Eligibility Criteria: Only those candidates shall be eligible to apply in this application process who have obtained their qualifying degree of the Academic session 2018-19 or before and who is a recipient of National Doctoral Fellowship or other fellowships from government/semi-government organizations (through All-India selection procedure conducted by the agency/organisation for award of research fellowships) such as Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), University Grants Commission (UGC), All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), Department of Science and Technology (DST), Defense Research and Development Organization (DRDO), Department of Atomic Energy (DAE), Department of Biotechnology (DBT), Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), Ayurveda Yoga Unani Siddha Homeopathy (AYUSH) and similar National Level Organizations prior to 1st March 2020.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

a) Those RET Exempted category candidates who had applied under RET 2019 (September 2019 term) notification need not apply again.

b) RET Exempted Candidates who wish to be considered under this notification are advised to proceed as under:

STEP I

Before proceeding ahead:

(i) Check if you fulfill the eligibility conditions prescribed for RET Exempted category (Section I).

(ii) Check if you fulfill the minimum eligibility conditions for admission to the Ph.D. programme in the concerned discipline (Section J).

(iii) Check the List of Discipline/Allied Discipline, Name and Code (Section L). In such discipline where intake has been denoted as 0, no admission will be done and accordingly candidates need not apply in such disciplines.

STEP II

a) Application Form will not be sold from the Office of the Controller of Examinations.

b) Application Form to be filled ONLINE ONLY from the BHU Website (www.bhuonline.in).

c) THE CANDIDATES DESIROUS OF APPLYING IN MORE THAN ONE DISCIPLINE SHALL MAKE SEPARATE APPLICATION FOR EACH DISCIPLINE.

ONLY AFTER CONFIRMATION OF STEP I ABOVE, FOLLOWING STEPS TO BE FOLLOWED.

A. Online Application Form:

The Application Form for RET (Exempted)- March Term 2020 is available on the University’s Entrance Test Portal (www.bhuonline.in). The online application making process will have following six stages:

Step 1: Registration on the Portal (www.bhuonline.in) - This step involves authentication of Candidate’s email id and mobile number. As all important communications related to Entrance Test and Admission will be sent to the registered email id and mobile number, candidates are advised to give their correct email id/mobile number (in use).

Step 2: Filling up Identification details - Only after successful registration on the Portal (www.bhuonline.in), the candidates would be required to fill up an Identification Form giving particulars of the documents for authentication of their identity. For this purpose, one of the following photo identification documents is allowed: (i) Aadhaar Card; (ii) Passport; (iii) Voter ID issued by the Election Commission of India; (iv) Bank Passbook affixed with the photograph (v) Driving License; (vi) Pan Card; (vii) any other valid Government ID Number. Candidate should carefully write the correct spelling of their names as carried in their Aadhaar/identification document (as applicable). The candidates shall be compulsorily required to carry their identification document (as provided in the application process) to the examination centre, authentication of their identity, along with the Entrance Test Admit Card, failing which such candidate shall not be allowed in the examination hall.

Step 3: Online Application Form Entry and Course Selection - After successfully entering identification details, the candidates are required to fill-up details in the online application form and select the course after ensuring their eligibility for the concerned course in which they are desirous.

Step 4: Uploading of photographs and signature- Candidates have to scan their photo and signature as per instruction given in the portal and upload it.

Step 5: Payment of Application Processing/ Entrance Test Fee- After the candidate has filled up the application form online and clicks on the “CONFIRM” button, he/she will be allowed to make payment of application processing/test fee through online payment through credit card/debit card through the payment gateway available on the Entrance Test Portal.

NOTE:
The candidate is required to check the status of fee payment at BHU website (www.bhuonline.in) and if the status is ‘OK’, then only candidate will be able to take printout of Confirmation Page. In case, the fee payment status does not show the payment id/ OK status, the candidate is advised to act as follows:

(i) If the fee is paid through credit/debit card and status is not OK, it means the transaction is cancelled and the amount will, automatically, be refunded to concerned credit/debit card within 7 – 10 days. Therefore, such candidate has to pay the fee once again and ensure the OK status within the last date for submission of online application form.

Step 6: Printout of Application Form for the record of candidates - After online submission of application form and successful payment of Application Processing/ Test Fee, candidates are advised to take a printout of the online filled up application form (containing the details he/she has filled in and the transaction details of payment of application fee) from either the Entrance Test portal for their own record.

NOTE:

1. The application form is to be filled up and submitted online. Detailed instruction for filling up the application form, online payment of application fee and online submission is provided on the BHU’s Entrance Test Portal.

The RET Exempted (March 2020 term) Application Form shall be treated to have been successfully submitted only after the candidate has paid the Application Processing Fee/ Entrance Test Fee through either of the two modes given above at Step 5.

Further detailed procedure in this regard is prescribed in Section K.

