

UNIVERSITY OF KASHMIR, SRINAGAR Office of the Dean Research

Notification for admission to Ph.D programmes-2023-24

01. Online applications are invited from the eligible candidates as per vacancies for admission to Ph.D programme in the below mentioned discipline/subject:

Date of opening of the application form on university portal=21-11-2023Last date for submission of online application form=28-11-2023

S. No.	Discipline/subject	Supervisor available in the Centre	No. of vacancies available for research programme for the session 2023-24
01.	Gender Studies	Centre for Women's Studies and Research	08

02. Eligibility for admission to Ph.D programmes

- (ii) 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, excluding grace/statutory marks, if any, in Master's Degree in the concerned subject/allied subject from a recognized university or in any recognized Professional Degree declared equivalent to the Master's Degree by the Equivalence Committee of the University 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 law having this mandate or by an Equivalence Committee of the University;
- (ii) Relaxation of 5% of marks from 55% to 50% or equivalent relaxation of grade shall be allowed for the candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/persons with disability (PWDs) and other categories of candidates approved by university.
- (iii) The candidates who have successfully completed M.Phil Degree from the University of Kashmir with grade 'A' or 'B' or the candidates having been selected to the M.Phil Programme on the basis of entrance test and successfully completed M.Phil degree from any other recognized university, 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 where ever grading system is followed) or any other equivalent Degree declared so for the purposes of these Statutes by the Equivalence Committee of the University shall be eligible for admission to Ph.D programme. However, a relaxation of 5% of marks from 55% to 50% or equivalent relaxation of grade shall be allowed for the M.Phil pass out candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/persons with disability (PWDs) and other categories of candidates approved by University.

(iv) Dissertations of those scholars who have completed their M.Phil from a UGC recognized universities/institutions other than the University of Kashmir, shall be checked for plagiarism/similarity index before such applicants are considered for admission to Ph.D programme.

03. Procedure for Admission

- (l) The eligible candidates other than the candidates exempted from entrance test, shall have to qualify the Entrance Test by securing at least 50% marks.
- (II) The candidates who have qualified UGC NET/JRF or CSIR-UGC NET/JRF/ ICAR-NET/SET/GATE WOS-A/INSPIRE fellows with fellowships and Teacher Fellowship or any other equivalent test declared so by the UGC or have passed M.Phil with least 55% marks or its equivalent grade "B" in the UGC 7-point scale (or an equivalent grade in a point scale where ever grading system is followed) shall be exempted from the Entrance Test. However, a relaxation of 5% of marks from 55% to 50% or equivalent relaxation of grade shall be allowed for the M.Phil pass outs belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/persons with disability (PWDs) and other categories of candidates approved by University.
- (III) JRFs and WOS-A/INSPIRE fellows with fellowships are to be selected in the first instance against the available vacancies. Where the numbers of vacancies are less than the number of JRF/WOS-A/INSPIRE fellows with fellowships, the selection shall be made on the basis of PG merit.
- (IV) Where the number of candidates exempted from the Entrance Test under Clause (II) above is more than the number of seats available then no Entrance Test will be conducted. Selection of other exempted categories together with the candidates who have qualified entrance test with 50% marks, other than JRFs and WOS-A/INSPIRE fellows with fellowships, shall be made on the basis of overall merit position obtained as per following criteria:

S.No.	Qualification	Points
1.	NET	07
2.	SET/GATE	05
3.	M.Phil	03
4.	UG	20 (on prorata basis)
5.	PG	40 (on prorata basis)
6.	Interaction	25
	Total	100

- (V) The tie in the marks secured by the candidates in the Entrance Test and interaction shall be resolved on the basis of the percentage of marks secured by them in their Master's or Equivalent Degree.
- (VI) Any challenge to answer key of the answer paper shall be resolved on the basis of the Statutes/Regulations/Guidelines in vogue in the university to this effect pertaining to the Entrance Test for admission to Master's Course and Post Graduate Answer Paper re-evaluation.

- (VIII) The entrance test qualified candidates shall be required to appear before the DRC for common interaction along with the exempted candidates other than JRFs and WoS and INSPIRE fellows with fellowships to ascertain (i) student interest (ii) inclination (iii) research aptitude (iv) area of specialization/interest and DRC shall finalize the list of selected candidates and their supervisors.
- (X) The list of the selected candidates along with the waiting list will be prepared by the DRC and will be forwarded by its Chairperson to the Dean of the School after perusal of the selection process will recommend it for approval of the Vice-Chancellor through office of Dean Research.
- (XI) The list of selected candidates will be notified by the Dean of the School concerned and will be made available on the website of the university.

 Mere appearance in the list of qualified candidates shall not entitle a candidate to the final selection, if he/she is either found otherwise in-eligible or there is no vacancy available in the Department/Centre/Institute.

04. Entrance Test

- (I) There shall be single Entrance Test paper with three parts having the following break up:
 - (i) Part -I General Aptitude with emphasis on logical reasoning, graphical analysis, Analytical and numerical ability, quantitative comparisons, puzzles etc.
 - (ii) Part-(II) Basic (conventional) questions on core papers.
 - (iii) Part (III) Advanced (higher value questions) questions on Core papers.
- (II) The question paper shall have 100 MCQ's with 1 mark each with no negative marks. Break of questions in the question paper shall be as follows:
 - (i) Part -I 20
 - (ii) Part-II 30
 - (iii) Part-III 50
- (III) The candidates whose result of the final semester of the Master's programme or an equivalent Degree is awaited shall also be allowed to appear provisionally in the Entrance Test, subject to the production of an affidavit duly attested by 1st class Judicial Magistrate to the effect that he/she shall not claim any benefit in case he/she fails to produce final result position with required percentage of his/ her Master's programme by or before the date of declaration of Entrance Test result.

05. Eligibility for joining as part-time scholar:

The basic eligibility and admission procedure for in-service candidates joining as part-time research scholars shall be same as applicable to candidates for whole-time admission/registration but in-service candidates joining as part-time scholar shall be open to only:

- i. University teachers with atleast two years of substantive service;
- v. Permanent scientists of nationally recognized institutions with atleast three years of substantive service;
- vi. Govt. College teachers with at least three years of substantive service;
- vii. Non-teaching employees of the universities/nationally recognized educational and research institutions with at least three years substantive service;

- Applicants shall visit University website and submit online applications by clicking Application Form for research programmes-2023-24 under admission tab of the website from 21-11-2023 to 28-11-2023. Applicants are also required to deposit non-refundable application fee of Rs.100/- through online mode. In-service candidates are required to mention in the form, date of appointment/Department and Length of Service supported by documentary proof to be uploaded alongwith qualification certificates.
- 07. Director, IT & SS, University of Kashmir will facilitate the concerned Dean of School in downloading the online applications submitted by the candidates. Downloaded applications shall be forwarded to the concerned Co-ordinator of the Centre for screening, and conduct of Entrance Test if required. However, if the number of candidates exempted from the Entrance Test is more than the number of seats available in the Centre/discipline, no Entrance Test shall be conducted in the said Deptt./discipline.

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