



FAKIR MOHAN UNIVERSITY

Vyasa Vihar, Nuapadhi, Balasore, Odisha, Pin- 756089

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Admission Notice for Ph.D. 2026-27

Online applications are invited from eligible candidates for admission into the Ph.D. Programme in different departments of Fakir Mohan University. The last date for submission of application is **28-07-2026**. For details, please refer Information Bulletin, which is available in the University website at <https://fmuniversity.nic.in/>. Candidates are required to submit hard copies of their application forms along with relevant documents to the respective departments for scrutiny.

By order of the Vice-Chancellor


Chairman, P.G. Council

Ph.D. Programme

(Ph.D. & Executive Ph.D.)

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

EVENTS	DATE
Commencement of Online Registration and submission of application form through FMU link: https://fmuniversityadm.samarth.edu.in https://fmuniversity.nic.in/	18-07-2026
Last date of Online Registration	28-07-2026
Last date of submission of hard copy of the application along with other documents to the office of the respective P.G. Depts.	31-07-2026 (by 05:00 PM)
Publication of list of eligible/ ineligible applicants by the respective Depts. in the University website	*07-08-2026 (by 05:00 PM)
Downloading of Admit Card for attending viva-voce/ interview	*13-08-2026 (by 05:00 PM)
Date of viva-voce/ interview	*18-08-2026
Publication of Result by respective Departments	*24-08-2026 (by 05:00 PM)
Date of Admission and payment of fees	*28-08-2026 to 29-08-2026
Date of commencement of classes	*01-09-2026

N.B. *mark indicates the tentative dates

- a) All candidates must read the instructions carefully in the Information Bulletin before applying.
- b) Eligible candidates who wish to take admission into Ph.D. programme in F. M. University can apply for Online Application form. Both the categories i.e., JRF/NET qualified and candidates who have qualified National Eligibility Test (NET) under Ph.D. only (Category- 3) are required to apply through the online application form. The application form in any other mode will not be accepted. The hard copies of the online application form should reach the respective P.G. Departments of the University. The candidates who have applied through online and submitted the online forms can be taken into consideration for their eligibility.
- c) Download the Information Bulletin and ensure your eligibility before the payment of the fee (Non-refundable). **No request for refund of fee once remitted by the candidate will be entertained by the University in any circumstances.** The admit card shall be generated only after verification of the payment for each candidate by the University authority. The admit card shall be downloaded from the website (<https://fmuniversityadm.samarth.edu.in/>) by using the individual login credentials.
- d) Follow the instructions/steps for filling online application.
- e) Download and save the confirmation page of the online application form for future reference.
- f) It is not possible to alter or modify the information entered by candidates during registration under any circumstances. Thus, all are advised to take utmost care while entering email ID, phone number, name, and other relevant information are correct and of their own.
- g) Candidates are advised to stay connected with the official website of **the university website** and the individual login for latest updates or any change or for further instructions.
- h) No TA/DA shall be provided to appear at the examination or interview.

1. Objectives of Ph.D. Programme

The major objectives of the Ph.D. program of Fakir Mohan University are (a) to enable students to conduct original research in a specific field or discipline and to make a significant contribution to the body of knowledge in their chosen area of study; (b) to promote critical thinking and the development of advanced problem-solving skills; (c) to encourage interdisciplinary or multidisciplinary research, enabling candidates to draw from multiple fields of study to address complex research questions; (d) to nurture leadership skills and encourage candidates to push the boundaries of knowledge by adhering to high ethical standards in their research, follow ethical guidelines related to data collection, human subjects, and academic integrity; (f) to be in forefront of innovation and can contribute to their fields in transformative ways by gaining the ability to secure research funding and publish scholarly work, and finally (g) to make a broader societal impact by addressing real-world problems, influencing policy, and contributing to the betterment of communities and society at large.

2. Categories of Ph.D. Programme

Fakir Mohan University offers the following two types of Ph.D. programme:

- a) Ph.D. in Regular mode (Ph.D.)
- b) Ph.D. in Executive mode (Executive Ph.D.)

