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The College offers Research Programmes (Full Time and Part Time) in the following disciplines:

Computer Science	M.Phil & Ph. D	Commerce	M.Phil & Ph. D
Electronics	M.Phil & Ph. D	Management Studies	M.Phil & Ph. D
Biotechnology	M.Phil & Ph. D	English	M.Phil
Tamil	M.Phil & Ph.D		

ELIGIBILITY FOR M.PHIL. RESEARCH PROGRAMME (FULL TIME/PART TIME)

Candidates who belong to the following categories are eligible to register for **M.Phil.** (Full-Time /Part Time) programme.

1. Candidates with Master's Degree of Bharathiar University in the concerned or related discipline or any other qualification recognized as equivalent thereto by the Syndicate of Bharathiar University.
2. All candidates should have passed a two-year PG programme after 3-year Bachelor's degree programme and Higher Secondary course of 2-year duration after 10-year SSLC (10+2+3+2) for the admission of the programme.
3. A candidate with 55% (5% relaxation for SC/ST candidates in the minimum eligibility marks)of marks and above in the Master's degree and working as Full-time Research Fellows / Technical Assistants / Research Assistants in time-bound Research schemes of one year duration or more in University Departments/Research Departments of Affiliated Colleges/Recognized Research Institutions.

Candidates belonging to the following categories are eligible to register for **M.Phil. (Part-Time)** Programme.

- i) Any person employed in any concern/organization/institution/ R & D Centers / Laboratories situated within Tamil Nadu or Research Institutions recognized by Bharathiar University with a minimum of 55% of marks in the Master's degree. Such candidates shall produce a No Objection Certificate and Service Certificate from the Employer or Head of the Institution (in case of Educational Institutions).
- ii) All teachers working in colleges affiliated to Bharathiar University are eligible. Candidates working as guest lecturers on consolidated pay are also eligible to pursue M.Phil. (Part-time) Programme provided they produce an NOC and Service Certificate from their respective colleges.
- iii) Candidates working in colleges affiliated to Universities other than Bharathiar University have to produce a No Objection Certificate and Service Certificate from the Head of the Institution/ University
- iv) T.C. need not be insisted for admission to part-time M.Phil./Ph.D. programme.
- v) Medium of Language is Tamil for the candidates doing their research in Yoga for Human Excellence for those who have studied UG/PG degree courses in Tamil medium and for the rest of the candidates, the medium is English.

Duration of M.Phil Programme (Full-Time)

The duration of M.Phil Full-time Programme is one year (12months), commencing from 1st November

Duration of M.Phil Programme (Part-Time)

The duration of M.Phil Part-time programme is two years (24 months)

Maximum Period of Completion

The Maximum period for the completion (including extension period) of M.Phil Programme is two years in the case of Full-time candidates and three years in the case of Part-time candidates.

Candidate shall be permitted to appear for Part I examination only after completing the minimum period of six months in the case of full time registration and twelve months, in the case of part time registration.

ELIGIBILITY FOR Ph.D. RESEARCH PROGRAMME: (FULL TIME/PART TIME)

Eligibility

The candidates should have passed a PG degree course (i.e., SSLC+HSC+UG+PG) or (SSLC+Pre-degree+1+UG+PG) or 10-year SSLC plus 3-year Diploma plus two year UG degree and two year PG (10+3+2+2) . A candidate possessing a PG degree with 17 years of total duration of study alone is eligible for admission to Ph.D. Programme.

