UNIVERSITY OF NORTH BENGAL

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N.B. All columns shall be filled-up properly. Incomplete form shall not be entertained.Eligibility criteria for admission to the Ph.D. Programme under a Department/Centre of the University

The following are eligible to seek admission to the Ph.D programme Candidates who have completed anyone of the following:

(i) 2-year / 4-semester master's degree programme after a 4-year/8-Semester bachelor's degree programme 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.

(ii) 1-year / 2 - semester master's degree programme after a 4-year / 8 -Semester bachelor's degree programme, after a 3-year bachelor's 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.

(iii) 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 the SC/ST/OBC (non- creamy layer)/ Differently Abled, Economically Weaker Section (EWS) and other categories of candidates as per the decision of HED, UGC or any other from time to time.

Eligibility Subjects/Interdisciplinary Subjects for Ph.D., Course Work (2026)

DEPARTMENT	ELIGIBLE COURSE
MANAGEMENT	MBA INTRAVEL & TOURISM MANAGEMENT
	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
	SYSTEMS
	SYSTEMS & OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT
	OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT

	ENTREPRENEURSHIP
	ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT
	M.COM
	MBBS
	ECONOMICS
	STATICS
	M.TECH INDISTRIAL MANAGEMENT
GEOLOGY	GEOLOGY/APPLIED GEOLOGY
HIMALAYAN STUDIES	STRATEGIC AND AREA STUDIES
	HISTORY
	POLITICAL SCIENCE
	GEOGRAPHY
	ECONOMICS
	SOCIOLOGY
	ANTHROPOLOGY
NEPALI	NEPALI
ZOOLOGY	ZOOLOGY
	BIOTECHNOLOGY
	MICROBIOLOGY
	BIOCHEMISTRY
	PHYSIOLOGY
	LIFE SCIENCE
ANTHROPOLOGY	ANTHROPOLOGY
	NUTRITION
	POPULATION GENETICS
	FORENSIC SCIENCE
	SOCIAL WORK
	ARCHAEOLOGY
	GEOLOGY
	HUMAN RIGHTS
	PUBLIC HEALTH
	POPULATION STUDIES
	TRIBAL STUDIES
	FOLKLORE STUDIES
	SOCIOLOGY
	RURAL DEVELOPMENT
	HOME SCIENCE
	WOMEN STUDIES
	GEOGRAPHY
	EDUCATION
	ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE
	CULTURE OF PEACE STUDIES
BOTANY	BOTANY
BENGALI	BENGALI
PHILOSOPHY	PHILOSOPHY
ECONOMICS	ECONOMICS
COMMERCE	COMMERCE
MATHEMATICS	MATHEMATICS
COMPUTER SCIENCE &	COMPUTER SCIENCE
	MCA

TECHNOLOGY	M.TECH
MASS COMMUNICATION	MASS COMMUNICATION
TEA SCIENCE	ALL SCIENCE COURSES
	AGRICULTURE
PHARMACUTICAL TECHNOLOGY	M.PHARM
CHEMISTRY	CHEMISTRY
PHYSICS	PHYSICS
POLITICAL SCIENCE	POLITICAL SCIENCE
HISTORY	HISTORY
ENGLISH	ENGLISH
GEOGRAPHY AND APPLIED GEOGRAPHY	GEOGRAPHY AND APPLIED GEOGRAPHY
BIOINFORMATICS	MSC IN BIOINFORMATICS
	COMPUTATIONAL BIOLOGY
	BIOTECHNOLOGY
	MICROBIOLOGY
	MOLECULAR BIOLOGY MOLECULAR BIOLOGY
	BIOCHEMISTRY
	BOTANY
	ZOOLOGY
	CHEMISTRY
	COMPUTER SCIENCE
	MPHARM OR MTECH IN BIOINFORMATICS
	STATISTICS
LAW	LAW
BIOTECHNOLOGY	BIOTECHNOLOGY
	ZOOLOGY
	BOTANY
	PHYSICS
	CHEMISTRY
	MICROBIOLOGY
	BIOCHEMISTRY
	PHYSIOLOGY

General instruction to the candidates:

1. No postal correspondence shall be entertained
2. Incomplete application shall not be considered under any circumstances
3. No application other than the online application will be considered
4. Persons working in Govt./Semi-Govt./Public Sector Undertaking must apply through proper channel. A No Objection Certificate from the present employer shall be attached
5. The University shall not entertain any application after the last date and shall not be responsible for any delay.
6. The University shall reserve the right to cancel the process of admission to the Ph.D programme of the abovementioned subject(s) without showing any reason whatsoever
7. Application form not properly filled-up or incomplete in any respect, or without requisite documents will be summarily rejected.
8. Wilful suppression of any material fact will also be similarly dealt with.