3. Eligibility criteria for admission into Ph.D. Programme

The following candidates are eligible to seek admission to the Ph.D. programme of Fakir Mohan University:

For Regular Mode

The candidates who have qualified in:

- i. **Category 1:** National level fellowship/ scholarship such as JRF (UGC/ CSIR/ ICMR/ ICSSR/ ICAR etc.).
- ii. **Category 2:** National Eligibility Test (NET) conducted by UGC/CSIR and valid GATE score.
- iii. **Category 3:** National Eligibility Test (NET) in the category for admission to Ph.D. programme only and not for the award of JRF or appointment as Assistant Professor.

are eligible to apply for Ph.D. in regular mode if they fulfil either of the following degree eligibility conditions.

- a) Candidates who have completed a 2-year/ 4-semester master's degree programme after a 3-year bachelor's degree or a 1-year/ 2-semester master's degree programme after a 4-year/ 8-semester bachelor's degree programme or a programme or qualifications declared equivalent to the master's degree by the corresponding statutory regulatory body, with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed.

OR equivalent qualification 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 to assess, accredit or assure quality and standards of the educational institution.

A relaxation of 5% marks or its equivalent grade may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/ Differently-Abled, and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the UGC from time to time.

Provided that a candidate seeking admission directly after a 4-year/8-semester bachelor's

degree programme as per NEP-2020 should have a minimum of 75% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade on a point scale wherever the grading system is followed. A relaxation of 5% marks or its equivalent grade may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/ Differently-Abled, and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the UGC from time to time.

- b) Candidates who have completed the M.Phil. programme with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed or equivalent qualification 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 to assess, accredit or assure quality and standards of educational institutions, shall be eligible for admission to the Ph.D. programme. A relaxation of 5% marks or its equivalent grade may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/Differently-Abled, and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the UGC from time to time.

For Executive Mode

Candidates working in executive positions such as Director/ Manager/ Scientist etc. in non-academic institutions of national/ international repute are eligible to apply for Ph.D. in Executive mode if they fulfil the following conditions.

- a) Candidate shall have Master's Degree or any other Degree/ Diploma of the University or any other Degree/ Diploma of any other University/ Institution recognized as equivalent thereto, with minimum of 55% marks or equivalent Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) or an equivalent Grade. Due relaxation shall be given to the applicants belonging to the reserved categories as per the rules of the State Govt./ Govt. of India. The candidate should possess a good moral character, certified by the Head of the Institution/Department last attended, to be enclosed along with the application for registration.
- b) Experience: Five years of post-qualification experience (experience may include stints at multiple organizations) for candidates holding Master degree in relevant disciplines.
- c) Candidates need to provide a '**NO OBJECTION**' certificate issued on a proper letterhead from the appropriate authority in the organization or employing authority, stating it has no issues with the candidate for pursuing Executive Ph.D. and will grant leave to undertake Course work in F.M. University. No commitment of financial support or the continuation of their employment during or after the PhD is required.
- d) The candidates must be currently working in any of the following category of organisations having national/ international repute.
 - i. Private/ Government companies, research organizations, Ministries of central and State Governments.
 - ii. Defence or other ministries of the Government of India or any other government organizations.
 - iii. Established industrial research and development organizations.
 - iv. Autonomous bodies and public undertakings excluding academic institutions.

4. Selection Procedure

For consideration of admission into Ph.D. it is mandatory for the candidates to appear interview/ viva-voce, which shall be conducted by the concerned department. Candidates are required to submit a broad outline of the proposed research work at the time of verification of original documents on the day of the interview. The candidates found provisionally eligible during the verification have to present their proposal in front of the board and appear at the interview. The following modes will be adopted for selection of the candidates.

- For those candidates having JRF/ NET (LS) prior to 2024, the selection will be done based on personal interview only.
- For the candidates who had qualified for national level fellowship/ scholarship in UGC-NET/ UGC-CSIR NET/ GATE/ CEED and similar National level tests, the selection will be done based on interview only.
- For all candidates qualified through UGC/ NET/ UGC-CSIR NET/ GATE/ CEED and similar National level tests in 2024 onwards for appointment as Assistant Professor and admission to Ph.D. or Admission to Ph.D. only, the selection will be based on the performance in the NET/ GATE examination and the interview/ viva-voce with weightages of 70% for the national level test and 30% for the interview.
- For the Executive Ph.D. candidates, selection will be based on interview only.