Candidates belonging to the following categories are eligible to register for **Ph.D.**, (Full Time / Part Time) Programme:

- i) A candidate having a minimum of 55% (5% relaxation for SC/ST candidates in the minimum eligibility) marks in the qualifying examinations
- ii) The part-time candidates belonging to any one of the following categories are eligible:
 - a. Working as a teacher in Department of the University or an affiliated College of this University / Higher Secondary School / High School / Middle School / Polytechnics with in Tamil Nadu, recognized/approved by the Government
 - b. Scientists / Research fellows / Research assistants / Technical assistants / Project assistants / Project Fellows / Research associates / appointed in the research projects funded by recognized

agencies / Government / Industries are also eligible to register for Ph.D. at University Departments, Affiliated Colleges, Research Institutions, or R & D Centre / Laboratories

- c. Chartered Accountant/ Cost Accountant/ Company Secretary and other professionals with a minimum period of two years of experience after obtaining their professional qualification are eligible for Part-time Ph.D. registration
- d. For candidates other than a teacher, any permanent staff in a Government Office/ Private or Public Ltd., Company/a recognized factory/institution/research institution / Educational Institution / business / with a minimum period of two years of experience after obtaining their Master's degree with a minimum of 55% of marks (staff includes Board of Directors, Proprietor and Partner) are eligible for par-time for Ph.D. registration in the relevant discipline

Note:

- i. Recognized factory means an industrial establishment and regulated by the Factories Act.
 - ii. Recognized institution means any institution registered with the Registrar of Societies and has been duly audited by a recognized auditor for the last three years from the date of application and duly supported by an audit certificate.
 - iii. Recognized business means a business organization duly registered with Commercial Tax Department and three years standing in their business.
 - iv. Private/Public Ltd., Company registered under the Companies Act
- e. Candidate working as a Guest Lecturer in a Govt. College or a Govt. Aided College in Tamil Nadu is allowed to registration, subject to the production of NOC and Service Certificate from his/her employer

- f. A candidate already holding a Ph.D. degree in a discipline / subject specialization is eligible to register for a second Ph.D. degree in another discipline / subject specialization
- iii) Transfer Certificate need not be insisted for admission to part-time M.Phil /Ph.D Programme.
- iv) The medium of language for M.Phil /Ph.D. is Tamil for those doing their research in “Yoga for Human Excellence”, provided if they have studied UG/PG degree courses in Tamil Medium and for the rest of the candidates, the medium is English.
- v) Those who are going to register Ph.D. without fellowship must have appeared the Common Eligibility Test (CET) conducted by the Bharathiar University

Candidates Registered for Ph.D. (Part time) outside Tamil Nadu

Candidates from outside TamilNadu (like NIT, CSIR Lab. etc.,) be allowed to register for Part-time Ph.D subject to submission of NOC from HOD/Head of the Employer where the candidate is employed. An additional amount of 5,000/- will be collected as special fee from such candidates other than Tamil Nadu. As per the UGC guidelines the candidates are permitted to do their research under the faculty members who are recognized guides of Bharathiar University working within the jurisdiction.

Duration of Ph. D Programme

PG Degree Holders			M.Phil. Degree Holders	
	Minimum Period	Maximum Period	Minimum Period	Maximum Period
Full Time	3 Years	5 Years	2 Years	4 Years
Part Time	4 Years	6 Years	3 Years	5 Years

COURSE OF STUDY

A candidate applying for registration shall do so, specifying the broad field of research, which shall normally be one related to the field of specialization chosen in his/her PG degree.

The course of study for M.Phil./Ph.D Degree Programme shall consist of three written papers under Part-I and a Dissertation under Part-II of the programme.

Written Papers (under Part-I)

Course I: Research Methodology (Research Methods of the concerned discipline)

Course II Research Trends in the concerned discipline / Advances in the concerned discipline

Course III: Special Paper(Pertaining to the area of specialization chosen by the candidate under a guide)

Dissertation (under Part II)

Candidates shall be required to choose a research problem in his/her chosen area of research and submit a dissertation incorporating the results of his/her investigation, carried out under the supervision of a recognized Supervisor.

PROCEDURE FOR ADMISSION

The University publishes the notification in the University Website or advertise in the leading newspapers for M.Phil. / Ph.D. admissions. Admissions shall be made through a Common Entrance Test (CET) followed by an interview.

