



LAMRIN TECH SKILLS UNIVERSITY PUNJAB

(A University established under Punjab Act No.22 of 2021)

Ph.D. Entrance Exam Advertisement **(2025-26)**

Online applications are invited from the eligible candidates for admission to Ph.D. degree programme in different disciplines in the LTSU Punjab for the session 2025-26

IMPORTANT DATES FALL INTAKE

S.No.	Activity	Proposed Timeline
1.	Submission of online application commences	02/12/2025
2.	Last date for the submission of online applications and application fee	17/12/2025
3.	Date of Entrance Test	25/01/2026
4.	Result	27/01/2026
5.	Interview	30/01/2026
6.	Confirmation of Admission after Fee Deposit	10/02/2026

Applicants must pay a non-refundable application fee of ₹6000/- (payable online via Debit/Credit Card or Net Banking). Applications without payment will not be accepted."

Fees once paid are non-refundable under any circumstances.

Ph.D. Entrance Test:

1. Eligibility

1.1 Candidates who have completed: 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/6 semesters 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.

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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.

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 Section (EWS) and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the Commission from time to time.

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 Section (EWS) and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the Commission from time to time.

1.2 Candidates who have completed the M.Phil. 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 educational institutions, shall be eligible for admission to the Ph.D. programme. 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 Section (EWS) and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the Commission from time to time.

2. Exam Structure:

- Ph.D. Entrance Test will include an MCQ-based examination for fresh and part time candidates.
 - a. Paper 1: General Aptitude and knowledge (Common for all schools) will contain 20 marks.
 - b. Paper 2: Subject Specific consists of 50 marks.
- In addition, the selected candidate will have to undergo a personal interview which will carry 30 marks.
- To qualify in the Entrance Test, the candidate has to secure minimum 50% marks in aggregate in Paper 1 and Paper 2.

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).

2.1 Personal Interview:

On a notified date, the university shall interview the invited applicants in the order of merit. **The candidates are required to discuss their research interest/area/plan through a presentation before RAC.** The RAC shall judge the suitability of the applicant for admission also on the basis of the following aspects whether:

1. the candidate possesses the competence for the proposed research;
2. the research work can be suitably undertaken at the Institution/College/Research Centre the proposed area of research can contribute to new/additional knowledge.

The candidate shall be asked questions after completion of presentation and shall be given marks in the interview out of the maximum marks 30. The distribution of the 30 maximum marks of the interview shall be as below:

- 15 marks for candidate's competence in the proposed research area viz. familiarity with necessary software/lab equipment's/analytical/ numerical methods, etc. and research aptitude.
- 15 marks for contribution of the proposed research work to new/additional knowledge.

3. Exemption from the Entrance Test:

- Candidates who have qualified the NET or any equivalent examination conducted by the Central Government, but have not yet completed one year since qualifying, are also eligible.
- Candidates who have appeared in the NET exam and placed in Category 3 (Admission to the Ph.D. programme is required, not for the award of a JRF or appointment as an assistant professor) but one-year period has not yet elapsed in clearing the exam.
- Candidates with GATE/GPAT/CAT etc. having more than 75 percent.
- Candidates who apply through Ministries of Government of India /State or candidates under Cultural Exchange Scholarship Programme of Government of India.
- Candidates who are granted fellowship/scholarship from central/state government agencies for pursuing Ph.D.
- Teacher Fellowship holder.

Note: The candidate can opt-out from taking the exemption if he/she wants.

4. Eligibility for Part-Time Ph.D. Applicants:

Who Can Apply?

Employees of: The State Government, The Government of India, Employees working in private sectors.

Additional Requirements:

- Must qualify Ph.D. entrance exam.
- Must register for a **Part-Time Ph.D.**
- Will be required to complete **Course Work**
- **Physical (in-person) attendance is mandatory for examinations.**

5. Confirmation of Admission:

- Admission will be given based on the merit list and available seats.
- To confirm admission to the Ph.D. programme, candidates are required to remit the prescribed fees within two days of the merit list being published. In case of non-compliance, the seat will be allotted to the next eligible candidate as per the merit list. (For more information check the information brochure published on university website).

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

1. This information brochure is intended for Full-Time and Part-Time Ph.D. programmes for the academic session 2025–26. The Part-Time Ph.D. option is available exclusively for working professionals. The application form for admission will be available online on the University website: www.ltsu.ac.in
2. The duly completed application form along with all required enclosures should be submitted through online mode by the last date as specified. Candidates are not required to send hard copy of application form and fee. No application will be entertained thereafter.
3. Pre-requisites for applying Online Application Form
 - (a) Your email id
 - (b) Scanned copy of Photograph, Signature ensuring that all required scanned images should be in jpeg format with below specification:
 - (i) File size of Photo image must be less than 50 KB.
 - (ii) File size of Signature image must be less than 30 KB.
 - (c) Mobile No. of the Candidate
 - (d) Pin Code with details of Permanent and Correspondence address.
 - (e) Scanned copy of Educational Qualifications and weightage related details/documents.
 - (f) Scanned copy of NOC, if applying for part time Ph.D.
4. The candidate must upload all required scanned images/copies only in jpeg format. The scanned copy should be of original document and not of photocopy.
5. A candidate who furnishes particulars which are found to be false or suppresses material information, will not be considered for admission and if he/she is admitted on

- such information, his/her admission shall be cancelled as per University rules and all fees deposited by him/her will stand forfeited.
6. All the admitted students will be governed by the Academic Ordinances and/or Ph.D. regulations as laid down by the University.
 7. The candidates are requested to read the instructions carefully before filling the online application form. Incomplete form shall summarily be rejected.
 8. Changes in the subject/ school or category etc. once opted for the purpose of admission, will not be allowed.
 9. All the updated latest information/notices/changes/modifications will be displayed on the website of the university. The candidates are requested to visit the website regularly for the latest information.
 10. The merit list will be displayed on the website of the university (as per admission schedule). Individual allotment letters will not be sent to the candidates by the university. Reporting to the allotted Dean of the school is mandatory before the date of orientation for each candidate physically if his/her name is mentioned in the merit list.
 11. Candidates may raise objections/complaints if any, about discrepancies in the question booklet/answer key within 24 hours of uploading the same on the university website. The complaint be sent by the candidate to the Controller of Examination at mail: coe@ltsu.ac.in. Thereafter, no complaint, in any case will be considered.
 12. The mentioned dates are tentative and changes, if any shall be notified on the website.
 13. The candidates already employed should submit the 'No Objection Certificate' from his/her employer in the prescribed format (Annexure A) at the time of interview wherever applicable.
 14. The minimum eligibility criteria mentioned for Ph.D. programme is only an enabling clause. The University/School may fix higher criteria at the time of shortlisting, keeping in view the number of candidates, minimum background expected to cope with the programme etc.
 15. In case of any inconsistencies in the rules or any clarification thereof, the matter will be referred to the competent authority for interpretation whose decision will be final.

Note: List of documents to be uploaded for admission to Ph.D. Programme:

- (i) Matriculation Certificate (as proof of age)
- (ii) Senior Secondary Examination Certificate
- (iii) DMC of the qualifying examination (UG & PG)
- (iv) Character Certificate from the institute last attended.
- (v) Certificate of Reserved Category, if applicable.
- (vi) NOC from the Employer, if applicable.
- (vii) Valid UGC NET/GATE Score certificate, if appeared and claiming exemption.
- (viii) ID Proof
- (ix) Colored passport size photograph.

For any query related to online application form, the candidates may contact
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