

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR ON LINE PROCTOR BASED
(Ph. D) Entrance Test – 2026-27**

1	Fee to be paid online at the time of submitting the application form	Rs. 5,000/-
2.	Last date for submitting the application form of online Proctor Based examination	Saturday, 30/ 06/2026 Date extended upto Wednesday, 15/07/2026
3	Mode of conduct of Entrance Test	All India Online Proctor Based Entrance Test Examination
4	Admit cards to the candidates who are considered provisionally eligible for online Proctor Based AIET – 2026-27	All the candidates who have submitted the application form by online mode are required to download the Admit Card online one week before the day of online Proctor Based AIET – 2026-27
5	Day, Date and Time of online Proctor Based Entrance Test	Sunday, 19/07 /2026 Revised Date : Sunday, 02/08/2026 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
6	Personal Interview (Paper – III)	03/08/ 2026
7	Declaration of Results	The date will be notified on the DPU website.

Note : Entrance Test fee of Rs. 5,000/- is non-refundable
(The result will be displayed on Vidyapeeth website (www.dpu.edu.in)

Important Instructions:

- Fill the application form online
- Read the instructions before filling the application form
- The candidate is solely responsible for his/her eligibility and the information which he/she has furnished in the application form
- Upload passport size photograph
- Upload scan images of certificates
- Once the application form is complete, make online payment
- After making online payment, submit the application form by clicking the ‘Submit’ button
- **Note that issue of Admit Card is just a permission for appearing to Entrance Test and does not imply that the candidate is eligible for admission.**
- **The candidate will be eligible for the Ph. D. Programme according to merit in the Entrance Test and upon the availability of seats.**
- Candidate should login at least 10 minutes before the commencement of the test.
- Admission will be governed by the Rules and Regulations for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) – 2019 amended in 2022 of Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth, Pune and subsequent changes if any made, therein from time to time.
- The Regulations for Doctor of Philosophy (Ph. D.) Programme is available on the Vidyapeeth website <https://dpu.edu.in/PhDResearchPolicy.aspx>

Dr. D. Y. PATIL VIDYAPEETH, PIMPRI, PUNE

**(Accredited (3rd Cycle) by NAAC with a CGPA of 3.64 on four point scale at A++ Grade)
(An ISO 9001 : 2015 & 14001 : 2015 Certified University and Green Education Campus)**

INFORMATION BROUCHER FOR DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (Ph.D.) Admission – 2026–27

Eligibility criteria for admission to Ph. D. Programme :

For admission to the Ph. D. programme in a subject under any Faculty the applicant shall fulfill the following criteria:

1 Faculty of Medicine:

A candidate who has passed MD/MS/D.M/M.Ch. Degree examination in the concerned subject from an Institute which is recognized by the Medical Council of India/ National Medical Council.

OR

A Candidate having Diploma in National Board (DNB) qualification in the concerned subject

OR

Candidate having passed M. Sc. (Medical) Degree examination from a recognized University in the subject of Anatomy, Physiology, Biochemistry, Microbiology and Pharmacology with a minimum of 55% marks in aggregate.

OR

A candidate having Pharm. D. which is recognized by Pharmacy Council of India.

2 Faculty of Dentistry:

A candidate who has passed a Master in Dental Surgery (MDS) Degree examination in the concerned subject from an Institute which is recognized by the Dental Council of India.

3 Faculty of Science and Technology:

1 Biotechnology & Bioinformatics and Genetics

A candidate having passed Master Degree examination from a recognized University, i.e., (M.Sc. or M. Tech.) Degree from any branch of Science related to Biotechnology, Bioinformatics, such as Chemistry /Biology / Life Sciences / Microbiology/ Biotechnology/ Bioinformatics / Plant environmental/Pharmacy/ Environmental/ Agriculture Science/ Pharmaceutical Sciences/ Nanotechnology etc. with a minimum of 55% marks in aggregate.

