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NOTIFICATION

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The Standing Committee of Academic Council of the University in its meeting held on 6th September, 2024 has amended /added in the existing provisions of the Ph.D regulations, 2022 and there be read as under:-

Regulation	Point Number	Existing provisions	Amended/additions provisions
Eligibility	6.1 to 6.6	<p>6.1 Master's degree or a professional degree declared equivalent to the Master's degree by the corresponding statutory body, with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade 'B' in UGC 7-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 or recognized by an authority, established or incorporated under a law in its home country or any other statutory authority in that country for the purpose of assessing or assuring quality and standards of educational institutions.</p> <p>6.2 A relaxation of 5% of marks, 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 decision of the University/Commission from time to time, or for those who had obtained their Master's degree prior to 19th September, 1991. The eligibility marks of 55% (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed) and the relaxation of 5% to the categories mentioned above are permissible based only on the qualifying marks without including the grace mark procedures.</p> <p>6.3 Candidates who have cleared the M.Phil. Course Work with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade 'B' in UGC 7- point scale (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed) or are completing the M.Phil.</p>	<p>Addition in clause 6.1</p> <p>6.1 (a) "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.</p> <p>6.1 (b) The candidates, who have passed the qualifying examinations from any Foreign University will have to submit Equivalence Certificate from Association of Indian Universities (AIU), New Delhi.)</p> <p>6.1 (c) An applicant who has completed PGDBM (2 Years), which is recognized by AICTE/AIU, equivalent to Master's Degree with a minimum of 55% aggregate marks, is eligible</p> <p>Addition in 6.2 and 6.3</p> <p>6.2 (a) and 6.3 (a) Economically Weaker Section (EWS).</p>



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		<p>Degree in RIMT University in an integrated programme are also eligible for admission.</p> <p>6.3 a A relaxation of 5% of marks, 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 decision of the University/Commission from time to time.</p> <p>6.4 A person who's M.Phil. Thesis has been evaluated and the viva voce is pending may be admitted to Ph.D. programme.</p> <p>6.5 Candidates possessing a Degree considered equivalent to M.Phil. Degree of an Indian Institution, from a Foreign Educational Institution accredited by an Accreditation and Assessment 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 for the purpose of accessing, accrediting or assuring quality and standards of educational institutions, shall be eligible for admission to Ph.D. Programme.</p> <p>6.6 Associate/ Fellow members of the Institute of Company Secretaries of India or Institute of Chartered Accountants of India or Institute of Cost and Work Accountants of India can be admitted to the Ph.D Programme in Commerce/Management discipline, if they meet other requirements of the programme.</p>	<p>6.6 (a) A minimum of 55% aggregate marks/Associate and Fellow members of Company Secretaries of India or Institute of Chartered Accountants of India or Institute of Cost and Work Accountants of India can be admitted to the Ph.D Programme in Commerce/Management discipline, if they meet other requirements of the programme</p>
Duration of the Programme	7.1	<p>Ph.D. Programme shall be for a minimum duration of three years, including course work and maximum of six years.</p> <p>After three years, on a formal request of the candidate, duly recommended by the supervisor, the Dean Research may sanction an extension of one year for the submission of thesis</p>	No Change



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	7.3	In case the candidate needs further extension after the fourth year, he/she will have to submit the application to the Dean Research and Dean Research may sanction a further extension of one year.	No Change
	7.4	In exceptional cases a further extension of maximum one year can be given by the Vice-Chancellor, if he is satisfied that the delay had been caused due to abnormal circumstances. For this, the candidate should give a detailed account of research work already done and justification for further extension. The case will be considered by V.C and if the V.C is satisfied an extension up to one year (Sixth Year) may be granted by the Vice-Chancellor.	7.4 (a) After six (6) years from the date of admission: A scholar has to apply on a prescribed application form for maximum extension of an additional two years through a process of re-registration and pay the required extension fee as decided by the university from time to time.
	7.5	In each case of extension, the application has to be submitted on the prescribed form along with extension fee if any, fixed by the university from time to time. If a candidate fails to submit thesis within the extended period her/his registration shall lapse automatically. 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.	No Change
	7.7	Any further extension shall be subject to the approval of the Academic Council of the University.	No Change
Structure of Ph.D Entrance Test (PET)	10.2.1	The aspirant candidates shall be required to qualify the written Ph.D. Entrance Test (PET) which will be conducted by the University normally twice a year. This test shall be of 100 marks. The main objective of the test shall be to examine the student's depth of knowledge in the concerned discipline / subject, research related aptitude, analytical capability and language skills. Candidates securing 50% marks or above shall be eligible for the interview. The test score shall remain valid for one year only from declaration of result.	10.2.4 A relaxation of 5 % marks will be allowed in the entrance examination for the candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC/differently-abled category, Economically Weaker Section (EWS), and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the Commission from time to time.
	10.2.2	The syllabus of the entrance test shall consist of 50% of research methodology and aptitude (as prescribed by the university) and 50% shall be subjected specific (as prescribed by UGC for National Eligibility Test for various courses/subject/disciplines).	10.2.5: Provided that for the selection of candidates based on the entrance test conducted by the HEI, a weightage of 70 % for the entrance test and 30 % for the performance in the interview/viva- voce shall be given.



