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Non- Discrimination in Admissions

GITAM follows Non-Discrimination that encompasses not to have any action that directly or indirectly results in differentiation, exclusion, limitation, or favoritism with the intent or effect of undermining or hindering equal treatment in educational or professional settings. It can be based on factors such as caste, religion, creed, language, Gender, ethnicity, disability, or any imposition of restrictions solely on female students or employees, which contradicts the principles of human dignity.

GITAM applies its non-discrimination policy even for an individual who identifies or expresses themselves differently than the sex they were assigned at birth ie., transgender

Particularly in admissions, the right to get admission can't be denied based on any particular basis that creates a discrimination. The admission is purely based on the merit. Apart from that a special positive discrimination is followed based on the certain aspects like 'Economically Weaker Section(EWS), origin from certain States like Jammu & Kashmir (under PMSSS), Sports Persons.

GITAM adheres to this policy and its clearly mentioned in all its communications.

In all the academic regulations of various programs it is explicitly mentioned.

<https://www.gitam.edu/academics/academic-regulations>

In the admissions brochure of research admissions also it is clearly stated, which is kept as an evidence.



6. Keep the University authorities informed of any changes in personal status and contact information, including guardians/ parents.
7. Strictly adhere to all health and safety procedures outlined for classrooms, laboratories, field trips, sports, and cultural activities.
8. Be acquainted with the academic regulations and keep abreast of the updates in the regulations.
9. Familiarity with published information that will allow the selection, by due deadlines, of the appropriate paths of academic study.

4. Admission

The admission policy and procedures are aligned with the University Grants Commission (UGC), and the Ministry of Education (MoE), Government of India. The number of seats in each degree programme is determined by the approval process from UGC.

The eligibility for admission into Undergraduate Programmes at GITAM is as prescribed by the respective approving statutory body and qualifying the minimum entrance examination requirements specified by GITAM admission regulations for the various programmes. The student must undertake the national-level entrance examination, GITAM Admission Test (GAT) conducted by the University. Students can also secure a seat in GITAM by qualifying in the specified state or national level examinations. The counselling schedule will be announced in the media, and the selected candidates will be admitted into the programme of their choice based on the availability of seats. Also, the candidates admitted to undergraduate programmes must meet programme-specific requirements and academic performance in Class XII or its equivalent.

Admission is based on merit, and merely meeting the requirements shall not ensure admission. The University does not discriminate based on gender, race, religion, disability, or nationality. GITAM reserves the right to admit any candidate based on the criteria specified in the admission brochure. Admissions are also available for Non-Resident Indians and Foreign Citizens who meet the GITAM admissions eligibility criteria.

4.1. Student Classification

4.1.1. Regular admission

Admission is considered regular if a student of Indian nationality is admitted in the programme's first semester through the GITAM admission test or through any national-level entrance examination as approved by the Directorate of Admissions. For a GITAM degree to be awarded, the student must complete the terminal year in GITAM, unless the student has proceeded on a twinning programme approved by GITAM.

4.1.2. Multiple Entry

Multiple entry is permissible under the following circumstances subject to the availability of seats.

- Students already pursuing an undergraduate programme in a recognized Higher Education Institute (HEI) could be admitted into GITAM without appearing for the entrance exam to continue their studies. In this case, the student shall furnish the transcripts or grade cards, syllabus copies, educational certificates, and other relevant documents while applying for admission.
- However, a minimum of 50% of the credits for the programme must be completed in GITAM to earn the degree from GITAM. The Board of Studies (BoS), which manages the programme, shall establish equivalency based on the marks/credits obtained in the courses in the previous HEI.