2 Computer Science and Engineering

The candidate must have completed Masters Degree (ME/M Tech.) from a recognized University. The acceptable disciplines include: Computer Engineering /Information Technology/Computer Science and Engineering/Artificial Intelligence and Data Science/ Electronics and Telecommunication with a minimum of 55% marks (or equivalent) in aggregate in their masters degree examinations.

OR

Candidates who have completed:

A 1-year/2-semester master's degree programme after a 4-year/ 8-semester bachelor's degree programme or a 2-year/4-semester master's degree programme after a 3-year bachelor's degree programme or qualifications declared equivalent to the master's degree by the corresponding statutory regulatory body, with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed

OR

equivalent qualification from a foreign educational institution accredited by an assessment and accreditation agency which is approved, recognized or authorized by an authority, established or incorporated under a law in its home country or any other statutory authority in that country to assess, accredit or assure quality and standards of the educational institution.

Provided that a candidate seeking admission after a 4 – year / 8 - semester bachelor's degree programme should have a minimum of 75% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade on a point scale wherever the grading system is followed. A relaxation of 5% marks or its equivalent grade may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non creamy layer} Differently –Abled, Economically Weaker Sectio (EWS) and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the Commission from time to time.

3 Design :

A 1-year/2-semester Master's degree in Design, Architecture, Fine arts, Applied arts, Engineering, Design Management, with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade 'B' in the UGC 10- point scale (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed) or an equivalent degree from a foreign educational institution accredited by an Assessment and Accreditation Agency which is approved, recognized or authorized by an authority, established or incorporated under a law in its home country or any other statutory authority in that country to assess, accredit or assure quality and standards of educational institutions.

A 2-year/4-semester Master's degree programme, with the same conditions as in subclause above

4 Faculty of Nursing:

1 A candidate who has passed a Post Graduate degree in Nursing recognized by Council with 3 years teaching or Clinical experience after M.Sc. (Nursing) for enrolment for Ph.D. in Nursing (part-time) under Faculty of Nursing in the respective University.

2 The candidate should have passed M.Sc. (Nursing) with a minimum of 60% marks.

3 Working in Teaching Institution / Hospital / Community Centre / Nursing Department within the University jurisdiction.

5 Faculty of Allied and Healthcare Education:

1 Physiotherapy

1A candidate who has passed a Master of Physiotherapy Degree examination (MPT) from a recognized University with a minimum of 55 % marks..

2 Medical fitness certificate is mandatory to submit, and it is to be endorsed by Government Medical Officer

3 Foreign students' admission process in Ph. D. :

i) Admission of foreign national students, merit list will be based on University Entrance Exam.

ii) Verification of Valid Visa and valid Visa duration of foreign national students, to be verified by respective Institution & University before enrolling students for program.

Full time or Part time scholars

1 Full time research scholars are those who register for Ph.D. on full time basis and are not employed anywhere

2 Part time research scholars are those who are presently employed in and College/Hospital/Institute

Duration

1 Full time : Three years, Maximum five years.

2 Part time : Four years, Maximum six years

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4 Maximum period for submission of thesis will be Six years from the date of provisional registration subject to the approval from the Board of Research Studies/Doctoral Studies/Research and Recognition committee on the recommendations of the guide. There will be no provision for further extension of the period.

2 Optometry

A candidate having passed Master of Optometry Degree examination from a recognized University with a minimum of 55% marks.

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Duration

Minimum 2 years excluding course work or minimum 3 years including course work and maximum 6 years

3 Allied Health Sciences:

A candidate who has passed full time two years Post Graduate Degree in the respective and or related Allied Health Sciences domain from a recognized University with a minimum of 55% marks.

6 Faculty of Ayurved:

A candidate who has passed a Master Degree examination in Ayurved from a recognized Institute which is recognized by the Central Council of Indian Medicine.

(1) The Ph. D. Programme shall be full-time research programme.

(2) The Ph. D. Programme shall not be recognised in case if :

(a) The Ph. D. scholar and the Ph. D. Guide are at different places during the research period.

(b) The working place of Ph. D. scholar and the research place registered for Ph. D. are different.