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	10.2.3	The entrance test shall be conducted at the centre(s) notified in advance (changes of centers, if any, also to be notified well in advance) by the University.	
Entrance Test Exemption	10.1 10.4.1.1	Entrance Test (PET) 10.4.1.1 Candidates who have qualified UGC-NET (including JRF/UGC CSIR-NET). 10.4.1.2 Those who have passed M.Phil. Programme under regular mode. 10.4.1.3 Those who have been sponsored by the Government (State/ Union/ UT)/Public Enterprises/DRDO/CSIR recognized research labs.	10.4.1.1 to 10.4.1.3 Applicants who have qualified UGC (NET/ JRF)/ CSIR (NET/ JRF) examination/ GATE or GPAT score card or passed M.Phil. Programme (in regular mode only), will not be required to appear in the Entrance Test and will be considered for admission on the basis of their Academic Merit followed by Interview as per the admission schedule.
Migration	13.1	Students shall be allowed to migrate from other universities to RIMT University and from RIMT University to other universities as per University Migration Policy.	13.1 and 13.2 Guidelines of Migration from RIMT University to other University/Institution / Migration from other Universities to RIMT in Ph.D programme is attached at Annexure-1
	13.2	Such students can be exempted from course work, provided they submit authenticated proof that they have already completed the course work as per the guidelines of the UGC.	
14.	Fellowship/Scholarship	Select Ph.D. research scholars may be provided fellowship/ scholarship as per guidelines of the RIMT University, funding agencies from time to time in accordance with the UGC norms	14. Financial assistance will be given to deserving candidates. The details of eligibility and other terms/conditions are given below: Scheme of Research Scholarships (Full Time) 14.1 Eligibility: 14.1.1 The candidates should have at least 60% marks in aggregate in Matriculation, Graduation and Master's examination. 14.1.2 Candidates who have qualified UGC (NET/ JRF)/ CSIR (NET/ JRF) / GATE or GPAT or any other equivalent national exam conducted by the central government departments or their institutions will be preferred.



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			<p>14.2 Desirable/Weightage</p> <p>14.2.1 Candidates who have research publications and have teaching experience in a College/University will be given additional weightage in selection.</p> <p>14.3 Scholarship Amount:</p> <p>14.3.1 The RIMT Scholarship carries an award of Rs. 15000/-pm or as decided by university from time to time.</p> <p>14.3.2 The award will be for a period of three years or till the submission of thesis, whichever is earlier.</p> <p>14.4 Selection</p> <p>Eligible candidates will be interviewed by a Committee comprising of the following members:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Vice Chancellor2. Registrar3. Dean Academic Affairs4. Head of the concerned department <p>Terms and conditions:</p> <p>14.4.1 A research scholar who is availing scholarship will work on full time basis.</p> <p>14.4.2 Casual/Medical leave as per RIMT rules will be applicable.</p> <p>14.4.3 A full-time scholar, who is recipient of RIMT scholarship will be required to engage in 8 to 10 hours of teaching per week.</p> <p>14.4.4 Continuation of Scholarship will depend upon satisfactory six-monthly Progress Report.</p>
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Eligibility Criteria for being a Research Supervisor	15.1	All regular Professors, Associate Professors and Assistant Professors on the rolls of the University with Ph.D. degree and at least two research publications in refereed journals shall be eligible for being appointed as Supervisor for Ph.D. students. Provided that in the areas/disciplines where there is no or limited number of refereed journals, the University Research Board may relax the above condition for recognition of a person as Research Supervisor with reasons recorded in writing.	15.1 Eligibility Criteria for being a Research Supervisor, it is proposed to be amended as: <i>“Permanent faculty members working as Professor/Associate Professor of the Higher Educational Institution with a Ph.D., and at least five research publications in peer-reviewed or refereed journals and permanent faculty members working as Assistant Professors in Higher Educational Institutions with a Ph.D., and at least three research publications in peer-reviewed or refereed journals may be recognized as a Research Supervisor in the university”</i>
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Notwithstanding anything contained in the regulations, the Vice Chancellor shall have the power to amend the regulations from time to time.

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Head, DRC