

**BHARATHIAR UNIVERSITY : COIMBATORE 641 046**  
**MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY (M. PHIL.,) PROGRAMME**  
**MODIFIED REGULATIONS 2018**

**1. Preamble**

The Degree of Master of Philosophy (M. Phil.,) is awarded to a candidate who has completed theory examinations under Part I successfully and submitted a dissertation under Part II on the basis of the original research carried out by him or her in any one particular discipline or involving more than one discipline (inter-disciplinary research) that makes a contribution to the advancement of knowledge, which is approved by duly constituted Board of Examiners comprising the research supervisor and one external examiner, and prerequisites as per UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedure for the Award of M. Phil., / Ph. D., Degree) Regulations, 2009/2016. Hence, the degree awarded by Bharathiar University is in compliance with the UGC Regulations 2009/2016.

**2. Eligibility**

Candidates with Master's degree of Bharathiar University in the concerned or related discipline or any other qualification recognized as equivalent thereto by the Syndicate of Bharathiar University are eligible.

The candidates should have passed a post-graduate degree course either with SSLC + HSC + UG + PG (i.e., 10 + 2 + 3 + 2) or with 11-years SSLC + PUC + UG + PG (i.e., 11 + 1 + 3 + 2) or with 10-years SSLC + 3 years Diploma + 2 years UG degree + 2 years PG (i.e., 10 + 3 + 2 + 2) or with 10 years SSLC + HSC + 4 years UG degree and 1 year PG degree (i.e., 10 + 2 + 4 + 1). Thus, only the candidates possessing a PG degree with 17 years of total duration of study alone are eligible for admission to the M. Phil., programme.

The candidates possessing professional degrees such as M. E., and M. Tech., and PG degree in Medicine, Law, Agriculture and similar other professional courses are **not eligible** for admission to the M. Phil., programmes of the University.

**3. Registration for M. Phil., Programme**

Registration for M. Phil., programme shall be of two categories, viz., full time and part time (with or without stipend/fellowship).

(a) Any candidate with the minimum qualification prescribed by the University Grants Commission (UGC) shall register as a full time / part time scholar to pursue M. Phil., programme in a University department or in a research department of an affiliated college or in a research institution approved by the University.

(b) Candidates having a minimum of 55% marks and above in the Master's degree and working as Project / Research Fellows on full – time basis / Technical Assistants / Research Assistants in time-bound research schemes of one year duration or more in

- the University departments / research departments of affiliated colleges / research institutions approved by the University shall be eligible to pursue the course leading to M. Phil., Degree.
- (c) A relaxation of 5% of marks, from 55% to 50%, or an equivalent relaxation of grade may be allowed for the candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer) / differently-abled category and other categories as per the decision of UGC from time to time and for the candidates who had obtained their Master's degree prior to September 19, 1991. The eligibility marks of 55% (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever 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.
- (d) Candidates belonging to the following categories are eligible to register for M. Phil., (Part-Time) programme:
- i. Employees of any Organization / Institution / Research and Development Centres / Laboratories within Tamil Nadu or Research Institutions recognized by Bharathiar University with a minimum of 55% of marks in the Master's degree. (It is mandatory that such candidates should produce 'No Objection Certificate (NOC)' from their respective employers or Heads of the Institutions, in case of Educational Institutions).
  - ii. Teachers working in colleges affiliated to Bharathiar University.
  - iii. Guest lecturers working on consolidated pay in colleges / institutions within Tamil Nadu. (It is mandatory that such candidates should produce NOC and service certificate from their respective colleges / institutions).
  - iv. Employees working in colleges affiliated to Universities other than Bharathiar University within Tamil Nadu. (It is mandatory that such candidates should produce NOC and service certificate from their respective Heads of the Institutions).
  - v. Teachers working in Higher Secondary School / High School / Middle School / Polytechnics (only arts and science subjects) within Tamil Nadu which are recognized / approved by the Government. (Such teachers shall register for part-time M. Phil., programme in a University department or in a research department of an affiliated colleges approved by the University or in a research institution approved by the University).
- (e) A candidate registered for part time M. Phil., shall submit the certificate on his / her employment from the employer to the University every year through the research supervisor and the concerned Head of the Department till he completes the programme within the admissible time duration.
- (f) Transfer Certificate need not be insisted for admission to part-time M. Phil., programme.

