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Standard Operating Procedure for Admission to Ph.D. (2025 onwards)

The above SOP is issued to define and extend the provisions of UGC Public notice no 140648[National Eligibility Test (NET) as an Entrance -Test for Admission to Ph.D.], Dated 27, March 2024, and Directives of the State Govt. dated 24.03.2025.

1. Eligibility Criteria

Candidates must qualify under one of the following categories:

- Category 1:** Candidates with a fellowship/scholarship from national-level examinations such as CSIR/UGC-JRF, ICMR-JRF, ICAR-JRF, DBT-JRF, etc.
- Category 2:** Candidates who have qualified national-level exams like CSIR-UGC-NET or similar tests.
- Category 3:** Candidates eligible for Ph.D. admission based on the CSIR/UGC-NET examination.

2. Selection Process for

- Candidates of Category 1:**
 - Directly, called for an interview provided their fellowship has at least three months of validity at the time of the interview.
 - The interview will carry **30 marks**.
- Candidates of category 2 & 3:**
 - Admission will be based on a combined merit list prepared from NET score (**70% weightage**) and interview performance (**30% weightage**).
 - The final merit list will be prepared based on the combined score of NET and interview.
 - NET score for admission to Ph.D. will remain valid for **one year** for Ph.D. admission.

3. Criteria for selection in case of a draw

In case the final score (NET + interview) of two or more candidates are equal, the selection will be determined based on the following hierarchy:

- Post-Graduate Marks:** The candidate with higher marks in their postgraduate degree will be given preference.
- Undergraduate Marks:** If the tie persists, undergraduate marks will be considered.
- Senior Secondary Marks:** If still tied, marks obtained in the senior secondary examination will be taken into account.
- Secondary Marks:** If necessary, marks from the secondary (high school) level will be considered.

The above criteria shall also apply to Category 1 candidates if required.

- Candidates of Category 1 shall be given priority for admission to Ph.D. candidates of Category 2 and 3 shall be considered only if seat lie vacant after admitting the candidates of category 1.



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5. The marking scheme for the interview shall be as follows:

Research Papers Published in refereed/Care listed/UGC specified National /International Journal	Research Aptitude	Logical and Analytical Knowledge about the Subject	Clarity About Research Goals and Interests
Two marks per paper published (maximum 10% of the total Marks designated for the interview) (Maximum 3 marks)	Maximum 30% Marks of the total marks designated for interview (Maximum 9 marks)	Maximum 35% Marks of the total marks designated for the interview (Maximum 10.5 marks)	Maximum 25% Marks of the total marks designated for interview (Maximum 7.5 marks)

6. Additionally, all provisions and regulations mentioned in the University Research Regulation 101, its amendments/ supplements and SOPP issued by the university shall remain in force.