

Department of Humanities and Social Sciences

Research areas and eligibility criteria.

1. **English Literature** (Historiographic metafiction; Psychoanalysis and Popular Culture)
2. **Economics** (Macro Economics)
3. **Linguistics** (Sentence Processing, Language Comprehension)
4. **Philosophy** (Philosophy of science, Philosophy of technology)
5. **Psychology** (Applied Psychology: Counselling/Cognitive)

Following criteria for shortlisting of applications were finalized.

PhD-Regular

Master's or equivalent degree in relevant/allied discipline (English/Economics/Linguistics/Philosophy/Psychology) with 55% marks or 6.0 grade point out of 10 (relaxation for SC/ST candidates as per GOI rules)

OR

Bachelor's or equivalent degree in Engineering from any of the IITs/NITs or any other 'Institute of National Importance' with minimum of 55% marks or 6 grade points out of 10 (relaxation for SC/ST candidates as per GOI rules)

Candidates meeting one of these requirements must also fulfil one of the following additional requirements:

- a) UGC/CSIR- NET or GATE or equivalent qualification
- b) DST-INSPIRE Fellowship

*For PhD in Psychology, as advertised, candidates with sponsored fellowship from funding agencies were shortlisted

Candidates with Bachelor's in Engineering/Technology from any of the IITs and having CGPA/CPI Score of 8 (out of 10) are exempted from GATE requirement.

Part-time PhD

A research scholar under the Part time PhD Programme will carry out major part or all of his/her research work at IIT Ropar under the supervision of supervisor(s) at IIT Ropar. The feasibility of doing this with sufficient intensity will be an important consideration in admitting the scholar in this category.

The candidate should be employed in a reputed University/Institution/Organisation.

Leave is not required for attending the courses.

Minimum eligibility requirements

In addition to possessing the academic qualifications mentioned in the respective departments / centers under a regular PhD program, an applicant should fulfil the following requirements also.

GATE or equivalent qualification

Minimum qualification for these candidates is the same as for full-time candidates except that the requirement of qualifying in a national examination (e.g., GATE or equivalent) is waived off

Professional Experience

The candidate should have a minimum experience of 2 (two) years (full time) after B.Tech./M.Tech/M.Sc./M.A. or equivalent as on the date of registration.

Sponsorship/NOC

Part-time candidates are required to submit a “No Objection Certificate” on a proper letterhead from the appropriate authority in the organization clearly stating the following:

1. The candidate is permitted to pursue studies on a part-time basis.
2. That his/her official duties permit him/her to devote sufficient time for research.
3. Facilities for research in the candidate’s field of research in the area in which admission is sought are available at the candidate’s place of work.
4. He/she will be fully relieved from duty and permitted to reside at the Institute for the period required for residency.

NOC in case of change or organization

If the candidate after joining the PhD program changes the organization, he should get NoC from the new organization as well.

Direct PhD

Students under this category get an opportunity to earn a doctorate in Engineering / Sciences / Humanities just after the Bachelor’s degree.

Minimum Eligibility Requirements:

For Students of Centrally Funded Technical Institutes (CFTIs)

- Research Area will be same as Regular Ph.D Program
- Studying in final year of B.Tech/BE
- No GATE or other equivalent national exam qualification required
- CGPA of at least 8.0 out of 10.0

For Students of Non-CFTIs

- Research Area will be same as Regular Ph.D Program
- Studying in final year B.Tech/BE
- GATE or other equivalent national exam qualification required at the time of joining
- CGPA of at least 8.0 out of 10.0

Programme Details

Regular PhD programme guidelines will be followed

It is further decided that an application will not be shortlisted in case of the following:

- A.** Incomplete Application
- B.** Not fulfilling the academic requirements (UGC-NET, GATE etc. not qualified, preceding degree not in the relevant area etc.)
- C.** The applicant's research interest does not match with the research interest of existing faculty members.
- D.** Discipline was not advertised.