

# **GMRIT Deemed to be University**

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Rajam, Andhra Pradesh



## **PROCEDURE**

**for**

**Ph.D. Admission**

**GMRITDU-RCET-2026**

## **1. PROCEDURE FOR Ph.D. ADMISSION**

The admission is be based on the criteria notified by the GMRITDU, keeping in view the guidelines/norms in this regard issued by the UGC and other statutory/regulatory bodies concerned, and taking into account the reservation policy of the Central/State Government from time to time.

1.1. Admission to the Ph.D. programme is be made using the following methods:

- 1.1.1 GMRITDU may admit students who qualify for fellowship/scholarship in UGCNET/UGC-CSIR NET/GATE/CEED and similar National level tests based on an interview.
- 1.1.2. GMRITDU shall issue notification for Ph.D. admission twice every year. GMRITDU may admit students through an Entrance Test conducted at the level of the eligible individuals. The Entrance Test syllabus shall consist of 40% of research methodology and 60% shall be subject- specific.
- 1.1.3. Students who have secured 50% marks in the entrance test are eligible to be called for the interview.
- 1.1.4. A relaxation of 5% marks or its equivalent grade may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/Differently-Abled (with disability score more than 40%), Economically Weaker Section (EWS) and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the Commission from time to time.
- 1.1.5. GMRITDU may decide the number of eligible students to be called for an interview based on the number of Ph.D. seats available.
- 1.1.6. Provided that for the selection of candidates based on the entrance test conducted by the GMRITDU, a weightage of 70% for the entrance test and 30% for the performance in the interview/viva-voce shall be given.
- 1.1.7. GMRITDU shall notify a prospectus well in advance on the university website specifying the number of seats for admission, subject/discipline-wise distribution of available seats, criteria for admission, the procedure for admission and all other relevant information for the candidates.
- 1.1.8. GMRITDU shall adhere to the National/State-level reservation policy, as applicable.

- 1.1.9. The Research Board constituted by the Vice-Chancellor shall approve and recommend the shortlisted candidates for admission to the Ph.D. programme. The selected candidate shall be admitted for the Ph.D. programme in the respective department based on his/her PG qualification through the office of Dean-R&D.
- 1.1.10. The session of provisional registration for the Ph.D. programme shall be either December/January or June/July of the year in which the candidate is admitted.
- 1.1.11. The candidate reports to the assigned Research Supervisor and finalize the area of research.
- 1.1.12. In case of inter-disciplinary research, the Supervisor may suggest a suitable co-supervisor from within or outside the University.
- 1.1.13. The selected candidates shall be provisionally registered for Ph.D. programme either in the current session in which the candidate is selected or in the subsequent session, failing which will lead to the cancellation of the candidature without any intimation.

*Note: A candidate, satisfying one or more of the above eligibility criteria is not guaranteed the admission into Ph.D. Program. The Ph.D. admission shall be subject to the availability of vacancies with the Research Supervisors in the concerned department, candidate's academic record, the performance of the candidate in the Ph.D. Entrance Test, Ph.D. admission interview / viva-voce and statutory reservation policy.*

- 1.2. GMRITDU shall maintain a list of Ph.D. supervisors (specifying the name of the supervisor, his or her designation, and the department/school/centre), along with the details of Ph.D. scholars (specifying the name of the registered Ph.D. scholar, the topic of his/her research and the date of admission) admitted under them on the website of the institution and update this list every semester.
- 1.3. Candidates working as Project Assistants/JRF/SRF in funded projects without NET/GATE/equivalent qualification and not registered for a Ph.D., are not eligible for direct Ph.D. admission. They must qualify the University Ph.D. entrance test and interview as per UGC regulations. Working in a sponsored research project does not replace the requirement of the entrance examination.