



# HSNC University, Mumbai

(A State Public University)

47, Dr. R. G. Thadani Marg, Worli, Mumbai - 400 018

Ref. No. HSNCU/BoEE/2025/01V02-PET

Date: 03-March-2025

## **HSNCU Ph.D. Entrance Test - (H-PET) Notification**

HSNC University, Mumbai, invites applications for the following Ph.D. Programmes offered by the Constituent Colleges/Schools of the University for the academic year 2025-26.

The programmes are as follows:

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| 1. Business Administration Policy | 11. English                                |
| 2. Business Economics             | 12. Sociology                              |
| 3. Commerce                       | 13. Information Technology                 |
| 4. Chemistry                      | 14. Computer Science                       |
| 5. Life Sciences                  | 15. Geography and Environmental Management |
| 6. Education                      | 16. Library Science                        |
| 7. Economics                      | 17. Management                             |
| 8. Microbiology                   | 18. Psychology                             |
| 9. Biotechnology                  | 19. Statistics                             |
| 10. Banking and Finance           | 20. Hindi                                  |

### **I) Eligibility Criteria for Admission:**

- A) Candidates having a Master's degree or a professional degree declared equivalent to the Master's degree by the corresponding statutory regulatory body 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), M.Phil. Degree of Indian institutions or equivalent degree from a foreign educational institution accredited by an Assessment and Accreditation Agency which is approved, recognised or authorised 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, accrediting or assuring quality and standards of educational institutions.
- B) A relaxation of 5% of marks, from 55% to 50%, or an equivalent relaxation of grade, shall be allowed for those belonging to reserved categories/Differently-abled and other categories of candidates as per policies of the Government of Maharashtra prescribed from time to time, or for those who had obtained their Master's degree before 19<sup>th</sup> September 1991. The eligibility marks of 55% (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever the 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.
- C) M. Phil. students of any recognised University whose M.Phil. dissertation has been evaluated and the viva voce is pending may be admitted to the Ph.D. programme.



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**II) Process of Admission: -Candidate shall be admitted to Ph.D. programmes by a two-stage process through:**

- A) Entrance Examination**
- B) Personal Interview**

**A) Entrance Examination:**

- a) H-PET Entrance Examination, which shall be a qualifying text.
- b) The test H-PET comprises two Papers:
  - Paper I :- Research Methodology and Research Aptitude: 50 Marks
  - Paper II :- Subject Specific: 50 Marks
- c) The H-PET shall carry 100 Marks for the duration of 2 hours.
- d) Qualifying marks shall be 50 % of the aggregate, taking Paper I and Paper II together.
- e) All questions shall be multiple choice; each correct answer carries one mark with no negative marking systems.
- f) Relaxation of 5% of Marks, from 50% to 45%, shall be allowed for those categories of candidates as per policies of the Government of Maharashtra prescribed from time to time.

**B) Personal Interview:**

For candidates qualifying in H-PET and Candidates exempted from the Entrance Examination, a personal interview will be conducted as per the procedure prescribed in due course. ([www.hsncu.edu.in](http://www.hsncu.edu.in))

**III) Exemption from appearing in Entrance Examination: H-PET**

The Candidates fulfilling at least one of the following conditions will be exempted from the Entrance Examination:

- A) Candidates qualified in UGC-NET (Including JRF) / UGC-CSIR NET (Including JRF) / SLET/ SET / GATE (valid score) / GPAT (valid score), CSIR / ICAR / ICMR / DBT & DST Inspire fellowship / Joint Graduate Entrance Examination for Biology and Interdisciplinary Life Science (JGEEBILS) or Teacher fellowship holders will be exempted from the Entrance Test.
- B) Students who have passed the PET examination conducted by any recognised University.
- C) Candidates who have passed M. Phil. Programme from any recognised University will be exempted from the Entrance Test for the Ph.D. programme, provided the MPhil is as per UGC guidelines.
- D) Ph.D. degree holder from any recognised University who desires to pursue Ph.D. at this University.