#### 4. Duration of Research Programme

##### Full-time

The duration of full – time M. Phil., programme shall extend over a period of one academic year (12 months) commencing from **October 01** every year.

Maximum period for completion (including extension period) of the M. Phil., programme shall be fixed as two years in the case of full-time scholars.

##### Part-time

The duration of part-time M. Phil., programme shall extend over a period of two academic years commencing from **October 01** every year.

Maximum period for completion (including extension period) of the M. Phil., programme shall be fixed as three years in the case of part-time scholars.

##### Exemption

The women candidates and persons with disability (more than 40% disability) may be allowed a relaxation of one year for M. Phil., in the maximum duration. In addition, the women candidates may be provided Maternity Leave / Child Care Leave once in the entire duration of the M. Phil., programme for up to 240 days.

#### 5. Procedure for Admission

The University shall notify in its website and through advertisement in the national / regional / local news papers calling applications towards admissions into M. Phil., programme. The University shall admit candidates by a two - stage process through an entrance test, called Common Eligibility Test (CET), and an interview. CET shall be conducted by the University during **June / July** every year. The test will be conducted at the following centres: Coimbatore, Erode, Tirupur, Ooty and Pollachi / Udumalpet.

Master's Degree holders satisfying the qualification criteria stipulated under supra 2 above shall be eligible to appear for CET. However, the candidates who qualify in UGC-NET (including JRF) / UGC-CSIR NET (including JRF) / SLET / SET / GATE, scientists working in DRDO, faculty of Air Force Administrative College, holders of teacher fellowship (like FIP and FDP) and candidates of foreign origin possessing prescribed qualifications shall be exempted from appearing CET.

##### Pattern for CET

CET in every discipline shall be of objective type with 50 multiple choice questions (MCQs) each with four options. Each question carries 0.7 marks. No negative marks for wrong answers. The maximum marks shall be 35 (50 x 0.7 = 35 marks). **There shall be a passing minimum of 10 marks out of 35.** The marks awarded in CET shall be valid for

one academic year and shall be used to register for the M. Phil., programme during **October** every year.

Only the candidates who secured the passing minimum as mentioned above shall be called for interview after the scrutiny of his / her application for admission into M. Phil., programme. Interview shall be conducted at the University Departments or at the affiliated colleges of the University or at the research institutions approved by the University, where the candidate applies. The maximum marks for the interview shall be fixed as 15.

#### Criteria for Selection

PG qualifying examination marks shall be converted to 50. A candidate who secures 25 marks out of 50 marks in the qualifying degree and secures an aggregate of 25 marks out of 50 marks comprising both CET and interview shall be declared qualified for admission into M. Phil., programme. In other words, a candidate who secures 50 marks out of 100 marks as detailed below shall be eligible for admission into M. Phil., programme.

Requirement of PG Qualifying Degree Examination Score : 25 out of 50 marks

Minimum Requirement of CET Score + Interview Score : 25 out of 50 marks

Eligibility Requirement for Admission : 50 out of 100 marks

However, selection of the candidates shall be made subject to the availability of vacancies with the research supervisors in the University departments / research departments of affiliated colleges / research institutions approved the University.

The selection committee shall be constituted at the University departments / research departments of affiliated colleges / research institutions approved the University with the following as its members:

1. Dean of the concerned discipline / Principal of the College / Director of the Research Institution / Centre
2. Head of the Department / Division
3. Research Supervisors within the Department / Division

#### **6. Registration**

Candidates who are admitted into M. Phil., programme (Full-time or Part-time) shall be registered under the supervision of recognized supervisors to carry out research in the chosen topics.