B. APPLICATION FORM AND APPLICATION PROCESSING/TEST FEE:

The University has created its Entrance Test Portal with the domain name www.bhuonline.in Its link is also available on the BHU website (www.bhu.ac.in). The RET Exempted (March 2020 term) Application Form is available on the BHU website. The entire process of making RET Exempted (March 2020 term) application for admission in various disciplines/programmes for the academic session 2019-20 has been made ONLINE. Accordingly, candidates may note that RET Exempted (March 2020 term) Application Form will not be sold (as there will be no offline mode) and the candidates desirous of admissions shall be required to register on the Entrance Test portal of BHU and fill up the application form ONLINE as per procedure provided on the Portal. For further details visit the BHU website (www.bhu.ac.in) or the Entrance Test Portal of BHU (www.bhuonline.in).

APPLICATION PROCESSING/TEST FEE

The Candidate desirous of applying for admission to Ph.D. programmes shall pay the following Application Processing Fee/Entrance Test Fee through ONLINE MODE ONLY:

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Note:

(i) The Application Form once submitted with the Application Processing/ Entrance Test Fee at concessional rate meant for SC/ST candidate shall be considered under SC/ST Category.

(ii) The Application Processing/ Entrance Test Fee paid shall neither be refunded nor transferred to another Disciplines and shall also not be reserved for any subsequent year, in any case.

REASONS FOR REJECTION OF THE APPLICATION FORMS:

(i) Submission of application form without payment of requisite amount of Application Processing/ Entrance Test Fee.

(ii) Any other inadequacy detected.

NOTE: If at any stage it is found that the applicant is not eligible for admission in a discipline under University rules, his/her candidature will automatically stand cancelled. Please note that thorough checking of Application Form, Minimum Eligibility requirements, Original documents in support of Academic Certificates and Categories-claimed will be done only at the time of admission/counseling (if called for the same). At that stage also the candidature of the applicant will stand cancelled, if he/she does not fulfill all the requirements for admission.

C. IMPORTANT DATES:

| Availability of RET (Exempted) ONLINE Form on the Entrance Test Portal | : 8th December 2020 |
| Last date for submission of online application form                  | : 18th December 2020 |
| Date of Test B/Counselling/ Admissions                               | : 21st December 2020 |
| Last Date of deposition of fees                                      | : 28th December 2020 |
D. LIST OF DOCUMENTS IN ORIGINAL REQUIRED AT THE TIME OF ADMISSION:

(i) Mark-Sheets of the QUALIFYING EXAMINATION and all other previous examinations such as High School, Intermediate, Graduation, Post-graduation (as the case may be).

(ii) Matriculation or its equivalent certificate to ascertain the date of birth.

(iii) GATE/NET/GPAT certificates (if claiming RET Exemption on these grounds)

(iv) Caste Certificate issued by the appropriate authority, if admission is sought under SC/ST/OBC/DBC-Minority Category.

(v) Medical Certificate issued by the appropriate authority, if admission is sought under Physically Challenged Category.

(vi) Character Certificate issued by the institution last attended.

(vii) Transfer Certificate (TC) issued by the institution last attended.

NOTE: If due to certain unavoidable reasons a candidate is unable to produce T.C., the Admission Committee may, at its discretion, allow a period of up to seven days for submission of the Transfer Certificate after the last date fixed for closure of the provisional admission to the course failing which the admission may be cancelled. An undertaking that my provisional admission be cancelled in case I fail to produce the Transfer Certificate from the institution which I last attended by 31st January 2021 shall be taken from each such candidate who has not submitted his/her Transfer Certificate before he/she is provisionally admitted. Original mark-sheet of the qualifying examination shall be returned to an admitted student only after he/she has submitted his/her T.C.

(viii) Migration Certificate issued by the Institution/ University/ Board last attended.

NOTE: Under exceptional situation a candidate may be allowed to submit the Migration Certificate within a period of 30 days from the date of his/her provisional admission.

Certain Institutions/Universities/Board issue either Transfer Certificate or Migration Certificate but not both. In such cases, the certificate issued to the candidate shall be accepted and the candidate shall be asked to give an undertaking to the effect that the Institution does not issue Transfer (or Migration) certificate as the case may be.

NOTE: All supporting documents may be self attested by the candidate himself/herself.

E. SELECTION PROCEDURE/ DATE OF TEST B/COUNSELLING

(i) All such applicants who have successfully submitted their application form are required to report for Test B Counselling at 10.00 a.m. on 21st December 2020 in the Office of the concerned HoD/Coordinator of the Centre. No separate call letter shall be issued for this purpose.

The admission of a candidate in a research discipline will be done only when he/she satisfies all the eligibility requirements and completes all formalities required for admission in the discipline. The admissions shall be made strictly on the basis of merit index in the RET Exempted category subject to availability of seats in the course, as per rules given in this Information Bulletin and rules framed by the University from time to time.

Counseling Procedure on the Counseling Date:

The counseling procedure will involve following steps:

E.1. Attendance of candidates present:

Every candidate visiting the Department/Centre shall mark his/her attendance by signing the attendance sheet available at the Department/Centre.

