

**Dr. NTR UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH SCIENCES ::AP::
VIJAYAWADA – 520 008**



**Regulations for Ph.D Programme
with effect from 2025-26**

Dr. NTR University of Health Sciences, Vijayawada – 520 008, Andhra Pradesh.

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PREAMBLE

Dr. NTR University of Health Sciences is committed to promote research leading to PhD degree in both basic and applied fields of Health Sciences. These include modern medicine (pre-clinical, para – clinical and clinical subjects), Dental Sciences, AYUSH (Ayurveda, Yoga, Unani, Siddha and Homeopathy) courses, Physiotherapy, Nursing, Naturopathy and other Allied Health Sciences. The University encourages integrated and interdisciplinary Research in Health Sciences for the award of PhD degree.

I) Nomenclature of the Degree

a) The PhD Degree be awarded by the University after fulfilling all the requirements for the degree of “Doctor of Philosophy” by Dr. NTR University of Health Sciences, The degree certificate shall include the title of PhD Thesis, the subject of specialty and name of the faculty. For example:

a)

“Doctor of Philosophy”

On the Thesis Topics entitled: _____

SUBJECT: General Medicine

FACULTY: Modern Medicine

b) In case of Interdisciplinary Ph.D:

“Doctor of Philosophy”

On the Thesis Topics entitled: _____

SUBJECT: Interdisciplinary

FACULTY: Dentistry

- c) **In case of PhD in Allied Health Sciences Like Biotechnology, Bioinformatics etc.,**

“Doctor of Philosophy”

On the Thesis Topics entitled: _____

SUBJECT: Biotechnology

FACULTY: Allied Health Sciences

II) Recognition of Centre for PhD Programme

a) Government / Private Colleges affiliated to Dr.NTR UHS.

The departments of the Government/ Private Colleges in Andhra Pradesh affiliated to Dr. NTR University of Health Sciences with recognized Post Graduate (DM/M.Ch/MD / MS/MDS/ M.Sc etc.,) courses in accordance with the norms of Central Councils like NMC/NDC /NCISM /INC/NCH etc., stand recognized for conducting Ph D programs. However, the Institutes shall apply to the Dr. NTR University of Health Sciences in a prescribed format for recognition. (Annexure-1)

The recognition fee per subject for the first time Recognition of a center **in a private college affiliated to Dr.NTR UHS** is Rs.50,000/- excluding GST (Rupees Fifty thousand only). An amount of Rs.25,000/- excluding GST (Rupees twenty five thousand only) per subject is to be paid **by the Private colleges affiliated to Dr.NTR UHS**, in every academic year towards the continuation of recognition. Government colleges are exempted from recognition fee and fee for continuation of recognition.

b) Procedure for inspection

- i. On receiving application from the institutions / organizations (**Annexure – 1, Form A& B**) the Vice-Chancellor will appoint a three member committee for each subject (one must be subject expert and one Dr.NTR UHS PhD committee member and one Professor from affiliated colleges) to inspect the Department/Centre/ Organization and submit a report to the University. (Inspection Report –Annexure – 2)
- ii. After evaluation of the report, the University will recognize the Centre for conducting PhD programme in respective subjects by issuing a Letter of Recognition.

c) Continuation of recognition

- i. Both the Govt./Private institutions should apply for continuation of recognition in prescribed format once in every Academic year along with the prescribed fee of Rs. 25,000/- excluding GST (Government colleges are exempted from the payment for continuation of recognition). The application for continuation of recognition must include the submission of status in the prescribed format.
(Annexure–1)
- ii. Govt colleges are exempted for continuation of recognition fee.
- iii. The University reserves the right to re-inspect and withdraw recognition of the Centre at any time without any notice.
- iv. After thorough scrutiny of application form, continuation of recognition will be granted, which is valid for one year from the date of issue.
- v. In case of failure to apply for continuation of recognition with payment of prescribed fee the institution will be derecognised as a PhD center.

III. Recognition of Research Guides/Co-guides

- a) The faculty members in the cadre of Professor / Designated Professor /PG Guide in the concerned speciality with a total of 10 years teaching experience with a minimum of four original research publications in National or International peer reviewed and indexed in Pub med / Scopus / Web of Science / Embase Journals as 1st author/Corresponding Author / 2nd Author and working in an affiliated colleges of Dr. NTR UHS are eligible. Review articles, Case Reports, correspondence, papers presented at conferences, seminars and symposia are not considered as publications. Homeopathy faculty are exempted from Publications in indexed journals till 2030. However, they should have minimum of four original research publications in National / International peer-reviewed journals as 1st Author/Corresponding Author / 2nd Author. All the faculty those who are applying for PhD guideship / Co-guideship should also complete certificate course in Research Methodology.
- b) The persons with PhD degree in Modern Medicine, Dental Sciences, AYUSH and Allied Health Sciences and having 5 years post-doctoral teaching/research experience in the related subject, evidenced by his / her research work with at least 5 publications as first author (indexed in Pubmed / Scopus / Web of Science / Embase) are eligible, provided that the center/institution where they are working is recognized for PhD program by Dr. NTR UHS.