The qualifying examinations marks converted to-50 Marks

Common Entrance Test-	35 Marks
Interview-	15 Marks
Total-	100 marks

UGC/CSIR-JRF NET/SLET/GATE/ Teacher fellowship holders / Scientist working in DRDO / faculty of Air Force Administrative College/foreign candidates need not appear for Common Entrance Test.

The qualifying examinations marks converted to : 50 Marks

UGC/CSIR-JRF NET/SLET/GATE: 35 Marks

Interview 15 Marks

Total 100 marks

M.Phil degree holders need not appear for Common Entrance Test, but they have to attend interview for 15 marks and his/her PG marks converted to 50 marks. This total marks of (65) should be converted to 100 marks.

UGC/CSIR-NET/CSIR-JRF/SLET/GATE/Teacher fellowship holders / Scientist working in DRDO/ faculty of Air Force Administrative College/foreign candidates need not appear for entrance test. Such candidates shall be directly admitted to the doctoral programme through interview. However, for the Scientist working in DRDO / faculty of Air Force Administrative college/ foreign candidates the department should conduct entrance test and interview to assess the knowledge of the concerned discipline

The interview committee should be formed with the following members.

- 1). Principal/Dean of the concern discipline
- 2). Head of the Department / Head of the Division
- 3). Recognized guides of the Department / Division

Selection of Supervisor

The Research Supervisor for the selected candidates for M.Phil /Ph.D Programme shall be decided by the Interview Committee where the research interest of the candidate, available specializations in the Department and

vacancy position under each Research Supervisor shall be taken into consideration.

Rules for Change of Supervisor

The change of guide is not entertained during the normal course of research programme. If any of the supervisor has resigned or in case of demise during the course of research, new supervisor will be allotted from the qualified Research Supervisors of the same Department with the consent of the Principal. This change of Supervisor will be effective only by the approval of the Registrar of Bharathiar University. The research scholar shall continue and complete the remaining research with the direct supervision of the newly allotted Supervisor.

Fees

The prescribed fees for the programme shall be displayed by the college notice board and it is to be paid by all candidates every year before the last date

Fees will be collected until submission of Thesis, even during the extension period.

Rules for Attendance

Full Time research scholars should to be present every day and attendance to be signed in a separate register maintained by the College office. The Part Time scholars are expected to be present twice in a month to the department and consult their Supervisor for the regular review of their research.

Research Colloquium

The Research Colloquium will be conducted once in two months and all Full-Time and Part-Time Scholars should attend and present before Research Board, their research progress carried out by them and obtain their consent for the continuance of the their research. They are also expected to fix the further task

to be accomplished. Besides that, every research scholar is required to take active participation in International /National conference/seminar organized by our college or other institutions.

Teaching Assistance

Every Full-Time Scholar should be engaged with the minimum of 8 Hours per Week in Teaching (Theory/ Practical) as per the direction of Head of the Department. Each Scholar is required to maintain a separate Diary for the classes handled by him with the initials of the HOD.

Rules for Doctoral Committee

As per the norms of Bharathiar University, every scholar should undergo at least two Doctoral Committee Meetings during the period of his/her study. The committee shall consists of three members including the Supervisor, the Head of the department and an External Member nominated by Bharathiar University. The first doctoral committee meeting shall be arranged within 9 months from the date of registration in case of FT scholar and within 18 months in case of PT scholar, in which, the scholar is expected to present his/her research proposal with the aid of the Power Point Presentation. The proposal should contain the Review of Literature, Research Problem, Objectives, Scope, Methodology, Hypothesis framed and limitations of the study. At the time of first DC meeting the scholar should possess in depth knowledge in the field of his/her research subject and should have published one paper in refereed journal. The second DC meeting shall be arranged before the submission of synopsis by the researcher in which the committee assesses the quantum of work completed by the researcher, publication in the refereed journal and the pre PhD presentation by the researcher. For the constitution of doctoral committee the research scholar should pay a one- time payment of Rs.8000/ to the institution in which he/she has registered.