E.2. Verification of academic records of the candidates present:

The Admission Committee (Teachers-counselors) available at the Counseling Centre/Venue would verify the original documents of the candidates present on the date of Counseling. Subsequently, the concerned Admission Committee is required to verify the academic records on the Verification page of the online admission portal, filled in by the candidate at the time of submitting his/her application forms.a-vis original documents to be made available by the candidates at the time of counseling. In case the academic records filled by the candidate are correct, the Admission Committee needs to put a tick mark on the appropriate box. In case of any correction, there is provision for correction on the verification page.

E.3. Conduction of Test – B of the candidates present:

(i) Thereafter the Test B will be conducted in the concerned department/school/centre by the Department which carries a total of 50 marks for its two components, viz., writing a one page research proposal (25 marks) followed by personal interview (25 marks).

(ii) All the candidates called for Test B, will be required to write, on the spot, a one or two page(s) (A4 size) research proposal of their choice in 30 minutes and submit the same to the HOD/COS/COC. The Research proposal need not be related to the work that the
candidate may actually carry out if registered for Ph.D. This would essentially be a hypothetical research proposal wherein the candidate will provide a title and write the objective/s, methodology and the likely addition to knowledge by the proposed research. This would not be longer than 500 words.

(iii) The Interview Board will examine the Research proposal submitted by the candidate and ask questions relating to it and other questions, including those relating to the area in which the candidate expects to undertake research, if selected, to test his/her scholastic competence for research in the discipline.

(iv) A candidate applying in more than one discipline will appear at Test B separately in each of the disciplines in which he/she has applied and qualified. The dates for Test B may be suitably adjusted/staggered in different disciplines.

E.4 FINAL MERIT ORDER AFTER TEST-B:

a. For candidates of RET (Exempted) category, final merit order shall be based on the composite index prepared by adding marks obtained by a candidate in Test B and Academic Record [calculated as per formula given in Section C of this Information Bulletin].

b. Merit orders of RET-Exempted candidates shall be prepared by the Interview Board for the concerned discipline.

E.5 ADMISSION PROCESS

E.5.1. DECLARATION OF RESULTS

a. Names of as many RET Exempted candidates as the number of vacancies given for March 2020 Term will be announced on the basis of final merit order prepared in accordance with clause E.1 to E.4 above. An equal number of wait-listed candidates (in order of merit) will also be prepared for consideration in case seats remain vacant.

b. Names of all RET-Exempted candidates who are declared qualified after Test B will be separately announced in the Merit Order.

E.5.2. ADMISSION, PAYMENT OF FEES AND ALLOTMENT OF PH.D. SUPERVISOR

a. Based on the final merit order, offer of admission, offer of admission will be issued to the RET (Exempted) selected candidates by the Head of the Department/Coordinator of the School/Centre prescribing therein the last date of depositing the fee.

b. Based on the final merit order, the concerned Admission Committee would release/publish the RET — Exempted — March 2020 term merit list of the candidates who are declared qualified for the said disciplines. The candidates may be advised to see the course allocation page on their portal on the counseling day and thereafter. In case a candidate is offered provisional admission, he/she must make payment of the admission fee before the deadline of fee payment given in the course allocation page of the portal failing which he/she shall forfeit his/her claim for the provisional admission and the said offer of admission will stand withdrawn.

c. The RET — Exempted candidate must secure a composite index of at least 75 to be eligible for Ph.D. registration in the discipline. However, meeting the said minimum composite index requirement will not guarantee registration for Ph.D.

Payment of Fees:

Online payment (through Debit Card/Credit Card/Net banking) through the payment gateway available on the Portal.

NOTE

(i) For online payment, the candidate must visit Course Allocation page and make the payment through debit/credit card, etc.

(ii) To secure admission in the course for which the candidate is provisionally offered he/she should pay the prescribed Admission Fee within the deadline for payment of admission fee as mentioned in the offer of admission (shown on the Course Allocation page) within the deadline mentioned in the offer letter.

(iii) A candidate will be treated as provisionally admitted in the course offered only after the prescribed fee has been paid by him/her. On successful payment of prescribed admission fee, the payment ID will appear in the ‘Application’ page of the candidate’s portal as well as in the admitted list available on the admission committee site of the portal. Further, the provisional admission of the candidate to the concerned programme shall be subject to such Ordinances, Rules and Regulations as may be framed from time to time by the University.

(iv) However, if a candidate, on declaration of final merit list by various departments, stands selected for admission in more than one discipline, he/she shall be allowed to take admission in only one of the disciplines based on his/her choice/preference and merit in the discipline.

Allotment of a Supervisor:

The Department(s) ought to clearly display the number of vacancy(ies) (as mentioned in the RET Exempted March 2020 term) and area of specialization of the teachers under whom the vacancy(ies) exists. The allotment of Supervisor will be done by the concerned DRC/CRC/SRC for those who have secured admission by depositing the admission fee. Thereafter, the DRC/CRC/SRC may call the Ph.D. student, in order of merit, and allow him/her to choose his/her supervisor according to his/her preference subject to availability.
of vacancy under different supervisor(s). Further, the said DRC/CRC/SRC will formally allot a Ph.D. Supervisor, [and Co- Supervisor(s), if required], for the selected/allotted candidates on his/her proposed research topic.