5. Application Process

Eligible candidates who wish to apply for admission into Ph.D. program in the selected subjects (for details see vacancy in point no. 8) can register through the online SAMARTH registration portal.

Following are the important instructions for filling up the online application form

- The candidates should have a valid email ID and phone number before applying the online application form for admission into Ph.D. programmes in Fakir Mohan University.
- The applicants should keep ready a scanned copy of a passport size photograph, scanned copy of signature and other documents (all in .jpg / .JPEG file format) before filling up the online application form. Candidates seeking admission into different Ph.D. programmes of the University should follow the following steps for successful submission of application.
- The online application must be submitted as per the dates notified on the University website.
 - STEP 1: Read the eligibility criteria carefully**
 - Step 2: Payment of Application Fee**

Candidates are required to pay the prescribed application fee as detailed below.

Fee Type	Category	Ph.D.	Executive Ph.D.
Application Fees	For Unreserved Candidates	1,500/-	1,500/-
	For ST/SC/PwD/ Women Candidates	750/-	1,500/-

The payment should be made through the UPI as given below.



The application fee, once paid, shall be non-refundable under any circumstances. Candidates who fail to pay the prescribed application fee, or pay an incorrect amount, their candidature shall be rejected.

Step 3: Filling up the online application form

After successful payment of the prescribed application fee, candidates shall fill in the online application form with all required particulars and submit it online.

Following steps are required for filling up the online form.

- Online registration form is available in the University Website <https://fmuniversityadm.samarth.edu.in>
- Applicants are required to fill all the entries & upload necessary documents in the online application form before pressing the submit button.

iii. STEP 3: Submission of hard copy of the application form along with supporting documents

Download the successfully submitted online application form. The **hard copy** of the form along with following documents must be submitted to the respective HOD/ Coordinator of the P.G. Department, Fakir Mohan University, Balasore.

- a) Evidence for payment of Application fees.
- b) Self-attested photocopies of Mark-sheets and certificates of all examinations passed beginning with matriculation of HSC.
- c) Proof of qualifying UGC-CSIR-NET/GATE/SLET/INSPIRE Fellowship.
- d) No Objection Certificate from the employer, in case of employed.
- e) Self-attested copies of Caste certificate/ Disability certificate, if any.
- f) Any other relevant documents

N.B.: (i) The candidate will be held responsible for any wrong information provided by them in the filled in application form, which may lead to the cancellation of his/her application/ admission for the programme. (ii) All information related to the admission into the Ph.D. programme will be notified in the University website and no separate intimation will be sent to the candidate by post. Therefore, candidates are advised to visit the university website regularly.

6. Reservation

Admission into the Ph.D. programme shall adhere to the State-Level reservation policy as applicable.

7. Ph.D. Course Work Centre

Following are the recognized coursework centres of the Fakir Mohan University, Balasore.

Sl. No.	Subject	Name of the Ph.D. Course Work Centre
1.	Applied Microbiology	P.G. Dept. of Applied Microbiology, FMU
2.	Biotechnology	P.G. Dept. of Bioscience and Biotechnology, FMU
3.	Botany	P.G. Dept. of Botany, FMU
4.	Business Management	P.G. Dept. of Business Management, FMU
5.	Chemistry	P.G. Dept. of Chemistry, FMU
6.	Commerce	P.G. Dept. of Commerce, FMU
7.	Computer Science	P.G. Dept. of Computer Science, FMU
8.	Economics	P.G. Dept. of Social Science, FMU
9.	Education	P.G. Dept. of Education, FMU
10.	English	P.G. Dept. of Language & Literature, FMU
11.	Environmental Science	P.G. Dept. of Environmental Science, FMU

