

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- a. The candidates for admission to Ph.D programme of the University shall have:
Master's Degree or a professional degree declared equivalent to the Master's degree by the corresponding statutory, regulatory body, with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade 'B' in UGC 7 – point scale (or an equivalent grade in the point scale wherever the grading system is followed),

OR;

- b. 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 the that country for the purpose of assessing, accrediting or assuring quality and standards or educational institutions.

OR

- c. M.Phil. Degree with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade 'B' in the UGC 7 – point scale in the M.Phil. Program with coursework,

Provided further that essential qualifications prescribed in Clause "a" for different disciplines, may be amended by the Academic Council based on the guidelines of the UGC/other Regulatory Bodies, issued from time to time.

- d. The University may fix the short listing criteria, if considered necessary, higher than the minimum eligibility criteria defined in Clauses "a" & "b" and/or desirable criteria such as candidates must have a valid score in NET/GATE/KSET/equivalent in their respective discipline.
- e. The relevant areas of specialization in the Master's/M.Phil. Degree (as per Clauses "a" & "b" for eligibility to a Ph.D. program in a specific discipline or interdisciplinary areas offered by a particular Department shall be as per the guidelines issued by the Research and Innovation Council from time to time.
- f. A candidate who appears for the final year or final semester of the post-graduate degree examination will also be eligible to appear in the admission test subject to the fulfillment of minimum eligibility criteria (Clauses "a" & "b") in the result thereof.
- g. A candidate whose M.Phil. Dissertation has been evaluated, but viva-voice is pending, is eligible to appear in the admission process subject to the fulfillment of minimum eligibility criteria in the result thereof.

ADMISSION AND SELECTION PROCEDURE

- a. The University shall notify admission for the Ph.D. program that will commence in either or both the Academic Semesters, viz., Odd Semester beginning in August and the Even Semester beginning in January, respectively, of the Academic year, based on the availability of vacancies, Research Guide(s) and resources at the various Departments of the University.

Application for admission:

- b. Candidates desirous of admission into the Ph.D. program shall obtain the prescribed Application Form from the University Admission Cell or from the University website. The candidate shall submit the Application Form along with a brief research proposal (of about 500 words), experience certificate, if any, and research publications, if any, to the University Admission Cell. The candidate must ensure that the Application Form is complete in all respects and it must be enclosed with all the necessary documents before submitting the application on or before the specified last date for submission. A non-refundable Application Fee as decided by the University from time to time shall be paid by the candidate to the University along with the completed Application Form.
- c. Duration of the Programme
The minimum duration for Ph D programme is **THREE** years, including course work.

However, extension up to SIX years period of registration beyond the above limits shall be permitted based on the recommendation of the concerned Research Supervisor along with the Doctoral Committee to the His Excellency The Chancellor, Khaja Bandanawaz University.

- d. Course work is essential part of the Ph.D programme. Details as prescribed by the University.