Note: The candidates who are admitted against the vacancies in the Colleges (admitted to the privileges of the University) will have faculty members of the concerned College as their Supervisor. All such candidates would be treated as the research scholars of the concerned college and shall be required to pay the requisite fee in the concerned College.

F. RELAXATION IN MINIMUM ELIGIBILITY FOR SCHEDULED CASTES (SC), SCHEDULED TRIBES (ST) CANDIDATES, OTHER BACKWARD CLASSES (OBC), OTHER BACKWARD CLASSES AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITY (PWD) CANDIDATES

There shall be a relaxation of 5% marks (or equivalent grade point average) for SC/ST and PC candidates in the minimum marks required in the qualifying examination. The minimum Academic Record required for SC/ST/PC and OBC candidates shall be 45 and 47.50, respectively. However, a Physically Challenged (PC), SC/ST/OBC candidate shall not get the double benefit of being SC/ST/OBC as well as PC candidate in the above relaxations.

Consideration of Reserved Category Meritorious Candidates as General Candidates:

In a discipline/programme, if the merit of a reserved category candidate is more than or equal to the merit of the last admitted general candidate, the reserved category candidate will be treated as general candidate in that discipline. Further, if the candidate avails any other facility under reservation such as relaxation in minimum eligibility requirement, age relaxation, Hostel allotment, then the candidate will be treated under concerned reserved category.

G. RESERVATIONS:

i. Seats shall be reserved for scheduled caste (15%) and Scheduled Tribe (7.5%) candidates in each course. The SC/ST candidates shall have to submit a certificate, issued by competent authority, stating that the candidate belongs to SC/ST. Such certificates shall be subject to verification from the concerned District Magistrate.

ii. OTHER BACKWARD CLASSES (OBCs): 27% Reservation to candidates belonging to OBC category (excluding under creamy layer) will be provided. The caste in the OBC certificate will be those only which are in the list of Central Govt. Further the OBC certificate should clearly mention that the candidate is not under creamy layer. However, if an OBC candidate seeks admission under some other category (for example: PC etc.) the candidate should satisfy the minimum eligibility requirement for that category.


iv. 5% seats shall be reserved for Physically Challenged Candidates: (a) blindness and low vision; (1%) + (b) deaf and hard of hearing; (1%) + (c) locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy; (1%) + (d) autism, intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness; (1%) + e) multiple disabilities from amongst persons under clauses (a) to (d) including deaf-blindness in the posts identified for each disabilities: (1%) (on horizontal reservation basis). Such candidates will have to submit a self attested copy of Disability Certificate issued by the District CMO with the Application Form. The candidates called for Counseling for possible provisional admission will be examined by a Medical Board constituted by BHU and if necessary, will be referred by the Medical Board to other recognized bodies for the purpose, as per criteria fixed by the University. The decision of the Medical Board constituted by BHU will be final. The Entrance Test for Blind candidates will be held at Varanasi Centre only.

v. There is age relaxation of 5 years for ‘Physically Challenged’ candidates in upper age limit wherever upper age limit is prescribed.

H. ADMISSION OF FOREIGN NATIONALS

Applications of Foreign Nationals nominated by the Govt. of India under scholarship scheme and self-financing Foreign Nationals shall be entertained. The foreign nationals need not appear in the entrance test for admission. However, they should have passed the equivalent Qualifying Examination from an Indian or Foreign University / Institution.

Provision to the extent of 15% of the total Vacancies in each Disciplines supernumerary basis for Foreign Nationals is available: Out of which 5% Vacancies be filled up by children of NRIs [Persons of Indian Origin (PIO)] and 5% by children of Indian workers in Gulf and South Asian Countries. All the foreign nationals have to fulfill the following conditions:

i). At the time of submitting the application
   (i) All the foreign nationals should submit their applications, along with the processing fee, on prescribed format, which can be freely downloaded from the website www.bhuonline.in
   (ii) The applications of scholarship-holding Foreign Nationals (under various schemes) are routed through the Indian Council for Cultural Relations/Ministry of Human Resource Development (Department of Education), Govt. of India, New Delhi.
(iii) They should hold a valid foreign passport.
(iv) The antecedents of the candidate have been verified by the forwarding Agencies/Ministry and found in order.
(v) They should have adequate knowledge of English and/or Hindi as per the requirements of the Course.

ii. At the time of admission
(i) They have valid Residential permit in India granted for studies/Student Visa for the prescribed duration of the concerned Course.
(ii) They fulfill the minimum eligibility requirements.

