

**No. 1-60/2024-HPU(DS) -
HIMACHAL PRADESH UNIVERSITY
(NAAC ACCREDITED "A" GRADE UNIVERSITY)
OFFICE OF THE DEAN OF STUDIES
SHIMLA- 171 005**

ADMISSION NOTICE

Online applications for academic session 2025-26 are invited to Ph.D. Program from eligible candidates who have qualified CSIR-UGC JRF or equivalent/and NET, Admission to Ph.D. only, December 2024 and June 2025.

Admission to all Ph.D. Programs will be done strictly in accordance with the H.P. University Ph.D. Regulations 2025 (Revised) notified vide Notification No. 2-1/2025-HPU(Acad) dated 8th December, 2025.

Application forms are to be submitted online through the University Website from 11th to 22nd December, 2025.

The request for change of category once opted/filled in the application form after last date of application notified by the University will not be entertained under any circumstances.

Eligibility: -

- 1) Candidates who have completed:
 - (i) A 1-year/2-semester master's degree programme after a 4-year/8- semester bachelor's degree programme or a 2-year/4-semester master's degree programme after a 3-year bachelor's degree programme or qualifications declared equivalent to the master's degree by the corresponding statutory regulatory body, with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed or equivalent qualification from a foreign educational institution accredited by an assessment and accreditation agency which is approved, recognized or authorized by an authority, established or incorporated under a law in its home country or any other statutory authority in that country to assess, accredit or assure quality and standards of the educational institution.
 - (ii) A relaxation of 5% marks or its equivalent grade may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/Differently- Abled, Economically Weaker Section (EWS) and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the UGC adopted by H.P. University from time to time.
 - (iii) Provided that a candidate seeking admission after a 4-year/8- semester bachelor's degree programme should have a minimum of 75% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade on a point scale wherever the grading system is followed.
- 2) For Candidates having secured MPhil Degree:
 - (i) Those who have completed the MPhil program with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed or equivalent qualification from a foreign educational institution accredited by an assessment and accreditation agency which is approved, recognized or authorized by an authority, established or incorporated under a law in its home country or any other statutory authority in that country to assess, accredit or assure quality and standards of educational institutions, shall be eligible for admission to the Ph.D. program as per clause 5(2) ii, iii of Ph.D. Regulations 2025 (revised).
 - (ii) A relaxation of 5% marks or its equivalent grade may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/Differently-Abled, and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the UGC adopted by H.P. University from time to time.
- 3) For International Students
 - (i) Himachal Pradesh University will have its own selection procedure for Ph.D. admission of international students keeping in view the guidelines/norms in this regard issued by statutory/regulatory bodies concerned from time to time.

Procedure for Admission: -

- A. Weightage of JRF/NET/Admission to Ph.D. only -70%
- B. Weightage of Interview – 30%

Interview:

The maximum marks for the interview shall be 30 (thirty). The split-up of marks awarded in the interview shall be as follows:

- i. NET-JRF and other equivalent fellowship: Maximum 10 marks
- ii. PG marks: Maximum 5 marks
- iii. Research proposal: Maximum 5 marks
- iv. Presentation of Research proposal: Maximum 5 marks
- v. Defense of the proposal: Maximum 5 marks

The following aspects shall be considered during the interview

- Candidate's competence for the proposed research
- Whether the research work can be suitably undertaken at the University
- Whether the proposal area of research can contribute new/additional knowledge.