7 Faculty of Homoeopathy

A candidate who has passed a Master Degree examination in Homoeopathy from a recognized Institute which is recognized by the Central Council of Homoeopathy.

8 Faculty of Commerce and Management:

A candidate having passed Master Degree Examination in Management or Business Administration or Management related subjects with a minimum of 55 % marks from a recognized University in aggregate. The fellow members of the Institute of Chartered Accountants and/or Institute of Cost & Works Accountants of India or Institute of Company Secretaries of India shall be eligible, provided that they possess a Bachelor Degree of any statutory University with a minimum 55% marks in aggregate. Such candidate should have at least 5 years professional experience.

9 Liberal Arts :

A 2-year/4 semester master's degree programme, after a 3-year bachelor's degree programme, with at least 50% marks in aggregate.

10 Ph. D. in Genetics:

A candidate having passed Master Degree examination from a recognized University, i.e., M.Sc. Degree from any branch of Life Sciences and Biotechnology with a minimum of 55% marks in aggregate.

A candidate who have applied from Life Science will get Ph. D. Degree in Genetics from Faculty of Science and Technology.

OR

A candidate who have passed P G (MD/MS) Degree examination in the subject of Anatomy, Physiology, Biochemistry, Pathology, Medicine and Pediatric (Health Science subject) from an Institute which is recognized by the Medical Council of India/ National Medical Council.

A candidate who have applied from Health Sciences subject category will get the Ph. D. Degree in Genetics from Faculty of Medicine.

11 Inter-Disciplinary Research :

Application for research in inter-disciplinary areas and from applicants belonging to a faculty or a subject other than the faculty or subject in which the research is proposed to be done, shall be considered on the basis of the proven ability and aptitude for researcher as evidenced by his/her publications/ research work/academics.

12 M. Phil. candidates

A candidate who have cleared the M. Phil. Course work with at least 55% marks in aggregate of its equivalent grade 'B' in the UGC-7 point scale or an its equivalent grade in a point scale, wherever, grading system is followed and successfully completing M. Phil. Degree shall be eligible to proceed to do research work relating the Ph. D. in the same Institution.

Candidate possessing a Degree considered equivalent to M. Phil. Degree of an Indian Institution, from a Foreign Educational accredited by an Assessment and Accreditation Agency which approved, recognized or authorized by an authority, established authority, established or incorporated under a law in its home country or any other statutory authority in that country for the purpose of assessing, accrediting or assuring quality and standards of educational Institutions, shall be eligible for admission to Ph.D. Programme.

13 Relaxation :

A relaxation of 5% of marks from 55% to 50% or an equivalent relaxation of grade, may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non- creamy layer) differently –Abled, Economically Weaker Section (EWS) and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the Commission from time to time.

International students :

Eligibility

Only nationals of countries other than India can apply in the international student category. At the time of admission, the applicants for the Ph.D programme must have completed a 4-year undergraduate degree or a master's degree from an institution located outside India.

Candidate has to obtain an equivalence certificate from the competent authority in India (UGC) for confirmation of admission to the Ph.D. program at Dr. D.Y. Patil Vidyapeeth, Pune.

**** Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) students** who have obtained their qualifying degrees (10+2 or equivalent, Bachelors, and Masters) in India can apply through the regular departmental admission portal.

Application process

- Online application via DPU Ph.D. admission portal. (web address)
- Email of the application to "info@dpu.edu.in".
- 'Study in India' Programme launched by the Ministry of Education, Government of India.

The email must include Cover letter, CV, research statement, scan of information pages of passport, transcripts and three letters of recommendation. Do indicate your nationality and describe your academic track record in your CV. In your cover letter, indicate the Department of your interest along with name potential Ph.D. supervisor.

Selection process

Selection will be based on pre-screening, followed by an interview process with multiple rounds. The process will be defined by individual departments and communicated to the applicants in advance. Where possible, interviews will be conducted by video conference.