Research Ethics Committee

The Ethics Committee is constituted for the benefit of the scholar and research supervisor to settle their grievances related to their research. The committee consists of four members including the Principal as the President and other three members nominated by the president.

Other Facilities

The college has equipped with well-established library functions from 8.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. The e-learning facilities with number of online journals, magazines and e-book facilities are inbuilt within the library. The library offers facility to students to take photo copies of their needed documents.

The college has sophisticated internet center with 50 mbps connectivity to enable the researchers to involve in their research work. It has sufficient laboratory facilities in all discipline of research departments to carry out the research work in their respective field of research.

Regulations

The candidates will be governed by the Ph.D regulations of Bharathiar University, amended from time to time.

Research Schedule

M.Phil. Programme

TASK TO BE ATTAINED	PERIOD OF COMPLETION Full Time	PERIOD OF COMPLETION Part Time
Part I Programme	31 st March	One year
Research Problem Identification and Topic finalization	31 st December	6 months from the date admission
Literature Review, methodology and submission of research proposal with the approval of the Supervisor	15 th March	One year and 3 months from the date of admission
Attending I Review meeting	31 st March	One year and 4 months from the date of admission
Data collection/field survey and completion of data analysis with the approval of the Supervisor	15 th August	One year and 9 months from the date of admission
Publication of an Article in a referred Journal and submission of Rough Draft	Before II Review meeting	Before II Review meeting
Attending II Review meeting	31 st August	One year and 10 months from the date of admission
Submission of Dissertation	20 th September	One year and 11 months from the date of admission

Ph.D Programme

TASK TO BE ATTAINED	PERIOD OF COMPLETION (Full Time)		PERIOD OF COMPLETION (Part Time)	
	With M.Phil	Direct Ph.D	With M. Phil	Direct Ph.D
	2 Years	3 Years	3 Years	4 Years
Research Problem Identification and Topic finalization	Two months from the date of commencement of the course.	Within four months from the commencement of programme	Within four months from the commencement of programme	Within one year from the date of commencement of the programme
Attending I Review meeting	Within 6 months from the commencement of programme	Before 9 months from the commencement of programme	Before 9 months from the commencement of programme	Within one year
Literature Review, methodology and submission of research proposal with the approval of the Supervisor	Within 9 months from the date of admission of the course	Within 12 months from the commencement of programme	Within 12 months from the commencement of programme	Within 18 months
Publication of first Article in a referred Journal	Within three months from the date of admission of programme	Within five months from the commencement of programme	Within five months from the commencement of programme	Within one year
Attending II Review meeting	Within 12 months from the date of admission of the course	Within 16 months from the date of commencement of programme	Within 16 months from the date of commencement of programme	Within 2 Years with two publications
Data collection/field survey	Within 15 months from the date of admission of the course	Within 20 months from the date of commencement of programme	Within 20 months from the date of commencement of programme	Within 3 Years
Completion of Data Analysis	Before 15 months	Before 24 Months	Before 24 Months	Before 40 months
Publication of second Article in a referred Journal	Within 16 months from commencement of programme	Within 22 months from commencement of programme	Within 22 months from commencement of programme	Publication of Third article before 42 Months
Attending III Review meeting	Immediately after publication of 2 nd article	During the 22 nd month programme	During the 22 nd month programme	Within 43 Months

Preparation of synopsis	Within 19th month of the course	Within 27 months	Within 27 months	Within 44 Months
Attending IV Review meeting and Submission of Synopsis	During the 20 th month of the course	During the 30th month	During the 30th month	Within 45 Months
Preparation of necessary rough drafts and thesis correction work	Within 23 rd month of the programme	Within 33 months of the programme	Within 33 months of the programme	Between 45 – 48 Months
Thesis Submission	At the end of the study period	At the end of the study period	At the end of the study period	At the end of the study period