



ख़्वाजा मुईनुद्दीन चिश्ती भाषा विश्वविद्यालय, लखनऊ
Khwaja Moinuddin Chishti Language University, Lucknow



RESEARCH ENTRANCE TEST-
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(As per UGC Ph.D. Regulations-2022, Under the Guidelines of Khwaja Moinuddin Chishti Language University Ph.D. Ordinances – 2023, approved by the 14th ACADEMIC COUNCIL held on 17.04.2023 & 28th EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING held on 20.04.2023)

Online Applications are invited for Admission in Full-Time and Part-Time Ph.D. Programs for 2024-25 up to 22 April, 2024 along with prescribed fee from eligible candidates. Details for application form, guidelines for admission and other details are available on official website (<https://kmclu.ac.in/>) of the University.

1. ELIGIBILITY

- 1.1 A 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 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 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 the educational institution.
- 1.2 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.
- 1.3 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.
- 1.4 A candidate whose M.Phil. Dissertation has been evaluated and recommended for award of the degree, may be admitted to the Ph.D. programme of the University on provisional basis even before the Viva-Voce.



- 1.5 A candidate who's M.Phil. Dissertation has been evaluated and the viva voce is pending may be admitted to the Ph.D. program of Khwaja Moinuddin Chishti Language University, Lucknow.
- 1.6 Admission to the Ph.D. Programme will be allowed in those subjects in which Regular/ Self Finance Scheme Programmes are being offered by the University. The degree would be awarded in the subjects in which the candidate is admitted. Interdisciplinary research may be encouraged by respective departments by taking Co-Supervisors from other relevant disciplines.
- 1.7 The regular faculty members of this University can continue Ph.D. in Full-Time mode after completion of three years continuous service provided that discipline/subject is available in the respective department of the University in which Ph.D. programme is being offered. Other conditions shall be applicable for this mode as mentioned in this Ordinance.

2. ADMISSION CATEGORIES

- [A] Full-Time Ph.D. Programme
- [B] Part-Time Ph.D. Programme
- [C] Admission of International Students in Ph.D. Programme

3. DURATION OF THE PROGRAM

[A] Full-Time Ph.D. Programme

- 3.1 Ph.D. programme shall be for a minimum duration of three (3) years, including course work, and a maximum duration of six (6) years from the date of admission to the Ph.D. programme. The date of first fee deposit will be considered as the date of admission.
- 3.2 A maximum of an additional two (2) years can be given through a process of re-registration as per the Statute/Regulations/Ordinance of the University; provided, however, that the total period for completion of a Ph.D. programme should not exceed eight (8) years from the date of admission in the Ph.D. programme.
- 3.3 Provided further that, the female Ph.D. scholars and Persons with Disabilities (having more than 40% disability) may be allowed an additional relaxation of two (2) years; however, the total period for completion of a Ph.D. programme in such cases should not exceed ten (10) years from the date of admission in the Ph.D. programme.



- 3.4 The duration of programme for every candidate shall be counted from the date of his/her admission in Ph.D. programme till the date of successful Pre-Submission Presentation and the candidate's seat will be considered vacant on the same day.
- 3.5 Attendance Register for all the students for both course work and for the subsequent completion of the Ph.D. programme is to be maintained in the office of the Departments.

[B] Part-Time Ph.D. Programme

- 3.6 Part-time Ph.D. will be allowed provided all the other conditions mentioned in this Ph.D. Ordinance-2023 are met.
- 3.7 A candidate shall be considered as a part-time Research Scholar if he/she is employed and has submitted a NOC from the Head Institution/Organization where he/she is employed.
- 3.8 The time duration of Part-Time Ph.D. programme shall be a minimum of three (3) years and maximum of Six (6) years. A further extension of two (2) years will be at the sole discretion of the Vice Chancellor.
- 3.9 A Teacher serving in this University will be eligible to enroll for Ph.D. programme under Part-Time mode after completion of probation period or at least one year of service.
- 3.10 Other than the teacher of this University, the candidate is required to have at least three years of continuous service experience in Recognized Educational Institutions, Union Government, State Government(s), Arm Forces, PSUs or Corporations listed in BSE or NSE.
- 3.11 Six months course work (Residency Period) of Ph.D. programme is mandatory for all (Full-Time and Part-Time) research scholars. After completion of residency period, Part-Time Ph.D. candidates will have to spend at least 10 days (including public holidays) in each semester on research work at any time as advised by the Supervisor. Record of attendance will be maintained with the Supervisor.

