

INSTRUCTIONS OF GURET: 2025-2026

General Instructions:

Prospective applicant can apply for PhD in the available disciplines. Majority of the subjects in which a student can do a Ph.D. at GU are closely linked to one or more departments. An applicant can select a maximum of two options to appear in the eligibility examination known as **GU Research Eligibility Test** or simply GURET in two disciplines

- Applicant fee is Rs.1500.00 (One thousand Five Hundred) only per subject and the bank transaction fee. For appearing 2 (two) subjects, the application fee will be Rs.2500.00+ Bank Transaction Charge.
- For admission eligibility, please see conditions of eligibility.
- All applicants (irrespective of any exemptions) **MUST** go through the Central Application Process (**CAP**) and pay the **CAP** fee after successful completion of the **CAP**. Without the remittance of this fee, you will not be able appear in the **GURET-2025**. The fee should be paid through online payment gateway only.
- GURET 2025(GU Research Eligibility Test 2025) is the first screening test after the CAP for admission into the PhD Programmes of GU, unless an applicant qualifies for an exemption.

An Overview:

1. Admission into the autumn session of the PhD Programme of Gauhati University for the academic session 2025-2026 (August, 2025 to July, 2026) is a three tier process.
 - **The Central Application Process(CAP)**
 - **GURET 2025**
 - **Counselling**
2. Completing the **CAP** DOES NOT guarantee admission into the PhD Programme
3. All applicants, (if you are an International student, please visit **IRW** (the International Relations Wings), **MUST** go through the CAP, irrespective of any fellowship they might have either through any scheme or any research project (see below for exemptions). The **CAP** will be facilitated through this website with a dedicated SAMRTH Portal.

Eligibility:

1. Any person having a Postgraduate degree of GU or from any recognised university or institute in a subject in the Faculties of Arts, Science, Commerce, Management, Law, Technology and Engineering or other professional subjects of GU with not less than 55 (fifty five) percent of marks or equivalent grade in the concerned subject may apply for admission into the PhD programmes in the concerned subject in which the candidate has the Master's Degree or in an allied subject. The minimum marks for SC/ST/OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) candidates or a differently-abled candidate (with equal to or more than 40% disability) is 50% or equivalent grade.
2. Students who have appeared or are appearing in their postgraduate final examinations may also apply for admission into the PhD Programmes. However, such candidates will be required to furnish their results before the final selection list of successful applicants is prepared by the concerned department.

3. An applicant who is in a service (either permanent or temporary or part-time) should have a “No Objection Certificate” from the employer before admission can be allowed.

Selection Procedure:

1. GURET 2025: 100 Marks.
2. Counselling: Selection at the Department Level, following qualification at GURET,2025

International Applicants:

An International Applicant is one who is not a domicile of India. An International Applicant is not required to appear in the GURET. The Counselling Process for International Applicants can be carried out through other methods of available technology.

Before you can be considered for admission into our PhD programme, the following eligibility conditions MUST be fulfilled.

1. You MUST have passed Masters level examination from a university/institute recognised by the UGC.
2. You MUST have secured at least 55% or equivalent grade in your Masters examination.
3. Qualifying Examination: For admission into the PhD Programme of GU, you MUST have passed a course which is equivalent to the two-year Masters Programme that we have here, which is usually taken after twelve (12) years of school and three (3) years of undergraduate course, completing a total of 15 years of education. That is, you MUST have had 17 years of formal education before you can be admitted into an MPhil & PhD Programme. Though this may vary depending on different disciplines.
4. An International Applicant will have to demonstrate proficiency in English either through standardized tests such as TOEFL, IELTS etc., or through a proven record of receiving education in the English language over a considerable length of time.
5. While considering international applications, the DRC (or FRC) of the concerned department will take into consideration the merit of the research proposal, reference letters, and scores of standardized tests such as GRE.
6. There is NO application fee for International Applicant. An International Applicant should visit the IRW (International Relations Wing) to know how to apply.

Important Dates (GURET-2025)

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| • Duration of the GURET-2025: | 2 hours |
| • Online Application Live: | 11-07-2025 |
| • Closing of Online Application: | 16-07-2025 |
| • Admit Card download: | 01-08-2025 |
| • Date of Examination: | 03-08-2025 |
| • Upload merit list(Rank List): | 08-08-2025 |
| • Counselling: | 11-08-2025 & 12-08-2025 |
| • Admission(Online): | 13-08-2025 to 16-08-2025 |
| • Coursework Starts: | 18-08-2025 |

GURET-2025

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Structure, Timing & Marking:

The question paper will contain 100 Multiple Choice Questions. For every right answer, 1 Mark will be awarded and for every wrong answer 0.25 marks will be deducted. There will no marking for un-attempted questions.

The syllabus for the GURET 2025 will be that of the concerned Master's subject. The syllabi for all master's courses can be found in the University Website.

After GURET 2025

- The University will publish a merit list for each subject (in this website only) based on the performance of the student in the GURET 2025.
- The merit list will be considered by each department for counselling.
The final list of selected candidates will be prepared by concerned Department Research Committee (DRC) and uploaded in the website of the Office of the Academic Registrar, GU for online admission of the candidates.

Other Details of GURET-2025

Merit list will be prepared only on the basis of marks obtained in GURET-2025. In case of a tie. i.e. when two or more candidates obtain equal marks, inter-se merit of such candidates shall be decided as follows:

- (i) Resolution by finding the ratio of positive marks and negative marks. Candidate having higher absolute value of the ratio will be given better rank.
- (ii) Resolution by number of unanswered questions. Candidate with less number of unanswered questions will be given better rank.
- (iii) If the resolution is not possible after this criterion, candidates with higher age will be given better rank.

Reservation Policy:

Reservation of seat for OBC, MOBC, SC, ST (P), ST (H), PWD and Economically Weaker Section (EWS) categories will be applicable as per University reservation Policy

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Gauhati University