- c) In specialties like Physiotherapy, Nursing and selected Allied Health Sciences, if the concerned specialty guide is not available, the medical faculty members fulfilling the above criteria are eligible to guide Ph.D students in related subjects. The decision of the PhD admission committee is final with regard to subject and allotment of guide.
- d) For getting recognition as Research guides/co-guides, one has to apply for recognition in the prescribed application form to the University. (Annexure – 3)
- e) The committee constituted by the University will scrutinize the applications and will recommend to the University, if they are found suitable.
- f) The maximum age limit to be recognized as a Research Guide is 70 years provided that the guide should be working in any affiliated institute/PhD recognized center of Dr. NTR UHS. However, he / she is restricted from enrolling a fresh research scholar starting four years prior to reaching the maximum age limit of 70 years. Nevertheless, the guides may continue to supervise the already enrolled scholars prior to the four-year cut-off.
- g) Any Scholar still pursuing their Ph.D programme can't take on or apply for the role of guiding other Ph.D candidates until their own Ph.D program is completed.

IV. *Renewal of Research Guides/Co-Guides:*

i) Duration: The Guide /Co-Guide should apply for renewal every 04 years in a prescribed application format (Annexure – 4) with all other relevant documents.

ii) *Publications:*

The Guide should publish minimum of 02 Original Research Articles in journals indexed with Pubmed / Scopus / Web of Science / Embase as 1st author/Corresponding Author/2nd Author within these 04 years.

Note : If any Guide or Co-Guide has not applied for renewal within a stipulated period, his/her guide ship will be cancelled.

V. Eligibility for Admission into Ph.D course at the recognized centers of Dr.NTRUHS

a) **Ph.D. Full Time**

- I. Master's Degree (MD, MS, DNB, DM, MCh /MDS /MD (AYUSH Courses.)/M.Sc (N)/ MPT or MSc-Medical) awarded by in any subject allied to Medical Sciences of Dr. NTR University of Health Sciences.
- II. Master's Degree from any other recognized University which is recognized as equivalent by Dr. NTR UHS, taking in to consideration the recognition of the Central Councils like NMC, NDC, NCISM, INC/NCH etc.,
- III. Candidates with recognized Master's Degree from science faculty related to Medical Sciences (MSc in Medical Anatomy, MSc in Medical Physiology, MSc in Medical Sociology, MSc in Medical Microbiology, MSc in Medical Biochemistry, MSc in Medical Pharmacology, MSc in Medical Physics, MSc in Clinical Embryology, MSc in Medical Psychology, MSc in Neurosciences, MSc in Medical Genetics, MSc in Biotechnology, MSc in Biomedical Engineering, MSc in Forensic Science, MSc in Clinical Psychology, MSc in Clinical Nutrition, MSc in Genetics, M.A.S.L.P. in Audiology & Speech Language Pathology, MSc in Epidemiology & Biostatistics, M.Sc in Nanoscience & technology M.Pharmacy and M.Tech in Biotechnology / Nanotechnology / Bio medical Engineering / Bioinformatics / Health Informatics / Genetics etc.).

b) **PhD Part-time**

Teachers with requisite qualifications mentioned above in **(a)** working in colleges or centers affiliated to Dr. NTR UHS.

c) Maximum Age Limit

The Maximum Age Limit for registering into PhD programme is 65 years.

VI. Types of Ph.D research Programme and facilities

The candidates seeking Ph.D admission can apply in any one of the following categories.

a) Subject -wise Ph.D programme

An eligible candidate can apply in the subject of his/her specialty (e.g. Microbiology) to work under the guidance of a guide in the same specialty (e.g Microbiology). If needed there can be one or two co guides in the same subject or related subjects, based on the nature of research work. However the co-guide must be a recognized guide from Dr. NTR UHS.

b) Interdisciplinary Ph.D programme

A candidate can apply for interdisciplinary PhD programme with two or more related subjects /branches in any one faculty (e.g. Modern Medicine) or different faculties (e.g. Nursing and Physiotherapy/Genetics and Anatomy). The candidate can apply from any recognized centre with a recognized guide. In such case, the Guide has to be from the subject area of the thesis topic and the co- guide can be from the other relevant subject area in the interdisciplinary programme. The Guide has to be a faculty of the same center from which the candidate has registered for the PhD program. The candidate, if selected has to appear for the Pre-PhD examination in two major subjects involved in interdisciplinary research. (Paper II, Part –A and Part –B -50 marks each). For interdisciplinary PhD research, involving two colleges/institutes, the Principals/ Heads of both colleges/ institutions have to certify permitting the candidates to do research work at both the places.

The decision of PhD Committee that looks after admission process will be final as regards the allotment of subject –wise or interdisciplinary Ph.D programme to the candidates.

c) Facilities for Research

Normally, the requisite facilities for conduct of PhD work are expected to be available at the Centre(s) where a candidate registers for PhD work. However, if any specialized work is to be conducted for which facilities are not available at the said centre, then the candidate may get permission to carry out the same at National/ State institutes or other colleges or hospitals or advanced centers. A written permission letter from the head of such centre should be enclosed along with the PhD application form. The guide should take the responsibility of overseeing the progress of the candidates work.

VII. Duration of Research

The minimum / maximum duration of working period to become eligible for submission of thesis is 3 – 5 years for a Full-time PhD Program and 4 – 6 years for a Part-time PhD program as given in Annexure-5. After the expiry of maximum period for completion of research, the research scholars may be allowed to extend for a maximum period of one more year by paying the prescribed fee of Rs. 25,000/- excluding GST specified in the fee schedule (Annexure-5).