Sl. No.	Subject	Name of the Ph.D. Course Work Centre
12.	Geography	P.G. Dept. of Geography, FMU
13.	Geology	P.G. Dept. of Geology, FMU
14.	History	P.G. Dept. of History & Archaeology, FMU
15.	Law	P.G. Dept. of Law, FMU
16.	Mathematics	P.G. Dept. of Mathematics, FMU
17.	Odia	P.G. Dept. of Language & Literature, FMU
18.	Physics	P.G. Dept. of Physics, FMU
19.	Political Science	P.G. Dept. of Social Science, FMU
20.	Sociology	P.G. Dept. of Social Science, FMU
21.	Zoology	P.G. Dept. of Zoology, FMU

8. Minimum Attendance in Course Work

Minimum 75 % of attendance is mandatory to become eligible to fill up form for the Course Work examinations. All classes shall be held in physical mode during the course work period; however, hybrid mode may be used for Executive Ph.D. students.

9. Seat offered (Tentative) for Ph.D. Program, 2026-27

The details of the seat (tentative) offer by the University for the Session 2024-25 is given below:

Sl. No.	Subject	Vacancy
1	Applied Microbiology	02
2	Biotechnology	15
3	Botany	04
4	Business Management	21
5	Chemistry	23
6	Commerce	02
7	Computer Science	07
8	Economics	01
9	Education	08
10	English	07
11	Environmental Science	06
12	Geography	02
13	Geology	05
14	History	03
15	Law	01
16	Mathematics	08
17	Odia	04
18	Physics	03
19	Political Science	02
20	Sociology	04
21	Zoology	05
Grand Total		133

NB. 1: As per the Notice No.4921, dated 20-12-2025 and No. 1304, dated 17-03-2026, this list is prepared based on the vacancy position of Ph.D. scholar provided by the approved supervisors of the University and it may change based on vacancy during the time of admission, availability of recognized guide/supervisor, number of seats advertised & resources available.

NB. 2: University keeps right to fill up or not to fill up all/ any of the seats advertised. Fulfilling the mere eligibility does not guarantee the candidates for admission into Ph.D. programme.

10. Fee Structure for Ph.D. Programme

Sl. No.	Description of the Items		Amount (In INR)	
			Ph.D.	Executive Ph.D.
1.	Application Fees	For Unreserved Candidates	1500/-	1500/-
		For ST/SC/PwD/ Women Candidates	750/-	
2.	Annual Programme Fee (1 st Year)		10010/-	15010/-
3.	Annual Programme Fee (2 nd Year)		4710/-	5260/-
4.	Annual Programme Fee (3 rd Year)		4710/-	5260/-
5.	Annual Programme Fee (4 th Year)		4710/-	5260/-
6.	Annual Programme Fee (5 th Year)		4710/-	5260/-
7.	Annual Programme Fee (6 th Year)		4710/-	5260/-
8.	Annual Programme Fee (7 th Year)		4710/-	5260/-
9.	Annual Programme Fee (8 th Year)		4710/-	5260/-
10.	Library Caution Money		1000/-	1000/-
11.	Registration Fees – Ph.D.		5000/-	5000/-
12.	Re-registration fees after six years - Ph.D. (valid for one year)		15000/-	20000/-
13.	Re-registration fees after seven years - Ph.D. (valid for one year)		15000/-	20000/-
14.	Processing fee for change of Registration/ Guide		1000/-	1000/-
15.	Processing fees for title modification etc.		1000/-	1000/-
16.	Processing fee for valuation of Ph.D. thesis		15000/-	20000/-
17.	Re-examination fees in case of re-submission of Ph.D. thesis		15000/-	20000/-
18.	Duplicate Ph.D. Registration number		1000/-	1000/-
19.	Provisional Certificate		500/-	500/-
20.	Duplicate Marksheet- Ph.D. Course Work		500/-	500/-

NB 1: Besides the above-mentioned fees, candidates need to pay other fees as notified by the University from time to time.

NB 2: Any fees deposited by the candidate shall not be refunded in any circumstances.

11. Interpretation of Rules

The University reserves the right to amend, modify, or cancel any provisions of the admission process without assigning any reason thereof. The decision of the University Authority with regard to anything not covered in this prospectus or has given rise to dispute in interpretation of any rule shall be final and binding.

12. Technical Support

In case of any technical problems and queries, please send an email to dycoe_fm@rediffmail.com.


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