Special Drive for MS (By Research) and PhD Admissions in SC/ST categories (September 2024)

1. Application

The candidates have to apply to a Department/Centre through the application portal.

2. Financial Assistance

Financial assistance will be as per the extant norms of the Ministry of Education, Govt of India. Fulltime Scholars admitted to the MS (by Research)/PhD program are eligible for the Half-time Teaching/Research Assistantship (HTRA) for which:

- 1. They should work for 8-10 hours per week for the Institute to earn this assistantship. The work would normally involve assistance in teaching/research, and will be assigned by the Institute.
- 2. Renewal of assistantship every semester will be contingent on enrolment, satisfactory progress in research work and good performance during the preceding semester in the discharge of responsibility as teaching/ research assistant.

Other fellowships such as UGC- JRF, CSIR-JRF, ICMR, ICAR & AICTE etc. may also be available for those who have qualified for these schemes and get admission and the amount of fellowship will be as per the norms of the funding agency.

3. Minimum Eligibility Qualifications

3.3.1. MS (By Research)

The minimum educational qualifications for admission to the MS (By Research) degree are as follows:

- 1. Candidates with a four year Bachelor's degree in Engineering/Technology/Sciences or a Master's degree in sciences with a valid GATE score in relevant discipline.
- 2. Candidates with a good academic record, having memberships in professional bodies, approved by the MoE/UGC/AICTE, are also eligible for admission to the MS programme of their parent discipline provided they have a valid GATE score and have passed both part A and part B of the membership examinations.
- 3. Candidates who have qualified for the award of four year Bachelor's degree in Engineering/Technology/Sciences from a Centrally Funded Technical Institute (CFTI) with an exceptionally good academic record in an eligible discipline provided he/she has a minimum CGPA of 8.0 (7.5 for OBC- NCL and 7.0 for SC/ST/PwD) on a 10.0 point scale.

4. Candidates with a four year Bachelor's degree in Engineering/Technology/Sciences or a Master's degree in sciences are eligible to apply for MS "Project-NHTRA" category and will be funded by a project administered via ICSR. The candidate applying under this category does not need to have a valid GATE score to pursue MS, provided the funding agency for the project has no requirement of GATE for hiring of staff under the project. Such candidates are not eligible for HTRA funding under any circumstance.

3.3.2. PhD

The minimum educational qualifications for admission to the PhD program of the Institute are as follows:

PhD in Engineering

- 1. Candidates with a Master's degree in Engineering/Technology or a Master's degree by Research in Engineering/Technology with a good academic record.
- 2. Candidates with Master's degree in Sciences with a good academic record and of exceptional merit are eligible for the relevant Engineering discipline. They should have a valid GATE score or UGC / CSIR-LS & JRF/ NBHM or equivalent qualification in the relevant area tenable for the year of registration.
- 3. Candidates who have qualified for the award of four year Bachelor's degree in Engineering/Technology/Sciences with an exceptionally good academic record and valid GATE score in an eligible discipline will be considered for direct admission to PhD
- 4. Candidates who have qualified for the award of four year Bachelor's or integrated Master's degree in Engineering/Technology/Sciences from a Centrally Funded Technical Institute (CFTI) or 2 year M. Sc from CFTIs (entry through JAM only) with an exceptionally good academic record in an eligible discipline provided he/she has a minimum CGPA of 8 (7.5 for OBC-NCL and 7.0 for SC/ST/PwD) on a 10.0 point scale.

PhD in Sciences

- Master's degree in Engineering/Technology/Sciences/Medical /Pharma/Veterinary Sciences/Allied Health Sciences with good academic record and valid GATE score or UGC/CSIR-LS&JRF /NBHM/INSPIRE/ICMR/JEST or other similar National Level Fellowships or equivalent qualification tenable for the current financial year in the relevant area.
- 2. Candidates who have qualified for the award of four year Bachelor's degree in Engineering/Technology/Sciences with an exceptionally good academic record and valid GATE score in an eligible discipline will be considered for direct admission to PhD
- 3. Candidates who have qualified for the award of four year Bachelor's or integrated Master's degree in Engineering/Technology/Sciences from a Centrally Funded Technical Institute (CFTI) or 2 year M. Sc from CFTIs (entry through JAM only) with an exceptionally good academic record in an eligible discipline provided he/she has a minimum CGPA of 8 (7.5 for OBC-NCL and 7.0 for SC/ST/PwD) on a 10.0 point scale.

PhD in Humanities and Social Sciences

- 1. Master's degree in Humanities with good academic record and valid GATE score or UGC-NET/JRF or other similar National Level Fellowships or equivalent qualification tenable for the current financial year in the relevant area.
- 2. Master's degree in Engineering/Technology/Sciences with exceptionally good academic record with a valid GATE score.
- 3. Candidates who have qualified for the award of four year Bachelor' degree in Engineering/Technology/Sciences with an exceptionally good academic record and a valid GATE score will be considered for direct admission to PhD
- 4. Candidates who have qualified for the award of four year Bachelor's or integrated Master's degree in Engineering/Technology/Sciences from a Centrally Funded Technical Institute (CFTI) or 2 year M. Sc from CFTIs (entry through JAM only) with an exceptionally good academic record in an eligible discipline provided he/she has a minimum CGPA of 8 (7.5 for OBC-NCL and 7.0 for SC/ST/PwD) on a 10.0 point scale.

