

PhD Process Timeline and Requirements (Tentative & Subject to Change)

1. Entrance Examination Process

The Entrance Examination will be conducted in two phases:

- Written Test
- Interview

Declaration of Results:

- Candidates who qualify in the Written Test will be invited for the Interview phase.
- The list of shortlisted will be published on the official website.

Exemption from Written Test:

Candidates who meet any of the following criteria are exempted from the Written Test:

- Qualified NET / SLET / GATE or an equivalent national-level examination.
- Possess a minimum of 10 years of relevant work experience in the respective field.

Final Result Declaration and Admission Process

- The final results will be published on the official website.
- Admissions will be conducted at the Admission Office.
- An offer letter will be issued to the selected candidates

2. Course Work and Examinations

- PhD Coursework Includes Two semesters
 - i. Core Courses
 - ii. Division Specific course
- End-Term (ETE): Tentatively in December
- Minimum Credit requirement: 12
- Certificate Issued: On successful completion of coursework

3. PhD Progress Reviews

DC (Doctoral Committee)-1

Requirements:

- PhD- Coursework (Core Courses) Completion
- Supervisor allocation
- Constitution of DC (Doctoral Committee)-

DC (Doctoral Committee)-2

Requirements:

- PhD- Coursework (Core Courses plus Subject Specific Courses) Completion
- One Publication

DC (Doctoral Committee)-3: Pre-Submission

Requirements:

- Two Publications
- Draft Copy PhD thesis
- Biannual Reviews: Conducted every 6 months
- Eligibility: After 3 years

Documents:

- I. Draft thesis with plagiarism report
- II. List and hard copies of publications
- III. All review reports

4. Final Thesis Submission

- Contents: 6 hard copies, 1 USB, plagiarism report
- Panel Submission: 5 Indian + 5 Foreign examiners

5. Examiner Selection and Evaluation

- VC Approval: Selection of 1 Indian & 1 Foreign examiner

- Communication: COE sends thesis
- Response Time: 7 days for consent; 15 days for evaluation
- Evaluation Period: Maximum 1 month
- No Response/Report: VC approves new panel (repeat process)

6. Viva Voce and Final Submission

- Expert Selection: VC appoints Viva expert
- Notification: Candidate informed 15 days in advance
- Viva:
 - I. Mock Viva Within 15 days of receiving both reports
 - II. Final Viva
- Recommendations: Forwarded
- **Provisional Certificate: Issued same day**

7. Graduation

- **Awarding of Degree: As per university convocation schedule**