PROCEDURE FOR ADMISSION:

A candidate shall submit online application to the Registrar in the prescribed format available on Vidyapeeth website together with the processing fee, to be paid online within the stipulated time furnishing the following information:-

Those who are working should produce NOC from the HOD as well as Head of Institute concerned and should be enclosed **(Appendix-A)**

Incomplete online application received by the Vidyapeeth shall be rejected and no correspondence shall be entertained by the Vidyapeeth.

The Entrance Test shall be on line mode proctor based consist of two papers and personal interview as viva voce on research proposal

ENTRANCE TEST:

Ph. D. Entrance Test 2026 - 27 : Examination Pattern

	Particulars	Marks	Duration
Paper I	50 MCQs of 1 Mark each on Research Methodology (Common for all students)	50 Marks	1 Hour
Paper II	50 MCQs of 1 Mark each (Pertaining to Specialization/ Interdisciplinary subject)	50 Marks	1 Hour
Paper III	Personal Interview/viva voce on Research proposal etc.	50 Marks	20 Minutes
	Total	150 Marks	

There shall be separate sub-sections for each Specialization such as Medical, Dental, Biotechnology & Bioinformatics, Physiotherapy, Ayurved, Homoeopathy, Management etc.

The qualifying criteria of securing marks for the Ph. D. Entrance Test shall be minimum 50% aggregate marks for the candidates belonging to open Category and minimum 45% aggregate Marks for the candidate belonging to the reserved category in the Entrance Test, to be eligible for the admission.

*** For Nursing Faculty: Entrance Test will be of 100 marks**

- i. Entrance test marks obtained out of 90 marks. (Minimum weightage pass marks for entrance will be 60% of 90 i.e. 54).
- ii. 5 marks for candidates possessing M. Phil. in Nursing.
- iii. 5 marks weightage for publications.

Nursing in which qualifying criteria of securing marks for the Ph.D. Entrance Test shall be minimum 60% aggregate marks for the candidates to be eligible for the admission.

	Particulars	Marks	Duration
Paper I	30 MCQ of 1 Mark each on Research Methodology	30	45 Mins
Paper II	30 MCQs of 1 Mark each (Pertaining to Nursing Specialization)	30	45 Mins
Paper III	Personal Interview / Viva voce on research proposal etc	30	20 Mins
	M. Phil. In Nursing	05	
	Publications	05	
	Total	100	-

Relaxation :

A relaxation of 5% of marks from 55% to 50% or an equivalent relaxation of grade, may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non- creamy layer) differently-abled and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the Vidyapeeth from time to time.

Exemption : will be for candidate who have qualified UGC/CSIR(JRF)/SLET/NET/SET/AYUSH Teacher Fellowship Holder / Candidates already holding M. Phil. degree and admitted to the Ph.D. Programme or those who have already completed the course work in M. Phil. and have been permitted to proceed to the Ph.D. course. However, candidate has to appear for the Paper-III (Personal Interview/viva voce on Research proposal etc.)

The registration of candidates for Ph.D. Degree shall be considered as provisional till the candidate successfully completes Pre-Ph.D. theory course work of one semester duration.

Pre- Ph. D. COURSE :

There will be full time Pre-Ph.D. course of 6 months which is compulsory for all the candidates. At the end of 6 months after provisional registration and on completion of such course of Instruction there shall be a Pre-Ph.D. examination. Candidate has to score minimum of 50% marks in each paper and 55% marks in aggregate of to be considered eligible to proceed with the research work and 50% marks in the case of SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer) candidate.

The candidate has to pass the Pre-Ph.D. examination within two attempts. The Registration for the course will be confirmed only when he/she passes the Pre-Ph.D. examination. If he/she fails in both the attempts, provisional registration shall be cancelled by the Vidyapeeth and no further communication in this regard shall be entertained.