IMPORTANT NOTE:
(i) English Proficiency certificate of TOEFL (minimum 70 marks) or IELTS (minimum 6 bands) score is mandatory for foreign candidates at the time of submission of application form for the admission in the University. If the candidate is unable to provide any of these scores/certificate or English Proficiency certificate then the candidate will be asked to appear in the English Proficiency Test to be conducted by Office of the Controller of Examinations. He/she has to clear Intermediate level course and need an overall minimum score of 40% to confirm admission.
(ii) The aforesaid provision may be relaxed for candidates having nationality of English speaking countries or who have passed their qualifying degree from the Institution with English as medium of instruction.

iii). General
i. The Degrees/Certificates of the candidates have been recognized and approved by the Association of Indian Universities (AIU)/Commonwealth Universities/International Association of Universities (IAU) as equivalent to the corresponding Indian Degrees/Certificates.
ii. All the eligible foreign nationals are required to fill up the Registration Form prescribed by the University at the time of admission.
iii. The inter-se merit among the applicants of various foreign nationals will be decided by the “Core Committee for Admissions of Foreign Nationals”, which shall be deemed as final.

Further details regarding admission of foreign nationals are available on the website [www.bhu.ac.in](http://www.bhu.ac.in) which is updated periodically.

The applications should be submitted to the INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS CENTRE, C/3/3 TAGORE HOUSE, BANARAS HINDU UNIVERSITY, VARANASI - 221005, INDIA on or before the last date as notified by the International Students Centre.

FEE FOR THE FOREIGN NATIONALS:

Fee structure for all the categories of foreign nationals is as under (Fee details available on website)
1. Processing fee (50 / 100 US $) : At the time of submitting the application
2. Usual Course fee (in INR) : At the time of joining the course
3. Additional fee if any (US $) : At the time of joining the course

The quantum of processing fee and additional fee may be modified by BHU from time to time.

I. DIRECT ADMISSION (without appearing in RET, i.e., under RET Exempted category)

A candidate who fulfils one of the following requirements may be considered for admission to the Ph.D. programme in the RET Exempted Category:

i. A candidate who is qualified in a national level test such as National Eligibility Test (NET-JRF), NET-LS (without fellowship), Graduate Aptitude Test for Engineering (GATE), State Level Eligibility Test (SLET) accredited by UGC, Central or State Government.

ii. A candidate who is a recipient of National Doctoral Fellowship or other fellowships from government/semi-government organizations (through All-India selection procedure conducted by the agency/ organization for award of research fellowships) such as Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), University Grants Commission (UGC), All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), Department of Science and Technology (DST), Defense Research and Development Organization (DRDO), Department of Atomic Energy (DAE), Department of Biotechnology (DBT), Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), Ayurveda Yoga Unani Siddha Homeopathy (AYUSH) and similar National Level Organizations.

iii. A candidate who is selected under Quality Improvement Program (QIP) of AICTE, Faculty Development Programme of a State Government or of UGC.

iv. An employee of any other university/ institution/ college/ government department/ public sector undertaking/ R & D organization/ private industry, who is sponsored as a full-time candidate by the said organization, with at least 3 years of experience and who is relieved on study leave for a period of not less than three years for pursuing Ph. D. programme in a Department/ School of the University.
v. A foreign national who is a recipient of fellowship by Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR), Government of India and who is sponsored by his/her government.

vi. A self-financing foreign national who is admitted through the Embassies/High commission of his/her country or admitted under a MoU with due clearance from the Indian Missions abroad. As per revised guidelines/instructions of the Department of Higher Education, MHRD, GOI on grant of research visa, the foreigners who desire to undertake research in India, should therefore, apply to the concerned Indian Missions abroad with the brief synopsis of the research project to be undertaken in India, the details of places to be visited, previous visits, whether the scholar has secured admission in a recognized or reputed institution and evidence of financial resources.

vii. A candidate appointed as a Research Fellow in projects approved by the above external funding agencies shall not be considered for this category (except those research fellows that are covered under provisions of para (i), (ii) and (x) of this section).

Note:

1. The equivalence of the degree possessed by the foreign candidates belonging to the Clauses IV.1 (b) (v) and (vi), shall be settled by the equivalence committee of the concerned faculty before their admission. They shall be admitted to the Ph.D. programme only if the degree possessed by them entitles them for enrolment as Ph. D. scholars in the universities of their own countries.

2. English Proficiency certificate of TOEFL (minimum 70 marks) or IELTS (minimum 6 bands) score is mandatory for foreign candidates at the time of submission of application form for the admission in the University. If the candidate is unable to provide any of these scores/certificate or English Proficiency certificate then the candidate will be asked to appear in the English Proficiency Test to be conducted by Office of the Controller of Examinations. He/she has to clear Intermediate level course and need an overall minimum score of 40% to confirm admission.

3. The aforesaid provision may be relaxed for candidates having nationality of English speaking countries or who have passed their qualifying degree from the Institution with English as medium of instruction.

4. The supernumerary quota for self-financing foreign nationals shall be restricted to a maximum of 15% of the total available Vacancies in a Department/School.

(ix) A candidate who is already registered as a Ph. D. scholar in some other university and whose supervisor joins this University.