- i. Candidate who could not complete his/her Ph.D. course even after the stipulated time can be considered only on a valid reason such as ill-health, etc. Such cases shall be recommended by the Guide and if it is a valid reason, the Vice-Chancellor may concede the request. With the approval of the Vice- Chancellor, the candidate may be permitted to submit his / her thesis within one year by paying the prescribed fee (Rs. 25,000 + GST). And if he/she fails to submit the thesis within the extended time, he/she shall not be granted any further extension and the admission will be terminated.

VIII. Change of Guide

- i. Once registered for Ph.D course, change of research guide is not normally allowed for any candidate. In exceptional cases, with no objection certificate from the research guide and willingness from the other recognized guide (of the same specialty) with both letters endorsed by the head of the institute, the University then may consider the change of guide, based on the recommendations of Ph.D Committee or Sub-Committee. New guide also should be working in the same Institute.
- ii. If the Scholar has completed two years of his / her research programme and the guide is transferred to another area, the recognized co-guide (if he/she is from the same specialty and available in the same center) can guide the scholar with the permission of the Vice-Chancellor.

- iii. If the Full time scholar is interested to move along with the guide in the event of the transfer of the Guide (to a recognized Ph.D center) the full time scholar will be allowed with the permission of the Vice-Chancellor.
- iv. In the case of Guide leaving the Institution permanently (resigned/retired) or on deputation elsewhere or otherwise for a period of more than one year, the candidate may be permitted to change of guide, who is working in the same center with the permission of the Vice-Chancellor, subject to verification.
- v. If the guide is more than 65 years, it is mandatory for the applicant to have a co-guide also.

ix) Provision for Self guide

A faculty member with 10 years of Postgraduate teaching/research experience and 10 publications (5 publications as first author in Pubmed/Scopus indexed journals) with at least 5 years experience in the department in which the faculty member intends to do Ph.D can be a guide for himself/herself for PhD programme in the same speciality can be considered by the Vice-Chancellor. Case reports, Review Articles, any Correspondence, Papers Presented at Conferences, Seminars and Synopsis are not considered as publications

x. Number of candidates with each Research guide

Each guide shall have a maximum of 6 research scholars at any given time (whether full time or part time), with an intake of maximum 2 scholars per year. If guide signs for more than 2 applicants for that academic year, all the applications signed by that particular guide will be cancelled.

xi. Admission to the Ph.D programme

- i. Admission to the course for the award of Ph.D degree by the Dr. NTR University of Health Sciences shall be made once in a year.
- ii. The candidates who are interested for admission into the Ph.D course have to appear for a Research Common Entrance Test (RCET). Securing 50% marks in the RCET is a prerequisite for provisional registration in Ph.D course, the application fee for which is Rs.5,000/- with 18% GST Passing RCET is only an eligibility criterion and does not ensure admission into Ph.D course. Eligibility obtained in RCET is valid for the current and subsequent year also. The candidates those who have secured 50% marks in the RCET can obtain the application form from the University or can be downloaded from the University website and must be submitted with due recommendation from the guide and co-guide (s) wherever applicable, and Head/Principal/Director/Dean

of the organization where the candidate wishes to carry out his/her research work. In - service candidates should apply through proper channel. Part time Ph.D applicants should submit service certificates from the Head of the College/Institution. The research proposal for PhD shall be submitted to the University for recommendation within a period of 45 days from passing the RCET.

- iii. The candidates those who have passed in UGC NET within the validity period are also eligible to submit the research proposal for admission into the PhD program by following Dr. NTRUHS PhD schedule.
- iv. All the candidates who are applying for admission to Ph.D programme shall submit a detailed proposal of the research with time frame (cleared by Institutional Ethics Committees – human / animal, as applicable) to be carried out after obtaining the consent of a recognized guide approved by Dr.NTR UHS.
- v. For any research work involving clinical trials, registration with Clinical Trial Registry of India (CTRI) is mandatory, and documentary evidence to this effect should be submitted along with the application. For the research projects related to drug trails, the IEC of Ph.D center where research work is carried out should be recognized by CDSCO.
- vi. After receiving applications, the University will constitute a committee for scrutinizing the applications and recommend the selected candidates to University for the grant of provisional registration to eligible candidates. Each candidate has to present proposed research work. The candidate has to prepare the power point as per the guidelines given by Dr.NTRUHS (Annexure - 6) and present before the committee. The selection of the candidates will be based on the novelty of the proposed research work, quality of work, availability of facilities, subject knowledge, research design, planning, methodology, expected results, applications to human healthcare etc. The PhD admission committee, if necessary, may invite subject experts to evaluate PhD work proposal. The decision of the committee is final in the selection of candidates.
- vii. The candidates selected by the committee after due approval of the University and on payment of prescribed fee to the University as given in Annexure – 5 will be provisionally registered to the PhD programme.
- viii. The colleges / institutions where the candidates (part time/full time) registers for PhD course may collect an annual fee of Rs.25,000/- excluding GST till the completion of course.
- ix. No change of Research Topic/ Title is allowed once approved.

