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NOTICE

SUBMISSION OF DOCUMENTS TO CLAIM EXEMPTION FROM Ph.D ENTRANCE TEST (PET) Academic Session 2025-26.

With reference to the Ph.D. Admission Brochure 2025 (Para 2 – Procedure for Admission to Ph.D Programme), some candidates who fulfil the conditions given in Clause 2.2 and 2.3 of the same, have been exempted from the Ph.D. Entrance Test.

All the Candidates, who want to claim exemption from the Ph.D. Entrance Test (PET) for the admission in Ph.D. Programme (Mass Communication) at University School of Mass Communication (USMC) for the academic year 2025-26, are required to submit self attested copies of the following documents by email at dean.usmc@ipu.ac.in or in person latest by 25th April, 2025 (Friday) in the Dean's Secretariat, Room no. D002, Ground Floor, D Block, USMC, between 10.00 am to 04.00 pm (Monday to Friday).

1. Copy of the duly filled Online Application Form.
2. Application for Exemption from Ph. D. Entrance Test.
3. Copy of the valid certificates for fellowship/scholarship in UGC-NET and other similar National Level Tests on the basis of which exemption will be claimed.
4. Copy of Certificate/ Mark sheet of the qualifying degree. Candidates appearing for final exam of qualifying degree may submit mark sheets of all previous semesters.
5. Undertaking that candidate fulfils the eligibility criteria/conditions as laid down in Ph.D. Admission Brochure for Academic Session 2025-26.

* Candidate who qualify for fellowship/scholarship in UGC-NET or other similar National Level Tests can directly apply for admission to the Ph.D programme in Mass Communication.

* Admission Shall also be done on the basis of NET Score in accordance with the UGC circular no. F. 4-1 (UGC-NET) Review Committee/2024 (NET)/1406-48 dated 27.03.2024 (copy attached).

(Prof. Durgesh Tripathi)
Dean, USMC

Copy to:

1. Director (RDC)
2. Head, UITS with a request to upload on University website under the links:
 - (i) Notice & Circular
 - (ii) University Schools – USMC (Doctoral Research)



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Prof. Manish R. Joshi
Secretary



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विश्वविद्यालय अनुदान आयोग
University Grants Commission
(शिक्षा मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार)
(Ministry of Education, Govt. of India)

No.F.4-1(UGC-NET Review Committee)/2024(NET)/140648

28th March, 2024/8 चैत्र, 1946

Sub: National Eligibility Test (NET) as an Entrance Test for Admission to Ph.D.

Dear Madam/Sir,

As you are aware, the University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2022 provides for the admission of students to Ph.D., who qualify for fellowship/scholarship in UGC-NET/UGC- CSIR NET/GATE/CEED and similar National level tests, based on interview.

In addition, Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) conduct their entrance tests for admission to Ph.D. programmes, requiring the students to write multiple entrance tests.

To help the students with one national entrance test for admission to Ph.D. as a part of the implementation of National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, the Commission in its 578th Meeting held on 13th March, 2024, decided that from the academic session 2024-25 onwards, the NET score can be used for admission to Ph.D. programmes in place of entrance tests conducted by the different universities/HEIs.

A Public Notice issued by the UGC on 27th March, 2024 in this regard is enclosed.

In view of the above, the HEIs are requested to utilize the NET score for admission to Ph.D. programmes instead of conducting their entrance tests from the forthcoming academic session 2024-2025.

In case any clarification is required, the HEIs may write to net-bureau@ugc.gov.in

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Manish Joshi)

Encl.: As stated above

To

The Vice Chancellors
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PUBLIC NOTICE

National Eligibility Test (NET) as an Entrance Test for Admission to Ph.D.

The University Grants Commission conducts the National Eligibility Test (NET) through the National Testing Agency (NTA). The NET is conducted twice a year, in June and December. Currently, the NET scores are used (a) to award Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) and (b) as eligibility for appointment as Assistant Professor for those with a Master's degree.

Many universities conduct their entrance tests for admission to their Ph.D. programmes, requiring the students to write multiple Ph.D. entrance tests. To help the students with one national entrance test for Ph.D. admissions as a part of implementing the National Education Policy 2020, the UGC constituted an expert committee to review the provisions of the National Eligibility Test (NET).

Based on the expert committee's recommendations, in its 578th Meeting held on 13 March 2024, the UGC has decided that from the academic session 2024-25, the NET score can be used for admission to Ph.D. programmes in place of entrance tests conducted by the different universities/HEIs.

From June 2024 onwards, therefore, the NET candidates will be declared eligible in three categories:

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 Professor.

Category-3: Eligible for admission to Ph.D. programme only and not for the award of JRF or appointment as Assistant Professor.

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The determination of the eligibility of NET for different categories is summarized below:

Qualified for	Eligible for		
	JRF	Assistant Professor	Ph.D. Admission
Category-1: Award of JRF and appointment as Assistant Professor	Yes	Yes	Yes
Category-2: Appointment as Assistant Professor and admission to Ph.D.	No	Yes	Yes
Category-3: Admission to Ph.D. only	No	No	Yes

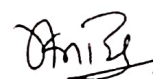
The result of NET will be declared in percentile along with the marks obtained by a candidate to utilize the marks for admission to Ph.D.

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 for the interview for 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.

The notification and Bulletin of Information for the NET June 2024 will be issued by the National Testing Agency shortly at <https://ugenet.nta.nic.in>.



(Manish Joshi)