The pattern of Pre-Ph.D. examination

Paper I	Research Methodology and Biostatistics	50 Marks
Paper II	Recent Advances in the concerned speciality	50 Marks
Paper III	Presentation and Discussion (Relevant to the Research topic for Ph.D.)	50 Marks

* For Nursing Faculty:

The provisional registration of the candidate shall be confirmed only after he/she has passed the Pre-Ph.D. examination which shall be conducted after the completion of one year from the date of provisional registration of the candidate. The scheme of Pre-Ph.D. examination is as follows :

Sr. No.	Subject	Duration	Marks
Paper I	Research Methodology & Applied Statistics	3 Hours	100
Paper II	Nursing Science & Theory Development	3 Hours	100
Seminar / Term Paper in the area of research (Internal assessment)	-		100
Viva Voce (Proposal defense)*	-		100

* > = 60% of marks will be considered as pass.

Note: 70% attendance is compulsory for contact hours. If the student does not have 70%, he/she will not be allowed to appear for the Pre-Ph.D. examination, however they have to make up for the same next academic year. The syllabi for both the papers shall be as prescribed by the Indian Nursing Council.

Scope for changing the research topic: The research topic can be changed within one year.

For Physiotherapy:

	Particulars	Marks	Passing Marks
Paper I	Research Methodology & Biostatistics	100	55
Paper II	Domain Specific-Physiotherapy	100	55

REGISTRATION:

Ph. D. Programme shall be for a minimum duration of three years, including Course work and a maximum of six years. The actual term of selected Ph. D. scholar shall be deemed to start from the date of provisional Registration.

However, the same may be further extended for maximum period of two years, being one year at a time, after submission of valid justification by the Ph. D. scholar and by paying prescribed fees as determined by the Vidyapeeth, from time to time. After the extended period, no further extension shall be granted, and if the Ph. D. scholar wishes to pursue the Ph. D. course thereafter, then he shall have to register again as fresh candidate, following the due procedure, including the Ph. D. Entrance Test.

The women candidates and Persons with Disability (more than 40% disability) may be allowed a relaxation of two years for Ph.D. in the maximum duration. In addition, the women candidates may be provided Maternity Leave/Child Care Leave once in the entire duration of Ph.D. for up to 240 days.

* **For Nursing Faculty:** Full time research scholars are those who register for Ph.D. on full time basis and are not employed anywhere. Part time research scholars are those who are presently employed in any College/School/Hospital/Institute/Nursing department within the University jurisdiction.

Fee Structure

The present Annual fee structure for the candidate, admitted to the course under different categories shall be as follows:

Sr.No.	Particulars	Amount (Rs.)
1	Pre-Ph.D. Course fee : (To be paid in the Constituent College/Institute)	5,000/-
2	Annual Tuition Fee : (To be paid in the Constituent College/Institute office per year) a) External Candidates b) Internal Candidates (Candidates employed in the Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth, Pune) c) NRI/PIO/FN Candidates	60,000/- 40,000/- US\$ 1,000
3	Vidyapeeth Registration Fee: (One-time Fee) Fifteen Percent (15%) of the Annual Tuition Fee, payable for the first year only (To be paid in the Vidyapeeth office at the time of enrollment)	

Vidyapeeth Eligibility & Registration Fee (One-time Fee)

Fifteen Percent (15%) of the Annual Tuition Fee, payable for the first year only, shall be paid online by the student separately at the time of filing in the Eligibility Application as Vidyapeeth Eligibility and Registration Fee.

Pre-Ph.D. Examination Fee :

In addition to the above fees, the student shall pay the Pre-Ph. D. Examination Fee as prescribed by the Vidyapeeth from time to time.

Tuition Fee :

The first installment will have to be paid within 15 days from the date of provisional admission. The successive installments will have to be paid within a month from the date of completion of each year. In case of failure to pay the prescribed fee, a late fee, as prescribed by the Vidyapeeth from the due date of payment shall be charged.

Integrated P. G. - Ph. D. Programme Admissions - 2026-27

Vidyapeeth has started Integrated P. G. – Ph. D. Programme under the Faculties of Medicine, Dentistry, Ayurved and Homoeopathy. Students who have been admitted or will be admitted at Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth, Pune through NEET in the Post Graduate Courses i.e. MD, MS, MDS, MD (Ayurved-in Dravyaguna, Rognidan , Kayachikitsa) and MD (Homoeopathy) can apply for this Integrated P.G.-Ph. D. Programme before 00/00/2026.

