NOTICE

The applications are invited from eligible candidates for Ph.D. and M.Phil. Programmes in Yoga Science and Sanskrit for Academic Session 2017-18. Please access the Ph.D./M.Phil. Information and the Prospectus 2017-18 from the website for detailed information.

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1. Eligibility criteria for admission to the M. Phil Programme
1.1. Candidates for admission to the M. Phil/Ph. D Programme/s shall have a Master's Degree in Concerned Subject or other allied subject/s or a professional degree declared equivalent to the Master’s degree by the corresponding statutory regulatory body, with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade ‘B’ in the UGC 7-point scale (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed) or an equivalent degree 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 for the purpose of assessing, accrediting or assuring quality and standards of educational institutions.
1.2. As per UGC regulations (minimum 24 credit courses should have been completed), a relaxation of 5% marks, from 55% to 50%, or an equivalent relaxation of grade, may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC(non-creamy layer)/Differently-abled and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the Commission from time to time, or for those who had obtained their Master's degree prior to 19th September, 1991. The eligibility marks of 55% (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed) and the relaxation of 5% to the categories mentioned above are permissible based only on the qualifying marks without including the grace mark procedures.

2. Eligibility criteria for admission to Ph. D Programme
Subject to the conditions stipulated in these Regulations, the following persons are eligible to seek admission to the Ph. D Programme:

2.1. Master’s Degree holders satisfying the criteria stipulated under Clause 1 above.
2.2. Candidates who have cleared the M. Phil course work with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade ‘B’ in the UGC 7-point scale (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed) and successfully completing the M. Phil Degree shall be eligible to proceed to do research work leading to the Ph. D Degree in the same Institution in an integrated Programme. A relaxation of 5% of marks, from 55% to 50%, or an equivalent relaxation of grade, may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC(non-creamy layer)/Differently-abled and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the Commission from time to time.
2.3. A person whose M. Phil dissertation has been evaluated and the viva voce is pending may be admitted to the Ph. D Programme of UOP.
2.4. Candidates possessing a Degree considered equivalent to M. Phil Degree of an Indian Institution, 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 for the purpose of assessing, accrediting or assuring quality and standards of educational institutions, shall be eligible for admission to Ph. D Programme.

3. Duration of the Programme:
3.1. M. Phil Programme shall be for a minimum duration of two (2) consecutive semesters/one year and a maximum of four (4) consecutive semesters / two years.
3.2. Ph. D Programme shall be for a minimum duration of three years (8 credits), including course work and a maximum of six years (16 credits).
3.3. Extension beyond the above limits will be governed by the relevant clauses as stipulated in the Statute/Ordinance of UOP.

3.4. The women candidates and Persons with Disability (more than 40% disability) may be allowed a relaxation of one year for M. Phil and two years for Ph. D in the maximum duration. In addition, the women candidates may be provided Maternity Leave/Child Care Leave once in the entire duration of M. Phil/Ph. D for up to 240 days.

4. **Procedure for Admission:**

4.1. UOP shall admit M. Phil/Ph. D students through an Entrance Test conducted at UOP. UOP may decide separate terms and conditions for Ph. D Entrance Test for those students who qualify UGC-NET (including JRF)/UGC-CSIR NET (including JRF)/SLET/GATE/Teacher fellowship holder or have passed M. Phil Programme. Similar approach may be adopted in respect of Entrance Test for M. Phil Programme.

4.2. The admission shall be based on the criteria notified by UOP, keeping in view the guidelines/norms in this regard issued by the UGC and other statutory bodies concerned, and taking into account the reservation policy of the Central/State Government from time to time.

4.3. UOP shall admit candidates by a two stage process through:

   4.3.1. An Entrance Test shall be qualifying with qualifying marks as 50%. The syllabus of the Entrance Test shall consist of 50% of research methodology and 50% shall be subject specific. The Entrance Test shall be conducted at the Centre(s) notified in advance (changes of Centers, if any, also to be notified well in advance) at the level of UOP; and

   4.3.2. An interview/viva-voce to be organized by UOP when the candidates are required to discuss their research interest/area through a presentation before a duly constituted Research Committee.

4.4. The interview/viva voce shall also consider the following aspects, viz. whether:

   4.4.1. the candidate possesses the competence for the proposed research;

   4.4.2. the research work can be suitably undertaken at UOP;

   4.4.3. the proposed area of research can contribute to new/additional knowledge.

4.5. The University shall maintain the list of all the M. Phil / Ph. D registered students on its website on year-wise basis. The list shall include the name of the registered candidate, topic of his/her research, name of his/her supervisor/co-supervisor, date of enrolment/registration.

5. **Fee Structure:**

   - Application fee : 1000/- offline and Rs. 1050/- online
   - Registration fee : 5000/-
   - Course work fee : 50000/-
   - Monthly fee (To be submitted tri-monthly with : 1000/- Progress report)
   - Thesis submission fee : 20000/-

6. **Important Dates:**

   6.1. Last date for online form submission : 10 August 2017

   6.2. Entrance Test : 12 August 2017

   6.3. Result declaration of written Test : 19 August 2017

   6.4. Interview : 21-23 August 2017

   6.5. Notification of final result : 26 August 2017

   6.6. Commencement of Course Work : 1 September 2017

7. **Course Work:** Credit Requirements, number, duration, syllabus, minimum standards for completion, etc.

   7.1. The credit assigned to the M. Phil or Ph. D course work shall be a minimum of 08 credits and a maximum of 16 credits.
7.2. The course work shall be treated as prerequisite for M. Phil/Ph. D preparation. A minimum of four credits shall be assigned to one or more courses on Research Methodology which could cover areas such as quantitative methods, computer applications, research ethics and review of published research in the relevant field, training, field work, etc. Other courses shall be advanced level courses preparing the students for M. Phil/Ph. D degree.

7.3. All courses prescribed for M. Phil and Ph. D course work shall be in conformity with the credit hour instructional requirement and shall specify content, instructional and assessment methods. They shall be duly approved by the authorized academic bodies.

7.4. The Department where the scholar pursues his/her intended topic will go through the list of UOP Guides and the guide chosen by the applicant will meet and discuss with the concerned area of research and shall prescribe the course(s) to him/her based on the recommendations of the Research Committee of UOP.

7.5. All candidates admitted to the M. Phil and Ph. D Programmes shall be required to complete the course work prescribed by the Department during the initial one or two semesters.

7.6. Candidates already holding M. Phil. degree and admitted to the Ph. D Programme, or those who have already completed the course work in M. Phil and have been permitted to proceed to the Ph. D in integrated course, may be exempted by the Department from the Ph. D course work. All other candidates admitted to the Ph. D Programme shall be required to complete the Ph. D course work prescribed by the Department.

7.7. Research Methodology and Computer Application & Statistics are a compulsory credit course. This course work may also include the updated information of chosen research area.

7.8. An M. Phil/Ph. D scholar has to obtain a minimum of 55% of marks or its equivalent grade in the UGC 7-point scale (or an equivalent grade/CGPA in a point scale) in the course work in order to be eligible to continue in the Programme and submit the dissertation/thesis.