A candidate applying for registration shall specify the broad field of research, which may be related to the field of specialization chosen in his/her PG degree.

## **7. Qualification Required to Supervise Candidates under M. Phil., Programme**

- (a) Members of faculty who are the approved research supervisors under Ph. D., programme shall be eligible to supervise the candidates registered for M. Phil., programme.
- (b) Teachers who have completed M. Phil., programme and have at least one year teaching experience after the award of M. Phil., degree shall be given guide recognition and only such recognized supervisors shall supervise the candidates registered for M. Phil., programme.
- (c) The candidates shall be permitted to have a Co-guide(s) with the approval of the University duly recommended by the Supervisor, Head of the Department and the Dean (Research).
- (d) No candidate shall be permitted to continue his / her M. Phil., programme with a supervisor who has left the service from the territorial jurisdiction of Bharathiar University. In such cases, the candidates shall be permitted to choose a co-guide from among the recognized research supervisors in the respective disciplines working in the territorial jurisdiction of Bharathiar University. However, this condition shall not apply to the research supervisors who get transfer / retirement.
- (e) Only the faculty having M. Phil., / Ph.D., degree in Yoga shall be recognized as research supervisors for M. Phil., programme in Yoga (for Human Excellence).
- (f) Faculty having post-graduate degree in Yoga and Ph. D., in the subjects other than Yoga shall not be recognized as research supervisors in Yoga.
- (g) Faculty who have been recognized as research guides in Yoga, but do not possess M. Phil., / Ph. D., in Yoga shall not be allowed to register the candidates for M.Phil., programme in Yoga (for Human Excellence) under their supervision from 2018-19 onwards.

## **8. Age Limit for Research Supervisors**

Upper age limit for registering fresh candidates for M. Phil., programme is 57 years in the case of teachers of affiliated colleges and 59 years in the case of University teachers (i.e. one calendar year prior to their retirement).

## **9. Number of Candidates under a Research Supervisor**

- (a) A research supervisor / co-supervisor / co-guide who is a Professor, at any given point of time, cannot guide more than three (3) M. Phil., scholars. An Associate professor as a research supervisor can guide up to a maximum of two (2) M. Phil., scholars. An Assistant Professor as a research supervisor can guide up to a maximum of one (1) M. Phil., scholar.

- (b) For assessing the number of vacancies under a supervisor the actual date of submission of the dissertation by the candidate(s) registered with the supervisor shall be taken into account.
- (c) The maximum intake of candidates for full-time and part-time programme in the laboratory oriented departments of each affiliated college / division of any R & D institution shall be fixed by the inspection commission constituted by the University.
- (d) In case of relocation of a woman M. Phil., scholar due to marriage or otherwise, the research data shall be allowed to be transferred to the University to which the scholar intends to relocate provided all the other conditions in these regulations are followed in letter and spirit, and the research work does not pertain to the project secured by the parent institution / supervisor from any funding agency. The scholar will however give due credit to the parent guide and the institution for the part of research already done.

#### **10. Approval of Institutions for Offering M. Phil., Research Programme**

- (a) All University departments, recognized research departments in affiliated colleges and recognized research institutions shall be approved to offer M. Phil., research programmes in the respective disciplines or in the disciplines for which they have been recognized or in interdisciplinary areas.
- (b) No department in an affiliated college without a Bachelor's or Master's degree course in the discipline concerned (for laboratory/non-laboratory subjects) shall be approved to offer M. Phil., programme
- (c) Departments in an affiliated college without a Bachelor's or Master's degree course only in the disciplines such as Tamil, English, Hindi, Library Science and Physical Education shall be approved to offer M. Phil., programme.
- (d) A department in an affiliated college may be considered for approval to offer M.Phil., programme only after the completion of the first batch of Bachelor's or Master's degree course in the discipline concerned (both full-time & part-time for laboratory/non-laboratory subjects).
- (e) The maximum intake of candidates for full-time and part-time M. Phil., programme in each research department of the affiliated colleges and recognized research institutions shall be fixed by the inspection commission constituted by the University based on the facilities and research publications in the journals.
- (f) The grant of recognition to conduct M. Phil., programme in the departments of any affiliated college or recognized research institution shall be considered provided there is at least one recognized research supervisor in the respective disciplines / departments.