Sr. No.	Name of Department	Name of the Course	No. of seats including Supernumerary Seats	Specialization if any	Category	Supernumerary Seats
1.	Deptt. of Chemistry	Ph.D. in Chemistry	14 Supernumerary Seat= 03 Total=17	i) Inorganic Chemistry = 04 ii) Organic Chemistry = 06 iii) Physical Chemistry = 04	Gen =09 SC =02 ST =02 EWS =01	H.P. University Teacher = 01 College Teacher affiliated to H.P. University = 01 Wards of H.P. University Employees = 01 Note: Specialization of three (03) supernumerary seats will be allotted/decided as per the specialization of qualifying candidates as per merit.
2.	Deptt. of Mathematics	Ph.D. in Mathematics	09 Supernumerary Seat= 03 Total=12	-----	Gen=05 SC= 02 ST= 01 EWS=01	H.P. University Teacher = 01 College Teacher affiliated to H.P. University = 01 Wards of H.P. University Employees= 01
3.	Deptt. of Physics	Ph.D. in Physics	07 Supernumerary Seat= 01 Total=08	i) Nuclear Astrophysics/ Quantum Computation and Quantum Technologies = 01 ii) Theoretical/Experimental Condensed Matter Physics =01 iii) Theoretical Condensed Matter Physics =01 iv) Quantum Information & Computation = 01 v) Material Science =02 vi) Theoretical Nuclear & Astrophysics =01	Gen=03 SC=02 ST=01 EWS=01	H.P. University Teacher = 01
4.	Deptt. of Bio-Sciences (Botany)	Ph.D. in Botany	Supernumerary Seat= 02 Total=02	-----	-----	H.P. University Teacher = 01 Wards of H.P. University Employees= 01
5.	Deptt. of Bio-Sciences (Zoology)	Ph.D. in Zoology	01 Supernumerary Seat= 01 Total=02	-----	Gen=01	H.P. University Teacher = 01
6.	Deptt. of Bio-Technology	Ph.D. in Bio-Technology	05 Supernumerary Seat= 03 Total=08	-----	Gen=03 SC =01 ST =01	H.P. University Teacher = 01 College Teacher affiliated to H.P. University = 01 Wards of H.P. University Employees= 01
7.	Deptt. of Microbiology	Ph.D. in Microbiology	03 Supernumerary Seat=02 Total=05	-----	Gen=02 EWS=01	(i) H.P. University Teacher (ii) College Teacher affiliated to H.P. University (iii) Wards of H.P. University Employees Total =02 (from two different category)* *Combined Merit
8.	Deptt. of Computer Science	Ph.D. in Computer Science	07 Total=07	-----	Gen=05 SC =01 ST =01	-----
9.	Deptt. of English	Ph.D. in English	14 Supernumerary Seat= 03 Total=17	-----	Gen=09 SC=03 ST=01 EWS=01	H.P. University Teacher = 01 College Teacher affiliated to H.P. University = 01 Wards of H.P. University Employees= 01
10.	Deptt. of Public Administration	Ph.D. in Public Administration	04 Supernumerary Seat= 02 Total=06	-----	Gen=02 SC =01 PwD=01	H.P. University Teacher = 01 College Teacher affiliated to H.P. University = 01
11.	Deptt. of Political Science	Ph.D. in Political Science	03 Supernumerary Seat= 02 Total=05	-----	Gen=02 ST =01	H.P. University Teacher = 01 Wards of H.P. University Employees= 01
12.	Deptt. of History	Ph.D. in History	02 Supernumerary Seat= 01 Total=03	-----	Gen=01 SC =01	College Teacher affiliated to H.P. University = 01
13.	Deptt. of Hindi	Ph.D. in Hindi	06 Total=06	-----	Gen=04 SC=01 EWS=01	-----
14.	Deptt. of Sanskrit	Ph.D. in Sanskrit	03 Supernumerary Seat= 03 Total=06	-----	Gen=03	H.P. University Teacher = 01 College Teacher affiliated to H.P. University = 01 Wards of H.P. University Employees= 01
15.	Deptt. of Commerce	Ph.D. in Commerce	03 Total=03	-----	Gen=03	-----
16.	Deptt. of Economics	Ph.D. in Economics	04 Total=04	-----	Gen =03 SC = 01	-----

