

University School of Liberal Arts

I. Ph.D. in History
Mode: Full Time/Part-time

1. Eligibility:

- 1.1 Candidates seeking admission to the Ph.D. programme should have a Master's Degree in History with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade 'B' in the UGC7-point scale (or an equivalent grade on a point scale wherever grading system is followed) or an equivalent degree 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 for the purpose of assessing accrediting or assuring quality and standards of educational institutions.
- 1.2 A relaxation of 5% of marks, from 55% to 50%, or an equivalent relaxation of grade, shall be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/differently abled (PWD) categories.
- 1.3 Candidates possessing an M.Phil. in History or a degree considered equivalent to M.Phil. degree of an Indian institution, 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 for the purpose of assessing, accrediting or assuring quality and standards of educational institutions, shall be eligible for admission to Ph.D. programme.
- 1.4 Candidates with a '4 years' Bachelor's Degree (with research)' with major in History will be eligible to join the Ph.D. Programme directly with a CGPA of 7.5, but would have to appear for PET.

2. Admission Procedure:

- 2.1 The admission to the Ph.D. in History will be done through an Entrance Test (PET) conducted by the University or any designated agency to be followed by a personal interaction/interview, as per the University norms.
- 2.2 Those students, who have qualified JRF under UGC-NET-JRF or UGC-CSIR NET-JRF shall be exempt from the written entrance test conducted by the University for Admission to Ph.D. programme. However, they shall have to apply for admission to the University. All other candidates should appear for the written entrance test (PET).

3. Syllabus for Entrance Test:

This is a test to evaluate, appraise and assess the general understanding and comprehension of the students for research. The paper shall consist of 100 multiple-choice questions out of which 50% will be from Research methodology and 50% from subject-specific components.

The syllabus for the test is divided into two parts viz. Part A & Part B as elucidated below:

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Part –A Research Methodology (History)

1. Historiography
2. Historical Method

Part –B History

- a. Trends in Historiography
- b. Themes in Ancient India
- c. Social and Cultural History
- d. Debates in History
- e. Aspects of Medieval Indian History
- f. Environment History
- g. History of Spaces
- h. History of Modern India
- i. Urban History

Note: Those who qualify the written Multiple-Choice Questions (MCQ) examination will be called for personal interaction/interview for the second stage of admission. This stage may also have a written component.