- xii. The Ph.D. candidates after completion of one year of research and passing of the part-I examination, will be granted permanent registration.

xii. Constitution of Research Advisory Committee

For all the candidates accepted for provisional registration, a Research Advisory Committee (RAC) will be constituted by the guide for reviewing of the candidate's research work. The RAC shall consist of the research guide/supervisor and two members from the panel of names submitted by the guide (at least 3 external members from the same specialty / 2 members each from each of the two subjects in case of interdisciplinary Ph.D), and nominated by the Vice-Chancellor. The faculty members in the cadre of Professor / Designated professor

/ PG guide in the concerned specialty with a total of 10 years teaching experience with a minimum of four original research publications in National or International peer reviewed and indexed journals (indexed in Pubmed / Scopus / Web of Science / Embase) are eligible to be members of the RAC. They also should have completed certificate course in Research Methodology or they should have completed Ph.D program. The Vice-Chancellor will nominate two members for the RAC which shall review the work, and the candidate has to submit a report of research work done, once in six months to the University in a prescribed format (Annexure – 7) and the same will be forwarded to the Ph.D committee for review. The RAC shall suggest the panel of names for evaluation of thesis. (If the scholar has not submitted 6 months review report, appropriate action will be initiated on the concerned subjects by the university), by following due procedures.

xiii. Pre-PhD Examination

- i. All the PhD scholars should be exposed to an orientation programme conducted by the University or Research Methodology orientation programme (Multi Disciplinary/Interdisciplinary) conducted by recognized institutions, at least 6 months before the Pre-PhD exam, that includes research methodology, statistical methods and applications of computers and technology. The candidates are not eligible for Pre Ph.D Examination unless they attend orientation programme.
- ii. All the candidates admitted to Ph.D Programme shall appear for Pre-Ph.D examination conducted by the University after one year of their provisional registration. The doctoral committee will prescribe the course content and syllabus for Pre-PhD examination, which consists of two theory papers (Paper I and II consisting of 100 marks each). Among the two papers of Pre-PhD examination, one must be related to research Methodology and

other related to the subject (e.g Microbiology) of research of the candidate.

- iii. The candidates admitted under the category of interdisciplinary Ph.D has to appear for two major subjects in Paper II (Part A – 50 marks; Part B – 50 marks) as decided by Ph.D Admission Committee.
- iv. The valuation of paper-I and II will be done separately by both internal and external examiners (outside Andhra Pradesh) appointed by the University. The minimum passing marks will be 50% in each paper and marks will be awarded by taking the average of the first and second valuation and in case of difference in valuation by more than 15%, the paper will be re-valued by a third examiner as per the regulations of Dr.NTR UHS for other medical courses.
- v. All the candidates shall have to clear the Pre-Ph.D examination in four attempts/ three years whichever is earlier from the date of registration. During reappearance, the candidates shall be exempted from appearing for the paper in which the candidate secured 50% or more marks.

xiv. Confirmation of Provisional Registration (Part-II)

The provisional registration of a candidate for the Ph.D degree shall be confirmed on receipt of the result of part-I examination conducted by the University and the candidate will be registered under part-II of the Ph.D programme.

xv. Duration of the course

The duration of the Ph.D course shall be a minimum of 3 years (full time) and 4 years (part time) (Annexure- 5). There shall be a gap of at least 2 years after passing the pre- Ph.D examination for submission of the thesis for full time Ph.D and 3 years for part time Ph.D.

xvi. Cancellation of the Registration

The registration is entitled for cancellation if the doctoral committee is under the impression that the candidate is unable to show any progress in research work, only after giving due opportunity to the candidate for defending his/her case. After the expiry of maximum period of registration, it is automatically liable for cancellation.

XVII. Progress of the Ph.D. work

- i) Each scholar should present at least 10 seminars at the institute where they are registered for Ph.D as part of the assessment. Out of the 10 seminars, 2 seminars are to be from Research Methodology and 8 relating to the Research Topic. A consolidated report on these seminars shall be sent to University by the concerned guide in the six monthly report.
- ii) Every Ph.D. scholar should have published at least one paper related to Ph.D thesis in journals indexed with Pubmed/Scopus/Web of Science/Embase during the course of Ph.D programme. The candidates should specifically state in the research papers that the published work is a part of Ph.D Thesis of Dr. NTR UHS.
- iii) Every Ph.D. scholar from Medical and Dental faculty should have presented scientific papers related to his/her research topic in three conferences, of which at least one should be at International level, one should be at National level and other one should be at State level. Ph.D. scholars from other faculties should have presented scientific papers related to his/her research topic in three conferences, of which at least one should be at National level and other two should be at State level.
- iv) The Standing / sub-committee of Ph.D committee will meet once in a year specifically to monitor the progress of the work of the Ph.D. scholars. If the progress reports of the registered candidate are not satisfactory, the Ph.D. committee may review such candidates and suggest guidelines to revise the work.

XVIII. Submission of Synopsis

After successful completion of research work, the candidates are allowed to submit synopsis of their PhD thesis in a specific format (Annexure - 8), three months before the final submission of thesis. The synopsis should be submitted to PhD committee for evaluation. The candidate should submit 10 copies of the synopsis of the thesis to the University with the prescribed thesis adjudication fee (Annexure - 5).

