture: 16th

#### • 2022:

o Overall: 48th

University Category: 29th

o Engineering: 45th

o Pharmacy: 37th

o Architecture: 19th

## 2023 (NIRF)

Overall: 45th

• University Category: 27th

• Engineering: 38th

• Management: 36th

• Pharmacy: 34th

Architecture: 15th

# 2024 (NIRF)

• Overall: 32nd

• University Category: 20th

• Engineering: 32nd.

• Management: 36th (same as previous year)

• Pharmacy: 20th

• Architecture: 13th

2022(QS ranking)

**B**ecome the Youngest Asian University to break into QS Asia Universities rankings and has been ranked #271-280 overall amongst all Universities in the continent under the latest QS Asia Region University Rankings 2022.

Top 7 Private Universities in India.

214 on Academic Reputation

223 on International Students

230 on International Faculty

233 on Inbound & Outbound Student Exchange.

2023 (QS ranking)

2 among the Top Private Universities in India

185 among the Top HEIs in Asia.

101 - 150 Globally with #1 Rank in Hospitality & Leisure Management Among all Indian Universities & Institutions.

10th in Computer Science & Information Systems, gloabally -301-350

11th in Engineering & Technology globally 301-350

12th in Engineering - Mechanical, Aeronautical & Manufacturing Globally 401-450

16th in Business & Management Studies. Globally 401-450

2024 (QS ranking)

Overall 149 in Asia

1st position among all the Private Universities in India at the QS Asia University Rankings 2024.

#### 2025 (Global & Subject Rankings)

- QS Asia University Rankings 2025:
  - Reclaimed #1 rank among Indian private universities, placing 120th in Asia, up
     from 149th in 2024
- QS World University Rankings by Subject 2025:
  - Engineering & Technology: Jumped from #332 to #231
  - Social Sciences & Management: From #318 to #249
  - Mechanical Engineering: Moved from 351-400 to 301-350 range
  - o Electrical & Electronic Engineering: From 501-530 to 401-450 range
  - Business & Management Studies: Improved to 401-450 range from 451-500

o **Chemistry**: Debut, ranked **551-600 range**