



## UNIVERSITY OF KERALA

Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, India – 695034

(Established as University of Travancore by the Travancore University Act in 1937 and reconstituted as University of Kerala by the Kerala University Act of 1957 and presently governed by the Kerala University Act of 1974 passed by the Kerala State Legislative Assembly)  
(Re-accredited by NAAC with 'A' Grade)

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### NOTIFICATION

Applications are invited online from eligible candidates for registration for Full-time/ Part-time research leading to Ph.D degree of the University, for the July 2015 session, subject to availability of vacancies.

Candidates shall carry out their research under approved guide or guides in a University Department or in a Department of a college recognised as research centre or in a recognised research institution.

#### **I Eligibility**

Candidates to be considered eligible to apply for registration for Ph.D. research should have:

- i Masters degree or its equivalent with not less than 55% marks.
- ii Qualified in the Entrance Test conducted by this University or National Eligibility Test conducted by the UGC/CSIR/ICAR/ICMR or GATE or State Level Eligibility Test conducted by the Kerala Government or Fellowship awarded by the KSCSTE, M.Phil.degree by research and thesis. The validity period, if any, of such qualifications are counted for granting admission.
- iii The M.Phil Degree shall be in the discipline concerned in which the applicant is seeking registration and the degree should be obtained from a recognised University.

#### **II. Relaxation of marks**

Candidates who have got a minimum of ten years of teaching experience at a College or University are eligible for a relaxation of 5% marks. However, in no case, a candidate having less than 50% marks be granted registration.

Notwithstanding the above, candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes who have secured 45% marks in Science subjects and 40% marks in Arts and Commerce subjects can apply for registration for Ph.D. research, provided they satisfy the other eligibility requirements stipulated in this notification. Physically/visually challenged candidates are eligible for a relaxation of 5% marks for registration for research leading to Ph.D. Degree.

#### **III. Exemption from entrance test**

- i) College/University teachers with seven or more years of teaching experience and candidates with D.M/M.Ch. Degree are exempted from the Entrance Test.

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- ii) Scientists/Engineers working in approved Research Laboratories either owned or managed by the Central/State Government or in Autonomous Research Institutions of National Status, with seven years experience in the Grade Scientist/Engineer having two research papers published in the recognised research journals of the subject concerned approved by the Board of Studies concerned, are exempted from the Ph.D. Entrance Test.
- iii) Candidates with DBT-JRF are exempted from the Ph.D. Entrance Test and they are permitted to register for research leading to Ph.D. Degree in Biotechnology.
- iv) Scientists/Ayurveda Doctors working in Pharmaceuticals/Hospitals/Research Centres owned by Government with 7 years experience and having 2 research papers published are exempted from the Ph.D. Entrance Test.
- v) Candidates with DST-INSPIRE fellowship are exempted from Ph.D. Entrance Test.
- vi) Candidates who have qualified 'GPAT' are exempted from Ph.D. entrance test & are permitted to register for research leading to Ph.D. degree in Pharmacy.
- vii) Candidates selected to the QIP (Quality – Improvement Programme) introduced by AICTE, for teachers of AICTE approved degree level Engineering Institutions are exempted from Ph.D Entrance test.

#### **IV Availability of seats**

The maximum number of candidates permitted to work under each guide is ten, among which two candidates should have JRF/SRF of UGC - CSIR

However,

- i) Guides having Kerala University Library as research centre and not attached to any other research centre can take only five candidates.
- ii) Guides having research centre as Kerala University Library and any other centre can take only two research scholars at Kerala University Library and 8 at other centres.

Even if a teacher/scientist is an approved guide in more than one discipline the total number of students he/she can guide at a time will remain unchanged. All approved guides will be permitted to supervise four foreign students in addition to the stipulated number.

In the case of interdisciplinary research the candidate will be allowed to have one co-guide depending on the requirement.

Vacancies available under each supervising teacher/research centre can be ascertained from the supervising teacher and the Head of the research centre. One seat in each subject is reserved for applicants belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes if they are otherwise eligible.

#### **V Exemption from Research Methodology paper of the course work examination**

Only those M.Phil degrees which have Research Methodology course in the curriculum will be considered for exemption from the Research Methodology paper of the course work examination.

##### **Part-time registration**

Part-time Ph.D. registration shall be restricted to regular/permanent teachers in the subjects concerned, of the Departments and affiliated Colleges of the University of Kerala. The provision of Part-time registration in exceptional cases is also extended to teachers who are working in substantive vacancies in Government and Aided Colleges in the State of Kerala, if all other conditions are satisfied.

However, the facility of part-time Ph.D. registration

- (1) in Library and Information Science is extended to those who are working as Library Staff in the University of Kerala and to all library professionals working in all University libraries, affiliated colleges, Government departments, R and D establishments, public sector undertaking and corporate libraries in Kerala on regular basis with a minimum of 3 years experience, provided all other eligibility conditions are satisfied.

- (2) in Management Studies is extended to those working in managerial position with a minimum of 3 years experience in Government/Public Sector undertakings, provided all other conditions are satisfied.
- (3) is extended to contract lecturers appointed in the teaching & research centres attached to University departments, UIT centres & KUCTE.
- (4) is extended to permanent employees of the University of Kerala who have qualified UGC-JRF.
- (5) Permanent employees of the University of Kerala who have qualified M.Phil/Ph.D Entrance test of this University, who wish to apply for Part-time Ph.D registration shall undergo full time Ph.D research for a period of six months, after availing leave, and then apply for conversion of mode of registration to part-time.

Applications for part-time registration should be accompanied by a No Objection Certificate from the appointing authority with details showing designation, period of permanent service with the organization.

#### VI How to apply

Applications should be submitted online [www.research.keralauniversity.ac.in](http://www.research.keralauniversity.ac.in)

The print out of the application so submitted should be submitted at the time of the doctoral committee along with attested/original copies of certificates and cash receipt. Applicants from the Faculty of Engineering, Medicine, Pharmaceutical Science, Dentistry, Ayurveda and all subjects which are not being offered at the University departments (Home Science, Geography, Physical Education, Theatre Arts and Film Aesthetics for Education etc.) should submit the print out of the application along with all documents and cash receipt/DD to the Registrar on or before 15.07.2015.

#### VII Registration fee

Registration fee of Rs. 520/- has to be paid by Kerala University cash receipt/Friends cash receipt/DD( An additional amount of rupees 10/- to be paid as service charge in case of DD).

All remittances made by DD should be drawn in favour of the Finance Officer, University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram. The drafts drawn on SBT branches payable at SBT Service branch, Thiruvananthapuram and on District Co-operative Banks payable at State Co-operative Bank Head Office branch, Thiruvananthapuram only will be accepted from candidates residing within the state. Those residing outside the state may submit SBI drafts payable at SBI Main Branch, Thiruvananthapuram.

#### VIII Clearance of Ethics Committee is mandatory for research work involving human subjects.

#### IX Last date

The last date for receipt of applications is upto 5.00 pm, 15<sup>th</sup> July 2015. The guides shall register their online consent upto 5.00pm, 15<sup>th</sup> July 2015.

Registration will be granted on the basis of merit and availability of vacancies subject to the University Statutes and other rules. The decision of the Syndicate in this regard will be final.

  
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