

GANGADHAR MEHER UNIVERSITY

AMRUTA VIHAR, SAMBALPUR-768004 (ODISHA)



INFORMATION BULLETIN &

REGULATION

FOR

ADMISSION INTO

Ph.D. PROGRAM- July 2024

(UNDER SEMESTER SYSTEM)

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G.M. University is marching forward with emphasis on equity, access and inclusion as objectives of higher education in this part of the country. The university is offering Ph.D. programs in major departments as a part of these goals.

On the basis of the availability of eligible supervisors, Ph.D. Programs are offered in 16 major departments under the semester system from July 2024. The departments with vacancies are listed below:

Sl. No.	School	No. of Seats	Sl. No.	School	No. of Seats
1.	Anthropology	02	9.	Geography	01
2.	Biotechnology	01	10.	Library and Information Science	01
3.	Chemistry	02	11.	Mathematics	03
4.	Commerce	01	12.	Physics	07
5.	Computer Science	03	13.	Political Science	03
6.	Economics	01	14.	Psychology	01
7.	Education	01	15.	Sanskrit	01
8.	English	01	16.	Odia	01

NB: The number of seats mentioned in the above table is likely to be increased/ decreased depending on the availability of interested eligible supervisors.

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I. COURSE COMMENCEMENT: JULY 2024

II. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- a. Candidates for admission into the Ph.D. program shall have successfully completed Master's degree program in the concerned subject with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed.
- b. A relaxation of 5% marks or its equivalent grade is allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/Differently-Abled, Economically Weaker Section (EWS).
- c. The candidates who have qualified NET/SLET/GATE/JEST/DBT/INSPIRE/NFST/NFSC/NFOBC/ICHR/ICPR/ICSSR/ICMR are exempted from entrance test. The submission of the relevant documents is mandatory to claim the relaxation.
- d. Candidates who have cleared the M. Phil. program with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent and **Research Methodology** as one of the papers are exempted from appearing in the Entrance Test provided they have been admitted through a written/ interview (qualifying national tests like NET, GATE, etc) with project/dissertation work. The submission of M. Phil. Mark Sheet is mandatory for such candidates on the date of Entrance Test. A relaxation of 5% marks, from 55% to 50%, or an equivalent relaxation of grade, is allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/Differently-Abled, Economically Weaker Section (EWS) candidates.
- e. Exemption in entrance test on the basis of M. Phil. degree without Research Methodology and/ or qualifying entrance test at the national level does not confirm exemption from Ph.D. course work. The candidate with M.Phil. degree having Research Methodology as one of the papers will be exempted from Ph.D. course work. Rest of the candidates is required to complete the Ph.D. course work in the first six months of the Ph.D. program.
- f. Ph.D course work is a full-time course and as such a candidate who is employed cannot be admitted or allowed to continue in the program unless he/she has been duly relieved and produces proof to that effect.

III. ADMISSION:

Admission into the Ph.D. program shall be based strictly on merit. The merit list of candidates who are exempted from the entrance test will be made on the basis of interview/ viva-voce.

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The merit list of candidates appearing for entrance test will be made on the basis of entrance test and interview/viva-voce i.e a weightage of 70% for the entrance test and 30% for the performance in the interview/viva-voce shall be given. The qualifying mark in the viva-voce is 50%. The entrance test will be held on 25.06.2023 (10.00 AM to 11:30 AM) followed by viva-voce from 11.30 AM onwards.

IV. Mode of obtaining Application Form:

Candidates should download the Application Form from the university website www.gmuniversity.ac.in and submit the filled-in form with an **Original Bank Draft of Rs.1500/-** drawn in favor of “**The Comptroller of Finance, G. M. University, Sambalpur**” and payable at **Sambalpur**.

V. LAST DATE OF SUBMISSION:

The Application duly filled in along with required documents should reach the undersigned on or before **27.05.2024 up to 1.00 PM** either by post or in person. The university will not be responsible for any postal delays in the receipt of application form after the last date.

To

The Chairman, P. G. Council
Gangadhar Meher University, Amruta Vihar
Po- Budharaja, Sambalpur-768004, Odisha

VI. ENTRANCE TEST

- a. A candidate has to obtain 50% of marks in the entrance test to qualify for the interview/viva-voce.
- b. The Entrance test will be held on **25th June, 2024 between 10.00 AM and 11.30 AM** followed by an **interview/ viva-voce from 11.30 AM onwards**.
- c. Entrance test will consist of Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs) in two parts. Part A will comprise of the questions on Research Aptitude; Part B will be set as per the syllabi of concerned P.G. courses of G.M. University, Sambalpur. There shall be 2 sets of question papers for Part A. The first set will be applicable for the subjects Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, Statistics, Zoology, Botany and Geography the syllabus will be as per the CSIR UGC NET Part “A” syllabus. The second will be applicable for other disciplines and the syllabus will be as per the UGC NET BUREAU Syllabus.
- d. Students who have qualified NET/SLET/GATE/JEST/DBT/INSPIRE/NFST/NFSC/NFOBC/ICHR/ICPR/ICSSR/ICMR are exempted from entrance test. However, they should appear at the viva-voce

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for finalization of the merit list.