XIX. Submission of PhD thesis

- i) After approval of the submitted synopsis, the candidate has to submit copy along with a soft copy of his /her Ph.D thesis through his /her research guide, co –guides, head of the department/head of the institution. One copy has to be submitted to the departmental library of the institution where the candidate has carried out his/her work.

- ii) Publications supporting to the candidate's thesis, that were published in journals may also be included in the thesis as an annexure.
- iii) Every candidate shall submit his/her thesis along with a certificate from the research guide under whom he/she worked, that the thesis submitted is a record of research work done by the candidate during the period of study and that the thesis has not been previously formed the basis for the award of any degree or diploma, associateship, fellowship or other similar titles and that thesis represents independent work carried out by the candidate (Refer Dr.NTR UHS Dissertation / Thesis Guidelines).
- iv) The thesis report must include an authentic plagiarism check report generated from the software subscribed by the University from time to time duly attested by the Guide and the Head of the Institution. The similarity index should be below 15%.

xx. Evaluation of Thesis

- i. For evaluation of thesis, the Research Advisory Committee (RAC) has to submit a panel of 8 examiners (4 from outside the University Area and other States and four from outside the Country). Out of the eight examiners, thesis will be sent to three examiners.
 - 1. Foreign examiner
 - 2. Outside University / Other State
 - 3. Research Guide
- ii. The Examiners who value the thesis shall report on the merit of the candidate for the Ph.D degree as "Highly commendable" or "Commendable" or to be "Revised" or "Rejected".
- iii. When examiners differ in their opinion, the majority opinion will be taken into consideration. Of the three examiners, if two examiners do not recommend, then the thesis is either rejected or has to be resubmitted as per the expert opinion.
- iv. If the examiner/examiners insist on corrections to be made in the thesis, the same shall be made before appearing for the public viva-voce examination.
- v. If the examiner/examiners suggest(s) a revision and re-submission, then the thesis has to be revised, and revised thesis duly certified by the Research guide shall be accepted and the candidate shall be allowed for viva-voce. Resubmission of the thesis should be made by the candidate not earlier than 6 months and not later than one year from the date of the communication by the University.

XXI. Public Viva-voce Examination

- i. The candidate whose thesis has been approved by the examiners and by the Vice-Chancellor, a public viva-voce examination will be conducted by the board of examiners appointed by the Vice-Chancellor which shall consist of one Indian examiner who has evaluated the thesis and the research guide and one co-guide (if applicable). The faculty members of the concerned subject where he/she conducted research and outside specialists, will be observers for public viva voce.
- ii. The Guide/Convener shall fix the date and time of the viva-voce examination in consultation with the external examiner appointed by the University for conducting the viva-voce examination.
- iii. A nominated person from Dr. NTR University of Health Sciences will monitor the proceedings of the Viva-Voce Examination. Report of the proceedings should be submitted in a prescribed format (Annexure – 9).
- iv. The University will pay TA, DA to the external examiners and also to the University observer as per rules.
- v. The public viva-voce examination shall be conducted to adjudge the general proficiency of the candidate in the subjects allied to the candidate's field of work and to defend his / her thesis.
- vi. After conducting the viva-voce examination, the guide/convenor shall convey to the University, the results of such examination endorsed by the external examiner.
- vii. A candidate who is successful in the public viva-voce examination shall be declared to have qualified for the award of Ph.D degree.
- viii. A candidate, who is not successful at the public viva-voce examination, may be permitted to undergo the viva-voce examination a second time, within a period of two months. In the event of he/ she failing again, his/her candidature for the Ph.D degree will be rejected.

XXII. Consolidated Recommendation

After the viva-voce examination, board of examiners shall consolidate the recommendation for the award of the degree based on

- i. The reports of the examiners who adjudicated the thesis and
- ii. The evaluation of the candidate's performance in the viva-voce examination.

The Board shall then forward its consolidated recommendation to the University with the classification.

- i. HIGHLY COMMENDABLE (For placing the thesis under the HIGHLY COMMENDABLE category, it should have been so placed by all the examiners)
- ii. COMMENDABLE
- iii. Second viva-voce examination recommended along with such other documents as may be required, by the University for its consideration

XXIII. Award of the PhD Degree

The University will consider the reports and decide whether the candidate is worthy for the award of the degree of Doctor of Philosophy and take action in accordance with such a decision. Where the decision is to award the degree, the University shall cause the candidate's name to be published with the subject of his/her thesis and the titles of his/her published contributions if any, to the advancement of knowledge.

A Ph.D degree certificate under the seal of the University and signed by the Vice-Chancellor will be given to such successful candidates at the next convocation held for conferring degrees.

XXIV. Finances for the Ph.D Programme

Financial Assistance will be provided to maximum of 05 full time Ph.D Scholars who seek such assistance. An amount of Rs.**10,000**/- per month may be paid by Dr. NTRUHS for a maximum period of 3 years, to meet research related expenditure. If there are more than 05 applicants and objective type Competitive Exam (in Research Methodology and Biostatistics) will be conducted to select 05 candidates.

The amount will be released only after submission of necessary bills.

xxv. Discontinuation of Ph.D. Programme

Candidates joining Ph.D. course shall execute a bond on non-judicial stamp paper of value of Rs.100/- in the form specified in Annexure – 10 to complete the prescribed period or in default to pay Rs.1,00,000/- with 18% GST to Dr. NTR University of Health Sciences, Vijayawada.