### **11. Change of Broad Field of Research**

Change of broad field of research shall be permitted in exceptional cases. An amount of Rs. 500/- shall be collected from the candidate who seeks change of broad field of research.

The time limit fixed for the change of broad field of research in the M. Phil. programme is within six months from the date of joining the course, in case of full-time candidates and within twelve months from the date of joining the course, in case of part-time candidates. For change of broad field of research, the candidate is required to submit an application to the University through the research supervisor.

### **12. Change of Supervisors and Transfer of Scholars**

Transfer of M. Phil., scholars from one supervisor to another supervisor shall be permitted if mutual willingness is given by both the present and new supervisors issuing 'No Objection Certificate' by the former and the 'Acceptance Letter' by the latter. An amount of Rs. 250/- shall be collected from the candidate as the processing fee.

### **13. Attendance**

- (a) Candidates admitted to full-time M. Phil., programme shall secure 75% attendance during the entire course, including short-term training programmes, workshop, seminar, conference, etc., attended by them outside the University on the recommendation of the supervisor and with the prior permission of the Head of University department / Principal of the affiliated college. The attendance may be calculated year-wise.
- (b) The Head of the University Department / Principal of the affiliated college shall be empowered to condone 10% of shortage of attendance and grant the condonation depending on the merit of the case. However, a candidate cannot claim the condonation as a matter of right.
- (c) Part-time candidates shall report to the supervisor at least thirty days in a year. This period may include public and other holidays also.
- (d) Attendance for part-time candidates shall be maintained by the respective supervisors and shall be submitted to the Head of the Department once in six months.
- (e) Part-time candidates shall take part in seminars at the departmental level at least twice in a year.
- (f) If there is a shortage in attendance for a candidate due to availing of leave on medical grounds, his / her minimum period of research shall be extended accordingly within the prescribed maximum period.

## 14. Examination and Evaluation

### Part I: Course Work Examination, Pattern of Question Paper and Evaluation

#### Course Work Examination

- (a) Full time candidates should appear for the theory examinations under Part I of the programme at the end of six months after joining the course and part time candidates should appear for the theory examinations under Part I of the programme at the end of one year after joining the course.
- (b) The course work, i.e., Part I of M.Phil., programme shall consist of the following three papers, in which the candidates are required to appear:
  - Paper 1: Research Methodology (Research Methods in the concerned discipline)
  - Paper 2: Advanced course in the concerned discipline
  - Paper 3: Special paper (Pertaining to the area of specialization chosen by the candidate / research specialization of the supervisor)

#### Note

- (a) The syllabi for papers 1, 2 and 3 shall be framed by the committee comprising all research supervisors and duly approved by the Board of Studies in Research and the Standing Committee on Academic Affairs (SCAA).
- (b) Candidates appearing for Part I theory examinations in different subjects (other than language subjects like Tamil, Telugu and Hindi) should answer only in English.
- (c) Part I theory examinations shall be conducted twice in a calendar year in the months of **May/June** and **October/November**.
- (d) The duration of examination for each paper shall be 3 hours and the maximum marks for each paper shall be 100 marks.
- (e) The medium of language for the candidates joining M. Phil., programme in Yoga for Human Excellence is Tamil only if they should have studied UG/PG degree courses with medium of instructions in Tamil and for other candidates, the medium is English.



