

# GUJARAT NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY

PhD Programme

Admission Notification

# 2023-24

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## Inviting Expression of Interest for Seeking Admission in Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) Programme in Law and Allied Subjects for the Academic Year 2023-24

**Day & Date:** Monday, 26 June 2023

**Ref No:** GNLU/PHD/2023/01

Gujarat National Law University invites applications in the prescribed form for admission in Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) Programme for the academic year 2023-24 in Law and other Subjects. The University offers the PhD Degree Programme in the following disciplines: (1) Law, (2) Interdisciplinary Research with Law in the disciplines of Management, Social Work, Sociology, Political Science, Economics, Physics, Botany, History and other allied subjects.

### 1. Number of Seats

Sr. No.	Subject	Available Seats	Mode of Enrollment
1	Law	12	Full Time
		12	Part Time
<b>Interdisciplinary Research with Law</b>			
2	Management/Allied Subjects*	06	Full Time/Part Time
3	Social Work	02	Full Time/Part Time
4	Sociology/Allied Subjects	03	Full Time/Part Time
5	Political Science	04	Full Time/Part Time
6	Economics/Allied Subjects*	10	Full Time/Part Time
7	Physics/Allied Subjects	07	Full Time/Part Time
8	Botany/Allied Subjects	01	Full Time/Part Time
9	History	04	Full Time/Part Time

\*Allied subjects include Commerce/Business Studies/Management/Public Policy and other associated subjects.

**Note:** The suitability of the topic and eligibility of the candidate will be determined by the availability of the Supervisor/research facility/appropriateness of the research proposal to be accepted by the University.

### 2. Minimum Qualifications for Admission

- a) Candidates for admission to the PhD programme shall have 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 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, 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 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, may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/Differently-abled and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the 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 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) Candidates possessing a Degree considered equivalent to M.Phil. Degree of an Indian Institution, 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 for the purpose of assessing, accrediting or assuring quality and standards of educational institutions, shall be eligible for admission to PhD programme.
- d) The applicants who have cleared the entrance test with 50% score as qualifying marks are required to do a presentation on the preliminary research proposal with a statement of the research problem and a literature survey which demonstrates that the research topic is unexplored and an original scholarly contribution can be made on the same.

### **3. Eligibility Conditions for Admission**

- a) It is desirable that the applicants, who possess minimum prescribed qualifications for admission to PhD Programme, should have an excellent academic/professional track record in the relevant discipline.
- b) The applicant for part-time PhD should:
  - I. Prove to the satisfaction of DRC that his official duties permit him to devote sufficient time to research.
  - II. Ensure that facilities for pursuing research are available at his place of work in the chosen field of research, where required.

### **4. Duration of the PhD Programme**

- a) PhD programme shall be for a minimum duration of three years, including course work

- and a maximum of six years.
- b) Extension beyond the above limits will be governed by the relevant clauses as stipulated in the Statute/Ordinance of the University.
  - c) The women candidates and Persons with Disability (more than 40% disability) may be allowed a relaxation of two years for PhD in the maximum duration. In addition, the women candidates may be provided Maternity Leave/Child Care Leave once in the entire duration of PhD programme for up to 240 days.

## 5. Category of Scholars

Scholars can be registered full time or on part-time basis

- I. A full time scholar has to attend the University regularly and will be subject to the prescribed attendance rules of the University.
- II. Professionally employed personnel may be allowed to pursue PhD on part-time bases. Such candidates are required to submit a 'No Objection Certificate' from their parent organization/department/employer stating that he/she is permitted to pursue studies on a part-time basis and that his/her duties permit him/her to devote sufficient time for research. Part Time Scholars will have to attend the classes for assigned course-work as per the rules of the University/UGC.

## 6. Course Work

- a) Registered Full-time and Part-time PhD Scholars shall undertake course work of one/two semesters in the University within one year from the date of provisional registration, failing which his/her registration shall be cancelled.
- b) The credit assigned to the PhD course work shall be a minimum of 08 credits and a maximum of 16 credits.
- c) The course work shall be treated as a prerequisite for PhD.
- d) Additionally, the Scholar Research Advisory Committee (SRAC) may prescribe the course(s) to the research scholar.
- e) Candidates already holding M. Phil. degree and admitted to the PhD programme, or those who have already completed the course work in M.Phil. and have been permitted to proceed to the PhD in integrated course, **may be** exempted by the University from the PhD course work after obtaining a recommendation to that effect from the Equivalence Committee constituted for that purpose. All other candidates admitted to the PhD programme shall be required to complete the PhD course work prescribed by the University with a minimum 70% attendance requirement.
- f) A PhD scholar has to obtain a minimum of 55% of marks or its equivalent grade in the UGC 7-point scale (or an equivalent grade/CGPA in a point scale) in the course work in order to be eligible to continue in the PhD programme and submit the

dissertation/thesis.