(x) A candidate [employee or a research scholar {qualifying the criteria laid at para IV.1 (b) (i) or (ii) above}] of any other university/institution/college/government department/public sector undertaking/R & D organization/private industry, who is sponsored as a full-time candidate by the said organization, with at least 3 years of experience, who shall work for his/her Ph. D. in his/her parent organization fulfilling the residency period requirement prescribed in Clauses VIII.3 (c) and (d) of these ordinances. Such candidates are required to submit a sponsorship and work experience certificate from the parent organization. The non-degree awarding institutions, government departments, public sector undertakings, R & D organizations and the private industries are only those, which are recognized as centers of research by the University as specified Annexure – C of the Ph.D. Ordinances of the University.

(xi) A candidate occupying senior management position in a government department/public sector undertaking/R & D organization/private institution/private industry (of repute), which is not recognized as centre of research by the University, may be admitted to the Ph.D. programme with the approval of the Vice Chancellor provided he/she has at least 05 years of professional experience and is sponsored as a part-time candidate by the said organization and the concerned DRC is convinced that the candidate can effectively pursue his/her Ph.D. work in his/her parent organization fulfilling the residency period requirement prescribed in Clauses VIII.3 (c) - (e) of the Ph.D. ordinances of the University. The candidate is required to submit a sponsorship and work experience certificate from the parent organization.

(xii) A candidate, working in an externally funded research project in the University as a research personnel, may be allowed to register for Ph.D. in the University provided he/she publishes at least one research paper in peer refereed journals after joining the project (out of the research work generated in the project) or he/she gets short-listed in RET conducted by the University. Provided further that in such cases, the consent of the PI and the supervisor (in case PI is not the supervisor) is available to the effect that the research work of the Project and that of the Ph.D. are overlapping and/or working in both simultaneously will not hamper the interest of either.

(xiii) A teacher of the University or of the constituent/affiliated colleges of the University holding substantive post (including those on probation)

(xiv) A non-teaching employee of the University holding substantive post (including those on probation)

(xv) Candidates holding P.G. degree (D.M./M.Ch.) in super-specialty subjects in the Departments of Faculty of Medicine.

(xvi) Candidates holding M.Phil. degree of the Banaras Hindu University (for enrollment in the Ph.D. programme in the same discipline only). Candidates meeting any of the aforesaid provisions and other condition(s) prescribed under section J (MINIMUM ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR QUALIFYING EXAMINATION & PERCENTAGE OF MARKS) are not required to appear in the RET of the concerned discipline/programme. However, all the exempted candidates must apply in the prescribed online Application Form in order to be eligible for consideration for admission. The applications of the candidates belonging to the categories (iii) to (xiii) above should be routed through proper channel.

J. MINIMUM ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR QUALIFYING EXAMINATION & PERCENTAGE OF MARKS:
A candidate shall be required to have:

J.1. FOR ADMISSION TO Ph.D. PROGRAMMES:
A candidate shall be required to have passed the qualifying examination securing the minimum percentage of marks and a minimum of 50 marks in Academic Record as per details given below:

Faculty-wise details of Qualifying Examinations:

i). Faculties of Arts, Social Sciences, Science:
(a) Qualifying Examination: 
Master’s degree in the concerned subject OR (ii) Masters degree in any one of the allied subjects. However,
(i) for admission to Ph.D. in Women’s Studies, Peace Research, Public Administration and Nepal Studies candidates holding Post Graduate degree in any discipline of Social Science/ Science/ Humanities/ Management would be eligible. Further candidates having postgraduate degree in Nepali Language and Culture are also eligible for Ph.D. in Nepal Studies.
(ii) for admission to Ph.D. in Subaltern Studies candidates holding M.Phil. degree in Subaltern Studies would be eligible. Candidates who have done M.Phil. in Subaltern Studies from the Banaras Hindu University shall be considered for direct admission to Ph.D. in Subaltern Studies without appearing in the RET. However, such candidates who have obtained the M.Phil. from other Universities are required to appear in the RET for Subaltern Studies.
(iii) for admission to Ph.D. in Geophysics, candidates holding BE/B.Tech. degree in Mining Engineering, Civil Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Environmental Science and Technology would also be eligible.
(iv) for admission to Ph.D. in Molecular and Human Genetics, candidates holding BE/B.Tech. degree in Biotechnology, Bioscience & Bioengineering, Biomedical engineering, Biochemical Engineering, Materials Science and Pharmaceutical Engineering would also be eligible.
(v) for admission to Ph.D. in Mathematical Sciences under its main-discipline quota, the candidates holding PG degrees in their allied subjects (as per Appendix I) are allowed to appear in the RET of Mathematical Sciences.
(vi) for admission to Ph.D. in Human and Clinical Genetics (in Centre for Genetic Disorders), under their main-discipline quota, the candidates holding PG degrees (M.Sc./MD/MS/MDS/M.Tech./DM) in their allied subjects (as per Appendix I) are allowed to appear in the RET of Human and Clinical Genetics.
(vii) for admission to Ph.D. in Bhojpuri evam Janpadiya Adhyayan, candidates holding PG Degree in Humanities, Social Sciences, Agriculture, Engineering and Technology, Management, Medical Sciences, Performing Arts and Visual Arts in any branch/discipline would also be eligible.

b) Qualifying Marks: At least 55% in the aggregate or equivalent grade point average in the qualifying examination.

ii). Faculty of Performing Arts
a) Degree in any discipline and having passed any one of the following examinations other than Performing Arts:
Sangeet Nipun Examination of Bhatkhande Vidyapeeth, Lucknow; (b) Sangeet Praveen Examination of Prayag Sangeet Samiti, Allahabad; (c) Sangeet Alankar Examination of Gandharva Mahavidyalaya, Mumbai; (d) Sangeet Kovid Examination of Indra Kala Sangeet Vishwavidyalaya, Khairagarh, C.G. Master’s degree in any one of the allied subjects.

