



PONDICHERY UNIVERSITY
Ph.D. ADMISSION 2025-26
(Only for Entrance Examination Exempted Category)

**GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO THE SCHOOLS/DEPARTMENTS/CENTRES FOR
ADMISSION OF PH.D. CANDIDATES UNDER CSIR-UGC NET (ALL CATEGORIES)**

This is regarding admission procedure for Ph.D. candidates under CSIR-UGC NET (all categories) for the academic year 2025-26.

In this connection, the notification and general instructions have already been hosted on the University website. With regard to Ph.D. admission under the entrance examination exempted category, the following instructions are issued for strict compliance:

RECEIPT OF REQUEST FROM ELIGIBLE CANDIDATE:

Interested candidates shall submit a formal request to the concerned School/Department/Centre either by post or through the email, along with all relevant academic documents and a valid CSIR-UGC NET / UGC-NET score card.

- Last date to submit the request is **20/02/2026**.

APPLICATION FEE

Name of the Course	Application fees (Per Programme)		
	SC*/ ST*	PwD**/ Transgender**	Others
Ph.D	500	Nil	1000

* Subject to submission of relevant certificate.

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SELECTION PROCEDURE (as per UGC Public Notice dated March 27, 2024)

Category-1:	Eligible for (i) admission to Ph.D). with JRF and (ii) appointment as Assistant Professor.
Category-2:	Eligible for (i) admission to Ph.D). without. JRF and (ii) appointment as Assistant Processor.
Category-3	Eligible for admission to Ph.D. programme only and not for the award of JRF or appointment as Assistant Professor

- The JRF-qualified students are admitted into the Ph.D. programme based on an interview as per the University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedures for award of Ph.D. Degree) Regulations. 2022.
- For students who qualify in Categories 2 and 3. 70% weightage will be given for test scores and 30% weightage the interview the admission to Ph.D. programmes. The Ph.D. admission will be based on the combined merit of NET marks and the marks obtained in the interview/viva voce.
- The marks obtained in the NET by the candidates in Categories 2 and 3 will be valid for a period of one year for admission to Ph.D.

Conduct of Interview

After the deadline of 20.02.2026, the concerned Deans / Heads of Departments / Centre Heads may convene interviews for the eligible candidates who have submitted their willingness within the stipulated time. The dates of the interviews shall be communicated to the candidates by email and also notified on the University website.

The interview shall be conducted strictly as per the prescribed procedure and in compliance with UGC Regulations and University norms.

After the interview is completed, the duly signed selection list may be submitted to the concerned Dean for approval. Once approved, provisional selection orders may be issued to the selected candidates. A copy of the same may kindly be forwarded to SAMS for registration of the candidates. A copy may also be sent to the Academic Section for record and reference.

Vacancies and Reservation

The tentative vacancy details and roster for the Academic Years 2025-26 & 2026-27, are available in the Information Brochure hosted on the University website.

All Schools/Departments/Centres are requested to strictly adhere to the vacancy position and roster while making admissions. The reservation policy shall be followed in accordance with UGC Regulations and Government of India norms. Due care must be taken to ensure transparency, fairness, and full procedural compliance at every stage of the admission process.

Tentative vacancies for the Academic Year 2025-26 & 2026–27 including candidates seeking admission through national level entrance test