- e. Admit cards for the entrance examination will be issued on the date of Entrance Test at the University counter one hour before the commencement of Entrance Test.
- f. The merit list of selected candidates will be published in the University website and notice boards.

VI. RESERVATION

Reservation will be given by following the rules of Govt. of Odisha.

- a. SC - 16.25% of the sanctioned strength of the Schools shall be reserved for SC applicants.
- b. ST - 22.5% of the sanctioned strength of the Schools shall be reserved for ST applicants.
- c. PH - 5% of the sanctioned strength of the Schools shall be reserved for PH applicants.
- d. The reserved seats are not inter-changeable between SC & ST.
- e. SC/ST applicants selected for admission on general merit shall not be counted against reserved seats.

VIII. DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED WITH THE APPLICATION FORM:

Self-certified copies of the following documents are to be submitted;

- a. Mark sheets & certificates of all examinations starting from HSC/ equivalent.
- b. C.L.C & Conduct certificate from the Institution last attended.
- c. Caste Certificate from the competent authority (Revenue Officer not below the rank of a Tahasildar).
- d. Certificate in support of NET/ SLET/ GATE/ JEST/ DBT/ INSPIRE/ NFST/ NFSC/ NFOBC/ICHR/ICPR/ICSSR/ICMR.
- e. In-service candidates will have to submit no objection certificate (NOC) from their employer.
- f. Admit Card for Entrance Test with photograph (to be returned).
- g. Two passport size photographs, one in the application form & the other on the Admit Card.

IX. DOCUMENTS REQUIRED AT THE TIME OF ADMISSION:

- a. The originals of all the certificates & mark sheets from HSC to M.A. /M.Sc. /M. Com/M. Phil.
- b. Caste Certificate from the competent authority (Revenue Officer not below the rank of a

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- Tahasildar).
- c. Certificate in support of NET/ SLET/ GATE/ JEST/ DBT/ INSPIRE/ NFST/ NFSC/ NFOBC/ICHR/ICPR/ICSSR/ICMR.
 - d. C.L.C / Conduct Certificates.
 - e. Three passport size photographs.
 - f. Migration Certificate.
 - g. Relieve order (in case of in-service candidates) from the competent authority.

X. DISPATCH OF INTIMATION

Intimation for admission to successful candidates on merit will be made available on the university website.

XI. ATTENDANCE

A candidate shall be required to attend 75% of lectures, tutorials & practical classes taken together during the course work. Condonation may be granted by the Chairman, P.G. Council only to the extent of 15% in exceptional cases.

XII. EXAMINATION

Students attending course-work will have to appear First Semester examination during December 2024. Students failing to attend 75% of total classes shall not be allowed to sit for the semester examination.

XIII. IMPORTANT NOTES

- a. A candidate cannot claim the refund of application fees, if his/her application is rejected or the candidate fails to take the test & interview.
- b. Any misinformation found on verification of the original documents shall lead to cancellation of admission & will be treated as a cognizable offence.
- c. In case, the applicant for admission is found to have indulged in ragging in the past or if it is noticed later that he/she is indulged in ragging, admission may be refused or he/she shall be expelled from the educational institution.
- d. The University reserves the right to suspend the commencement of any of the programmes, if circumstances so warrant.
- e. Submission of incomplete application/ information will be summarily rejected.

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- f The selection into the Ph.D. program July 2024 is not a matter of right and cannot be claimed by the candidate, if not selected.
- g The decision of the Vice Chancellor relating to admission is final & binding.

XIV. FEE STRUCTURE

Course Work Category	Exempted from Course Work Category	
	Department with Laboratory	Department without Laboratory
General Boys – 13282/- General Girls – 13114/- SC/ST – 13100/-	General Boys - 14782/- General Girls – 14614/- SC/ ST – 14600/-	General Boys – 5782/- General Girls – 5614/- SC/ST – 5600/-

XVI. SCHEDULE OF Ph.D. ADMISSION

1	Availability of Application form and Brochure in the University website	---	07.05.2024 to 27.05.2024
2.	Last date of receiving the hard copy in the University counter or by post	---	27.05.2024 (Monday) up to 1.00 P.M.
3.	Date of Entrance Test/ Interview/Viva-Voce	---	25.06.2024 (Tuesday)
	a. Entrance Test	---	10.00 A.M. to 11.30 A.M. 25.06.2024 (Tuesday)
	b. Result publication of Entrance Test	---	25.06.2024 (2 P.M.)
	c. Interview/ Viva-voce for exempted Candidates	---	11.30 A.M. onwards (25.06.2024)
	d. Interview/ Viva-voce for entrance qualified Candidates		2.30 P.M. onwards (25.06.2024)
4.	Date of publication of Final Merit List	---	28.06.2024 (Friday)
5.	Date of Admission	---	05.07.2024 (Friday)
6.	Commencement of classes	---	08.07.2024 (Monday)

**Chairman, P.G. Council
G.M. University, Sambalpur**