

# IIMC grads bag over 200 lateral job offers

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IIM Calcutta's final placement process has started on a good note with more than 200 lateral job offers for the experienced candidates. More than 50 companies participated in the lateral placement till now this year, the institute announced on Friday.

This represents a 60% increase in lateral offers over last year, in a year when strength of the graduating class is 388 students — the largest batch size ever across all IIMs. The lateral placement process will herald the final placements which will kick off from the first week of March.

Leading companies like Barclays Bank, Olam International, Google, Microsoft and Amazon have hired in huge numbers in IIM Calcutta, most of whom had either cut down on hiring or given it a miss during the slowdown. Amazon made one of the highest number of lateral offers across all the IIMs.

This placement season has seen big participation from banks, private equity firms and hedge funds. Other prominent recruiters who participated in the institute's lateral placement include Accenture, PwC, Shell, ABG, RPG Group and Hinduja.

Consulting is another area where there has been heightened activity at IIM Calcutta. The institute claims to enjoy the highest pre-placement offer (PPO) conversion rate at 87.5% amongst all the IIMs in top consulting firms like McKinsey, BCG, Bain and AT Kearney. Deloitte alone made 16 job offers.

A student this year got the role of a manager by Deloitte and will be leading a team of 10-15 experts on public sector consulting.