

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY DHARWAD

Department of Humanities and Social Sciences

Ph.D. Admission Brochure: Autumn - 2018

Online Applications are invited for admission into the Ph. D. Programme (**in English**) in the Department of Humanities & Social Sciences. The minimum eligibility criteria is as follows:

I. Minimum Eligibility Criteria

Category	Minimum Eligibility
General	55% aggregate overall in M.A. (without round off), or CPI 5.5 on the scale of 10
OBC	55% aggregate overall in M.A. (without round off), or CPI 5.5 on the scale of 10
SC	50% aggregate overall in M.A. (without round off), or CPI 5 on the scale of 10
ST	50% aggregate overall in M.A. (without round off), or CPI 5 on the scale of 10
PwD	50% aggregate overall in M.A. (without round off), or CPI 5 on the scale of 10

Please Note: Corresponding proportional requirements are applicable when the scales are other than on 0-10 (for example, 4.4 on a scale of 0-8 for General Category Candidates). For SC/ST/PwD category candidates, a relaxation of 5% in the qualifying degree is applicable.

Additional Compulsory Requirements:

- UGC-NET Qualified or M.Phil.
- M.A in English

UGC-NET/JRF Qualified Candidates are encouraged to apply.

II. Research Topics/Areas: The department invites research in the field of literary studies and literary theory in English. Areas such as women's writing, feminist philosophy, feminist history, as well as the larger domain of Gender Studies are also emphasized on for future research. The department encourages original and critical thinking through literature in English (including translations).

- The broad research areas are: Gender Studies, English Literary Studies and Literary Theory, Feminist Philosophy
- Essential Skills: Candidates must have completed a Master's degree in English with a training in Literature and Literary Theory.

III. Important Dates:

Dept .	Last date for Application filling	Announcement of shortlisted candidates for Written & Interview	Date of Exam	Announcement of Results	Date of Registration	Commencement of Semester
HSS	01-06-2018	04-06-2018	29-06-2018	05-07-2018	20-07-2018	TBA

*To be Announced.

IV. Selection Process

The following are important guidelines for shortlisted candidates taking the screening test and interview:

1. Shortlisted candidates should report the institute on 29th of June, 2018 at 8 AM.
2. No accommodation will be provided in the campus during the written/interview
3. Please carry the following:
 - Printed copy of the online submitted application,
 - Copy of Application Fees Receipt
 - Research Proposal
 - Statement of Purpose
 - Government issued photo id card,
 - Date of Birth certificate,
 - Degree certificate/s along with marks cards/aggregate percentage,
 - Junior Research Fellowship offer letter from UGC/CSIR/INSPIRE fellowship or any other funding agencies.

- Caste certificate,
- Income certificate, etc.

DO NOT's

- Mobiles are not allowed in the examination hall or onto the interview room
- Department's decision is the final regarding any disciplinary matters
- Institute doesn't take any responsibility of your luggage/items that you leave before entering the examination hall.

- **Written Test and Interview Scheduled Timings:**

- 9:00 AM (Registration)
- 9:30 AM (Written Test);
- 2:00 PM (announcement of shortlisted candidates for interview);
- 2:30 PM (beginning of interviews).

- **Written Test Details:** The written test will be for three hours and carry a total of 50 marks. Total number of questions in the question paper will be three, while the total marks of the paper will be fifty (50). The break-up of the questions would be 20+15+15= 50 marks.

- **Interview Details:** The interview will carry 50 marks. Candidates appearing for Written Test may or may not be shortlisted for Interview.

- **Document Verification:** Only for candidates short-listed for interview. Please carry the following:

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- Research Proposal
- Statement of Purpose
- Copy of Application Fees Receipt
- Government issued photo id card,
- Date of Birth certificate,
- Degree certificate/s along with marks cards/aggregate percentage,
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V. Application Categories and Financial Support: The Department of Humanities and Social Sciences admits Ph.D. candidates under the full time research scholarship categories of Teaching Assistantship (TA) and Fellowship Award (FA) only.

Teaching Assistantship (TA):

Funded by MHRD, the TAs are expected to assist in the academic/administrative work for smooth functioning of the Institute. Students under this category are entitled to financial support as per MHRD norms.

1. For students with M. Tech./M.E./M.Phil. or equivalent degree as the qualifying degree, the assistantship is payable for a maximum duration of 5 years or up to the thesis submission, whichever is earlier. At present, the monthly rate of assistantship is ₹25,000 for the first 2 years and enhanced rate of ₹28,000/- for the remaining period.
2. For students with B. Tech./B.E. or equivalent degree and students with M.Sc. or equivalent as the qualifying degree and having valid GATE score or having Junior Research fellowship (JRF) of UGC/CSIR or DST INSPIRE fellowship, the assistantship is payable for a maximum duration of 5 years or up to the thesis submission, whichever is earlier. At present, the monthly rate of assistantship is ₹25,000/- for the first two years and enhanced rate of ₹28,000/- for the remaining period.
3. To get Teaching Assistantship, the students concerned must assist in teaching, research and/or administrative work as assigned by the respective Academic Unit to the extent of 8 hours of work per week.
4. The continuation of the assistantship will be subject to satisfactory performance of the duties assigned by the Departments as well as satisfactory academic performance.
5. Employees on the rolls (with or without pay) of any organization are not eligible for admission under this category.

As per MHRD directives, the employees of any organizations with or without pay are not eligible for admission under TA category. Candidates selected in this category have to resign from the current job and submit a relieving letter from their employer before joining the programme. Students getting assistantships from the Institute may join projects sponsored by external agencies and obtain corresponding fellowships in lieu of TA ship.

Fellowship Award (FA):

These students are financially supported under various Govt. / Semi Govt. schemes like CSIR, UGC, DAE, DST or DST INSPIRE etc. and some other organizations. The admission procedure and other requirements are same as applicable to TA.

VI. Syllabus:

- Literary Theory and Criticism
- Analysis/Appreciation
- Detailed Research Plan/Proposal/Interests