### Pattern of Question Paper

Part I theory examination shall be with the following pattern of question paper:

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 100

Part A – (5 x 8 = 40 marks)

Answer any *five* out of *eight* questions

All questions carry *equal* marks

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.

Part B – (5 x 12 = 60 marks)

Answer any *five* out of *eight* questions

All questions carry *equal* marks

- 9.
- 10.
- 11.
- 12.
- 13.
- 14.
- 15.
- 16.

### Evaluation

- (a) A system of double valuation shall be followed inviting experts from institutions outside the jurisdiction of Bharathiar University for the first valuation and inviting experts from institutions within and outside the jurisdiction of the University for the second valuation.
- (b) There shall be one Board of Examiners for theory examinations under Part I comprising both University and College teachers. It shall be made mandatory that

the research supervisors of the candidates are examiners for the specialization papers in which their candidates appear.

- (c) The chairperson / convener of the meeting of the research supervisors in each discipline shall provide the list of examiners in consultation with the research supervisors.
- (d) There shall be a passing minimum of 50 marks out of 100 in each paper. Only the candidates who have secured the minimum of 50 marks out of 100 in all the three papers shall be declared as passed in Part I Theory Examinations.
- (e) A candidate who does not secure the passing minimum of 50 marks out of 100 in a paper shall reappear to that paper for the purpose of completing Part I. Candidates who have secured 50 and above shall be exempted from re-appearing the examinations.
- (f) Any candidate who is declared as 'failed' in Part-I of the examination must reappear in all the failed papers in which he/she has not been exempted and the marks obtained at the reappearance shall only be taken into account for declaring the result.
- (g) The maximum number of attempts for the candidates to clear papers of Part I shall be fixed as five.
- (h) Candidates who have completed the duration of the programme or the candidates, but have not cleared the theory examinations under Part I in five attempts shall re-register for the programme. In such cases, there shall be no requirement of recommendation of the Ethics and Grievance Redressal Committee (EGRC) for re-registration.
- (i) A candidate who is seeking permission for re-registration shall write the paper(s) of Part I only in the current syllabus if he/she has not completed the paper(s) on earlier occasions.

## **Part II: Dissertation**

- (a) Candidates shall be required to choose a research problem in his/her chosen area of research and submit a dissertation incorporating the results of his/her investigation carried out under the supervision of a recognized supervisor.
- (b) The candidates shall be permitted to submit their dissertation even if he/she has not completed the theory examinations under Part-I. However, the result of the dissertations shall be published only after the successful completion of the theory examinations under Part I.
- (c) The candidates shall be required to submit three copies of the dissertation under Part II at the end of 12 months from the month of admission in the case of full-

time candidates and at the end of 24 months from the month of admission in the case of part-time candidates.

- (d) However, in exceptional cases, extension of time for submission of M. Phil., dissertation shall be granted up to a maximum period of one year. The candidates shall be required to pay tuition fee (for one year) during the extension period along with the extension fee of Rs. 2, 000/- for every six months.
- (e) The existing rules for publication of Ph. D., thesis shall be followed for publication of M. Phil., dissertation.
- (f) The supervisor while forwarding the dissertation shall submit a panel of three examiners from different institutions in the concerned discipline (hard and soft copies should be enclosed). The examiners shall be from outside or within the state of Tamil Nadu, but outside the territorial jurisdiction of Bharathiar University.
- (g) In arts subjects, the candidates may be permitted to submit dissertations and take up viva - voce examinations in Tamil.
- (h) Every candidate, in his/her dissertation, shall include a declaration by himself / herself and a certificate from the supervisor under whom he / she worked as per the format given below: Extra copies of each of the certificate and declaration have to be submitted along with the dissertation.

**DECLARATION**

(to be submitted by the candidate)

I, ....., hereby declare that the thesis, entitled “.....” submitted to Bharathiar University, in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the award of the Degree of Master of Philosophy in ....., is a record of original and independent research work done by me during ..... under the supervision and guidance of Dr. ...., Department of ..... and it has not formed the basis for the award of any Degree / Diploma / Associate ship / Fellowship or other similar title to any candidate of any University.