17.	Deptt. of Visual Arts	Ph.D. in Visual Arts	Supernumerary Seat= 02 Total=02	-----	-----	(i) H.P. University Teacher (ii) College Teacher affiliated to H.P. University (iii) Wards of H.P. University Employees Total =02 (from two different category)* *Combined Merit
18.	Deptt. of Sociology & Social Work	Ph.D. in Sociology	02 Total=02	-----	EWS=01 PwD=01	-----
19.	Deptt. of Sociology & Social Work	Ph.D. in Social Work	01 Total=01	-----	SC=01	-----
20.	Deptt. of Laws	Ph.D. in Law	16 Supernumerary Seat= 02 Total=18	-----	Gen=12 SC=02 ST=01 EWS=01	H.P. University Teacher = 01 Wards of H.P. University Employees= 01
21.	Deptt. of Physical Education	Ph.D. in Physical Education	12 Supernumerary Seat= 03 Total=15	-----	Gen=06 SC=03 ST=01 EWS=01 PwD=01	H.P. University Teacher = 01 College Teacher affiliated to H.P. University = 01 Wards of H.P. University Employees= 01
22.	Institute of Vocational Studies	Ph.D. in Tourism	04 Supernumerary Seat=02 Total=06	-----	Gen=01 ST=01 EWS=01 PwD=01	H.P. University Teacher = 01 Wards of H.P. University Employees= 01
23.	HPUBS	Ph.D. in Management	09 Total=09	Finance Marketing Human Resource	Gen=07 SC=01 PwD=01	-----
24.	Deptt. of Education	Ph.D. in Education	15 Supernumerary Seat=02 Total=17	-----	Gen=10 SC =02 ST =01 EWS=01 PwD=01	H.P. University Teacher = 01 Wards of H.P. University Employees= 01
25.	Deptt. of Interdisciplinary Studies	Ph.D. in Rural Development	01 Total=01	-----	Gen=01	-----
26.	Deptt. of Forensic Science	Ph.D. in Forensic Science	05 Total=05	-----	Gen=03 EWS=01 SC=01	-----
27.	Deptt. of Environmental Science	Ph.D. in Environmental Science	02 Total=02	-----	Gen=01 SC =01	-----
28.	Deptt. of Geography	Ph. D in Geography	01 Supernumerary Seat=03 Total=04	-----	Gen=01	H.P. University Teacher = 01 College Teacher affiliated to H.P. University = 01 Wards of H.P. University Employees= 01
29.	Deptt. of Journalism & Mass Communication	Ph.D. in Journalism & Mass Communication	01 Total=01	-----	PwD=01	-----

(Abbreviations: Gen: General, EWS: Economically Weaker Section, SC: Scheduled Caste, ST: Scheduled Tribe, PwD= Person with Disability).

Supernumerary Seat (s): (Wards of H.P University Employees, H.P. University Teacher (Assistant Professor of H.P. University), College Teacher affiliated to H.P. University, Foreign National Students.

NOTE:

1. Specialization can be obtained from the concerned teaching Department(s)/Institute.
2. Number of seat (s) is/are tentative and may increase or decrease at the time of admission.
3. Mere possession of required educational and other qualifications are being called for interview alone cannot be claimed as a right for admission to the Ph.D. program in the University.
4. The applicant is required to submit degree completion certificate at the time of Counselling/Interview.
5. The marks obtained in the NET by candidates in category 2 (appointment as Assistant Professor and admission to Ph.D.) and category 3 (admission to Ph.D. only) shall be valid for a period of one year.
6. Admission for Ph.D. program shall be allowed only through regular mode.
7. One (01) Supernumerary seat in each department shall be offered for foreign nationals in Ph.D. programs.

Please contact the following Telephone Numbers for enquiry, if any, related to filling of online application forms: 0177-2833648 (10.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.).

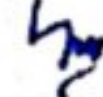
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Dated: 10-12-2025



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5. The Principal, H.P. University, Department of Evening Studies, HPU, Shimla-5.
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9. The Finance Officer, H.P. University, Shimla-5.
10. The Assistant Registrar (Secy.)/ (Conduct), HPU, Shimla-5.
11. The In-charge, H.P. University Website, Shimla-5 for information and necessary action.
12. The In-charge, Computer Centre, HPU, Shimla-5 for information and necessary action.
13. The SPS/PS to the Vice-Chancellor/Pro Vice-Chancellor/Registrar, HPU, Shimla-5 for the kind information of the latter.


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