Ph.D. ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Course Code	Subject	Tentative Intake	Reservation	Eligibility criteria for admission	SLOT
PHD 101	Anthropology	7	Gen-2 OBC-2 SC-1 ST-1 EWS -1	Master's degree in Anthropology	SLOT - IV
PHD 146	Banking Technology	43	Gen-16 OBC-12 SC-6 ST-3 PH-2 EWS-4	a) MBA (Banking Technology)/ MBA (Finance/ Systems)/ M.Com. Business Finance. b) PGDM of IIMs or equivalent Management Degree with Bank- ing/ Finance/ Systems specializations. c) Professional degrees like C.A., ICWAI, ACS. d) M.E./ M.Tech. (CSE/ IT) or equivalent degree from a recog- nized University e) Working professionals of BFSI sector/ IT sector with the above academic degrees with minimum number of years experience.	SLOT - I
PHD 102	Biochemistry & Molecular Biology	18 (Puducherry) 4 (Community College)	Gen-8 OBC-6 SC-3 ST-2 PH-1 EWS-2	Master's degree in Biochemistry/ Molecular Biology/ Biotechnology/ Microbiology/ Life Sciences/ Zoology/ Botany or in any other related areas.	SLOT - I
PHD 104	Bioinformatics	29	Gen-11 OBC-8 SC-4 ST-2 PH-1 EWS-3	Master's degree in Bioinformatics/ Life Sciences/ Computer Science/ Physics/ Chemistry/ Applied Mathematics/ Statistics/ IT & Engineering or any other relevant areas.	SLOT - VI
PHD 103	Biotechnology	16	Gen-6 OBC-4 SC-2 ST-1 PH-1 EWS-2	Master's degree in Agriculture/Bioinformatics/ Biochemistry/ Biotechnology/Botany/ Microbiology/ Veterinary Science/ Zo- ology or in any other related areas	SLOT - II
PHD 107	Chemistry	57	Gen-20 OBC-15 SC-9 ST-4 PH-3 EWS-6	Master's degree in Chemistry/Chemical Sciences and any other related areas in Chemistry. Candidates wishing to apply for the fields of Physical Chemistry should have studied mathematics at +2 level and those for theoretical Chemistry should have studied allied mathematics at B.Sc. level. For organic and inorganic chemistry fields, mathematics at +2/B.Sc level is not mandatory.	SLOT - III
PHD 105	Commerce	5 (Puducherry) 12 (Karaikal) 6 (Community College)	Total: 23 Gen-9 OBC-6 SC-3 ST-2 PH-1 EWS-2	Master's degree in Commerce	SLOT - V

Course Code	Subject	Tentative Intake	Reservation	Eligibility criteria for admission	SLOT
PHD 106	Computer Science & Engineering/ Computer Science *	27 (Puducherry) 14 (Karaikal) 3 (Community College)	Total: 44 Gen-16 OBC-12 SC-7 ST-3 PH-2 EWS -4	M.E. / M.Tech in Computer Science and Engineering/ Network and Internet Engineering/ Network and Information Security or Information Technology OR MCA/ M.S./ M.Sc. in Computer Science/ Information Technology/ Software Engineering or equivalent.	SLOT - IV
PHD 147	Disaster Management (Port Blair, Andamans) **	5	Gen-2 OBC-1 SC-1 EWS -1	Master's degree in Disaster Management / Geology/ Geography/ Geo-Physics/ Chemistry / Physics / Maths / M.Tech./ ME in Computer Science or related field.	SLOT - IV
PHD 140	Drama & Theatre Arts	1	Gen-2 OBC-1 SC-1	Master's degree in Drama & Theatre Arts or any discipline in Performing Arts with a minimum 55% of marks and should have knowledge and experience in Drama and Theatre Arts	SLOT - I
PHD 115	Hindi	3	EWS -1	Master's degree in Hindi	SLOT - I
PHD120	Philosophy	1		Master's degree in Philosophy	SLOT - II
PHD 110	Earth Sciences	32	Gen-11 OBC-9 SC-5 ST-2 PH-2 EWS-3	Master's degree in Geology/Applied Geology/Marine Geology/ Geophysics.	SLOT - IV
PHD 111	Ecology & Environmental Sciences	11	Gen-3 OBC-3 SC-2 ST-1 PH-1 EWS-1	Master's degree in Ecology & Environmental Sciences or any related branch of Science or Technology.	SLOT - IV
PHD 108	Economics	15	Gen-5 OBC-4 SC-2 ST-1 PH-1 EWS -2	Master's degree in Economics	SLOT - II
PHD 151	Education	10	Gen-2 OBC-3 SC-2 ST-1 PH-1 EWS-1	M.Ed/M.Ed. (Elementary Education)/ M.Ed. (Educational Technology)/ M.A. Education with B.Ed./ M.Sc. Education with B.Ed.	SLOT - II
PHD 154	Electronic Media	2	Gen-3 OBC-3 SC-2	Master's Degree in Electronic Media, Journalism, Mass Communication, Fine Arts, Visual Arts & Performing Arts	SLOT - IV
PHD 155	Mass Communication	7 (Puducherry) 2 (Community College)	ST-1 PH-1 EWS-1	Master's Degree in Mass Communication, Journalism, Electronic Media	SLOT - V
PHD 138	Electronics and Communication Engineering	5	Gen-2 OBC-1 SC-1 EWS -1	B.E./B.Tech. degree followed by M.E/M.Tech. degree in Electronics/ Communication Systems/ Electronics and Communication Engineering/ Electronics and Telecommunication Engineering / other related specializations in the qualifying examination (M.E./M. Tech.)	SLOT - III
PHD 109	English	1 (Puducherry) 4 (PUCC)	Gen-2 OBC-1 SC-1 EWS -1	Master's degree in English	SLOT - III
PHD 112	Environmental Technology	11	Gen-3 OBC-3 SC-2 ST-1 PH-1 EWS-1	Master's degree in Science/ Technology	SLOT - V