OR
(a) Qualifying Marks: At least 55% in the aggregate or equivalent grade point average in the qualifying examination.

iii). Sanskrit Vidya Dharm Vigyan Sankay
a. Qualifying Examination: Acharya degree in the concerned subject OR (ii) Acharya or equivalent degree in any one of the allied subjects.
b. Qualifying Marks: At least 55% in the aggregate or equivalent grade point average in the qualifying examination.

iv). Faculty of Commerce
b. Qualifying Marks: At least 55% in aggregate or equivalent grade point average in the qualifying examination.

v) Faculty of Management Studies
a. Qualifying Examination: Master’s degree in Business Management (M.B.M.), Management Studies/ Management Sciences (M.M.S.), Business Administration (M.B.A.), International Business Administration (M.I.B.A.), International Business (M.I.B.), M.B.A. (Agri-Business) OR Two years postgraduate diploma in Management from any one of the Indian Institutes of Management (I.I.Ms)/or First
Class in two year full time PGDM declared equivalent to Master's Degree in Management by AIU/accredited by AICTE/UGC or Xavier Labour Relations Institute (X.L.R.I.), Jamshedpur or Management Development Institute (M.D.I), Gurgaon or Institute of Management and Technology (I.M.T.), Ghaziabad or Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (I.I.F.T.), New Delhi or International Management Institute (I.M.I.), New Delhi or School of Management Sciences, Varanasi and Lucknow or First class graduate and professionally qualified Chartered Accountant/Cost and Works Accountant/Company Secretary of the concerned statutory bodies.

b. Qualifying Marks: At least 60% in the aggregate or equivalent grade point average in the qualifying examination or First Class as per the norms of the concerned University.

vi) Faculty of Law
(a) Qualifying Examination: Master’s Degree in the concerned discipline.
(b) Qualifying Marks: At least 55% in the aggregate or equivalent grade point average in the qualifying examination.

vii) Faculty of Education
(a) Qualifying Examination: M.Ed./M.A. (Education)/ Master’s degree in Special Education [M.Ed. (Spl.)] / OR (ii) Masters degree in any one of the allied subjects (Indian Philosophy and Religion, Philosophy, Economics, History, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology)
(b) Qualifying Marks: At least 55% in aggregate or equivalent grade point average in the qualifying examination.

ix) Faculty of Medicine
(a) Qualifying Examination: (i) Doctor of Medicine (M.D.)/Master of Surgery (M.S.)/ Doctoratus of Medicus (D.M.)/ Magister Chirurgiae (M.Ch.)/ Diplomate of National Board (D.N.B) in the concerned subject recognized by the Medical Council of India (ii) M.Sc. in the concerned subject OR (iii) Master’s degree in any one of the allied subjects.
(b) Qualifying Marks: At least 55% in aggregate or equivalent grade point average in the qualifying examination (wherever the marks/grades are awarded)

x) Faculty of Ayurveda
(a) Qualifying Examination: (i) M.D.(Ay.)/ M.S.(Ay.) recognized by Central Council of Indian Medicine (CCIM) OR (ii) Master’s degree in any one of the allied subjects.
(b) Qualifying Marks: At least 55% in aggregate or equivalent grade point average in the qualifying examination.

xi) Faculty of Dental Sciences
(a) Qualifying Examination: Master’s Degree in Dental Surgery or Master’s degree in any one of the allied subjects.
(b) Qualifying Marks: At least 55% in aggregate or equivalent grade point average in the qualifying examination (wherever the marks/grades are awarded)

xii) Faculty of Visual Arts
(a) Qualifying Examination: Bachelor’s degree in Fine Arts under four year course and Master’s degree in Fine Arts: (i) MFA in applied Art or (ii) MFA in Plastic Arts (Sculpture) or (iii) MFA in Painting or (iv) in Textile Design or (v) MFA in Pottery Ceramic
(b) Qualifying Marks: At least 55% in aggregate or equivalent grade point average in the qualifying examination.

xiii) Faculty of Envionment & Sustainable Development:
(a) Qualifying Examination: Essential: A candidate having Master’s degree in the concerned subject OR (ii) Masters degree in any one of the allied subjects, namely, Agriculture (all disciplines), Applied Chemistry, Applied Microbiology, Applied Physics, Bachelor of Technology, Biochemistry, Bio-informatics, Biotechnology, Botany, Chemistry, Economics, Education, Environmental Engineering, Environmental Science, Geography, Geology, Geophysics, Home Science (Extension Education OR Food and Nutrition), Law, Life Science, Material Science & Technology, Medical Sciences, Microbiology, Wildlife Biology, Physics, Zoology, Statistics, Pharmacy, Remote Sensing & GIS, Pharmacology, Sociology, provided the candidate has opted at least one paper related to environment and/or sustainable development.
(b) Qualifying Marks: At least 55% in aggregate or equivalent grade point average in the qualifying examination.

