

RULES FOR ADMISSION TO Ph.D. PROGRAMME



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PRELIMINARY STEPS:

1. Candidates wishing to register for PhD programme under the Faculty of General & Adapted Physical Education and Yoga are required to submit the duly filled in application form obtainable from the Faculty office along with four neatly typed copies of research proposal complete in all respects. Incomplete forms and research proposals shall not be entertained.

Note: Forms can also be downloaded from the weblink: www.vihrdc.ac.in

2. Shortlisted research proposals will be evaluated by a duly appointed Research Committee and the topic of research finalized after the Committee interviews the candidate in a colloquium. The Research Committee will be generally conducted twice in a year during the months of January and June. The date and time shall be duly notified to the candidate at least 10 days in advance. In case the research proposal is rejected, a new proposal can be submitted by the candidate to be considered in the next session.

In case the candidate has the consent of an approved guide, he/she must produce a letter to that effect. Failing which, depending on the availability of research guide, the Faculty may appoint a suitable guide/co-guide.

In case of Ph.D. in Inter-disciplinary subject, the candidate must mention the willingness of a co-guide related to his/her inter-disciplinary specialization. The co-guide, if not in the panel of the co-guides, should also be required to submit a letter of consent and his detailed bio-data for approval of the Board of Management of the University. Approval of the BoM is mandatory for inclusion of the failing which the candidate has to submit name of another co-guide.

3. Once the topic is approved for registration, the candidate must pay the prescribed research fees within 15 days of getting intimation letter. Failure to register within stipulated time will be interpreted that the candidate is not interested in pursuing the research work and his/her registration will become null and void.

The research fees have to be paid as per the guidelines given below:

FEES:

I: At the time of registration

Registration fees	Rs. 1000.00
Annual Research fees	Rs. 5000.00
Caution deposit	Rs. 1000.00
Library fees	Rs. 1000.00

At the time of registration

Rs. 8000.00

II: At the time of Evaluation

Rs. 7000.00 towards forwarding charges should be deposited for evaluation at the time of submission of thesis.

Note: If the thesis is rejected by external / internal examiner and has to be resubmitted, an additional amount of Rs. 3500.00 for external evaluation and Rs. 1000.00 for internal evaluation has to be paid.

NORMS FOR CANDIDATE NOT POSSESSING M.PHIL.DEGREE BUT HAVING PG QUALIFICATION:

I> Theory Papers:

For students with only Post Graduation Degree qualification the duration of the PhD programme will be three years and the candidate has to pass three theory papers as given below, in the first year:

A. Compulsory papers: (2)

1. Research Methodology
2. Advanced Statistics

B. Optional paper:

a) The candidates for Ph.D. in Physical Education has to choose any one of the following paper as optional paper

1. Sports Physiotherapy
2. Sports Physiology
3. Biomechanics
4. Sports Psychology
5. Yoga and Fitness
6. Sports Training
7. Measurement and evaluation in physical education

b) The candidates for Ph.D. in Interdisciplinary Subject has to appear for a paper prepared by the guide and co-guide related to their research topic.

II>Periodic Review:

The progress of the research work will be reviewed by a Doctoral Research Periodic Review Committee (DRPRC) at the end of every three months. Specific targets have been assigned for each three monthly quarter. This is to ensure continuous and sustained effort on the part of the scholar and the guide. The details are given below:

Three Monthly Quarters	Research targets assignment to be completed with in the stipulated period
First & second quarters	Examinations in two compulsory papers
Third quarter	Submission - review of related literature
Fourth quarter	Examination in specialization paper
Fifth quarter	Submission - introductory chapter
Sixth quarter	Submission - methodology chapter
7th & 8th quarter	Submission - collection of Data
Ninth quarter	Submission - analysis of data
Tenth quarter	Submission - results, discussion on findings and interpretations
Eleventh quarter	Submission - rough draft of all chapters. Synopsis to be submitted at the end of 11th quarter
Twelfth quarter	Thesis to be submitted by the end of the 12th quarter

NORMS FOR CANDIDATE POSSESSING M. PHIL. DEGREE:

For scholars already possessing M.Phil. degree, the review duration of the PhD programme will be of two years span and the target set for each three monthly review is detailed below:

Time Frame	Research assignment to be completed with in the stipulated period
First quarter	Submission - review of related literature
Second quarter	Submission - introductory chapter
Third quarter	Submission - methodology chapter
Fourth quarter	Submission - collection of Data
Fifth quarter	Submission - analysis of data
Sixth quarter	Submission - results, discussion on findings and interpretations
Seventh quarter	Rough draft of all chapters. Synopsis to be submitted at the end of the 7th quarter
Eighth quarter	Thesis to be submitted by the end of 8th quarter

Examination pattern

Paper	Internal marks	External marks	Passing minimum	Total
Research methodology	0	100	50	100
Advanced statistics	0	100	50	100
Specialization/Optional paper	0	100	50	100
			Grand total	300

Inability to meet the targets in any quarters as stated above will lead to extension of the Ph.D. programme by another 3 monthly quarter. Under no circumstances the target of two 3 monthly quarters will be allowed to be presented simultaneously during any three monthly review meetings. Every extension will have to be requested by the candidate by paying an extension fee of Rs. 500.00.

