

INFORMATION BROCHURE

For admission to Ph. D. Programme (Full Time)

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School of Social Sciences & Buddhist Studies

Gautam Buddha University

Greater Noida

Gautam Budh Nagar - 201 308 (U.P.)

About the University

Gautam Buddha University, established by the Uttar Pradesh Act (9) of 2002, commenced its first academic session at its 511 acres lush green campus at Greater Noida in August 2008. The University is fully funded by the New Okhla Industrial Development Authority (NOIDA) and the Greater Noida Industrial Development Authority (GNIDA), the undertakings of Government of Uttar Pradesh. The University envisions to become a world class center for excellence in education with special focus to serve the under privileged and economically challenged sections of the society. The University is modeled as a fully residential educational campus in line with the best Institutions of higher learning across the globe. The uniqueness of its reputation is acknowledged through the format, content and pedagogy of its programmes and their relevance to the society.

Gautam Buddha University is well planned and being developed as one of the finest campuses that can rival the best in the world. The University Campus is an architectural marvel and has in its master plan:

- Campus spread over 511 acres with about 75 lakhs sq. ft. of constructed area, and 30% Green Belt with 50,000 trees,
- Central Library with modern facilities and reading hall for 2000 students,
- Administrative Building and Eight Faculty (School) Buildings,
- The Faculty & Staff Quarters, Married Research Scholar Hostels,
- Students Hostels with 5000 single seated rooms,
- International Guesthouses and Convention Centre,
- Meditation Centre, Swimming Pools and Gymnasia,
- Indoor and Outdoor Sports Complex,
- Water Bodies, Utility Centres and many other facilities.

Academic Programmes

Our Vision and Mission are carried out by our accomplished faculty, recruited and groomed in accordance with the practices in reputed national and international institutions. The School of Social Sciences & Buddhist Studies at GBU offers M.A. in Development Studies and M. Phil. programmes in Social Sciences with interdisciplinary approach. The Ph.D. programme (Off campus as well as Full Time) at the School has been designed in line with the best universities around the world. A tireless quest for knowledge and exploration, intellectual enquiry, academic excellence and inculcation of eternal human values makes the school distinct from the rest.

Ph.D. Programme

Research being at the core, the University patronizes attempts to provide new theoretical frameworks which enable reassessment and refinement of current practices and theories. The faculty members of the School are committed to supervise the research work in order to enrich the existing literature in the discipline.

General Eligibility Criteria

Qualification: M. A. degree in any discipline of Social Science (i.e. Social Work, Sociology, Social Anthropology, Applied Psychology, International Relation, History, Political Science, Education, or Development Studies) with minimum 55% marks in aggregate (50% in case of SC/ST candidates) obtained from any University/Institution established and/or approved by law.

Desirable:

- UGC NET/SLET qualified candidates and candidates with M. Phil. degree will be preferred.
- Papers published / presented at national/ international conferences

A candidate shall normally be permitted to conduct research in his/her area of interest. However, interdisciplinary research shall be encouraged provided a candidate displays the necessary competence to conduct such research as ascertained and recommended by his/her supervisor(s) and approved by the Research Degree Committee of the concerned School.

Number of Seats and Reservation

- Number of seats -10
- Number of seats as indicated above is tentative and may be revised depending on the availability of supervisor(s) in the research area and other research facilities.
- The reservation policy of the University shall be followed as per U.P. Govt. rules.

Admission Procedure

- The candidates who fulfill the eligibility criteria are required to send completed application form along with a tentative research outline (see **Annexure 1** for guidelines).
- The eligible candidates will be called for personal interview at the Gautam Buddha University Campus, Greater Noida, Gautam Budh Nagar (U P) to assess the suitability for the research work.
- The selected candidates will be required to submit the specified fee within the stipulated date.

The admission of the candidates to Ph.D. programme will be provisional subject to their successful completion of all the requirements at the time of registration.

