

DEAN RESEARCH STUDIES UNIVERSITY OF JAMMU

NOTIFICATION

It is hereby notified for the information of all concerned that on the recommendations of the Campus Deans, the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, in anticipation of the approval of the competent bodies, has been pleased to authorize adoption of revised Regulations/Statutes governing Degree of M.Phil/Ph.D in accordance with UGC MSP Regulation 2016 as given in Annexure I, II & III respectively.

Dean Research Studies

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- 1. Spl. Secretary to Vice-Chancellor of the kind information of Vice-Chancellor.
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- 4. All Heads of the Teaching Departments.
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- 6. Assistant Registrar (Academics) for information.
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REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE PROCEDURE OF ADMISSION TO M.Phil/Ph.D PROGRAMME

Revised Regulation

- 1. There shall be a combined entrance test for admission to M.Phil/Ph.D Course. The notification inviting applications to appear in the Combine Entrance Test shall be issued by the office of the Dean Research Studies once in a year i.e. in the first week of July. Students desirous of being enrolled as M.Phil or Ph.D candidates will indicate their preference for either of the two courses in the application form. All the candidates eligible under Statutes governing M.Phil/Doctor of Philosophy in various faculties shall apply to appear in the entrance test for admission to Ph.D/M.Phil course in the Departments against notification. The candidates who have appeared in M.A./M.Sc./ 4th semester/final examination may also be considered for appearing in combined entrance test of M.Phil/Ph.D and their case will be considered only if their result is declared at the time of determining the merit. The entrance test will not be required for the exempted candidates including the M.Phil with entrance test (regular mode), UGC-CSIR JRF (National Testing Authority), NET/SET/(GATE with 80 percentile score) and Teacher fellowship holder.
- 2. After admission of the candidates under exempted category i.e. M.Phil with entrance test (regular mode), UGC-CSIR JRF (National Testing Authority), NET/SET/(GATE with 80 percentile score) and Teacher fellowship holder, the number of vacancies and specializations in each Department for Ph.D will be communicated by the Head of the Department concerned to the office of Dean Research Studies for the purposes of Combined Entrance Test on or before 15th June every year.
- 3. Every applicant seeking admission to Ph.D Programme (except those with M.Phil from University of Jammu. JRF (qualified) or those who have qualified NET/SET/SLET/(GATE with 80 percentile score). Teacher fellowship holder and M.Phil with entrance test from other Universities (Regular mode) shall have to undergo entrance test. However, such exempted candidates as mentioned above will have to apply for the enrolment as per the notification of the Department and shall have to complete other requirements for pursuing the said course. Enrolment of such candidates may take place twice in year, once before the entrance test and once before the ensuing of second semester.

The order of preference for grant of admission to Ph.D programme shall be as under:

i) M.Phil. (Freshers)

- ii) JRF (if the number of candidates is more than the number of seats, then the merit will be determined on the basis of the marks secured at the Master Degree level).
- iii) Master Degree with NET/SLET/SET (if the number of candidates is more than the number of seats, then the merit will be determined on the basis of the marks secured at the Master Degree level).

Note:

The candidates who have discontinued studies after their M.Phil programme and are desirous to be admitted to the Ph.D programme shall be given the last preference.

- 4. The admission for Ph.D Programme for the exempted category of students will be finalized and communicated to the office of DRS on or before June 1st every year.
- 5. (a) Each Department through DRC shall devise its independent syllabi for Combined Entrance Test which shall be made available to all the desirous eligible candidates on the day of submitting applications.
 - (b) The paper shall have the following components:
 - i. Research Aptitude Component 50 marks
 - ii. Academic Component 50 marks

(as per Post-Graduate Syllabi of the University of Jammu)

Research Aptitude questions shall be of descriptive nature and there shall be eight—questions in this section. Every candidate shall attempt five questions out of the given eight questions. Each question shall carry 10 marks and the candidate shall answer every question in about 300 words. The section shall cover all the areas/specialization in a particular discipline as recommended by the Departmental Research Committee. In the academic component there shall be 50 multiple choice objective type questions (with four alternative responses) covering the syllabi at the Post-graduate courses of the University of Jammu. Each question shall carry one mark and candidate shall attempt all the 50 questions of this component.

The duration of the test shall be three hours.