ANNEXURES

ANNEXURE – 1 – Application for Center Recognition

ANNEXURE – 2 – Ph.D program inspection report

ANNEXURE – 3 – Application for recognition of PhD Guide/Co-guide

ANNEXURE – 4 – Application form for renewal of Guide ship/Co-guideship

ANNEXURE – 5 – Schedule of duration of Research and fee for Ph.D programme

ANNEXURE – 6 – Guide lines for preparation of PPT of the synopsis

ANNEXURE – 7 – Six months progress report

ANNEXURE – 8 – Format for submission of Synopsis

ANNEXURE – 9 – Report of the Viva-Voce proceedings

ANNEXURE – 10 – Format of bond on Non-Judicial Stamped paper

Form – A (General Information)

RECOGNITION OF THE CENTRE FOR Ph.D. PROGRAMME

1. Name of the College / Institute / Centre :
2. Existing P.G. Courses (M.D./ M.S./ D.N.B./ :
D.M./ M.Ch. / Ph.D. / Any other)
3. Name of the Head of the Institute :
4. Bed Strength (Department)/ : Male: _____ Female: _____
Any other relevant information
Children _____
 - A. Total No. of Beds
 - B. Free Beds _____
Paying _____
5. No. of Units :
(Unit should have minimum 30 beds & three members of Faculty)
6. Services
 - A). Out Patient :
 1. No. of out patient treated per annum (last :
one year)
 2. No. of Emergencies (if any). :
 - B). In patient :
 1. No. of admissions. :
 2. No. of Surgeries. :
Elective
Emergency
7. Facilities: :
 - A). Infrastructure:
 - a) OP Area for out Patients :
 - b) Inpatients / wards / units :
 - c) Staff rooms :
 - d) Cubical :
 - e) Demo. rooms :
 - f) Waiting Area :
 - g) Necessary equipment provided for the :
above
 - Whether the above are provided. In addition to :
UG Courses in the college. (If so furnish No. :
of rooms.) : Yes / No

B). O.P. & I.P. Supportive Services. :

Lab services, Biochemistry, Microbiology,
Pathology, Radiology, Physiotherapy,
Pharmacology, Ambulance etc.,

C). Equipment: :

Equipment / Instruments available at the :
Institute (list to be enclosed department wise)

D). Central sterilizing facility :
Available : Yes / No
Capacity :

E). Waste disposal facilities :

F). Ongoing Funded Research projects (attach :
list)

G). Library : No. of books related to the different :
areas of research

No. of journals :
(International & National)

The No. of books additionally provided for PG :
and Ph.D. Programmes

1. Books related to Research Methodology
2. Bio Statistics
3. Bio Ethics
4. Instrumentation
5. Animal Experimentation

Whether Computer with Internet facility with
online search for Journals and Books related to
Medical Sciences are available? :
(If yes whether this facility is accessible to the Yes / No
students for 24 x 7).

H). Teaching aids: Audiovisual :
Xerox, :
Video etc. :
Number of computer terminals :

8. Other facilities needed for the specialty: :

Whether in the following, required for Yes / No
department are available:

O.T., ICU, AMC, ASC, Central sterilization,
etc

9. Teaching faculty (Total): :
Teaching Faculty Available number

i) A. Professors
B. Associate Professors

C. Readers
D. Asst. Professors
E. Tutors / Demonstrators

Non-teaching and Technical

Available number

F. Technicians

G. Storekeeper–cum-clerk

H. Lab Attendants

I. Steno-cum-Typist / computer operator

- 10.** Medical Education Cell – Present : Yes / No
Headed by :
Report of activities of the past one year : To be enclosed
11. Institutional Research Committee (IRC) – Present : Yes / No
Constitution : List of members
(report of meetings held in the past one year) : To be enclosed
12. Institutional Ethics Committee – Present Yes / No
Constitution : List of members
(report of meetings held in the past one year) : To be enclosed
- 13.** Central Research Laboratory – Present : Yes / No
Headed by :
Report of activities of the past one year : To be enclosed

14. Accreditation Status (NAAC / NABH / NABL etc.):

15. NIRF Rank:

Signature of Head of the Institute

Form – B (Department information)

APPLICATION FORMAT
FOR RECOGNITION OF CENTERS FOR Ph.D PROGRAMME

NAME OF THE COLLEGE / INSTITUTE: _____

1) Name of the Department :

2) Name of the HOD :

Facilities: :

3)

A) Infrastructure (in detail): :

I. Staff rooms :

II. Laboratory services :

III. Demo rooms :

IV. Waiting Area :

V. Accommodation provided for
departmental museum :

VI. Necessary equipment provided for the
above

Whether the above are provided. In addition to : Yes / No
UG/PG Courses in the college
(If so furnish details)

b. O.P. & I.P. Supportive Services. :
Lab services, Biochemistry, Microbiology,
Pathology, Radiology, Physiotherapy, etc.,
Pharmacology, Ambulance etc.

c. Equipment: :

a. Basic equipment in the department :

b. Latest equipment (specify) in the department :
(list to be enclosed).

d. Department Library : No.of books - List to be enclosed

No.of journals - List to be enclosed :
(International & National) :

The no. of books additionally provided for Ph.D :
Programme in the Department.
Whether **Computer with Internet** facility is
provided.

e. Teaching aids: Audiovisual :
Xerox, :
Video etc. :

- f. Research Lab :
 Available : Yes / No
 Area : _____ Sq.mts.
 Whether equipment in addition to UG and PG courses are provided. :
 Other details :

4. Teaching / Research faculty: :

Sl. Teaching / Research faculty Available with number
 No.