CALCULATION OF ACADEMIC RECORD:
Case 1 Where postgraduate degree is considered as the qualifying examination, and

a) Marks are awarded in Postgraduate Examination

\[ M = (X_1 + 0.6X_2 + 0.25X_3 + 0.15X_4)/2, \]

b) Marks are not awarded in Postgraduate Examination

\[ M = (0.6X_1 + 0.25X_2 + 0.15X_3) \]

Case 2 Where undergraduate degree is considered as the qualifying examination,
\[ M = (X_4 + 0.4X_3 + 0.3X_2)/1.7, \]

**Case 3**  
Where the candidate has passed Higher Secondary Examination only (instead of High School & Intermediate both)  
\[ M = (X_1 + 0.6xX_2 + 0.4xX_3)/2 \]

Where,

\[
\begin{align*}
M &= \text{Marks for the academic record,} \\
X_1 &= \text{Percentage of marks obtained at the post-graduate examination,} \\
X_2 &= \text{Percentage of marks obtained at the under-graduate examination} \\
X_3 &= \text{Percentage of marks obtained at the intermediate/higher secondary examination} \\
X_4 &= \text{Percentage of marks obtained at the high school examination, and} \\
X_5 &= \text{Percentage of marks obtained at the higher secondary examination.} \\
\end{align*}
\]

*Note: M, X1, X2, X3, X4, X5 will be calculated up to two places of decimal. 50 Marks in Academic record means mark should be 50 and above. Rounding for lower marks not applicable.*

**Example (Case 1):**

If \(X_1 = 56.10\%\), \(X_2 = 60.39\%\), \(X_3 = 62.25\%\), \(X_4 = 55.65\%\)  
\[ M = \frac{(56.10 + (0.6 \times 60.39) + (0.25 \times 62.25) + (0.15 \times 55.65))}{2} \]
\[ M = 58.11 \]

**Note:**  
1. A candidate appearing in the final year of the Qualifying Examination may also apply and appear in the RET (wherever applicable). A candidate may be admitted for the Ph. D. programme at the beginning of any Semester provided the result of the qualifying examination is declared before the start of the counseling for admission to the Ph.D. programme and he/she fulfills the eligibility criteria.  
2. If the applicant has passed the qualifying examination where grades are awarded and:  
   (a) Where the Grade Sheet does not mention the equivalent percentage of marks from grade points, the candidate should submit such a Certificate of conversion from the concerned Institution mentioning either the converted percentage, or the formula for the actual conversion of grade point average to percentage of marks.  
   (b) Where the Grade Sheet itself mentions the equivalent percentage of marks from grade points, or the formula for such conversion, the candidate should get both sides of the Degree/Grade Sheet photocopied showing the equivalent percentage of marks/conversion formula and enclose with the Application Form.  
   (c) In case there is no conversion formula for computing the percentage, CGPA (out of 10) multiplied by 10 will constitute the percentage. If the CGPA is available out of 4, then CGPA multiplied by 25 will constitute the percentage.  
   (d) For the candidates belonging to the RET Exempted category, the minimum benchmark of obtaining the academic record of 50 shall not apply. However, the Academic Record for such candidates would still be calculated, as per the aforesaid formula, for the purposes of determining the former’s merit amongst the RET Exempted category applicants.  
3. “Aggregate percentage of marks” will include grace marks awarded to a candidate.  
4. A candidate already possessing a Ph. D. degree of this or any other University shall be eligible to be admitted to the Ph. D. programme for an additional Ph. D. degree in a subject other than the subject in which he/she already possesses the Ph. D. Degree. The admission of such a candidate will be at the discretion of the Vice-Chancellor, who, on the basis of specific recommendation and full justification by the Departmental/School Research Committee (DRC/SRC) after considering certain relevant criteria such as, the synopsis of the proposed topic, relevance of the proposed topic and its relationship with the topic of the first Ph.D., etc., will make a final decision.  
5. A Senior Resident/Service Senior Resident of the Faculties of Medicine, Ayurveda & Dental Sciences shall also be eligible to appear in the test, subject to fulfilling other eligibility conditions.  
6. M. Phil. candidates in the concerned discipline are also eligible.  

Applicant must satisfy himself/herself about fulfilling the minimum eligibility requirements as prescribed above before filling the Application Form.

**K. LIST OF ALLIED DISCIPLINE CORRESPONDING TO THE MAIN DISCIPLINE**

For checking the list of allied discipline please consult the Annexure B - of the Ordinance Governing the Award of the Degree of DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY/VIDYĀVĀRIDHI (2016) [available in the BHU Website: www.bhu.ac.in]

**L. DISCIPLINE NAME, DISCIPLINE CODE NUMBER**

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