

## 1. DURATION OF THE PROGRAM

- For the two types of scholars, the length of the Ph.D. program, including coursework, is as follows:

S. No.	Candidature	Duration	
		Minimum (Years)	Maximum (Years)
1	Full-Time Scholars	3	6
2	Part-Time Scholars	4	6

- Under the provisions of applicable statutes and rules, extensions beyond the maximum duration shall be taken into consideration on a case-by-case basis.
- Women academics and people with disabilities (greater than 40% disability) may receive a two-year reduction of the maximum Ph.D. duration. Additionally, women researchers are eligible for one 240-day Maternity/Child Care Leave during the course of their Ph.D. program.
- If a scholar doesn't submit his or her final research proposal or six-month progress report within the allotted time, the minimum time period will be extended appropriately, but not more than six years.

## 2. PROCEDURE FOR ADMISSION

- Candidates who meet the requirements and wish to enroll in the Ph.D. program at Nims must submit an application online at <https://admission.nimsuniversity.org>.
- Before submitting the application in its entirety, the candidate must make sure that it is fully filled out and that all required papers have been uploaded. Applications that are incomplete won't be accepted. Interim correspondence won't be taken into consideration. The application fee for the Ph.D. entrance exam is Rs. 2000 (non-refundable).
- The candidates will typically be qualified for admission to the Ph.D. program in the field/discipline in which they earned the PG degree. A applicant may, however, seek for admission in a field that is linked to the one in which he or she earned a graduate degree.
- At the time of admission or registration in Nims, the applicant requesting admission as a part-time scholar must provide a NOC from his or her current employer.
- Transfer Case to Nims University Rajasthan, Jaipur from Another University
- A candidate who is already registered for a Ph.D. at another university and wants to register for a Ph.D. at Nims will often be handled as a new Ph.D. candidate. He or she must reapply and complete the registration process as necessary.
- The work completed during the previous registration will not be granted credit. The URC may, however, allow a candidate registered with the supervisor in his or her

earlier University to transfer earned credits and register at NIMS in exceptional circumstances, such as the supervisor joining NIMS.

- Such candidates will register for Ph.D. through a protocol presentation to the URC that includes all case specifics and already completed work. If the URC is satisfied with the case's merits, it may suggest that the person register with NIMS.
- The URC may permit the transfer of credits for the coursework finished during the earlier registration if it is satisfied. While determining whether the research completed for the award of a Ph.D. is sufficient, URC may also permit work completed during an earlier registration that was not previously published for the award of another degree or diploma in another university.
- Such applicants will have to submit a letter explaining their decision to cancel their Ph.D. registration with the prior University.
- Woman scholar moves because of a marriage or for another reason, the research data may be transferred to the university where she plans to enroll, provided that all other requirements of these Regulations are met in full and the research work is independent of any funding agency projects that the parent institution or supervisor may have received funding. However, the student will properly credit the university and the parent mentor for the portion of the research that has already been completed.

### 3. SELECTION PROCEDURE

- In a given academic year, there will be two sessions for research scholar selection and provisional registration as follows:

January – June

July - December

- The announcement for Ph.D. admissions must be posted on the Nims website
- Both the entrance exam and the personal interview will be used to select applicants for admission.

#### **Entrance Examination:**

- The entrance examination will consist of 100 multiple choice questions of equal marks containing 50 questions each from research methodology and subject specialization.
- There is No Negative marking for incorrect answers.
- Candidates who have passed M.Phil./NET/JRF/SLET/GATE examinations are exempted from the written examination.
- Candidates will be selected as per the number of vacancies in the department.

**Personal Interview:** All the candidates have to appear before the interview board duly constituted by the URC. Constitution of the Interview Board is as follows

- All DRC members
- Prospective supervisors
- One expert from outside the department
- One URC nominee

The interview board will prepare the merit list as per the following marking scheme:

<b>WRITTEN EXAMINATION – MARKING SCHEME</b>		
<b>Part A</b>	<b>Part B</b>	<b>Qualifying Marks</b>
Research Methodology Marks	Subject Marks	(Written exam marks)
50	50	50 (in written exam)

After written examination only the candidates scoring marks  $\geq 50$  will be called for interview.

<b>FINAL MERIT LIST – MARKING SCHEME</b>		
<b>Qualifying marks</b>	<b>Interview Marks</b>	<b>Total</b>
70	30	100

- At the time of the interview, no supervisors will be assigned to the candidates.

#### **4. CANDIDATURE OF Ph.D. SCHOLARS**

- Full-time research researchers are individuals who enroll in a Ph.D. program at Nims University Rajasthan, Jaipur (Nims) on a full-time basis and are not employed elsewhere.
- PART-TIME Research Scholars: Part-time research scholars are individuals who are registered for a Ph.D. at Nims and are currently employed in any college, school, institute, or enterprise.
- Part-time – External: A scholar employed outside Nims.
- Part-time – Internal: A scholar who is Nims employee.

##### **Change in Candidature**

- With the consent of the SDC/DRC and DoR, the University may allow a student to change their enrollment status from part-time to full-time if there are good grounds for it.
- A registered scholar who is working full-time is not permitted to switch to a part-time schedule for at least three years after registering (the minimum period required for a Ph.D. program). The minimum and maximum research periods for

these scholars will be determined pro rata, based on the time already accomplished in full-time or part-time mode.