- i) Professors
 ii) Associate Professors / Readers
 iii) Assistant Professors / Lecturer
 iv) Tutors/Demonstrators

5 Details of Non- teaching and technical staff available in the department :

6 Total No. of Recognised postgraduate teachers :

7 Teaching / Research faculty particulars :
 (Bio-data along with certified copies of experience to be enclosed for each faculty member)

S.No.	Name	Designation	Qualifications	Year of Passing of PG Course	Date of appointment	Teaching experience after PG	Publications (enclose reprints)

8. On going research of extra mural funds :

9 National / International Conferences attended by the staff :

- 10 Research Papers published by staff from the
Department in the past 5 years :

SIGNATURE OF THE HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT (with seal & date):

SIGNATURE OF THE HEAD OF THE INSTITUTION (with seal & date):

N.B.:-

- i) Separate application has to be submitted for each department in a College / Institution.
- ii) For recognition of each department / specialty, inspection fee has to be remitted in the form of D.D. drawn in favour of the Registrar, Dr. NTR UHS., Vijayawada for each subject.

ANNEXURE – 2
PhD PROGRAMME INSPECTION REPORT

- 1 Name of the Colleges / Institute :
- 2 Name of the Principal / Director :
- 3 Name of the Department :
- 4 Date of inspection :
- 5 Place and details of Management authorities
Present at the time of inspection :
- 6 Order of the Government of AP in which the
Permission was accorded to start
 A. Under Graduate Course
 B. Post Graduate Course :
- 7 Recognition of PG Degree by competent
Authority (NMC, NDC etc) :
- 8 Details of previous research work :
- 9 Services:
 A. Outpatient attendance :
 No. of investigations rendered at hospital
 for out patients / in patients treated per
 annum (one year)
 B. No. of Emergencies (if any) :
- 10 A) Whether necessary infrastructure,
equipment, books, furniture etc, are provided
for PG & PhD. Programme in addition to UG :

 B) Whether all the necessary facilities are :
available for conducting PhD programmes/
Research work in the department.
- 11 Remarks of the inspection committee :
(The committee shall specify whether the
department can be recognized for conducting
PhD program)

SIGNATURES OF THE INSPECTION COMMITTEE MEMBERS

ANNEXURE – 3

Regn. No: _____

APPLICATION FOR RECOGNITION
AS RESEARCH GUIDE / CO-RESEARCH GUIDE

1)	Name (IN BLOCK LETTERS)		Affix self attested photograph
2)	Date of Birth		
3)	Father's Name / Spouse name		
4)	Educational Qualifications		
	Degree	Year	University
	UG Degree: Specify		
	PG Degree: Specify the Degree and Subject		
	DM/M.Ch/DNB Specify the Subject		
	M.Sc Specify the Subject		
	Ph.D. Specify the Topic and Subject		
	Any other		
5)	Address for Correspondence		
	a) Office		
	b) Residence		
	c) Mail ID.		
	d) Contact No.		
6)	Details of Experience (full details, if necessary on a separate sheet have to be furnished along with supporting documents)		
	A) Teaching Experience		
	B) Research Experience		

7)	No. of Papers Published in journals indexed in Pubmed/Scopus/Web of Science/Embase (full details are to be furnished on a separate sheet and enclose the reprints)	
8)	No. of PG and Ph.D. students guided	
9)	Any other relevant information (Honours, Recognitions, Fellowships, Memberships etc)	
10)	Subject for which recognition is applied	

Signature of the Applicant

Signature of the Head of the College/Institute

Station:

NOTE:

1. The Applicant should include documentary proof for the Teaching / Research Experience and the Reprints of the publications.
2. The applicant should sign each page of the Xerox copies.
3. The Principal of the college where the applicant is working should certify that the originals have been verified and the application should be forwarded with comments.

(For office use only)

- 1) Date of receipt
- 2) Recommendations of the University

Accepted / not accepted.

Reasons for non-acceptance.

ANNEXURE – 4

APPLICATION FORM FOR RENEWAL OF GUIDESHIP/ CO-GUIDESHIP

1.	NAME (IN BLOCK LETTERS)		Affix self attested photograph
2.	Designation		
3.	Name of the affiliated institution in which the Guide/Co-guide is attached now		
4.	Date of Birth & Age		
5.	Issue of year of Recognition Order vide letter number & date as a Guide / Co-guide		
6.	No. of candidates guided till date		
7.	No. of candidates pursuing Ph.d under your guideship		
8.	Postal address for communication		
9.	E-mail address		
10.	Contact Numbers :		
	Land line No. (Res)		
	Land line No.(Off)		
	Mobile No.		