- (c) The setting of the question paper shall be done as follows:
 - i) Model Test Papers shall be prepared by all the members of the DRC of the Teaching Department which shall be handed over to the Convener of the DRC.
 - ii) The Convener DRC shall prepare three sets of question papers from the Model Test Papers prepared by the DRC members.
 - iii) Dean Research Studies shall choose one set out of the three for the entrance

test to be conducted by the Department.

- iv) The test shall be conducted within 45 days from the date of issue of notification by the concerned department.
- v) The Head of the Department shall be responsible for the conduct of the Entrance Test.
- (d) The conduct and evaluation of the paper shall be done under the overall supervision of the DRC concerned which shall have the authority to involve as many evaluators as it deems proper in view of the specializations of the Department.
- (e) The merit list of the selected candidates shall be notified within one week from the date of conduct of the entrance test and it shall be calculated as per the criteria given below:
 - i) Academic weightage 45% of the marks obtained by a candidate at the Post-Graduate level.
 - ii) Entrance test weightage 45% of the marks obtained by a candidate in the entrance test conducted by the Department. A candidate shall be required to secure at least 50% marks in the entrance test in aggregate and in each component separately.
 - iii) Interview weightage 10% of the aggregate marks to be added in the result for calculation of merit.
- 6. The selection for admission to Ph.D and M.Phil shall be done on the basis of merit cum given preference of the students. The first rankers if they so opt can be considered for admission to Ph.D subject to availability of seats and the rest can be considered for admission to M.Phil course subject to the availability of seats. However, qualifying the entrance test merely will not entitle the students for admission to Ph.D/M.Phil Course.
- 7. After the interview, the result shall be complied by the DRC and the list of selected candidates for M.Phil and Ph.D programmes shall be notified by the Head of the Department. A copy of the result notification shall be sent to the office of DRS.
- **8.** The candidates who have been declared selected for admission to Ph.D and those exempted candidates who have submitted their application forms in the Departments will have to appear for an interview before the DRC for finalizing the area of research to be undertaken in Ph.D course.
- 9. All the candidates selected for admission to Ph.D Programme may in the first instance be enrolled and registered provisionally. Such enrolled students will be required to undergo a

coursework comprising a minimum of two Papers. Of these one will be Research methodology Paper and the other will be related to the candidate's proposed area of research. If DRC deems it fit, more papers may be added in particular Ph.D programme.

Doctoral Students may be permitted to take courses in related and allied subjects being offered by other Departments of the University.

- 10. The Course work should be completed in a period of one semester (45 contact hours spread over 90 working days). At the end of one semester the students shall be evaluated and if a student is not able to pass a course with 50% marks he/she shall be allowed to reappear in the examination in the subsequent semester.
- 11. After the successful completion of the Course Work, the Research Synopsis of the candidates duly approved by the DRC will be presented before the BORS for its approval. On approval of the synopsis, the provisional registration will be confirmed.
- 11A. The University shall maintain the list of all the Ph.D. registered students on its website on year-wise basis. The list shall include the name of the registered candidate, topic of his/her research, name of his/her supervisor/co-supervisor, date of enrolment/registration.
 - 12. For the purposes of fellowships, cases of duty leave and deputation, the date of enrolment and provisional registration will be considered as the date of registration. In case of fellowships, if a student fails to complete the course work or submit the synopsis after one semester, his/her fellowship will be discontinued till the time his/her registration is ratified by the BORS.

STATUTES GOVERNING DEGREE OF MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY (M.PHIL)

- 1. The Degree of M.Phil shall be instituted in the Faculties of Arts, Social Sciences, Sciences, Life Sciences, Mathematical Sciences, Commerce and Education and in such other faculties as the University Council, on the recommendation of the Academic Council, may decide from time to time.
- 2. The objectives of the M.Phil programme shall be to provide advanced specialized knowledge in a particular area and initiation in research. It shall also be considered as a Pre-Ph.D Degree. Its components shall be course work as well as research work (This Degree course would aim at providing advanced training in interdisciplinary studies as well as opportunity for undertaking research and where necessary) would also include a course in a research methodology.
- 3. Candidates for admission to the M.Phil programme shall have a Master's degree or a professional degree declared equivalent to the Master's degree by the corresponding statutory regulatory body, with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade 'b' in the UGC 7-point scale (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed) or an equivalent degree from a foreign educational Institution accredited by an Assessment and Accreditation Agency which is approved, recognized or authorized by an authority, established or incorporated under a law in its home country or any other statutory authority in that country for the purpose of assessing, accrediting or assuring quality and standards of educational institutions.