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Ph.D. ADMISSIONS

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Ph.D. ADMISSIONS (2024-2025)

Online applications (<https://www.gitam.edu/admissions/PhD>) are invited from PG and UG students for admission into Ph.D. Programme in the subject areas in the following categories:

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

A. ELIGIBILITY

The requisite eligibility criteria for both Regular and Extra-mural Ph.D. programmes can be downloaded by visiting the link: <https://www.gitam.edu/admissions/PhD>

For Extra-mural Ph.D. Programme, candidates working in institutions/ organizations recognized by GITAM, with a minimum of 2 years of experience and possessing the requisite educational qualifications are eligible for admission. Further details are given in <https://tinyurl.com/282v7fjn>

- 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 eligible candidates, who have **NOT** cleared CSIR / UGC- NET or GATE/GPAT examinations.
- b) Candidates who have an eligible CSIR / UGC- NET or GATE/GPAT examinations score, shall directly become qualified for the next round of selection process, namely Interview Round.
- c) Interviews shall be conducted for
 - i. Candidates who have cleared the GReAT.
 - ii. Candidates who have cleared CSIR / UGC- NET or GATE/GPAT 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. Program.
- 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:
(<https://www.gitam.edu/admissions/PhD>)
- 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 (80 for Research Aptitude and 80 for specific subject Area).

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 14th July 2024.
- 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 – I**.

- d) The University will not take any responsibility for the non-receipt of applications in time (i.e. 14th July 2024 up to 5pm).

E. 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. program (2023-2024):

PhD Mode of admission	Duration	Application Fee	Semester Fee	Processing Fee (Only one time)
Full-Time	3 Years	INR 1,200	INR 15,000	NIL
Full-Time (Foreign Nationals/NRI)	3 Years	NIL	USD 1,250	USD 300
Extramural	4 Years	INR 1,200	INR 50,000	NA

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. PROGRAM

- Category I: MURTI-Excellence Fellowship
 - Category II: GITAM Junior Fellowship
- a) Selection Process: A distinguished panel of experts will assess candidates through rigorous Ph.D. Admission interviews. Research Fellowships will be allocated based on the applicant's overall performance in the admissions process.
 - b) Duration: The Fellowship is awarded for a period of 36 months (3 years).
 - c) Fellowship Amount:
 - MURTI Excellence Fellowship: The amount of the fellowship is INR 40,000 per month.
 - GITAM Junior Fellowship: The amount of the fellowship is INR 25,000 per month.

H. KEY DATES

Last date for submission of applications	14th July 2024
Online PhD Entrance Exam	21st July 2024
Results of Online PhD Entrance Exam	24th July 2024 (Tentative)
Interview of the Qualified candidates	5th August 2024 to 14th August 2024
Final Admission Results	21st August 2024 (Tentative)
i. Open Research Colloquium & Selection of Ph.D. Supervisors by the Scholars ii. Verification of Documents iii. Commencement of Pre-PhD Coursework classes	1st September 2024 onwards
Last Date of Admission Cancellation	15th September 2024

Annexure - I:

(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 Xth Certificate
- h) Aadhaar Card
- i) Service/Experience Certificates & No Objection Certificate for Extra-mural 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 Xth Certificate
- f) Aadhaar Card

To view the complete details of the PhD Programme, kindly visit the university website at <https://www.gitam.edu/admissions/PhD> as shown in the screenshot below.

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Embark on an Extraordinary Journey: Join Our Prestigious Ph.D. Programme

“ Dear applicants,

Enrolling in a research degree program is a long-term commitment requiring students to delve deeper into a specific study area. Students collaborate with their supervisor and the doctoral committee shortly after enrollment to brainstorm potential problems. Through a thorough literature review, the team identifies gaps and formulates a hypothesis. This step is crucial and significant for the student.

Once the hypothesis is formulated, students, supervisors, and other academic companions identify appropriate methodologies to conduct in-depth experiments and gather evidence. This marks the beginning of your investigation. You'll face many challenges during this four to five-year journey. Not all experiments will yield the desired results, and sometimes you will need to change your experimental tools or revisit the proposed hypothesis.

The journey can often be frustrating and appear more transpirational than inspirational. This is where research students require moral, emotional, and intellectual support. At GITAM, with its conducive atmosphere, research infrastructure, and highly qualified faculty, we provide an intellectually stimulating ecosystem. We aim to transform your frustrations into valuable learning experiences and nurture you into a mature, independent researcher ready to face future challenges.”

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