9. Application fee once paid shall not be refunded under any circumstances
10. Fees structure for Ph.D. programme: A. Ph.D. (Science & Technology) (Amount in Rs.) -20650/
B. Ph.D. (Arts, Commerce & Law) (Amount in Rs.) - 16650/-

Selection Process:

a) Selection for the Ph.D course work shall be done as per UGC Regulation 2022 and subsequent public notice issued by the UGC vide no F.4-1(UGC-NET Review Committee)/2024(NET)/140648, dated: March 27, 2024.
b) Respective department/centre shall conduct the written test, interview and publish the final merit list as per extant State Government policy (SC-22%, ST-6%, OBC-A-10%. OBC-B-7%, EWS - 10%, PWD - 5% in each category).
c) Candidates are requested to keep close contact with the department regarding the part as mentioned in **point b.**
d) Only a department-wise final merit list shall be published in the University website
e) Candidates with NET-JRF/ NET/SET/SLET/ GATE/M.PHIL(2years from a recognised University) / Teachers' fellowship shall appear only in the interview.
f) Excepting the categories mentioned in point (e), all other candidates shall have to sit for the written examination in the respective department/ centre.
g) The written test will consist of 100 marks with 2 hours duration in the form of multiple-choice questions (MCQ) to be conducted by the respective department/ centre.
h) Candidates securing minimum 50% marks in the written test will be called for interview.
i) The credit requirement for the Ph.D. coursework is a minimum of 12 credits,' including a "Research and Publication Ethics" course as notified by UGC vide D.O. No. F.1 -1/2018(Journal/CARE) in 2019 and a research methodology course. The Departmental Research Committee can also recommend the 'UGC recognized online courses as part of the credit requirements for the Ph.D programme, and based on that certificate, the University may accord a Ph.D. Course work completion certificate to a candidate.

Information to the respective Heads / Directors:

1. The paper set by the respective departments for the Ph.D. coursework will be moderated and finalized by the DRC.
2. Respective Heads/Directors of the Departments/Centres will conduct a written test, interview and publication of the final merit list endorsed by the DRC as per the reservation roster of the Govt of W.B, and will display in their respective notice board/e-mail/WhatsApp to the respective candidates.
3. The final merit list shall be sent to the Office of the Registrar, NBU, for uploading on the University website positively before 12 noon of 26th March 2026.
4. MCQ shall also consist of questions from research methodology.
5. The Ph.D. regulation of the University of North Bengal, 2022 in tune with the UGC regulations was approved by the Executive Council in its meeting held on 25.04.2023 under item no 8 with an immediate effect. Furthermore, the Dean and Registrar of NBU in the recent BRS meeting dated 10 and 11 Feb 2026 confirmed the introduction of Ph.D. regulation of the University of North Bengal, 2022.
5. All heads of the department centre shall conduct a written test on 20th March 2026 from 11 AM to 01 PM except the following department/centre (Himalayan Studies, Tea Science Biotechnology Bio-informatics, Zoology and Food Technology).
6. For Centre for Himalayan Studies, Tea Science Biotechnology Bio-informatics, Zoology and

Food Technology on 20th March 2026 written test will be held from 02 PM to 04 PM.

IMPORTANT DATES AT A GLANCE

Admission to Ph.D. Course work for the academic year 2026							
Commencement of online application process	Scrutiny of application form centrally at the VC conference hall	Dates for written test (for non-NET/ SET/ Other categories in the respective dept/ centre)	Date for Viva-Voce (for all eligible candidates)	Publication of Final Merit list	Dates for admission to Ph.d course work in the office of the Registrar	Commencement of Ph.d Course Work classes	Commencement of Examinations
11.03.2026 to 15.03.2026	**17.03.26**	**20.03.26**	**24.03.26**	**26.03.2026**	**30.03.26 to 31.03.26**	**02.04.2026**	To be notified later in due course of time

Detailed information

Department wise vacancy

Sl No	**Name of the Department**	**Proposed no. of scholar to be admitted ***
1.	Biotechnology	09
2.	Hindi	04
3.	Geology	10
4.	Mass Communication	05
5.	Commerce	07
6.	Tea Science	14
7.	Anthropology	09
8.	Geography and Applied Geography	27
9.	English	12
10.	Mathematics	12
11.	Economics	06
12.	Philosophy	12
13.	Library Science and Information	03
14.	Pharmaceutical Technology	11
15.	Physics	14
16.	Botany	12

17.	Management	06
18.	Political Science	04
19.	History	18
20.	Centre for Himalayan studies	04
21.	Microbiology	03
22.	Chemistry	36
23.	Bioinformatics	11
24.	Computer Science and Technology	15
25.	Nepali	11
26.	Zoology	12
27.	Sanskrit	04
28	Food Technology	05
29.	Bengali	15

*Number of intakes is subject to change

Registrar (Acting)