4. PROCEDURE FOR ADMISSION

[A] Full-Time Ph.D. Programme

- 4.1 As per Ph.D Ordinance 2023 the admission will be given on the basis of entrance test and interview.
- 4.2 All candidates desirous of taking admission to the Ph.D. programs of the University have to appear and qualify the Research Entrance Test-2024 (RET) conducted by the university.
- 4.3 The final selection of candidates for Ph.D. Programme shall be based on 70% weightage to the Research Entrance Test (RET) and 30% weightage to performance in the interview/viva-voce (including weightage to JRF/NET/ UP-SLET).



- 4.4 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), and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the Commission from time to time.
- 4.5 Students with valid fellowship/Scholarship (Junior Research Fellowship) in UGC-NET/UGC-CSIR NET/GATE/CEED and similar National level tests shall be exempted from the entrance test and admitted directly on the basis of interview/ viva-voce.
- 4.6 Regular and working teachers employed in Khwaja Moinuddin Chishti Language University shall be exempted from the written test and admitted directly on the basis of interview/ viva-voce.
- 4.7 Only the candidates who qualify the RET and appear for the interview, will be considered for the final merit.
- 4.8 Candidates who qualify the RET but do not appear for the interview, will not be considered for the final merit.

[B] Part-Time Ph.D. Programme

- 4.9 Ph.D. programmes through Part-Time mode will be permitted, provided all the conditions stipulated in UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedures for award of Ph.D. Degrees) Regulations, 2022, including Entrance Test and completion of course work as mentioned in Ph.D. Ordinance-2023 of Khwaja Moinuddin Chishti Language University are fulfilled.
- 4.10 Part-Time Ph.D. scholar will not be eligible for any Fellowship/Scholarship from any source. However, the Teacher of this university admitted in Part-Time Ph.D. programme may continue to receive salary.
- 4.11 A Teacher serving in this University will be eligible to enrol for Ph.D. programme under Part-Time mode after completion of probation period or at least one year of service.
- 4.12 Other than the teacher of this University, the candidate is required to have at **least three years** of continuous service experience in Recognized Educational Institutions, Union Government, State Government(s), Arm Forces, PSUs or Corporations listed in BSE or NSE.
- 4.13 The University shall obtain a "**No Objection Certificate**" through the candidate for a Part-Time Ph.D. programme from the appropriate authority in the organization where the candidate is employed, clearly stating that:
 - i. The candidate is permitted to pursue studies on a Part-Time basis.
 - ii. His/her official duties permit him/her to devote sufficient time for research.



- iii. If required, he/she will be relieved from the duty to complete the course work.

- 4.14 **The selection of the candidates for the Part-Time Ph.D. programme shall be based on same criteria as mentioned for Full-Time Mode.**
- 4.15 Any matter related to Part-Time Ph.D. where the ordinances are silent or unclear shall be decided by the Vice Chancellor.

[C] Admission of International Students in Ph.D. Programme

- 4.16 Each supervisor can guide up to two international research scholars on a supernumerary basis over and above the permitted number of Ph.D. scholars.
- 4.17 Such students must submit application directly to the Vice Chancellor/Registrar after consultation with the faculty member (Supervisor) with whom they wish to work.
- 4.18 Except for the waiver in admission to the Ph.D. programme, rest of the conditions will remain same as mentioned in the Ordinance.

5. RESEARCH ENTRANCE TEST (RET) 2024

- 5.1 A Research Entrance Test (RET-2024) would be conducted by the University, for all the candidates applying for the Ph.D. program.
- 5.2 The syllabus of the Entrance Test shall consist of 50% of Research Methodology and 50% shall be subject specific.
- 5.3 There will be **70** questions carrying **1** mark for each in all. **35** questions would be for Research Methodology and **35** would be subject specific. All questions will be Multiple Choice Questions. (MCQs)
- 5.4 There will be no negative marking in the entrance test.
- 5.5 The duration of written test will be of **90** minutes.
- 5.6 The test will be held in one sitting, 45 minutes for each paper with a gap of 10 minutes in between the two papers.
- 5.7 Candidates who appear for the RET in two subjects would remain seated in the examination hall for another 45 minutes.
- 5.8 Marks obtained in Paper I by candidates who appear in two subjects will be added to the marks obtained in the Paper II of each subject.

Example: If a candidate obtains **30** marks in paper I, **25** marks in Subject (A) and **20** Marks in subject (B)-

The marks in Subject A will be $30 + 25 = 55$

The marks in Subject B will be $30 + 20 = 50$

5.9 Test Papers

(a) Paper I Research Methodology (Common to All)

35 Multiple Choice Questions of 1 mark each based on the Research Methodology to be answered in 45 minutes.



(b) Paper II Subject Specific

35 Multiple Choice Subject Specific Questions of 1 mark each to be answered in 45 minutes. The questions will be based on the syllabus prescribed by UGC/ KMC Language University for Post Graduate Programs.