* Candidate admitted for Ph.D. Programme with

i) Masters in Computer Science & Engineering or equivalent Engineering Degree will be offered Ph.D. in Computer Science & Engg. Degree

ii) Masters in Computer Science or Computer Applications or equivalent Science degree will be offered Ph.D. in Computer Science Degree

** Admission process for Ph.D will be carried out at Department of Coastal Disaster Management in the University campus at Port Blair.

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PHD158	Food Technology & Nutritional Sciences	18	Gen-6 OBC-5 SC-3 ST-1 PH-1 EWS-2	M.Sc. / M.Tech. in Food Science / Nutrition / Food Technology/ Food Engineering and its equivalence / Microbiology / Biotechnology	SLOT - I
					SLOT - II
PHD 113	French	4	Gen-2 OBC-1 SC -1	Master's degree in French	SLOT - III
PHD 159	Green Energy Technology	39	Gen-13 OBC-11 SC-6 ST-3 PH-2 EWS-4	<p>Bioenergy/Biofuels /Combustion Technology M.Sc. Biotechnology/Bioenergy/Microbiology/Environmental Science /Marine Science (OR) M.E/M.Tech. Energy/ Green Energy Technology/ Nanotechnology / Biotechnology/ Environmental Engineering</p> <p>Energy Materials/Energy Conversion & Storage M.Sc. Physics/ Chemistry (with allied Mathematics at BSc level)/ Materials Science (OR) M.E/M.Tech. Materials/Energy /Green Energy Technology with B.E./B.Tech in Chemical Engineering/ Electronics /Electrical Engineering</p> <p>Solar Thermal Energy Technology M.Sc. Physics/ Material Science (OR) M.E/M.Tech Energy/ Thermal Engineering/ Green Energy Technology</p> <p>Photovoltaic Technology M.Sc. -Physics/ Material Science (OR) M.E/M.Tech Material Science / Nanotechnology / Energy / Green Energy Technology with B.E./B.Tech in Material Science /Electronics/ Electrical Engineering</p> <p>Wind/Ocean/Tidal Energy Technology / Green Building/Sustainable Technology M.Sc. Physics/ Chemistry (with allied Mathematics at BSc. level)/ Materials Science/ Nanoscience (OR) M.E/M.Tech. Energy/ Mechanical/Material/Civil/Green Energy Technology with B.E./ B.Tech. in Mechanical/Electrical Engineering/Electronics (OR) M.Tech Energy / Thermal Engineering/ Green Energy Technology</p> <p>Organic Photovoltaics and Green Chemical Technologies M.Sc. Chemistry /Materials Science/ Nanoscience (OR) M.E/M.Tech. Energy/Green Energy Technology/ Nanotechnology/Material Science/Energy Science and Technology</p>	SLOT - I
PHD 145	International Business	24	Gen-9 OBC-6 SC-4 ST-2 PH-1 EWS-2	MBA (International Business) MBA (Marketing, Finance, HR, Tourism, Systems), MBA (Logistics and Supply Chain Management), MIBA, M.Com., Master's degree in Foreign Trade, Economics, and other relevant disciplines.	SLOT - III
PHD 156	Library & Information Science	7	Gen-2 OBC-2 SC-1 ST-1 EWS -1	Master's degree in Library & Information Sciences	SLOT - VI
PHD 117	Management Specialization (Puducherry Campus) Finance Marketing Human Resource (Karaikal Campus) Insurance/Marketing / HR	20 (Puducherry) 16 (Karaikal)	Total: 36 Gen-12 OBC-10 SC-5 ST-3 PH-2 EWS-4	Master's degree in Business Administration, Management, Commerce, Industrial Engineering, Industrial Management, Production Engineering, Foreign Trade, Operations Research, Statistics, Public Administration, Sociology, Social Work, Economics, Psychology, Tourism, Hospitality, Hospital Management, Mass Communication and other relevant disciplines. Candidates with affiliation to professional bodies such as ICAI, ICSI and ICWAI and any other relevant disciplines may also be considered.	SLOT - VI
PHD 119	Marine Biology (Port Blair, Andaman) #	5	Gen-2 OBC-1 SC-1 EWS -1	Master's degree in Marine Biology / Zoology / Botany / Biochemistry / Biotechnology / Fisheries / Life Science	SLOT - VI

