



OFFICE OF DEAN RESEARCH STUDIES

UNIVERSITY OF JAMMU

(NAAC Accredited 'A++' Grade University)

CIRCULAR

Reference to the Ph.D Notification No DRS/Ph.D/26/3506-3605 Dated: 25.08.2026, the last date for filling online application form is 15.09.2026. Accordingly, all the HODs/Directors are requested to complete the admission process latest by 30.09.2026 positively, as per the following timeline:

S.No.	Schedule for admission process	Dates
(i)	After screening and scrutiny of applications received, uploading of list of candidates on University Website and on Notice Board of Department/s indicating status as eligible/ineligible with remarks, for inviting objections giving time of two days.	By 17.09.2026 (by 5 pm)
(ii)	List of shortlisted eligible candidates to be prepared and notified on the Notice Board of the Department and the University Website after considering the objection/s (if any) as per (i) above, and seeking clearance in this regard from the respective Departmental Research Committee/s for purpose of interview. The date of interview to be mentioned in this notification.	By 21.09.2026 (by 4 pm)
(iii)	Interview of shortlisted eligible candidates as per (ii) above.	24.09.2026
(iv)	Ist list of Provisionally selected candidates to be displayed on Notice Board and on University Website post interviews as per the vacancy notified along with the Waiting List in each category following admission norms as per Ph.D Statutes, and reservation guidelines applicable. The list should be duly verified and approved by Dean of Faculty concerned	By 26.09.2026
(v)	Admission as per Ist list in (iv) above to be completed in all respect	By 29.09.2026

(vi)	IInd list (if any) of Provisionally selected candidates to be announced moving the candidates available in the Waiting List as per (iv) above.	By 30.09.2026 (by 11am)
(vii)	Completion of Admission Process including announcement of IIIrd list (if any) following admission norms as per Ph.D Statutes	By 30.09.2026
(viii)	Communication of lists of admitted candidates by the HODs to the office of Dean Research Studies (DRS)	By 06.10.2026
(ix)	Commencement of Coursework by all Departments	05.10.2026

Note:-

- All admissions to be done under the overall supervision of respective Dean of Faculty concerned. All admission lists will mandatorily be verified, and approved by Dean of the Faculty concerned before notifying and uploading on University Website. Strict compliance of timelines be kindly adhered to.
- A copy of timetable of coursework with designated Faculty Incharge for all three-coursework papers duly endorsed by DRC, be communicated to office of Dean Research Studies for records latest by 05.10.2026 positively.
- HoD concerned to ensure regular conduct of classes in the course work.

This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

Assistant Registrar(R&A)

No. DRS/PhD/26/ 4158-4217
Dated: 10-9-2026

Copy to: -

1. Special Secretary to Vice-Chancellor for the kind information of the Hon'ble Vice- Chancellor please.
2. Sr. P.A. to Dean Research Studies for kind information of DRS please.
3. All Faculty Deans.
4. All Heads/Rectors/Directors of the Teaching Departments/Offsite Campuses.
5. Website page.
6. Guard File.

Regulations/Statutes governing the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy

The Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) may be awarded in such faculties of the University as are recognized for the purpose. Every candidate shall pursue research in the Department/Centre of the University or in a research institute recognized by Syndicate as Centre for research leading to Ph.D. Degree in the field of study concerned. The admissions in Ph.D. programme will held twice a year as per Research Calendar, normally in the months of January/February and June/July. Further, whenever and wherever required, University of Jammu shall initiate Special Admission Drive for filling up vacancies including reserved categories as per reservation norms applicable from time to time.

1. Admission of Indian Students:

A. Eligibility Criteria and Procedure of Admission:

Following shall be eligible for admission to the Ph.D. programme:

- 1) The candidates with UGC-NET (including JRF)/UGC-CSIR-NET (including JRF)/GATE/CEED and similar National level tests.
- 2) The candidates with SET/SLET
- 3) Candidates who have completed the M.Phil. programme with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed or equivalent qualification 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 to assess, accredit or assure quality and standards of educational institutions, shall be eligible for admission to the Ph.D. programme. A relaxation of 5% marks or its equivalent grade may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/Differently-Abled, Economically Weaker Section (EWS) and other categories of candidates as notified by the University Grants Commission (UGC) and UT of J&K from time to time.
- 4) Candidates who have completed a 1-year/2-semester master's degree programme after a 4-year/8-semester bachelor's degree programme or a 2-year/4-semester master's degree

programme after a 3-year bachelor's degree programme or qualifications declared equivalent to the master's degree by the corresponding statutory/regulatory body, with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed

or equivalent qualification 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 to assess, accredit or assure quality and standards of the educational institution.

A relaxation of 5% marks or its equivalent grade may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/Differently-Abled, Economically Weaker Section (EWS) and other categories of candidates as notified by the UGC and UT of J&K from time to time.

Provided that a candidate seeking admission after a 4-year/8-semester bachelor's degree programme should have a minimum of 75% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade on a point scale wherever the grading system is followed. A relaxation of 5% marks or its equivalent grade may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/Differently-Abled, Economically Weaker Section (EWS) and other categories of candidates as notified by the UGC and UT of J&K from time to time **(For such candidates, the University of Jammu shall follow NEP 2020/UGC guidelines issued from time to time).**

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

- i. The following NET candidates will be eligible in three categories for Ph.D. admissions (As per UGC Public Notice vide no. F.4-1(UGC-NET Review Committee)/2024(NET)/ 140648 dated 27-03-2024)
 - a) Category-1: Eligible for admission to Ph.D. with JRF. The JRF-qualified students are admitted into the Ph.D. programme based on an interview as per the UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedures for Award of Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2022.

- b) Category-2: Eligible for admission to Ph.D. without JRF.
- c) Category-3: Eligible for admission to Ph.D. programme only.

Or

Candidates who have qualified GATE/ CEED/ SLET/ SET

For students who qualify in Categories 2 and 3, 70% weightage will be given for test scores and 30% weightage for the interview for admission to Ph.D. programme. The Ph.D. admission will be based on the combined merit of NET marks and the marks obtained in the interview/viva voce.

Note: The marks obtained in the NET by the candidates in Categories 2 and 3 will be valid for a period of one year for admission to Ph.D.

- ii. M.Phil.
- iii. Ten percent (10%) of the seats in a Session shall be filled by the University/ College teachers of UT of J&K as supernumerary seats after fulfilling the eligibility conditions/criteria.

Note: 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's Degree level.