

Ph.D. Admissions 2025-2026



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Ph.D. ADMISSIONS (2025-2026)

Online applications (<https://researchadmissions.gitam.edu>) are invited from PG/UG candidates for admission into Ph.D. Programme in the following categories:

- i. Regular on-campus Ph.D. Programme for Indian, foreign candidates.
- ii. Extra-mural Ph.D. Programme for Industry Professionals working in Research institutions/ organizations recognized by GITAM.

A. ELIGIBILITY

The requisite eligibility criteria for discipline wise Ph.D. programmes can be downloaded by visiting the link: [Research and Innovation at GITAM | PhD Programme](#) and list of Ph.D. programmes offered is outlined in **Annexure – I**.

For Extra-mural Ph.D. Programme, Industry Professionals working in Research institutions/ organizations recognized by GITAM, with a minimum of 2 years of experience and possessing the requisite educational qualifications are eligible for admission.

GENERAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

- a) 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

- b) An 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.

OR

- c) 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.

OR

- d) 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.

B. SELECTION PROCESS

- a) GITAM shall conduct GITAM Research Admissions Test (GReAT) – a written test, for all eligible candidates.
- b) Candidates who have a valid CSIR / UGC- NET or GATE/GPAT, INSPIRE, ICAR, DBT-JRF examinations score are exempted from GReAT and are eligible for a direct interview.
- c) Interviews shall be conducted for
 - i. Candidates who have cleared the GReAT.
 - ii. Candidates who have cleared the above-mentioned national level examinations.
- d) The interview shall consider the following aspects, viz. whether:
 - i. The candidate possesses the competence for the proposed research.
 - ii. The research work can be suitably undertaken at the Institution/School.
 - iii. The proposed area of research can contribute to generate new/additional knowledge.
- e) The candidates who qualify in the Interview shall be offered Admission letters into the Ph.D. Programme.
- f) Admission is based on merit and seats availability.
- g) Merely meeting the requirements may not ensure admission.
- h) Candidates are suggested to follow **GITAM website** for any updates.

The University does not discriminate based on gender, race or religion.

C. GReAT EXAMINATION

- a) The syllabus for the entrance test can be downloaded from the following link:
([Research and Innovation at GITAM | PhD Programme](#))
- b) The syllabus shall have 50% coverage on Research Aptitude/ Methodology and 50% on specific subject Area.
- c) The duration of the test is two hours.
- d) The test may comprise of a combination descriptive & objective type questions.
- e) The maximum marks for written component of the Test is 160 (Section A- 80 for Research Aptitude and Section B- 80 for specific subject Area). For School of Architecture ([phd in architecture.pdf](#)) and School of Public Policy ([phd in public policy.pdf](#)), section B would comprise a research proposal (please refer the syllabus for more details).

D. HOW TO APPLY

- a) Candidates have to submit online application at (<https://researchadmissions.gitam.edu/>) by paying a non-refundable registration fee of Rs. 1200/- (INR Twelve Hundred only) through Debit card / Credit card (Master / VISA) / Net Banking/UPI, on or before **12th May 2025**.
- b) Candidates **MUST CHECK** their eligibility before submitting online application.

- c) The copies of all the certificates to be uploaded while submitting online application mentioned is the **Annexure – II**.
- d) The University will not take any responsibility for the non-receipt of applications in time (**i.e. 12th May 2025 up to 5pm**).

E. MANDATORY COURSE WORK

- a) Course work is mandatory for both Full-time and Extramural Ph.D. scholars.
- b) Candidates have to put in a minimum of 75% attendance per course to be eligible to appear for the examinations.

F. FEE STRUCTURE FOR Ph.D. PROGRAMME

Following is the fee structure for Ph.D. programme (2025-2026):

PhD Mode of admission	Duration	Application Fee	Annual Fee	Processing Fee (Only one time)
Full-Time	3 Years	INR 1,200	INR 30,000	NIL
Full-Time (Foreign Nationals/NRI)	3 Years	NIL	USD 2,500	USD 300
Extramural	4 Years	INR 1,200	INR 1,00,000	NIL

Academic Fee is subject to revision from time to time as decided by the University.

G. RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS OPPORTUNITIES FOR REGULAR ON-CAMPUS Ph.D. PROGRAMME

- Candidates admitted under Full-Time PhD Programme in any of the campus are eligible for GITAM PhD Fellowship of INR 33,000/- per month for a maximum period of **THREE** years duration.