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## E) Schedule H-PET:

a)	Commencement of filling online applications	20-March-2025
b)	Last date for filling online applications	15-May-2025
c)	Mock Entrance Examination	23-May-2025
d)	Date of online Ph.D. Entrance Examination (HPET)	05-June-2025
e)	Publication of results on the University website	20-June-2025
f)	The date of the Interview will be notified	through email: phd@hsncu.edu.in

- The University will not issue any separate Certificate of Result.
- The Entrance Examination for Ph.D. programme will be conducted online in a proctored mode.
- Duration & Timing of Entrance Exam: 2 Hours, after logging in between 09.00 am to 09 .00 pm
- Standard of passing: General Category: 50% marks  
Reserved Category: 45 % marks

## E) FEES:

- For Appearing in PET Entrance Examination: - Rs. 2000/- (Non refundable)
- Exempted from appearing in Entrance Examination: - Rs. 1500/- as per Notification clause - III (A, B). (Non refundable)
- Mode of payment:** -Payment method using online payment. Debit/Credit Card/Net Banking.

## F) Instruction for filling Online Application for Ph.D. Admission:

- Admission Link <https://hsncu.admissiondesk.org/home> for the application form. For any technical issue or query please contact Ms. Pradnya/ Mr. Daksh on: 8655962507 or email at: studentsupport@hsncu.edu.in
- Required documents** Candidate shall upload the following documents along with the Online Application:
  - Photocopy of Mark's Statement of Master's Degree. (If not acquired, the Mark sheet should be submitted at the time of the Personal Interview).
  - Photocopy of the Caste Certificate in case of Reserved Category Candidates (if applicable).
  - Photocopy of the Non-Creamy Layer Certificate in case of Reserved Category Candidates (if applicable).
  - Photocopy of the Medical Certificate issued by a Civil Surgeon in case of Persons with Disabilities (P.H.) candidates (if applicable).



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**c) Document required for exemption candidate:**

- i Photocopy of certificates in case of candidates exempted as per University Notification clause- III (A, B).
- ii Photocopy Candidates qualified in UGC-NET (Including JRF) / UGC-CSIR-NET (Including JRF) / SLET / SET / PET/ GATE (valid score) / GPAT (valid score), CSIR / ICAR / ICMR / DBT & DST Inspire fellowship / Joint Graduate Entrance Examination for Biology and Interdisciplinary Life Science (JGEEBILS) or Teacher fellowship holders Certificate.
- iii Photocopy of M.Phil. Degree Certificate from any recognised University.

**G) General Instructions:**

- a) Candidates in the final year of the qualifying examination of the course are allowed to apply for the H-PET. However, the admission of such candidates is subject to their passing the qualifying examination.
- b) It is the responsibility of the applicant to fulfil the eligibility conditions and comply with the admission requirements. If at any stage it is noticed that the candidate or important material facts have made a false claim, has been concealed and / or the candidate is not eligible, his candidature shall be liable for cancellation at any stage.
- c) In case of any grievance or dispute, the decision of the University shall be final and binding on all.
- d) Candidates need NOT submit printouts/hardcopy of applications or documents to the University after completing the online application submission. However, it is necessary to carry the original documents at the time of the Personal Interview.
- e) Application forms submitted after the due date or incomplete application forms without uploading required documents will be rejected without assigning any reason. The University will not entertain any correspondence in this regard.
- f) The request for change in any information submitted in the online form will not be considered.
- g) The online registration process will be treated as complete only after the required certificates and application are uploaded on the link provided.
- h) Candidates are advised to refer to the University website [www.hsncu.edu.in](http://www.hsncu.edu.in) for regular updates.

**Dr. Jayesh Joglekar**

Director,

Board of Examinations & Evaluation

Place: Mumbai

Date: 03-March-2025

**cc:**

1. Office of the Vice-Chancellor, HSNC University, Mumbai
2. Office of the Registrar (Ag.), HSNC University, Mumbai.
3. Website