Structure of the Programme

The Ph D programme of the School will be conducted in two phases:

Phase I: Course Work (Pre-doctoral)

- The candidate shall be required to complete the course work of at least 12 credits (or more) as decided by the School.
- The candidate shall be required to complete the course work during the first semester.
- The course work includes attending classes, writing assignments, case analysis, seminars and end semester written examination.
- The candidates shall have to complete all assigned courses with minimum grade as decided by the competent authority. Other academic rules of the University will also be applicable to the Ph D candidates.
- Satisfactory completion of the course work in all respect is mandatory before submitting the Research Proposal for registration to the Ph. D. programme.

Phase II: Research Work

- The candidate will have to submit the Research Proposal to be put before Research Degree Committee (RDC) for approval. The candidate will be required to appear for presentation-cum-viva before the RDC.
- The candidate will have only two chances for appearing before RDC. The admission to the programme will stand cancelled, if the Research Proposal is not approved by RDC even in two appearances.
- The candidate is required to submit the progress report of the research work in every semester.
- The candidate shall be required to register along with fee in each semester.
- Before final submission of the thesis, the candidate is required to give Pre-submission seminar in the School. The candidate should also be able to publish at least two research papers related to his/her research work in the refereed journals of international repute before final submission of the Ph D thesis.

Duration of the Programme

The minimum period for submitting the Ph D thesis shall not be less than two years from the date of approval of RDC or any other date as approved by RDC and the maximum period will be three years. If the candidate is not able to submit his/her thesis within the specified duration of time, the Vice-Chancellor on the recommendation of Dean of the School may extend it further up to a maximum of one year only.

Research Supervisor(s)

The candidate will have a research supervisor (internal) from the University. The number of supervisors may be two if needed. However, a recognized faculty as per the university ordinances can also act as an external supervisor with prior written approval of the University. The requirement of external supervisor is optional.

Fee Structure

The fee structure shall be decided by the competent authority of the university from time to time. The present academic fee is Rs. 12,000/- per academic year and one time deposit of Rs 5,000/- as caution money (refundable).

How to Apply

The application form may either be downloaded from the university website (www.gbu.ac.in) or collected from the admission office of the University in person. The candidate is required to submit the completed application form along with a demand draft of Rs. 1400/- (Rs. 700/- for SC/ST candidates) drawn in favor of Gautam Buddha University payable at Noida/Delhi. The completed application form should be sent with the following documents:

- Demand draft of Rs 1400/- (Rs 700/- for SC/ST candidates)
- Attested copies of mark-sheets and certificates of all examinations starting from 10th standard.
- Attested copy of caste certificate, if applicable
- Research outline

'Application for Ph D Programme in Social Sciences' should be clearly mentioned on the top right corner of the envelope. The completed application form should reach latest by 8th July, 2010 to the following address:

Admission Office (Ph D Programme)
Gautam Buddha University, Greater Noida
Gautam Budh Nagar, (U.P) 201308

Note:

- All the students will be given accommodation in the university Hostel. Married research scholars' hostel is also available.
- No stipend/scholarship will be provided to the admitted candidates by the University.
- The Research Scholars will be required to assist the faculty in teaching, project work evaluation or any other academic or administrative responsibilities assigned to them by the Competent Authority from time to time.
- The incomplete application form will be rejected.
- The competent authority of the University can take suitable decision in any matter which needs to be further explained. The University reserves the right to review the rules in case of Ph. D. programme from time to time and only the latest rules will be applicable to all candidates irrespective of the year of registration.
- The University will not be responsible for any delay in receiving the application form for any reason whatsoever.
- The result of admission to the Ph.D programme declared by University shall be final and binding.
- In case of any legal dispute, the jurisdiction will be limited to the civil court at Gautam Budh Nagar only.
- The Candidate is also advised to keep updating his/her email address and phone number for all important correspondence.
- For more information, the university website (www.gbu.ac.in) may please be visited or may be contacted at +91 120 2344234.

Important Dates

Last Date of Receiving the Application Form	8th July, 2010
Interview	22nd July, 2010
Commencement of the Ph.D. programme	August, 2010

ANNEXURE - 1

Guidelines to be followed for preparing the Research Outline:

- The research outline should be of minimum 1000 words excluding references.
- The font size 12, Times New Roman, 1.5 line spacing and margin of 2.5 cm all sides.
- The following framework should be followed:
 - Title
 - Background/Introduction
 - Rationale /Justification of the Study
 - References