Appendix – A

No objection Certificate from the Institute

To,

The Registrar,
Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth,
Pune – 411018

Sub : No Objection Certificate for joining Ph. D. Course -
Ph. D. Programme – 2026-27

Sir,

Mr./Ms./Dr. ----- who is working in (name of the
College/Institute/University/Laboratory) as ----- is applying for
Ph. D. Course for the Academic Year ----- . This Institute have no objection for the
same. We are pleased to forward his / her application for admission to full time/part time Ph. D.
Programme at Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth, Pune.

Date:

Signature of the Head Institute

Place:

Name :

Designation:

Ph.D. in following Specialized Branches of the Faculties is being offered by the Vidyapeeth

Sr. No	Name of the Faculty	Specialization	No. of vacant seats
1.	Medicine	1 Anatomy	36
		2 Anaesthesiology	69
		3 Medical Biochemistry	40
		4 Cardiology	23
		5 Community Medicine	01
		6 CVTS	18
		7 Dermatology, Venereology & Leprosy	40
		8 E N T	31
		9 F. M. T.	16
		10 Medicine	67
		11 Respiratory Medicine	32
		12 Emergency Medicine	24
		13 Critical Care Medicine	06
		14 Geriatrics Medicine	08
		15 Surgery	71
		16 Plastic Surgery	22
		17 Surgical Oncology	16
		18 Medical Oncology	04
		19 Genetics	03
		20 Medical Microbiology	10
		21 Nephrology	11
		22 Neurology	24
		23 Neurosurgery	23
		24 Obstetrics & Gynaecology	75
		25 Ophthalmology	62
		26 Orthopaedics	46
		27 Paediatrics	68
		28 Paediatrics Surgery	19
		29 Pathology	80
		30 Pharmacology	19
		31 Physiology	54
		32 Psychiatry	24
		33 Radio-Diagnosis	39
		34 Interventional Radiology	06
		35 Urology	38
		36 Medical Gastroenterology	07
		37 Surgical Gastroenterology	24
		38 Medical Education Technology	07
2	Dentistry	Periodontology	22
		Conservative Dentistry & Endodontics	43
		Oral Medicine and Radiology	16
		Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopaedics	10
		Oral & Maxillofacial Pathology and Microbiology	20
		Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery	27
		Prosthodontics and Crown and Bridge	39
		Pedodontics and Preventive Dentistry	11
		Public Health	04

Sr. No.	Name of the Faculty	Specialization	No. of vacant seats
3	Science and Technology	Biotechnology	65
		Bioinformatics	08
		Genetics	03
		Nanotechnology	03
		Computer Science and Engineering	21
		Design	20
4	Nursing	Nursing	Seat not available
5	Allied and Health care Education	Physiotherapy	22
		Optometry	03
		Medical Radiology & Imaging Technology	02
		Clinical Research	02
		Clinical Embryology	02
		Advance Care Paramedic (Emergency Medical Technology)	02
		Public Health	02
6	Ayurved	Ayurved Samhita & Siddhant	08
		Dravyagune	01
		Kriya Sharir	05
		Panchakarma	05
		Rachana Sharir	04
		Rognidan	03
		Shalyatantra	05
7	Homoeopathy	Homoeopathy	54
8	Commerce and Management *	1 Applied Management Science (Hotel Management/Hospital Health Care Management/Business Analytics/ Biotechnology & Bioinformatics Management/ I T Management/Operation & Supply chain Management/Pharmaceutical Management/ Travel, Tourism & Hospital Management)	12
		2 Finance Management	05
		3 Human Resource Management	11
		4 Marketing Management	09
		5 Computer Applications	02
9	Liberal Arts	Liberal Arts	Seat not available

Note - Seats likely to be increased as per availability of guides