H. SOME OF THE KEY BENEFITS

- a) Access to Sophisticated Analytical Instrumentation and research facilities.
- b) Collaboration with leading scientists and industry experts.
- c) Opportunities to work at National Laboratories and Foreign Universities on collaboration projects.
- d) Research Projects offered by highly accomplished faculty.
- e) Support towards attending conference and workshops

I. KEY DATES

Last date for submission of applications	12th May 2025
Online PhD Entrance Exam	25th May 2025
Results of Online PhD Entrance Exam	30th May 2025
Online Interviews of the Qualified candidates	5th June 2025 - 20th June 2025
Final Admission Results	30th June 2025
i. Release of Ph.D. Admission offer Letters, ii. Payment of Fees, iii. Offline Document Verification iv. Selection of PhD Supervisors by the Scholars	1st July 2025 - 15th July 2025
Induction Programme & Lab Visits	16th July 2025 - 31st July 2025
PhD Coursework Classes	1st August 2025

Annexure - I:

Ph.D. Programmes Offered for 2025-2026 Academic Year							
S.No	Discipline	Programmes Offered	Qualifications		Campus		
			UG	PG	VSP	HYD	BLR
1	Engineering	Ph.D. in Biotechnology	✓	✓	✓	-	-
2	Engineering	Ph.D. in Civil Engineering	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
3	Engineering	Ph.D. in Computer Science & Engineering	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
4	Engineering	Ph.D. in Electronics & Communication Engineering	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
5	Engineering	Ph.D. in Electrical & Electronics Engineering	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
6	Engineering	Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
7	Science	Ph.D. in Life Sciences - Biochemistry	✓	✓	✓	-	-
8	Science	Ph.D. in Life Sciences - Bioinformatics	✓	✓	✓	-	-
9	Science	Ph.D. in Life Sciences - Biotechnology	✓	✓	✓	-	✓
10	Science	Ph.D. in Chemistry	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
11	Science	Ph.D. in Computer Science	✓	✓	✓	-	-
12	Science	Ph.D. in Electronics	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
13	Science	Ph.D. in Life Sciences - Environmental Science	✓	✓	✓	-	-
14	Science	Ph.D. in Life Sciences - Food Science & Technology	✓	✓	✓	-	✓
15	Science	Ph.D. in Mathematics	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
16	Science	Ph.D. in Life Sciences - Microbiology	✓	✓	✓	-	✓
17	Science	Ph.D. in Physics	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
18	Management	Ph.D. in Entrepreneurship	✓	✓	✓	-	-
19	Management	Ph.D. in Accounting & Finance	✓	✓	✓	✓	-
20	Management	Ph.D. in International Business	✓	✓	✓	-	-
21	Management	Ph.D. in Information Systems	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
22	Management	Ph.D. in Marketing	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
23	Management	Ph.D. in Operations & Supply Chain	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
24	Management	Ph.D. in Organizational Development & HR	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
25	Humanities & Social Sciences	Ph.D. in Applied Psychology	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26	Humanities & Social Sciences	Ph.D. in Economics	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
27	Humanities & Social Sciences	Ph.D. in English	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
28	Humanities & Social Sciences	Ph.D. in Political Science	✓	✓	-	✓	✓
29	Humanities & Social Sciences	Ph.D. in Sociology	✓	✓	✓	✓	-
30	Pharmacy	Ph.D. in Pharmaceutical Analysis	✓	✓	✓	✓	-
31	Pharmacy	Ph.D. in Pharmaceutical Chemistry	✓	✓	✓	✓	-
32	Pharmacy	Ph.D. in Pharmaceutics	✓	✓	✓	✓	-
33	Pharmacy	Ph.D. in Pharmacognosy & Phytochemistry	✓	✓	✓	✓	-
34	Pharmacy	Ph.D. in Pharmacology	✓	✓	✓	✓	-
35	Law	Ph.D. in Law	-	✓	✓	-	-
36	Architecture	Ph.D. in Architecture	✓	✓	✓	✓	-
37	Public Policy	Ph.D. in Public Policy	✓	✓	-	✓	-

Annexure - II:

Required documents must be submitted during the online application

The following certificates (PDF) are to be uploaded along with the online application, and the same certificates must be produced in original at the time of physical document verification.

i. For PG Candidates (Required Documents):

- a) Transfer certificate of the Master's Degree
- b) Master's Original Degree / Provisional certificate
- c) Master's Degree Consolidated Marks Statement/Certificate
- d) Bachelor's Original Degree / Provisional certificate
- e) Bachelor's Degree Consolidated Marks Statement/Certificate
- f) Intermediate/Class 12th Certificate
- g) Class 10th Certificate
- h) Aadhaar Card
- i) Service/Experience Certificates & No Objection Certificate for **Extramural candidates**

ii. For UG Candidates (Required Documents):

- a) Transfer Certificate of the Bachelor's Degree
- b) Bachelor's Original Degree / Provisional certificate
- c) Bachelor's Degree Consolidated Marks Certificate
- d) Intermediate/Class 12th Certificate
- e) Class 10th Certificate
- f) Aadhaar Card



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