

ELIGIBILITY

Candidates must have either already obtained an MPhil or those holding MSc/MA must have displayed special aptitude such as completion of a research thesis (or project of comparable scope) or scholarly publication(s) from a recognised University. They must have passed with at least 55% or an equivalent grade/ class.

Relaxation in marks for reserved categories as per the Government of NCT of Delhi norms.

Meeting the eligibility criteria will not ensure admission which will also be dependent on a research proposal, entrance test and interview.

Research Proposal: It should be up to five double-spaced pages and must be submitted with the application. The document should give a background of the proposed research, its questions/ objectives, a description of the chosen conceptual frameworks, and the historical-geographical context of the research.

The proposal should be sent to researchshe@gmail.com. The weightage of the Research Proposal to admission is 25%.

Entrance Test: It will comprise essay style questions addressing contemporary issues at the interface of environment and human society. It will presume an ability to respond to the questions from a broad social sciences perspective. Expected readings will be circulated beforehand.

The weightage of the Entrance Test is 50%.

The weightage of the Interview is 25%

Satisfactory performance in the admission procedure requires obtaining a minimum of 55% in proposal assessment, entrance test and interview combined for General and 50% for Reserved Category students.

APPLICATION DATES*

On-line Application:

22 September to 31 October 2014

Entrance Test:

8 December 2014

Interview:

10 December 2014

Last date to send Research Proposal:

31 October 2014

*Consult the website: www.aud.ac.in for more information or further entrance related details, or write to: rohit@aud.ac.in

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PhD

School of Human Ecology

2014 – 2017

SHE



AMBEDKAR UNIVERSITY DELHI

SCHOOL OF HUMAN ECOLOGY (SHE)

SHE aims to develop a deep and multifaceted understanding of environmental issues that includes perspectives from the social and the natural sciences. The School expects its students to graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to analyse and address environmental concerns keeping in mind social equity, academic rigour and ecological sustainability.

PHD ADMISSIONS 2014

Applications are invited for PhD in the fields of:

- Applied Ecology
- Environmental and Ecological Economics
- Environmental History
- Urban Development and Environment
- Political Ecology
- Natural Resource Management
- Land Use Change
- Rural and Agrarian Change
- Environment and Public Health

SUPERVISORY ARRANGEMENT

A Supervisor from SHE shall be assigned after the offer of an admission has been made. A PhD Advisory Committee (PAC) shall be constituted for each scholar, which would meet regularly to recommend coursework and monitor the research scholar's progress during the programme.

Candidates are encouraged to discuss their proposed research with possible supervisors at AUD before beginning the application process. Co-supervisory arrangements are possible with experts and scholars outside the School or even outside AUD on condition that they have recognised academic credentials, and the Research

Studies Committee (RSC) of the School should be convinced that the involvement of this person would significantly enhance the quality of the doctoral scholar's research.

COURSE WORK

Candidates admitted without MPhil are required to complete a minimum of 16 credits of course work within a period of one or two semesters as prescribed by the RSC of the School.

The order in which these courses are completed and the number of credits to be undertaken in one or two semesters is determined by the RSC on the basis of the recommendation of the candidate's PhD Advisory Committee (PAC). The RSC has the right to prescribe course work even to admitted doctoral scholars already holding MPhil degrees.

Participation in course work presumes a scholar's residence in the Delhi region during the officially recognised academic year/ sessions and the scholar's regular attendance of classes and related exercises. Exceptions to the 'residency requirement' could be made for scholars who are prescribed course work or 'pre-thesis' learning activities of a kind which cannot be fulfilled at AUD or which the research studies committee specifically prescribes to be done in some other place/under special conditions.

Other courses and pre-submission activities could be prescribed to a doctoral scholar by the RSC, according to the scholar's particular research requirements.

FEES:

Rs.1,250 per credit for Course Work + Rs.5,000 per semester during Research/ Dissertation + Rs.500 per semester for Student Welfare Fund + Rs.5,000 as refundable Security Deposit.

Partial support available for eligible candidates from the Student Welfare Fund; TA-ships may be offered to eligible candidates.

STIPEND:

As may be determined by the AUD Standing Committee Research from time to time.

MONITORING PROGRESS OF PhD CANDIDATES

The duration of the doctoral scholar's enrolment is subject to the general research studies regulations of AUD. Scholars enrolling with MPhil may submit a dissertation for examination no sooner than 18 months following enrolment, while those enrolling without MPhil may submit it no sooner than 24 months after enrolment.

Four milestones in the PhD process will be monitored by the supervisor and the RSC:

- Successful completion of coursework: normally within 12 months of enrolment.
- Presentation and defence of research synopsis: between 12 and 18 months after enrolment.
- Mid-term research seminar: public seminar to be arranged by the SHE RSC.
- PhD defence in presence of AUD supervisor, co-supervisor (if any), thesis examiners, and any other invited expert.

ADMISSIONS 2014

SEATS: Up to 6 (including reservations as per the Government of NCT of Delhi norms).

HOSTEL: AUD has about 40 seats for women in its hostel in Kashmere Gate and about 20 seats for men in Dwarka.