## 7. Important Dates (Revised)

Last date for filling out the online application form	: July 17, 2023 (Monday)
Last date of receipt of application forms (in hard copy)	: July 19, 2023 (Wednesday)
Date of examination (online)	: July 22, 2023 (Saturday)
Date of research proposal presentation (at GNLU Campus)	: Between 01 <sup>st</sup> – 05 <sup>th</sup> August

\*Date will be communicated to selected candidates

## 8. Selection Process and Detailed Admission Process

Selection process will be conducted and the process shall consist of:

- I. Admission Test (UGC NET/JRF and MPhil Passed Candidates shall be exempted)
- II. Presentation of the proposed research before the Doctoral Research Committee (DRC)

The detailed admission process will be as follows:

- I. Registration
- II. GNLU PhD Admission Test (GPAT-2023)
- III. Declaration of Admission Test Result
- IV. Presentation to DRC
- V. Final declaration of provisional selection list for admission to PhD Degree Programme

## 9. Format of Admission Test & Presentation

Description	Admission Test	Presentation
Duration	60 Minutes	15 Minutes
Mode	Multiple Choice Questions Based Online Examination (100 Questions)	PowerPoint Presentation
Focus Areas	<b>Paper I:</b> Research Methodology & English (50 Questions) <b>Paper II:</b> Subject Awareness •Domain Knowledge (50 Questions)	<b>Research Intent:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Topic of Research</li><li>2. Why research on topic?</li><li>3. Proposed Research Objectives</li><li>4. Literature Review done (if any)</li><li>5. Intended outcome of the research</li></ol>

## 10. Fee Structure for the Academic Year 2023-24

<b>Fee Structure for PhD Degree Programme</b>		
<b>Fees</b>	<b>Full Time</b>	<b>Part Time</b>
Admission Fee	Rs. 5,000	Rs. 5,000
Non-Refundable Security Deposit/ Alumni Fund	Rs. 15,000	Rs. 15,000
<b>Total (one time)</b>	<b>Rs. 20,000</b>	<b>Rs. 20,000</b>
<b>Semester Fee</b>		
Semester Fee	Rs. 30,000	Rs. 30,000
Semester Fee – NRI & Foreign National	4000 USD	4000 USD
Infrastructure Maintenance Fee <b>(Per Annum)</b>	Rs. 16,500	NA
Examination Fee <b>(Per Semester)</b>	Rs. 6,000	Rs. 6,000
Academic Facility Fee (Library, Computer, Internet, Training, etc.) <b>(Per Annum)</b>	Rs. 12,000	Rs. 12,000
Hall of Residence, Mess and other related Fees (facility not provided during vacation period, rooms are provided on sharing basis)** If applicable <b>(Per Annum)</b>	Rs. 79,500	NA
Extra-Curricular, Adventure, Sports and Gymnasium, Social and Cultural Activities, Welfare Fee <b>(Per Annum)</b>	Rs. 3,000	NA
<b>Total</b>	<b>Rs. 147,000</b>	<b>Rs. 48,000</b>
<b>Total Fees</b>	<b>Rs. 167,000</b>	<b>Rs. 68,000</b>
<b>Total Fees for Foreign Student</b>	<b>4000 USD + Rs. 1,37,000</b>	<b>4000 USD + Rs. 38,000</b>
<b>PhD Thesis Evaluation Fees of Rs. 30,000 required to be paid when submitting final thesis.</b>		
*Subject to change as per the decision of the Finance Committee/ Executive Council of the University.		
**The Hall of Residence, Canteen and other related Fees is for 11 months only.		

## **11. Admission Form and Fees Payment**

The candidates who are interested in seeking admission to PhD Programme can apply directly by filling out the online admission form and paying the application fee of **INR 4,000/-** (non-refundable) through the following link -

**Link for Admission Form:** <https://forms.gle/WBCa4kswmmxbAAwH8>

**Link for Payment of Admission Application Fees:** <https://rzp.io/1/AEEe2aZFh9>

The hard copy of the filled-in admission form along with all the relevant certificates shall reach the University through the post to the below-mentioned address latest by **Tuesday, 11 July 2023**. The cover shall be clearly marked as **“Application for Admission to the PhD Programme – Relevant Subject”**.

**The Registrar**

**Gujarat National Law University**

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