A relaxation of 5% of marks, from 55% to 50%, or an equivalent relaxation of grade, may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/Differently-abled, or for those who had obtained their Master's degree prior to 19th September, 1991. The eligibility marks of 55% (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed) and the relaxation of 55% to the categories mentioned above are permissible based only on the qualifying marks without including the grace mark procedures.

A Research Supervisor/Co-supervisor who is a Professor, at any given point of time, cannot guide more than three (3) M.Phil scholars, Associate Professor as Research Supervisor can guide up to a maximum of two (2) M.Phil scholars and an Assistant Professor as Research Supervisor can guide up to a maximum of one (1) M.Phil scholar.

4. Admission to the M.Phil Course in the teaching departments of the University shall be made on the basis of Combined entrance test for M.Phil and Ph.D. However those who have qualified UGC-NET (including JRF) / UGC-CSIR NET (including JRF) / SLET / GATE with 80 percentile / Teacher fellowship holder will be exempted from appearing in the entrance test. These exempted candidates will be admitted alongwith those candidates who have cleared the Combined entrance test.

Admission shall be followed by an interview to be organized by the concerned Department. At the time of interview, the candidates are expected to discuss their research/interest areas.

- (a) i) There shall be reservation of 8% seats for SC/ST categories each.
 - ii) There shall be 3% reservation for persons with disabilities (As per University Notification No. Coord/Statutes/13/3735 dated 29.08.2013).
- (b) First preference for admission to the M.Phil Course in a department shall be given to the following categories:
 - i) The candidates who have qualified the UGC-NET (including JRF) / UGC-CSIR NET (including JRF) or equivalent.
 - ii) The Teacher Fellows selected under the UGC scheme of Faculty Improvement (Teacher Fellowship holders).
- (c) After admission of the above categories of candidates preference for admission to the remaining seats shall be given to the following candidates:
 - **a**) who have passed the qualifying examination from the University of Jammu; or
 - ii) who are permanent residents of the territorial jurisdiction of the University but have passed the qualifying examination or an equivalent examination form a University other than the University of Jammu.

Provided that students who have passed their qualifying or equivalent examination from the University of Kashmir will be treated at par with the students who have passed the corresponding examination from the University of Jammu for purpose of admission to a course which does not exist in the University of Kashmir, subject to the condition that such concession is also provided by the University of Kashmir for students who have passed the qualifying or equivalent examination from the University of Jammu and seek admission to a course of study in the University of Kashmir for which arrangements for teaching do not exist in the University of Jammu;

or

- wi) who are employees of the Central or the State Government or a Public Undertaking or any organizational recognized for this purpose by the Syndicate, posted within the territorial jurisdiction of the University or son or daughter or husband or wife of such employees; or
 - who are not permanent residents of the territorial jurisdiction of the University of Jammu but have passed from a University other than the University of Jammu the Master's Degree Programme (qualifying examination) securing not less than 60% marks.

Provided that the number of seats under this category shall not exceed 10% of the total number of seats available with the department for the course.

Admission of candidates to the M.Phil Course shall be subject to their conduct having been certified to be satisfactory during their studies in the Master's Degree Programme.

5. The Admission to the M.Phil Programme in all the Teaching Department shall be based on Combined Entrance Test to be conducted by each Department once in academic session. The Notification inviting applications to appear in the Combined Entrance Test for admission to M.Phil/Ph.D shall be issued by the Office of the Dean Research Studies in the first week of July every year. The number of vacancies in each Department shall be communicated by the Head of the Department concerned on or before 15th of June every year.

Other statutory provisions regarding terms and vacations applicable to the post-graduate departments shall be applicable to the M.Phil course also.

ALLOCATION OF SUPERVISOR:

The allocation of the Supervisor for a selected student shall be decided by Departmental Research Committee of the Department in a formal manner depending on the number of students per faculty member, the available specialization among the faculty supervisors and the research interest of the student as indicated during interview by the student. The allotment/allocation of supervisor shall not be left to the individual student or teacher.

The allocation of Research Supervisor for a selected research scholar shall be decided by the Department concerned depending on the number of scholars per Research Supervisor, the available specialization among the Supervisors and research interests of the scholars as indicated by them at the