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No: CU/Acad/PhD Admission/2024/232/

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Date: 31/05/2024

NOTIFICATION

Admission into PhD Program-2024

Online applications are invited from eligible candidates for admission into Ph.D. Program-2024 of Cotton University in the following departments within the respective faculties.

| Sl. No. | Department | No. of Seats | Faculty |
|---------|--|--------------|--|
| 1 | Anthropology | 1 | Human and Social Sciences |
| 2 | Arabic | 5 | Languages, Literature and Linguistics |
| 3 | Archaeology | 1 | Human and Social Sciences |
| 4 | Assamese | 5 | Languages, Literature and Linguistics |
| 5 | Bodo | 3 | Languages, Literature and Linguistics |
| 6 | Botany | 3 | Life Sciences |
| 7 | Chemistry | 8 | Physical, Chemical and Mathematical Sciences |
| 8 | CSIT | 4 | Physical, Chemical and Mathematical Sciences |
| 9 | Economics | 1 | Human and Social Sciences |
| 10 | Education | 4 | Human and Social Sciences |
| 11 | English | 6 | Languages, Literature and Linguistics |
| 12 | Environmental Biology and Wildlife Sciences | 2 | Life Sciences |
| 13 | Geography | 5 | Earth Sciences |
| 14 | Geology | 1 | Earth Sciences |
| 15 | History | 3 | Human and Social Sciences |
| 16 | Mass Communication, Journalism and Media Studies | 1 | Human and Social Sciences |
| 17 | Mathematics | 5 | Physical, Chemical and Mathematical Sciences |
| 18 | Molecular Biology and Biotechnology | 7 | Life Sciences |
| 19 | Persian | 1 | Languages, Literature and Linguistics |
| 20 | Physics | 10 | Physical, Chemical and Mathematical Sciences |
| 21 | Psychology | 4 | Human and Social Sciences |
| 22 | Sociology | 1 | Human and Social Sciences |
| 23 | Statistics | 3 | Physical, Chemical and Mathematical Sciences |
| 24 | Zoology | 6 | Life Sciences |

The rules governing the admissions shall be as per Cotton University Ph.D Regulations and the UGC Regulations (Minimum Standards and Procedures for Award of Ph.D. Degree) 2022 issued through Gazette Notification dated 7th November, 2022, together with the UGC Public Notice No.F.4-1(UGC-NET Review Committee)/2024(NET)/140648, dated 27th March, 2024.



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Eligibility Criteria and Selection Procedures:

- i. A Master's Degree or equivalent from a recognized university/institute with a minimum of 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade in a subject related to the Ph.D discipline to which applied. Those otherwise eligible vide Section 3 of the UGC Notification notified vide F. No. 1-3/2021 (QIP) shall also be eligible to apply.
- ii. PG 4th Semester students are also permitted to apply for admission into the PhD program. However, their candidature will be considered subject to fulfilment of minimum eligibility criteria.
- iii. A relaxation of 5% in marks will be applicable to candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC/PWD, EWS and other such categories as specified in case of admission in an institution under Government of Assam.
- iv. While determining the eligibility of a candidate subject to conditions i., ii. and iii. listed above, grace marks or points awarded in the qualifying examination, if any, will not be counted.
- v. An entrance test of 70 marks will be conducted for admission into the PhD program. Candidates securing 50% marks or above in the entrance test will qualify to appear for personal interview/viva voce of 30 marks to be conducted separately for each department/centre.
- vi. The entrance test syllabus shall consist of 50% research methodology and 50% subject-specific content.
- vii. Candidates qualified for fellowship/scholarship in UGC-NET/UGC-CSIR NET/GATE, ICMR, DBT examinations and similar national-level examinations, shall be allowed to appear directly in personal interview/viva-voce. In their case, selection shall be on the basis of their performance in the interview only.
- viii. Candidates who qualify NET in Category 2 or Category 3 in the NET examination of June, 2024 or later will be exempted from the entrance test.
- ix. The Cotton University Entrance Test/NET score shall carry 70% weightage while the personal interview shall carry 30% weightage in final selection of the candidates.
- x. Candidates who have cleared NET or SLET in related disciplines, may be eligible for a 5% relaxation in qualifying marks of the entrance test.
- xi. All candidates, including the candidates exempted from entrance test subject to points vii. and viii., must apply for admission into the selection process.
- xii. Candidates will be shortlisted for admission into the PhD program considering the number of declared vacancies by the department, research interest of the candidates and performance in the interview. **The University reserves the right to not fill up vacant seat (s) if suitable candidates are not found.**
- xiii. All selected research scholars must comply with the conditions of the PhD program. Attendance in PhD Coursework classes is compulsory for all research scholars. Scholars with less than 75% attendance shall be debarred from appearing in Ph.D course-work examination.



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Mode of Application:

Application may only be submitted ONLINE through the University Admission Portal <https://admissions.cottonuniversity.ac.in/> from 2nd Week of June, 2024 onwards. (Tentative. Exact date to be notified shortly)

Application Fee: INR 1,200.00 (Rupees One Thousand Two Hundred Only)

Payment of application fee is to be made online through UPI/Debit Card/Credit Card/Net Banking only at the time of filling up the online application form.

Last Date of Final Submission of Application: By 4th Week of June, 2024. (Tentative. Exact date to be notified shortly)

Date of Entrance Test: 11th July, 2024.

Venue: Cotton University

All interested candidates are advised to carefully read the eligibility criteria and details of the admission process before applying. The University reserves the right to modify the admission process as and when deemed necessary.

This Notice has been issued with approval of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Cotton University.


Academic Registrar

Memo No. CU/Acad/PhD Admission/2024/232// 453 -463

Dated 31.05.2024

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1. Pro-Vice Chancellor
2. PS to VC for kind appraisal of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor
3. PS to Registrar
4. All Deans
5. Controller of Examination
6. Convenor, PhD Admission Committee 2024
7. Officer-in-Charge, Ph.D. Entrance Examination-2024
8. Convener, Ph.D. Enrolment Committee-2024
9. All Heads of Department
10. Finance Officer
11. CSM, with a request to upload the document in CU website
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