11.	No. of original research articles published in journals indexed in Pubmed/Scopus/Web of Science/Embase in last four years (enclose copy of first page of articles) The applicant must have a minimum of 3 such publications in the last 4 years.	
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STATION:

SIGNATURE

DATE:

**SIGNATURE OF THE HOD
(WITH STAMP & SEAL)**

**SIGNATURE OF THE PRINCIPAL
(WITH STAMP & SEAL)**

ANNEXURE - 5

**Schedule of duration of Research and Fee for PhD programme
(With effective from 2017)**

Sl. No	Particulars	PhD Full-time		PhD Part-time	
		Min _____	Max _____	Min _____	Max. _____
1.	Duration of Research	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	4 Yrs	6 Yrs
2.	Application fee	5,000		5,000	
3.	Admission and registration fee	25,000		25,000	
4.	Thesis Adjudication fee	10,000		10,000	
5.	Thesis re-submission fee	5,000		5,000	
6.	Extension fee after maximum permissible period	25,000		25,000	

GUIDELINES FOR PREPARATION OF POWERPOINT PRESENTATION OF A SYNOPSIS

Timing: The presentation should be no longer than 10 minutes

Practice multiple times.

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Select a conservative slide Layout that appears professional

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Do not just read the slides.

Be sure to introduce yourself and your project at the beginning of the presentation.

References should be mentioned as footnote on the same slides only those cited in the presentation.

Ph.D. PROGRAM - SIX MONTH PROGRESS REPORT

Period of the report From:

To:

1. Particulars about the scholar:

A. Name of Scholar :

B. Ph.D. Registration No :

C. Designation :

D. Institution where working :

E. Mobile :

F. Email :

G. Date of Registration :

DD MM YYYY

H. Type of PhD Full Time ☐ Part Time ☐

I. Title of the proposed thesis

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J. Name of Dept./Institution

where research is conducted

2. WORK DONE

A. Does the progress of the project deviate from the approved plan for completion of the thesis?

(place of work, Guide, working title of the thesis, methods used, schedule, etc.)

Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes please provide details as annexures

- B. Provide details of Publications/ Training undergone, scientific Presentations made, Project/submission / Approval, Conference Attended, Seminars Presented. Attach first page of Publication.

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- C. Give a brief account of the progress made and what has been achieved in the reporting period (500 words): (search of the literature, data collection, experiments, writing, dissemination of expertise, etc.)

Note: In the first year of the Ph.D program the scholar has to do literature search and pilot study.

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- D. Planned activities for the next six months :

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Date :

Signature of Ph.D. Scholar

3) TO BE COMPLETED BY RESEARCH GUIDE

a) Remarks of the Research Guide:
b) Overall Satisfaction with the Quality of Work: ☐ Below Expectations ☐ Meets Expectations ☐ Exceeds Expectations
c) Overall Pace of Work: ☐ Too Slow ☐ Slow ☐ Right Pace ☐ Hurried ☐ Too Hurried
d) Attendance :
e) Any other Comments / Recommendations:

I / we hereby certify that a candidate has put in necessary attendance and shown progress in his/her research and he/she may be permitted to continue research.

Name of the Research Guide:

Signature with Date & Seal

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Date of receipt of Report	
Signature of Dealing Officer	

ANNEXURE – 8

Dr. NTR University of Health Sciences, Vijayawada Format for submission of Ph.D. SYNOPSIS

Sl. No.	Contents	Guideline	No. of Pages
1	Title	As per the registration (title should not be changed)	-
2	Certificate	Certificate from Research Guide	1
3	Table of Content	With page numbers	-
4	Introduction, Statement of the Problem, Scope of Work, Study design and Methodology	- Nature and significance of the problem/ study - Highlights of Review of Literature - to identify the lacunae in research or justification for the problem - Why the researcher selected this problem - Objectives- primary and secondary - Hypotheses- alternate / null (if any) - Includes a strategy for research study / Study design - Sampling and sample size; Data analysis	5 - 7
5	Results	Salient results with data	10-15
6	Discussion	Most important findings pertaining to the results of the study	5 - 7
7	Summary/ Conclusions	Major highlights of the present work – in list	1
8	References	Vancouver style	2
9	Appendix	- List of Publications/Submission in indexed journals by the scholar - The first page of publication or communication from the journal - List of conference presentations/ posters by the scholar	

ANNEXURE – 9

Dr. NTR University of Health Sciences, Vijayawada

Report of the Viva-Voce Proceedings

Name of the Scholar :

Registration Number :

Discipline :

Title of the Thesis :

Date and Time of Viva-voce Examination :

Venue :

Name of the Guide :

Name of the Co-Guide :
(If Applicable)

Name of the External Examiner :

Total Number of Participants :

(Attach list of participants with their
signatures)

Brief Report of the Proceedings of Viva-
Voce Examination :

Name & Signature of the University Observer

ANNEXURE – 10

(Non-Judicial Stamped paper for Rs.100/-)

I, Dr. _____ selected for Ph.D.

course for the year _____ in the subject of
_____ on _____ (Full-time or Part-time basis)
at _____ College / Institution _____ do hereby undertake
to complete the said course as per the requirement of the University. In the event of
my leaving the studies in midterm, I Undertake to pay to the Dr. NTR University of
Health Sciences a sum of Rs. _____/- (Rupees _____ only).

Date:

Signature of the candidate

Signed by the above bounden in the presence of:

WITNESS

1) Signature

Name and address in full

SURETIES

1) Signature

Name and address in full

2) Signature

Name and address in full

2) Signature

Name and address in full

3) Sureties should be two permanent Gazetted Officers of A.P Govt / Head of the Institution.