**Countersigned**

**Signature of the Candidate**

(Research Supervisor)

**Note:** Candidates who are permitted to work without a guide shall also submit a declaration to the above effect.

## CERTIFICATE

(to be submitted by the Research Supervisor)

This is to certify that the thesis entitled “. . . . .” submitted to Bharathiar University, in partial fulfilment of the requirements for the award of the Degree of Master of Philosophy in . . . . ., is a record of original research work done by Mr./Ms. . . . . during the period . . . . . of his/her study in the Department of . . . . . at . . . . . (College/Research Institute/Bharathiar University) under my supervision and guidance, and the thesis has not formed the basis for the award of any Degree / Diploma / Associateship / Fellowship or other similar title to any candidate of any University.

**Countersigned**

**Research Supervisor**

Principal / Head of the Department / Director  
(College / University / Research Institute)

### 15. Evaluation of M. Phil., Dissertation

- (a) The dissertation submitted by the candidate shall be evaluated by two examiners, which include the research supervisor of the candidate. The examiners shall evaluate the dissertation separately and send their individual reports in the prescribed format, indicating their individual assessment as either ‘Highly Commended’ or ‘Commended’ or ‘Not Commended’. The comment, whichever is advantageous to the candidate, either ‘Highly Commended’ or ‘Commended’ shall be taken into consideration for declaration of the result.
- (b) If the supervisor or external examiner does not submit his / her report even after the second reminder, he / she may be removed from the examinership and another examiner be appointed in his / her place.
- (c) In case of non-receipt of the panel of examiners from the research supervisor within one month from the date of submission of M. Phil., thesis by the candidate, the Vice-Chancellor is empowered to appoint a new panel of examiners in consultation with the Chairman/Chairperson of the PG Board of Studies (UD).
- (d) In case, the dissertation has not been assessed specifically as “Commended” or “Not Commended”, and but the revision is suggested, the dissertation shall be revised and re-submitted within three months from the date of intimation and revised dissertation shall be sent to the examiner, who had suggested the revision, for obtaining the commendation.
- (e) In case, the examiners differ in their opinion on the suitability of the dissertation, the dissertation shall be referred to another examiner in the panel, whose opinion shall be deemed to be final.

- (f) In case, the dissertation is assessed as 'Not Commended', or recommended by the examiner for 'revision and re-submission', the candidate shall be permitted to resubmit his / her dissertation on a second occasion within a period of six months from the date of announcement of the result. No candidate shall be permitted to resubmit the dissertation on more than one occasion.
- (g) Both internal and external examiners, whenever they recommend the dissertation with the gradation either as 'Commended' or 'Highly Commended' shall provide at least five questions each relating to the dissertation and those questions shall be asked by the supervisor in the Viva-Voce Examination for the candidate to answer.
- (h) A candidate must submit himself / herself for a viva-voce on the dissertation. A candidate, whose dissertation is commended / highly commended, shall be required to pass in the viva-voce examination. The viva-voce examination shall be conducted for the candidate by the supervisor at the department concerned in the presence of faculty and the students of the department. The supervisor shall send a report of the viva-voce to the Controller of Examinations for further action.
- (i) There shall be only one viva - voce notification. Viva - voce examination shall be conducted for M. Phil., scholars strictly within 15 days of receipt of reports from the Office of the Controller of Examinations. If viva - voce could not be conducted within the specified period, the supervisor shall get permission for extension of time to conduct viva – voce from the University specifying the reasons.
- (j) A candidate who is not successful in the viva-voce examination shall be permitted to undergo the viva-voce Examination for the second time one month after the conduct of first viva-voce examination but not later than three months.
- (k) A candidate shall be declared to have passed Part II, if the evaluation of the dissertation report is expressed as 'Commended' or 'Highly commended' and the candidate completes the viva-voce examination successfully.
- (l) A candidate shall be declared to have qualified for M. Phil., degree only if he / she is successful in both theory examinations under Part I and dissertation / viva-voce under Part II.
- (m) All the requirements for the award of M. Phil., Degree shall be completed within a total period of two years from the date of admission in the case of full-time programme and within a period of three years from the date of admission in the case of part-time programme.
- (n) The supervisor shall furnish a certificate as in the following format along with the report of the viva-voce examination in connection with the publication of the dissertation by the candidate at a later date.

### CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that in the thesis entitled ‘.....’ submitted by ‘.....’ all the corrections / modifications suggested by the examiners have been incorporated and the thesis does not have any objectionable material. Hence, the thesis is fit for publication, if the candidate so desires.

Research Supervisor / Convener

#### **16. Re-registration**

Candidates who fail to complete the requirements of the M. Phil., degree programme within the maximum period can be permitted for re-registration in the same discipline only.

Candidates re-registering for M. Phil., programme shall be granted exemption from writing one or more papers of Part I, if they have passed the same under their initial registration. The candidates may be permitted to re-register under the same supervisor (if he/she retires) or under a new supervisor (if he/she is willing) and/or at a new Institution.

Re-registration shall be permitted within five years from the date of the initial registration. The re-registered candidates shall be permitted to submit his / her M. Phil., dissertation at any time within one year.

#### **17. Conferment of the Degree**

A candidate shall be eligible for the conferment of M. Phil., degree, if he / she has undergone the prescribed programme for a period of not less than one year, in case of full-time programme and not less than two years, in case of part-time programme in the University departments or in an Institution affiliated to / approved by the University, passed all the examinations and fulfilled all such conditions, as have been prescribed therein.

The actual date of completion of Part I and Part II examination, whichever is later, shall be mentioned in the M. Phil., provisional certificate as the date of award / qualifying for the M. Phil., degree subject to satisfying all other conditions.

Candidates who qualify for M. Phil., degree shall be awarded in the respective discipline in which the candidate has been permitted to register.

#### **18. Additional M. Phil., Degree**

A candidate who has already completed his / her M. Phil., degree in this University shall be permitted to register for an additional M. Phil., in another specialization within the same discipline.

However, the remarks of the supervisor shall be obtained regarding the exemption of Paper 3 of Part I already passed by the candidate, if required.

**19. Conversion from Full-Time Registration to Part-Time and Vice-Versa**

- Conversion from full-time to part-time and vice-versa of M. Phil., programme shall be allowed only under special circumstances on payment of ‘status change fee’ as prescribed by the University.
- The following rule shall be adopted for conversion from full-time to part-time and vice-versa of Ph.D. programme:

The residual period that the candidate has to complete at the time of his / her application for conversion (from full-time to part-time or from part-time to full-time, as the case may be) for fulfilling the requirement of the minimum duration for submitting the thesis under the existing category be taken note of and the equivalent of the corresponding period without exceeding the maximum duration shall be determined and intimated to the candidate.

**20. Conversion from Ph. D., Programme to M. Phil., Programme**

Candidates registered for Ph.D., (full-time / part-time) programme may be permitted to convert their registrations to M. Phil., (full-time / part-time) programme on payment of prescribed fee (status change fee) provided

- a. they have completed the Part I of the programme within the prescribed period;
- b. there is no change of supervisor; and
- c. there is no change in the total time limit prescribed for M. Phil., programme.

**21. Depository of Registered Candidates**

The University shall maintain the list of candidates who have registered for the M. Phil., programme on its website on year-wise basis. The list shall include the names of the registered candidates, topics of their research, names of their supervisors/co-supervisors and dates of enrolment/registration.

**22. Revision of Regulations and Curriculum**

The University may from time to time revise, amend or change the regulations, scheme of examinations, syllabus and also the fee structures, if necessary, and such amendments or changes shall come into effect from the date prescribed.