

Modifications in the regulations of M.Phil./Ph.D. Programmes

The following modifications in the existing regulations of M.Phil./Ph.D. programmes from the academic year 2016-2017 be followed:

1. **A Ph.D. degree holder in the subject Yoga is only eligible for guiding Ph.D. students in yoga.** Similarly the institution where the guide is working and the student is registered, should have recognition for Ph.D., course. This is in accordance with the latest UGC notification. (The existing status is the guide who has completed Ph.D. in other subject but holds the P.G. Degree in Yoga is eligible to guide Ph.D. candidate.)
2. A candidate who is seeking permission for re-registration should write the paper in the current syllabus if he/she does not complete the paper on earlier occasions.
3. **'Ph.D. Course work certificate'** may be given to all Ph.D. research scholars to those who have cleared all the papers prescribed in the Part I course work, (This decision is taken as many institutions seek the above certificate for employing the candidates who have completed the Ph.D. after completing the preliminary M.Phil. course papers) if request has received from the passed out candidates.
4. One year Post Doctoral Experience abroad with evidence of research publications during that period is counted for getting guide recognition.
5. The guides shall submit 4 to 6 members in the panel of examiners for both foreign and Indian examiner panel (for Ph.D).
6. The regulation that the research supervisors who are recognized by Bharathiar University (including Category B) cannot be the examiners for adjudicating the thesis shall be strictly adhered.
7. The pre synopsis viva-voce report as per the UGC norms should also be submitted along with the synopsis modality should be framed.
8. One month period may be allowed for each examiner in the panel for giving Report.
9. Full-time faculty who is a recognized Ph. D., research supervisor in any of the Universities and working in the cadre of Assistant Professor or an equivalent cadre / Scientist B in accredited research institutions with Post-Graduate teaching as well as research experience having at least two research publications in standard National and International Refereed and Indexed Journals after the award of Ph. D., degree shall be considered for appointment as Indian or Foreign Examiner for adjudication of the Ph. D., thesis, and the research supervisors shall provide the website details about the examiners for verification
10. Ph.D. candidates shall publish at least one research paper in a refereed standard journal before submission of the thesis in Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences and Languages subjects. For science subjects at least one research paper shall be published in refereed/SCI/SCIE/SCOPUS/other indexed journals before submission of the thesis and the same shall be shown in the form of acceptance letter or as reprint with a certificate from the guide to this effect. Publications in Proceedings of Conferences/Seminars shall not be considered. The candidates whose research papers have been accepted for publication in the journals may be allowed to submit the synopsis of the thesis.

11. The doctoral committee should certify the quality of research and the quality of publications. Without such certificate, the thesis shall not be accepted / processed by the Research Section of the Office of the Controller of Examinations.
12. No fresh offer for adjudicating the Ph. D., thesis shall be given for an examiner who has three adjudication assignments against his/her name at a time. The same examiner shall be considered for the adjudication assignment if the number of such assignments is less than three at a time.
13. Existing regulation on the date of submission of the thesis as specified in the registration form shall hold. Research candidates shall be permitted to submit the synopsis three months before the submission of the thesis. (for Ph.D)
14. Hard copies of the evaluation reports duly signed by the examiners shall be considered for further processing. However, soft copies of the evaluation report can also be considered provided the adjudicators submit the adjudication reports in the format prescribed by the University along with the affiliated official letter head duly signed by them with proper seal (stamping). (for Ph.D)
15. Existing page restrictions for synopsis (a maximum of 6 pages) and for thesis (a maximum of 250 pages) is altered. Accordingly, the number of pages for synopsis and thesis shall be fixed as 6 to 10 pages (not beyond 10 pages) and 250 to 275 pages (not beyond 275 pages). This shall be strictly adhered.
16. There shall be no change in the existing regulation on the mode of conducting viva-voce examination. Accordingly, the possibility of conducting the viva-voce examination through the mode of video conferencing shall be ruled out.(for Ph.D)
17. Acceptance / consent letters of examiners while submitting the panel of examiners may be provided along with the bio-data.
18. Submission of the panel of examiners shall be in a sealed cover. Engaging candidates to carry the panel in unsealed covers should be avoided.
19. Declaration on the accuracy and the correctness of the particulars about the examiners like designation, affiliation, email and contact address may be submitted along with the panel of examiners.