

SAVITRIBAI PHULE PUNE UNIVERSITY
(Formerly University of Pune)



Circular No. 186 /2021

Notification

Ph.D. Entrance Examination 2021

Online Applications are invited by the Savitribai Phule Pune University from eligible candidates for admission to Ph.D. programme in the University Departments & Recognized Research Centres.

Candidate shall be admitted to Ph.D. programme by a two stage process through: -

- a) Entrance Examination, which shall be a qualifying test. The Entrance Examination will be of 100 marks with multiple choice type questions.
- b) Personal Interview of candidates qualifying in Entrance Test/ Candidates exempted from Entrance Examination, to be conducted as per procedure prescribed in due course.

Entrance Test Paper consists of 2 Parts

a) Research Methodology	: 50 Marks
b) Subject Specific	: 50 Marks
Total	: 100 Marks
Total Questions	: 100

All questions shall be with multiple choices, each correct answer carries 1 Mark. No negative marking system.

1. Schedule of Entrance Test

- a) Date of online Ph.D. Entrance Examination : 22nd August, 2021
 - b) Commencement of filling online applications : 12th July, 2021
 - c) Last date of filling online applications : 31st July, 2021
 - d) Publication of result on the University website : 24th August, 2021
- No separate certificate of result will be issued by the University.
 - The Entrance Examination for Ph. D. programme will be conducted online proctored mode.
 - Duration & Timing of Entrance Exam : 2 Hours, after logging in between 10.00 am to 04.00 pm
 - Standard of passing : General Category : 50% marks
Reserved Category : 45 % marks

2. Eligibility for admission to Ph. D. programme :

- a) Candidates having a 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 the UGC 7-point scale (or an equivalent grade in 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.
- b) A relaxation of 5% of marks, from 55% to 50%, or an equivalent relaxation of grade, shall be allowed for those belonging to reserved categories/Differently-Abled and other categories of candidates as per policies of the Government of Maharashtra prescribed from time to time, or for those who had obtained their Master's degree prior to 19th September, 1991. The eligibility marks of 55% (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed) and the relaxation of 5% to the categories mentioned above are permissible based only on the qualifying marks without including the grace mark procedures.
- c) Candidates who have cleared the M.Phil. course work with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade 'B' in the UGC 7-point scale (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed) and successfully completing the M.Phil. Degree shall be eligible to proceed to do research work leading to the Ph. D. Degree in the same institution in an integrated programme. A relaxation of 5% of marks, from 55% to 50%, or an equivalent relaxation of grade, shall be allowed for those belonging to reserved categories/Differently-Abled and other categories of candidates as per policies of the Government of Maharashtra prescribed from time to time.
- d) M. Phil. students of SPPU whose M.Phil. dissertation has been evaluated and the viva voce is pending may be admitted to the Ph.D. programme.
- e) Candidates possessing 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.
- f) Candidates with M.D./M.S. qualification will be considered eligible to Ph.D. programme in the subject equivalent to medical science under the faculty of Science & Technology.

3. Exemption from appearing in Entrance Examination:

The Candidates fulfilling at least one of the following conditions will be exempted from Entrance Examination:

- i. Candidates qualified in UGC-NET (Including JRF)/ UGC-CSIR NET (Including JRF)/SLET/SET/GATE (valid score)/GPAT(valid score), CSIR / ICAR / ICMR / DBT & DST Inspire fellowship / Joint Graduate Entrance Examination for Biology and Interdisciplinary Life Science (JGEEBILS) or Teacher fellowship holders will be exempted from the Entrance Test.
- ii. Candidates who have passed M. Phil. Programme of the Savitribai Phule Pune University will be exempted from the Entrance Test for Ph.D. programme.

4. FEES :

1. For Appearing in PET Entrance Examination : For General Category - Rs. 1000/-
: For Reservation Category - Rs. 750/-
2. i) Exempted from appearing Entrance Examination : For General Category - Rs. 800/-
as per Notification clause - 3 (i, ii) : For Reservation Category - Rs. 600/-

Mode of payment:- Payment method using online payment. Debit/Credit Card/Net Banking

6 INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING ONLINE APPLICATION

- Application is available online on the website:
http://bcud.unipune.ac.in/phd_entrance/applicant/login.aspx
- Before filling the online application, please check the vacant positions for admission displayed on University website.
- **Required documents** : Candidate shall upload following documents along with Online Application:
 - a) Photo copy of Marks Statement of Master's Degree. (if not acquired, Marksheet should be submitted at the time of personal interview).
 - b) Photo copy of the Caste Certificate in case of Reserved Category Candidates (if applicable).
 - c) Photo copy of the Non - Creamy Layer Certificate in case of Reserved Category Candidates (if applicable).
 - d) Photo copy of the Medical Certificate issued by Civil Surgeon in case of Persons with Disabilities (P.H.) candidates (if applicable).

Document required for exemption candidate:

Photo copy of certificates in case of candidates exempted as per University Notification clause- 3 (i, ii).

- i. Photo copy Candidates qualified in UGC-NET (Including JRF)/ UGC-CSIR NET (Including JRF)/SLET/SET/GATE (valid score)/GPAT(valid score), CSIR / ICAR / ICMR / DBT & DST Inspire fellowship / Joint Graduate Entrance Examination for Biology and Interdisciplinary Life Science (JGEEBILS) or Teacher fellowship holders Certificate.
- ii. Photo copy of M.Phil. Degree Certificate of SPPU.

General Instructions:

- Candidates who are in the final year of the qualifying examination of the course are allowed to apply for the PET. However, the admission of such candidates is subject to their passing the qualifying examination.
- In case of any grievance or disputes the decision of the University shall be final and binding on all.
- Admission to any program does not guarantee Hostel facility or any kind of financial support in any form like Scholarship, fellowship, Earn & Learn etc. The University has independent procedure for offering such benefits.
- It is the responsibility of the applicant to fulfil the eligibility conditions and comply with the admission requirements. If at any stage it is noticed that a false claim has been made by the candidate or important material facts have been concealed and / or the candidate is not eligible, his candidature shall be liable for cancellation at any stage.
- Candidates are NOT required to submit printout of application/documents to the University after online submission of application. However, these documents are to be submitted at the time of personal interview.
- Incomplete applications/applications without uploading required documents/ applications submitted after the due date will be rejected without assigning any reason and no correspondence will be entertained by the University in this regard.
- No request for change in any information submitted in the online form will be entertained by the University.
- The Entrance Examination will be conducted in English language for all faculties, except for subject Marathi, Hindi, Sanskrit, Pali, French and German etc.

Online registration process will be treated as completed only after the required certificates and application are uploaded on http://bcud.unipune.ac.in/phd_entrance/applicant/login.aspx on or before 31st July, 2021.

Ganeshkhind,
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