

CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF TAMIL NADU

Part-time PhD - Regulations – 2020

Under Section 29 of Central Universities Act 2009 & Statute 14 [d]

Preamble:

Central University of Tamil Nadu, has from time to time, revised Ph.D. Regulations to take into account the developments in higher education and guidelines given by University Grants Commission. In order to give research opportunities for the qualified and potential teachers/researchers/administrators/scientists/technocrats/Industry personnel/executives/NGOs and other professionals, CUTN is introducing part-time PhD programmes in its various departments.

The eligibility criteria are framed and all provisions as mentioned in the Academic Regulation/Ordinance for Full time Ph.D programme of the University (CUTN) are applicable to part time Ph.D Programmes, unless otherwise the clauses criteria and any waiver if any specifically mentioned in this regulation. Besides the modifications /changes effected in CUTN Ph.D regulations and minimum standards and procedure for award of M.Phil./Ph.D. degrees of UGC from time to time are applicable to Ph.D part time.

Eligibility for Admission

1. Educational Qualifications:

- (a) Candidates who have studied under 10+2+3+2 pattern or 10+2+5 OR 10+2+4+2 and qualified for the Master's Degree in the subject concerned or in an allied subject and qualifications as prescribed by the regulations for the subject concerned under all the Schools / Departments / Centers and such other disciplines of CUTN, or a degree accepted as equivalent by the University, having secured a minimum of 55% marks (or equivalent grade).
- (b) Candidates who have studied under 10+2 pattern of education and qualified for the Master's degree in the Schools of Law, Technology, Life Sciences (Agriculture, Horticulture, Veterinary Science or the degree of Doctor of Medicine or Master of Surgery /Dentistry/Paramedicine) of this University or any other University, through regular full time study, recognized by this University, having secured a minimum of 55% marks (or equivalent grade).

(c) Candidates of Indian origin or overseas students who have qualified for a Master's Degree of an accredited overseas University, having secured a minimum of 55% marks (or equivalent grade).

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 UGC from time to time.

2. Procedure for admission:

Two stage process through:

- an Entrance Test 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.

A relaxation of 5% of marks (from 50% to 45%) shall be allowed for the candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC (Non-Creamy layer)/Differently-abled category (vide 1st amendment to the UGC Regulation 2018).

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

For selection of candidates, a weightage of 70% to the entrance test and 30% to the performance in the interview/viva-voce shall be given (vide 2nd amendment to the UGC Regulation 2018).

3. Requirement of Experience:

(a) Regular teacher candidates working in CUTN Departments/ institutions having collaboration/MoU with CUTN with at least two years of continuous teaching/ research experience at degree and / or post-graduate level in the subject concerned.

(b) Regular non-teaching staff of this University/ institutions having collaboration/MoU with CUTN provided that, the candidate has at least 3 years of continuous service.

(c) Employees of recognized educational institutions/academic staff of colleges / Research & Development Laboratories and Organizations/Industries/Public Sector Undertakings/non-

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governmental Organizations, with at least three years of continuous teaching / research experience or three years of professional experience with Research Aptitude.

(d) The candidates are required to submit the application through proper channel endorsed by the appropriate authority in his/her organization to pursue studies on a part-time basis.

4. Minimum duration:

The minimum duration for Ph.D. programme is four years.

5. Course work:

Course work shall be as per UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.Phil./Ph.D Degrees) Regulations, 2016.