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To

Deans of Schools
Heads of Departments / Centres

The admission to PhD Programme

As you are aware, this year PhD admission will carry 70% and 30 % weightage to written test and personal interview & academic record. Therefore, merit list can be prepared only after the interview. The candidates who have scored minimum cut-off marks* or above in the written test are only eligible for admission.

However, if large number of candidates have obtained scores in the written test above the minimum cut-off compared to available seats then three times the seats available in each category may be called for interview, in the order of merit.

Please note that in addition to above, the candidates should meet all eligibility criteria mentioned in the Prospectus 2014-15 (page 28 to 38).

The candidates called for interview need to be intimated that they should come prepared with two page Research Proposal indicating topic of proposed research, objectives, methodology and significance. They may give a presentation for 10-15 minutes on the topic of proposed research may be with aid of ppt slides before the admission committee.

The PhD admission Committee consists of all the faculty members eligible to guide and VC's nominee. Head of the Department will convene the meeting of this committee with the prior approval of the Dean.

During interview the marks are to be awarded as per the following criteria:

I. Academic record	–	10 marks	
(a) UG – I Class (60% or above)	–	3	In case candidates could not provide final semester/year marks/Grade sheets then available mark sheets is to be considered
II Class	–	2	
(b) PG – Distinction	–	5	
I Class	–	4	
Others	–	2	
(c) Research article (published in peer reviewed journals)	–	2	

2. Research Proposal	-	5 marks	} Average of marks awarded by all members of admission committee
3. Presentation	-	5 marks	
4. Subject / domain knowledge (through interacting with the candidate)	-	10 marks	

The marks awarded above need to be combined with the written test score, which is to be normalized to 70% as given below

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Written test score (out of 400)} &= X \\ \text{Mark normalized (to 70\%)} \quad Y &= \frac{X}{400} \times 70 \end{aligned}$$

Total marks = Y + Interview marks (Rounded off to next whole number)

The merit list of candidates called for interview is to be prepared using the above total marks. Tie if any may be resolved following criteria

- (i) based on the rank in entrance test.

The merit list prepared category wise is to be used for finalizing select-list and wait-list for admission. These lists may be forwarded to the Dean for approval and the HoD will issue letter of Provisional admission.

The applications of JRF/ Foreign / NRI and other candidates, if any, who are seeking exemption from entrance examination may be considered for admission as per the guidelines communicated vide Policy Circular No. 29, dated 27th May 2010 & Policy Circular No. 52 (Sl. No. 3), dated 3rd May 2011.


(Registrar)

* The minimum cut off mark for general candidates in respect of PhD admission shall be half of the average of the entrance examination marks scored by all the candidate in the respective subject. The minimum cut of mark for OBC/SC/ST/Differently Abled candidates will be 10% below the cut off marks of the general category candidates.



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**R.V. NAGAR, Kalapet,
Puducherry 605 014.**

Email:

Ref: PU/AS/ACA-11/PhD Admission/2014-15/

Date:

Dear applicant,
Congratulations,

Sub: Your application for admission to the PhD programme – 2014-15 – Reg.

Based on the results of the entrance examination, you have been invited for personal interview for admission to the PhD programme offered in Department / Centre _____, Pondicherry University. You are requested to report to the Head, Department / Centre _____, Pondicherry University, Puducherry 605 014 on _____ at 10.00 AM with the following documents in original:

1. Intimation letter for your selection.
2. X Std or equivalent certificate/mark list along with age proof.
3. H.Sc. or its equivalent certificate/mark list
4. Degree/Provisional certificates of UG & PG Degree along with mark statements.
5. OBC with Non Creamy Layer certificate from Competent Authority, in case of OBC Candidate
6. SC/ST/PH Certificate, from competent authority in case of SC/ST/PH candidate.
7. Transfer certificate and conduct certificate from the institution last studied.
8. Duly filled-in proforma regarding marks obtained in the qualifying degree.
9. Part-Time candidates should come with relevant certificates.

This call letter is issued on the information given by you in the application form and subject to you fulfilling the minimum eligibility requirements and other conditions as laid down by the University in the prospectus 2014-15 (page 28-38).

If it is found, at any stage, that the information provided by you is false or incorrect or you also do not fulfill the eligibility criteria you will not be considered for admission.

You must come prepared with a two page Research Proposal (not exceeding 1200 words, font size 12 & font name – Time New Roman, 1.5 spacing) indicating title, significance, objectives and methodology of research you propose to carry out. You are required to give 10-15 min oral presentation on the research problem (ppt facility will be made available in the Department/Centre, if required). The Admission Committee will interact with you to evaluate your knowledge in the relevant subject/domains. If required you must be prepared to stay for one or two days till interviews are completed.

You may acknowledge receipt of this letter and confirm about your participation through e-mail.

Yours sincerely,

**HEAD OF THE
DEPARTMENT
(with Seal)**

To