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INFORMATION BULLETIN & REGULATION For admission into Ph.D. PROGRAM - DECEMBER - 2024

(UNDER SEMESTER SYSTEM)

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G.M. University is making significant strides, prioritizing equity, access, and inclusion as core objectives of higher education in this region. As part of these efforts, the university is offering Ph.D. programs in its key departments.

Based on the availability of eligible supervisors, Ph.D. programs will be available in 17 major departments under the semester system for the session starting with December 2024. The departments with available vacancies are listed below:

Sl.	School	No. of	Sl.	School	No. of
No.		Seats	No.		Seats
1.	Anthropology	05	10.	History	02
2.	Biotechnology	03	11.	Mathematics	02
3.	Chemistry	05	12.	Odia	02
4.	Commerce	01	13.	Physics	11
5.	Computer Science	04	14.	Political Science	03
6.	Economics	05	15.	Psychology	02
7.	Education	05	16.	Sanskrit	03
8.	English	04	17.	Statistics	01
9.	Geography	03			

NB: The number of seats mentioned in the above table is likely to be increased/decreased depending on the availability of interested eligible supervisors.

I. COURSE COMMENCEMENT: DECEMBER 2024

II. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

a Candidates seeking admission to the Ph.D. program must have successfully completed Master's degree program in the concerned subject with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed and a valid NET score under category-I, II, or III of the UGC letter no., F.4-1(UGC-NET Review Committee)/2024(NET) 140648, dated 28.03.2024.

As per the UGC letter no., F.4-1(UGC-NET Review Committee)/2024(NET) 140648, dated 28.03.2024, NET score can be used for admission to Ph.D. programs in place of entrance tests conducted by different universities/HEIs.

The NET candidates will be declared eligible in three categories:

Category-1: Eligible for (i) admission to Ph.D. with JRF and (ii) appointment as Assistant Professor.

Category-2: Eligible for (i) admission to Ph.D. without JRF and (ii) appointment as Assistant Professor.

Category-3: Eligible for admission to the Ph.D. program only and not for the award of JRF or appointment as Assistant Professor.

The determination of the eligibility of NET for different categories is summarized below:

Qualified for:	JRF	Assistant Professor	Ph.D. Admission
Category-1: Award of JRF and	Yes	Yes	Yes
appointment as Assistant			
Professor			
Category-2: Appointment as	No	Yes	Yes
Assistant Professor and			
admission to Ph.D.			
Category-3: Admission to	No	No	Yes
Ph.D. only			

The result of NET will be declared in percentile along with the marks obtained by a candidate to utilize the marks for admission to Ph.D.

The JRF-qualified students are admitted into the Ph.D. program based on an interview as per the University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedures for Award of Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2022.

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. programs. The Ph.D. admission will be based on the combined merit of NET marks and the marks obtained in the interview/viva voce.

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.

- b. A relaxation of 5% marks or its equivalent grade is allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/Differently-Abled, Economically Weaker Section (EWS).
- c. The candidates who have qualified GATE/ JEST/ DBT/ INSPIRE/ NFST/ NFSC/ NFOBC/ ICHR/ ICPR/ ICSSR/ ICMR or any other National level exams and possess National/ State level fellowship are also eligible to apply.
- d. Ph.D. course work is a full-time course and as such a candidate who is employed can be admitted or allowed to continue in the program only if he/she has been duly relieved and produces proof to that effect.

III. ADMISSION:

- a. Admission into the Ph.D. program shall be based strictly on merit. The final merit list of candidates will be prepared on the basis of interview/viva-voce or interview/ viva-voce plus NET score as may be the case for candidates under different categories as mentioned under II (a) of "Eligibility Criteria".
- b. Course work offered by Gangadhar Meher University (including "Research and Publication Ethics" as notified by UGC vide D.O. No. F-1-1/2018(Journal/CARE) in 2019 and a research methodology course) is compulsory to all scholars who take admission into the Ph.D. program of December 2024 session.

IV. Mode of obtaining Application Form:

Candidates should download the Application Form from the university website www.gmuniversity.ac.in and submit the filled-in form with an **Original Bank Draft of Rs.1500/**drawn in favor of "**The Comptroller of Finance, G. M. University, Sambalpur**" and payable at **Sambalpur**.

V. LAST DATE OF SUBMISSION:

The Application duly filled in along with required documents should reach the undersigned on or before 15.01.2025 up to 05.00 PM either by post or in person. The university will not be responsible for any postal delays in the receipt of application form after the last date.