DURATION OF THE Ph.D. PROGRAMME:

I: Candidate not possessing MPhil degree but having PG qualification - 3 years

II: Candidate with MPhil degree - 2 years

Extension: Eight extensions of 3 months (2 yrs extension) will be permitted with prior permission

EVALUATION:

- Panel of twelve examiners (Foreign-4, Outside Tamilnadu-4, within Tamilnadu-4) may be recommended by the candidates' guide. The Vice chancellor of the University may, at his discretion, add more examiners and select examiners for external evaluation and viva-voce examination.
- The thesis submitted by the candidate shall be referred for valuation to a Board of examiners consisting of three persons, of whom two may be from the panel of examiners suggested by the guide (one from outside of the state and one from outside India) and the third will be the guide who will also be the convener. Each member of the Board shall adjudicate the thesis and shall submit a detailed report on the merits and demerits of the thesis, and finally indicate whether the thesis is 'Highly Commended', 'Commended', 'Not Commended' or 'Recommended for Resubmission'. Thesis submitted by the candidate who has undertaken his/her research under a guide and a co-guide shall be evaluated by the guide only.
- If the University does not get the evaluation report from the examiner even after a second reminder, another examiner shall be appointed in his/her place.
- In case two examiners do not commend the thesis, the thesis shall be rejected and the registration cancelled.
- In case one examiner does not commend the thesis, the thesis shall be referred again to a fourth examiner.
- In case the fourth examiner commends the thesis, it will be accepted and the candidates shall appear for the public viva-voce examination. However, if the fourth examiner does not commend the thesis, the thesis shall be rejected and the registration cancelled.
- As soon as the report of evaluation is received from the examiners by the university, they shall be sent to the guide for consolidation of the reports.
- If an examiner(s) insist on corrections to be made in the thesis, the same shall be made before appearing for the viva-voce examination, along with a certificate from the guide that the corrections have been satisfactorily made.

- If the examiner/examiners suggest a revision and resubmission of the thesis, then the revised thesis duly certified by the guide shall be accepted and the candidate shall appear for the viva-voce.
- In the case of a thesis that has not been specifically 'Commended' or 'Not Commended' but revision suggested, the thesis shall be revised, and the thesis, duly certified by the guide, shall be sent to the examiner(s) who have suggested the revision for obtaining the commendation.
- The candidate whose thesis has been approved shall submit himself/herself to a public viva-voce examination to be conducted by one external examiner, the guide and the members of the Department in the subject concerned and outside specialists, if any. The guide shall fix the date and time of the viva-voce examination in consultation with the external examiner appointed by the University for conducting the viva-voce examination. After conducting the viva-voce examination, the guide shall convey to the University, the result of such examination endorsed by the external examiner. A candidate who is successful in the viva-voce examination shall be declared to have qualified for the Ph.D. degree by the BOM of the university.
- A candidate who is not successful at the viva-voce examination may be permitted to undergo the viva-voce examination a second time, within a period of three months.
- A candidate shall not ordinarily be permitted to submit the thesis for the Degree or to take the viva-voce examination on more than two occasions.
- The title of the Ph.D. thesis should be mentioned in the Degree certificate, along with the date of viva-voce examination, on which the candidate qualified for the Degree.
- In rare circumstances where the guide is unable to act as convenor, the Vice Chancellor can nominate a competent convenor.

PUBLIC VIVA-VOCE EXAMINATION

- a) The public viva-voce examination for the candidate will be decided based on the consolidated statement of the evaluation reports of the three examiners. The research guide consolidate the three reports of the Board of Examiners and the consolidate report shall be submitted to the University for further action.
- b) The research guide shall act as convener of viva-voce board.
- c) The venue of public viva-voce examination shall preferably be the place of research or it will be decided by the University in consultation with the guide.
- d) For the conduct of the public viva-voce, the external examiner will be chosen from the list of examiners submitted by the guide hailing from the state where viva-voce examination will be conducted.

Any point/item not specifically covered in these rules, shall be decided by the Vice Chancellor of the University on merit of the individual cases.

REVISION OF REGULATIONS AND CURRICULUM

The University may from time to time revise, amend or change the regulations, scheme of examinations, syllabus and fee structure if found necessary, and such amendments and changes shall come into effect from the date prescribed.

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