

# Exam Pattern

## Prelims

UPSC Prelims Papers	Total Number of questions	Total Marks	Mark for each correct answer	Negative Mark for each incorrect answer	Total Duration
General Studies Paper-I	100	200	+2	-0.66	2 hours
CSAT (Civil Services Aptitude Test) Paper – II	80	200	+2.5	-0.83	2 hours

## Mains

Nature of Paper	Paper	Subject	Marks
Qualifying Papers	Paper A	One of the Indian languages to be selected by the candidate (Qualifying)	300
	Paper B	English (Qualifying)	300
Papers to be counted for merit	Paper I	Essay	250
	Paper II	General Studies I (Indian heritage and culture, history and geography of the world and society)	250
	Paper III	General Studies II (Governance, constitution, polity, social justice and international relations)	250
	Paper IV	General Studies III (Technology, economic development, bio-diversity, environment, security and disaster management)	250
	Paper V	General Studies IV(ethics, integrity and aptitude)	250

	Optional Subject – Paper 1	One paper on subject to be selected by the candidate from the list of optional subjects	250
	Optional Subject – Paper 2	One paper on subject to be selected by the candidate from the list of optional subjects	250
	<b>Total (Mains Written Test) Marks for Final Ranking</b>		<b>1,750</b>

Interview

### **Personality test**

Interview or personality tests for UPSC Civil Services are conducted for a total of **275 marks**, with no minimum qualifying marks. Questions on matters of General Interest will be asked in Interview.