FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs) Regarding Ph.D Programs under KUHS 2nd May 2019

1. PhD Entrance Examination

It is a minimum requirement for applying for PhD Provisional Registration in KUHS and not to be considered a guarantee for PhD Admission.

2. Types of Registration for PhD

Two types of registration

- 1. Provisional Registration
- 2. Permanent Registration

A candidate starts with Provisional Registration

3. What is Provisional Registration for PhD?

This should be done as a response to the notification by the University after submitting the application with documents. Those who are qualified (and the qualification is within the validity period) in the Entrance Examination or duly exempted from the entrance examination are eligible to apply for provisional registration, either as part time or full time as the case may be. For this year, expect the notifications tentatively by first week of June 2019.

4. What are the Primary requirements for Provisional Registration for PhD?

Registration (Provisional) of a candidate for PhD primarily requires,

- a. Qualifying in the PhD Entrance Examination
- b. KUHS approved Research Centre selected by the candidate and approved by the institution.
- c. KUHS approved Supervising Guide selected by the candidate and agreed by the Guide.
- d. Co-Guide selected by the candidate and approved by the Guide, wherever applicable.
- e. Remittance of Prescribed Fees, notified from time to time.
- f. Proposed topic of Research.
- g. Other relevant documents like Eligibility Certificate / valid Certificate to prove SC/ST (both as and when applicable)

5. When does a candidate get a permanent registration as a candidate for PhD programme?

This is from candidates of provisional registration and after successful completion of the course work (including examination and Protocol Presentation) at the end of the first year.

6. Can the Guide be from the outside the recognised Research Centre?

Yes; provided he/she is a recognised Supervising Guide of KUHS and of the same subject/ Allied Subjects/ Discipline. However, the candidate has to select a Co-Guide from the subject/ Allied Subjects/ Discipline/ Department from where he/she is proposing to do the research in the recognised Research Centre. In other words, the Research Institution selected by the candidate should have either the Supervising Guide or Co-guide for the Research work in the department.

7. Can Research be done as full time through a Recognised Research centre?

Yes. However the candidate is not allowed to undertake salaried job/enrol in any other courses till the course is over, but can receive Stipend/ Scholarship/Fellowship etc. for supporting Research.

8. Can Part-Time PhD be done in an Institution other than one where the candidate is employed?

Yes. Provided NOC is obtained from the Heads of both Institutions and the Supervising Guide and Co-quide.

9. What is the qualification for a Co-Guide?

Same as that of the Supervising Guide, but not an approved Supervising Guide of KUHS.

10. Can a candidate register for PhD in a subject outside his speciality/Discipline of post-graduation?

Generally No. But can have interdisciplinary Research. The candidates are permitted to do PhD only in the subject or discipline of their post graduate degree or in related specialities.

11. Number of Research Scholars under one approved Research Guide?

• For Research Guides qualified to be guides as per regular criteria.

Normally 8 (Eight) candidates (research scholars) at any given point of time with two additional research scholars with special sanction from the University.

- For Research Guides qualified to be guides with exemption (Transitory provision): Two (2) PhD candidates per year and a total of five (5) till they satisfy regular criteria and approved as a Supervising Guide under regular conditions.
- 12. Fees: To be notified in due course.

13. Should the candidate submit full-fledged Research Protocol at the time of provisional Registration?

No. It is required only at the end of the Course Work (End of first Year) and after refining it with the support of the Supervising Guide and the Doctoral Committee.

14. Examinations during the course.

- a. Two theory Examination at the end of Course Work (End of first Year. Details given in PhD. Regulations)
- b. Protocol Approval Presentation of the Refined Protocol at the end of Course Work (End of first Year)
- c. Pre submission Presentation before Submission of Thesis
- d. Submission of Thesis
- e. Open Defence

(c, d & e to be done at the end of Research Work.)

15. Can there be a Guide from outside the University?

No. However, in exceptional cases if the candidate gives a special request and the Supervising Guide approves it, the University may consider it in favour. In such a scenario the external Guide acts as a Co-Guide only.

16. Qualification for the External Guide (from outside the University)?

Qualified PhD Guide of another University and have expertise in the field where the PhD Candidate is doing Research and the Supervising Guide feels that the expertise of such a guide in that field is required to complete the study. This Guide should be already a PhD Supervising Guide in a recognised University in the subject/related subject the candidate is pursuing PhD

Please refer the PhD Regulations thoroughly before an enquiry is forwarded to the KUHS. For further queries, please contact: 0487-2207654

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