

School of Human Ecology (SHE)

PhD Programme
Admissions 2017



Ambedkar University Delhi (AUD)

(Established by the Government of the National Capital
Territory of Delhi)

Lothian Road, Kashmere Gate, Delhi- 110 006

SCHOOL OF HUMAN ECOLOGY (SHE)

SHE aims to develop a deep and multifaceted understanding of environmental concerns 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 2017

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) would 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 the conditions 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.

Participation in course work presumes a scholar's residence in 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 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. 1450 per credit for Course Work or Rs.5,510 per semester during Research/ Dissertation + Rs.500 per semester for Student Welfare Fund + Rs.5,000 as refundable Security Deposit

Partial/ full fee waivers and scholarships available.

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

MONITORING PROGRESS OF PHD CANDIDATE

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 defense of research synopsis: between 12 and 18 months after enrolment.

◇ Pre-submission presentation: public seminar to be arranged by the SHE RSC.

◇ PhD defense in presence of AUD supervisor, co-supervisor (if any), thesis examiners, and any other invited experts.

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SEATS: 7 (including reservations as per the Government of NCT of Delhi norms).

HOSTEL: AUD has about 45 seats for women in its hostel in Kashmere Gate.

ELIGIBILITY

Candidates must have either already obtained 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).

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 but will also be dependent on research proposal, entrance test and interview.

Research Proposal: It should be up to 3000 words, to be uploaded 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 will be checked for originality. Plagiarism is grounds for rejection of application.

Entrance Test: It will comprise essay 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 **Research Proposal** is 25%.

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 Category and 50% for the Reserved Categories.

APPLICATION DATES*

On-line Application: Until 10 July 2017

Display of List of Eligible Candidates: 15 July 2017

Entrance Test: 25 July 2017

Interview: 25 July 2017

*Consult the website for further entrance related details.

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