6. SYLLABUS

6.1 The Syllabus of RET-2024 for **subjects** in Ph.D. program will be like what is prescribed for respective PG subjects of KMC Language University / UGC.

7. INTERVIEW

7.1 All the candidates who secure a minimum of 50% marks in the RET will be called for interview.

7.2 A relaxation of 5% in qualifying marks (in the aggregate) will be provided to the candidates belonging to the SC/ST/OBC (NCL)/ Differently-abled categories/ EWS and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the commission from time to time.

7.3 Candidates have to report for interview at the stipulated date and time which will be declared on the University website. No individual letter will be issued for this purpose.

7.4 The interview will be of **30** marks in the final merit

7.5 Preference/weightage to the candidates in interview will be given on the basis of **Annexure – A** of the **Ph.D. ORDINANCE-2023** of KMC Language University.

8. MERIT LIST PREPARATIONS

8.1 The overall merit list will be prepared on the basis of marks obtained in the written test and interview. This list would be displayed on the University's website as well as on the Department/University Notice Board.

8.2 The break-up of mark will be as follows:

- Entrance Test Marks 70
- Interview Marks 30

8.3 If two or more candidates have secured equal marks in the Merit Index, then the rank for admission will be determined as follow:

- a. If the Merit Index of candidates is same, first preference will be given to the candidate who has secured higher marks in written test.
- b. If the marks secured in the written test are same and PG marks are also same, first preference will be given to the candidate whose date of birth falls earlier.



9. GENERAL INFORMATION

- 9.1 The detailed information of the admission procedure will be displayed on the University website (<https://kmclu.ac.in/>). Candidates are advised to check the University website regularly for updates.
- 9.2 The fee deposited at the time of registration will be non-refundable, under any circumstances.
- 9.3 Those candidates who have been expelled from any University/College/Institution or found guilty under Indian Penal Code (IPC) are not eligible for admission to any course in the University.
- 9.4 All original certificates must be produced at the time of interview. One set of self-attested photo copy of documents will have to be produced.
- 9.5 All admissions are provisional. University reserves the right to cancel any admission at any stage.
- 9.6 In case of any matter relating to the Ph.D. Admissions, the decision of the Vice-Chancellor/Admission Committee of University shall be final and binding.
- 9.7 All the legal matters pertaining to the Ph.D. Admission shall be subject to the Lucknow Jurisdiction only.

10. Fee Structure

For further details visit the University website.

11. GENERAL GUIDELINES

- 11.1 Candidates appearing for the RET, will have the option to apply for a maximum of two subjects, provided that they are eligible for both of the subjects.
- 11.2 **The Application Fee Rs. 2,000/- for Unreserved/OBC candidates and Rs. 1,500/- for Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe/Physically Challenged candidate will be charged separately for each subject.**
- 11.3 **Caste Certificate:** Candidates claiming benefit of Reservation shall have to produce the Caste certificate as per Uttar Pradesh Govt. norms. Candidates availing the benefit of **OBC (NCL)** must provide the **latest certificate (not issued before three years)**.
- 11.4 **EWS Certificate:** Candidates who wish to avail the benefit of Economically Weaker Section (EWS) seats have to provide the latest certificate of the current year.
- 11.5 The Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes / Other Backward Classes (NCL) / EWS candidates originally belonging to Uttar Pradesh will be given the benefit of reservation. Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes / Other Backward Classes and EWS candidates of other states will be treated as general.

12. Requirement for online form submission:

- Valid email ID
- Aadhaar Number
- Active Mobile Number (should be with the applicant at the time of form filling)



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- Scanned photograph in JPEG format (Max. upload size is 100 KB only)
- Scanned signature in JPEG format (Max. upload size is 100 KB only)
- ID proof: Aadhaar, Voter ID, Driving License, Passport etc.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Start Date for Online Submission of Application Form	- 1 st April, 2024
Last Date for Online Submission of Application Form	- 15 th April, 2024
Last Date for Online Submission of Application Form With Late Fee of Rs. 1,000/-	- 22 nd April, 2024
Issue of Admit Card for Entrance Test	- 25 th April, 2024
Date of Entrance Test	- 11 th May, 2024
Upload of Key	- 12 th May, 2024
Objection from the candidates about MCQs.	- Till 14 th May, 2024 05:00 PM
Declaration of Result of Entrance Test	- 20 th May, 2024

Schedule of Research Entrance Test (RET)

Date	:	11 th May, 2024 (Saturday)
Reporting Time	:	01:30 PM
Start Time	:	02:30 PM
Venue	:	Abulkalam Azad Academic Block KMC Language University Campus

Notes:-

1. Number of Seats may increase or decrease in the light of Ph.D. ORDINANCE 2023.
2. Applicants are advised to visit the University website (<https://kmclu.ac.in/>) regularly for all admission related updates.