Admission process for Ph.D will be carried out at Department of Ocean Studies and Marine Biology in the University campus at Port Blair.

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PHD 118	Mathematics	37 Puducherry 3 (Community College)	Total: 40 Gen-14 OBC-11 SC-6, ST-3 PH-2, EWS -4	Master's degree in Mathematics	SLOT - IV
PHD 128	Microbiology	8	Gen-3 OBC-2 SC-1, ST-1 EWS -1	Master's degree in Microbiology/ Biotechnology/ Botany/ Biochemistry/Veterinary Science/ Zoology/Medicine or in any other related areas.	SLOT - III
PHD 160	Nanoscience and Technology	23	Gen-9 OBC-6 SC-3, ST-2 PH-1, EWS-2	M.E./M.Tech in Nanoscience and Technology / Nanotechnology / Nano-Electronics / Nano-Biotechnology/ Nano- Medicine / Electrical, Electronics, Instrumentation, Chemical, Mechanical, Metallurgical, Bio-Medical or Environmental Engg., / Materials Science & Engg., / Polymer Science & Engg., / Energy Technology and other relevant subjects. (OR) Masters degree in Nanoscience and Technology/ Physics / Chemistry /Applied Physics / Applied Chemistry/ Materials Science / Environmental Sciences / Biotechnology / Bio-Chemistry.	SLOT - V
PHD 121	Physical Education & Sports	9	Gen-4 OBC-2 SC-1, ST-1 EWS -1	Master's degree in Physical Education	SLOT - VI
PHD 122	Physics	74	Gen-26 OBC-21 SC-11, ST-4 PH-4, EWS-8	Master's degree in Physics/ Material Science and Technology	SLOT - II
PHD 116	Politics & International Studies	7	Gen-2 OBC-2 SC-1, ST-1 EWS -1	Master's degree with at least 55% marks in Political Science, International Relations, Area Studies, Public Administration and Defence Studies	SLOT - VI
PHD 114	History	1	Gen-2 OBC-1 SC-1 EWS -1	Master degree in History/ Ancient History and Archaeology	SLOT - II
PHD 170	Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy	1		Master degree in Social Sciences or any other related discipline.	SLOT - I
PHD 124	Sociology	3		Master's degree in Sociology	SLOT - VI
PHD 123	Sanskrit	7	Gen-2 OBC-2 SC-1, ST-1 EWS -1	Master's or Acharya degree in Sanskrit	SLOT - II
PHD 153	Social Work	6	Gen-2 OBC-2 SC-1, EWS -1	Master's degree in Social Work	SLOT - II
PHD 150	South Asian Studies	8	Gen-3 OBC-2 SC-1, ST-1 EWS -1	M.A. in Political Science/ International Relations/ South Asian Studies/ Economics/ Defence Studies related Social Sciences disciplines	SLOT - V
PHD 149	Statistics	32	Gen-11 OBC-9 SC-5, ST-2 PH-2, EWS-3	M.Sc. Statistics/Applied Statistics/Biostatistics/Actuarial Statistics/Statistics & Operations Research with Probability Theory, Distribution Theory and Statistical Inference as the core papers in the respective post-graduation programme	SLOT - VI
PHD 142	Tourism Studies	14	Gen-5 OBC-4 SC-2, ST-1 PH-1, EWS-2	M.B.A Tourism, M.T.A, M.A. (Tourism), M.T.M, Master's degree in Hospitality Management, M.B.A.	SLOT - V
PHD 125	Tamil	3 Puducherry 2 (Community College)	Gen-2 OBC-1 SC-1, EWS -1	Master's degree in Tamil	SLOT - III
PHD 126	Women's Studies	5	Gen-2 OBC-1 SC-1, EWS -1	Master's degree in any Social Science discipline	SLOT - VI