To,

The Chairperson, P. G. Council Gangadhar Meher University, Amruta Vihar Po- Budharaja, Sambalpur-768004, Odisha

VI. RESERVATION

Reservation will be given by following the rules of Govt. of Odisha.

- a. SC 16.25% of the sanctioned strength of the Schools shall be reserved for SC applicants.
- b. ST 22.5% of the sanctioned strength of the Schools shall be reserved for ST applicants.
- c. PH 5% of the sanctioned strength of the Schools shall be reserved for PH applicants.
- d. The reserved seats are not inter-changeable between SC & ST.
- e. SC/ST applicants selected for admission on general merit shall not be counted against reserved seats.

VII. DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED WITH THE APPLICATION FORM:

Self-certified copies of the following documents are to be submitted;

- a. Mark sheets & certificates of all examinations starting from HSC/ equivalent.
- b. C.L.C & Conduct certificate from the Institution last attended.
- c. Caste Certificate from the competent authority (Revenue Officer not below the rank of a Tahasildar).
- d. Certificate in support of NET/ GATE/ JEST/ DBT/ INSPIRE/ NFST/ NFSC/ NFOBC/ ICHR/ ICPR/ ICSSR/ ICMR etc. qualification.
- e. In-service candidates will have to submit no objection certificate (NOC) from their employer.
- f. Two recent passport size photographs.

VIII. DOCUMENTS REQUIRED AT THE TIME OF ADMISSION:

- a. The originals of all the certificates & mark sheets from HSC to M.A. /M.Sc. /M. Com/M. Phil.
- b. Caste Certificate from the competent authority (Revenue Officer not below the rank of a Tahasildar).
- c. Certificate in support of NET/ GATE/ JEST/ DBT/ INSPIRE/ NFST/ NFSC/ NFOBC/ ICHR/ ICPR/ ICSSR/ ICMR etc. examination/ fellowship.
- d. C.L.C / Conduct Certificates.
- e. Three passport size photographs.
- f. Migration Certificate.
- g. Relieve order (in case of in-service candidates) from the competent authority.

IX. DISPATCH OF INTIMATION

Intimation for admission to successful candidates on merit will be made available on the university website.

X. ATTENDANCE

A candidate shall be required to attend 75% of lectures, tutorials & practical classes taken together during the course work. Condonation may be granted by the Chairperson, P.G. Council only to the extent of 15% in exceptional cases.

XI. EXAMINATION

Students attending course-work will have to appear First Semester examination during July 2025. Students failing to attend 75% of total classes shall not be allowed to sit for the semester examination.

XII. IMPORTANT NOTES

- a. A candidate cannot claim the refund of application fees, if his/her application is rejected or the candidate fails to take the interview.
- b. Any misinformation found on verification of the original documents shall lead to cancellation of admission & will be treated as a cognizable offence.
- c In case, the applicant for admission is found to have indulged in ragging in the past or if it is noticed later that he/she is indulged in ragging, admission may be refused or he/she shall be expelled from the educational institution.
- d The University reserves the right to suspend the commencement of any of the programs, if circumstances so warrant.
- e. Submission of incomplete application/information will be summarily rejected.
- f. Candidates are advised to bring a tentative research proposal with them during the interview.
- g The selection into the Ph.D. program December 2024 is not a matter of right and cannot be claimed by the candidate, if not selected.
- h. The decision of the Vice Chancellor relating to admission is final & binding.

XIII. FEE STRUCTURE

In accordance with the University guidelines (uploaded in the University Website).

XIV. SCHEDULE OF Ph.D. ADMISSION

1	Availability of Application form and Brochure in the University website	 24.12.2024 to 15.01.2025
2.	Last date of receiving the hard copy in the University counter or by post	 15.01.2025 (Wednesday) up to 5.00 P.M.
3.	Publication of eligibility list in the University Website	 21.01.2025 (Tuesday)
4.	Receipt of Queries*	 23.01.2025 (Wednesday)
5.	Publication of final eligibility list in the	 24.01.2025 (Thursday)

	University Website	
6.	Interview/ Viva-voce	 11.30 A.M. onwards (27.01.2025)
7.	Date of publication of Final Merit List	 28.01.2025 (Tuesday)
8.	Date of Admission	 29.01.2025 (Wednesday)
9.	Commencement of classes	 31.01.2025 (Friday)

^{*}Queries may be mailed to admission@gmuniversity.ac.in

Chairperson, P.G. Council G.M. University, Sambalpur