4. Selection Procedure

Eligible candidates possessing the minimum educational qualifications (as given in section 3) and satisfying additional and stiffer criteria set from time to time, will be called for an interview and/or test by the Selection Committee.

All the applicants are required to upload a statement of purpose (SoP) in support of their application in pdf format in the research admission portal.

- 1. SoP should list research areas in the order of preference.
- 2. SoP should not exceed 500 words.
- 3. SoP should be submitted in pdf format.

The applications of foreign nationals may be considered with or without a personal interview / test.

Based on the academic records and the performance of the candidates in the interview and/or test, the Selection Committee will recommend to the Chairperson, Senate the names of candidates found suitable for admission.

Please note that the SC/ST candidates can apply to all available research areas of a Department.

5. Interview

Departments/Centres will communicate the details about the interviews and written test, if any, to the shortlisted candidates.

6. Reservation of Seats

Reservations are applicable to SC/ST/OBC-NCL/EWS/PwD candidates as per the extant rules of the Govt. of India.

7. Verification of Certificates

Candidates joining a PhD program have to submit their original mark/grade sheets along with provisional certificates at the time of admission. They should also produce their required degree certificate for having passed the qualifying examination latest by the 31st of July 2024.

The candidate should submit the following original documents for verification at the time of interview/admission:

- 1. Printed copy of application submitted.
- 2. Offer of admission.
- 3. Aadhar No.
- 4. First page of SSLC/SSC/Matriculation certificate
- 5. Degree certificate/Provisional/Course completion certificate / Grade Cards/Mark sheets of all semesters beginning from first degree towards proof of qualification.
- 6. Original GATE Score Card/UGC-JRF/NET/CSIR-JRF/DAE-JEST or other fellowship award letter.
- 7. Copy of GATE score or UGC JRF/NET/CSIR/ DAE-JEST or other fellowship award.
- 8. Project coordinators certificate in the prescribed format and a copy of project appointment letter in the case of Project Associate if already appointed.
- SC/ST/OBC-NCL community certificate for the candidate belonging to SC/ST/OBC-NCL category issued by the respective State Government. OBC-NCL scholars have to bring a Non-creamy layer community certificate valid at the time of admission.
- 10. Certificate proving EWS category, if applicable.
- 11. Authorized Doctors Certificate with disability descriptions in the case of Person with Disabled (PwD) candidates.
- 12. Relieving order/Resignation acceptance letter from the employer in the case of full time candidates, if employed except candidates selected under IITPKD Staff scheme.

Original documents shown through the DigiLocker of the candidates is also acceptable.

Second class TA for journey by train from the station nearest to your residence to Palakkad and back will be reimbursed to candidates who appear for test/interview. Please bring the tickets for claiming the same. You will also need to provide your bank account details to which the reimbursement can be made.

Institute has limited hostel facilities (only cots and no beddings) on campus for the applicants, which will be allotted on first-request first-serve basis.

8. Fees, Deposits and Refund Policy

Fees and Deposits(For Odd Semester 2024-25)

S. No.	Particulars	MS	PhD			
A. ONE TIME FEES						
1	Admission Fee	300	300			
2	Grade Card / Thesis Fee	500	1000			
3	Provisional Certificate	150	150			
4	Alumni Life Membership Fee	1500	1500			
5	Modernization Fee	300	300			
6	Student Welfare Fund	700	700			
7	Publication Fee	250	250			
8	Institute Caution Deposit	1000	1000			
9	Library Caution Deposit	1000	1000			
10	Convocation Fee	2000	2000			
	Sub-Total	7700	8200			

B. INST	B. INSTITUTE FEES					
1	Tuition fee #	2500	2500			
2	Examination fee	500	500			
3	Registration - Enrollment fee	300	300			
4	Hostel Seat Rent *	6500	6500			
5	Electricity, Water & SWD Charges *	1200	1200			
	Sub-Total (for day scholars)	3300	3300			
	Sub-Total (for hostellers)	11000	11000			

C. ONE-	TIME HOSTEL FEES		
1	Hostel Caution Deposit *	3500	3500
D. STUI	DENTS' SECTOR FEES & ADVANCE DINING CH	ARGES	
1	Medical insurance (revised every semester)	1000	1000
2	Wellness fees (revised every semester as per the actuals)	1200	1200
3	Gymkhana fee (revised every year)	1600	1600
4	Establishment A	5500	5500
5	Hostel Admission Fee *	200	200
6	Establishment B *	1500	1500
7	Advance Dining Charges *	28500	28500
	Sub-Total (for day-scholars)	9300	9300
	Sub-Total (for hostellers)	39500	39500

* For hostellers only # Tuition fee is waived for SC/ST students

Hostel rooms are allotted depending on availability on a sharing basis. If you wish to be a day scholar, you should register your name in the Office of the Dean Students and obtain a day scholar certificate immediately after admission.

Hostel accommodation is subject to availability.

Refund Policy

If a candidate withdraws his/her admission on or before the date of official joining (which will be mentioned in the provisional offer letter) to the program, the amount paid by him/her will be refunded after deducting the administrative charge of Rs.2,000/-. Once the candidate is admitted, only the caution deposits will be refunded, in case of request for the withdrawal from the program.

Queries

Please contact **academics@iitpkd.ac.in** for any queries or clarifications related to admission. Please contact systems@iitpkd.ac.in for technical queries during the submission of applications.