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No. AU/Admin-PhD01/2025-26

Notification for Admission to the PhD Programme: 2025-26

- 1. Online applications are invited in the prescribed format from eligible candidates (Indian nationals only) for Admission to the PhD Programme in various departments of the following subjects:
 - (i) Arabic, (ii) Bengali, (iii) English, (iv) Urdu, (v) Journalism and Mass Communication, (vi) Economics, (vii) History, (viii) Education, (ix) Geography, (x) Physics, (xi) Chemistry, (xii) Mathematics and Statistics, (xiii) Biological Sciences, (xiv) Civil Engg., (xv) Computer Science and Engg., (xvi) Electrical Engg., (xvii) Electronics & Communication Engg., (xviii) Mechanical Engg., (xix) Management and Business Administration (MBA), (xx) Islamic Theology, (xxi) Islamic Studies and (xxii) Law.

2. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

(a) Candidates who have completed:

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 a 2-year/4-semester master's degree programme after a 4-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

A relaxation of 5% marks (55% to 50%) or its equivalent grade may be allowed for those belonging to Differently-Abled candidates as per the decision of the UGC from time to time.

Provided that a candidate seeking admission after a 4-year/8-semester bachelor's degree programme should have a minimum of 75% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade on a point scale, wherever the grading system is followed. A relaxation of 5% marks (75% to 70%) or its equivalent grade may be allowed for those belonging to Differently-Abled candidates as per the decision of the UGC from time to time.

(b) 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 PhD programme. A relaxation of 5% marks (55% to 50%) or its equivalent grade may be allowed for those belonging to Differently-Abled candidates as per the decision of the UGC from time to time.

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(c) The final year students of the above-qualifying courses who have already qualified in UGC-NET / UGC-CSIR-NET / GATE / or other similar national-level tests (accredited by government agencies) / WB-SET mentioned in 'Block A' of the selection procedure 3(c) below, may also apply. However, if selected, such candidates must complete their qualifying degree before the date of admission. Moreover, such candidates need to submit their migration certificate within one month of the PhD admission date.

3. SELECTION PROCEDURE

The University will admit applicants to the PhD programme by using the following methods:

(a) Aliah University may admit PhD students who have qualified in **UGC-NET / UGC-CSIR-NET / WB-SET / GATE** or other similar national-level tests (accredited by government agencies) based on an interview (see 3 (c) for details).

And / Or

- (b) Aliah University may admit students through an entrance test, i.e., Aliah University Research Eligibility Test (**AURET**) for the subject **Islamic Theology only**. The AURET syllabus shall consist of **50**% research methodology and **50**% subject-specific content.
 - i. Students securing **50%** marks in the **AURET** will be eligible to be called for the interview.
 - ii. A relaxation of 5% marks will be allowed in the AURET for the candidates belonging to the Differently-Abled category, as per the decision of the UGC from time to time.
- (c) All eligible applicants must appear for an INTERVIEW before a panel comprising Departmental Research Committee (DRC) members and other experts appointed by the university. The applicants are required to discuss their research interest/area as per the field of specialization/research areas available in the concerned department, and will be objectively assessed and awarded marks, giving weightage as follows:

Block		Mode of selection and weightage					
		Valid Test Score		Viva			Total
A	with a valid test score after qualifying the national level tests (accredited by government agencies), such as UGC-NET/ UGC-CSIR-NET / ICMR / DBT / ASRB-NET / JEST/ NBHM/ BET * 2. Candidates qualified in any national level tests mentioned in item A1 above / GATE / WB-SET / other similar national level tests (accredited by government agencies) with a valid test score **	70% of the valid percentile test score		30%			100
В	Candidates qualified in any of the test(s) mentioned in Block A above in the past, but whose percentile scores are not available or no longer valid, or completed the M.Phil / M.Tech / M.E. degree with at least 70% marks in aggregate (or equivalent minimum CGPA 7.5 out of 10.0) \$	10 th Standard #	12 th Standard #	UG #	PG #	Viva	100
		10%	10%	20%	30%	30%	
С	Candidates qualified in AURET (for the subject Islamic Theology only)	AURET Marks				Viva	100
		70 %			30%		

^{*} The cut-off date of validity of the certificates will be till the last date of online submission of the application form. However, for the JRF candidates, the certificates must remain valid until the completion of all the admission-related procedures for getting the fellowship, following all the terms and conditions laid down by the relevant fellowship funding agencies. Please note that

candidates who have been awarded "Lectureship/Assistant Professorship" (without JRF) in the CSIR / UGC examination and any other fellowship, such as National Fellowship for Scheduled Caste (NFSC), National Fellowship for Schedule Tribe (NFST), National Fellowship for Other Backward Classes (NFOBC), National Fellowship for PWD (NFPWD) based on Lectureship/Assistant Professorship (without JRF), DST-INSPIRE Fellowship, are not eligible under the 'Block A' mentioned above. However, such fellows, along with any other kind of JRFs, project-linked persons recruited in different research projects in the university, may be considered in 'Block B' above.

- ** In case the **percentile** test score of the written tests is not available or can't be computed for the candidates in 'Block A', the candidate will be considered under 'Block B' mentioned above.
- # To be awarded based on the percentage of marks obtained by the candidate, assuming a standardized total of 100 marks.
- **\$** A relaxation of 5% marks (70% to 65%) or its equivalent grade may be allowed for those belonging to Differently-Abled candidates.
- (d) The PhD admission will be based on the combined merit of percentile scores obtained in any test(s) mentioned in 'Block A' above or aggregated percentages of academic marks or percentages of marks obtained in AURET (for the subject Islamic Theology only) and the marks obtained in the interview/viva-voce for all candidates mentioned in Blocks 'A', 'B', and 'C'.
- (e) Aliah University may decide to shortlist the number of eligible applicants to be called for an interview based on the number of PhD seats available.

4. APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Log in to the Aliah University website https://www.aliah.ac.in and click on the link **Admission to PhD Programme.**

LAST DATE FOR ONLINE APPLICATION: 25th November 2025 till midnight.

- ✓ Please read the **Eligibility Criteria** carefully before starting the application process.
- ✓ Create a new user ID on the Admission Portal from the Link given on the university website (https://aums.aliah.ac.in/) by filling in the credentials and verifying the Mobile Number and Email ID [User Manual: https://aums.aliah.ac.in/Notice/28UserManual.pdf].
- ✓ Save the User ID and Password properly [candidates will need it to complete the application form, download the admit card, and, if selected, to complete the admission process further].
- ✓ The candidate also needs an ABC ID (Academic Bank of Credits) / APAAR ID (Automated Permanent Academic Account Registry) along with the Aadhar Number. If the candidate does not have the ABC/APAAR ID, create one using this link: https://www.abc.gov.in/ or https://apaar.education.gov.in/.
- ✓ The candidate will need a digital copy of the Photo along with the signature for uploading. Please upload a recent (not older than six months) passport-size color photograph. Ensure that the Photo attached to the print-out of the application form at the time of submission matches the one uploaded.
- \checkmark Fill in all the details correctly, and upload supporting documents wherever required.
- ✓ Re-check all inputs before submission.
- ✓ Applicant needs to pay the application fee through an online payment gateway.
- ✓ Print the submitted application form and the payment receipt, and submit the same along with the required documents.

5. APPLICATION FEES & PAYMENT:

- ➤ Application Fees for the PhD programme are Rupees Five Hundred Only (Rs. 500/-). Candidates should pay the application fee through the **ONLINE PAYMENT** mode only by using a Credit Card, a Debit Card, or Net Banking.
- ➤ PhD course fee at Aliah University at present is Rs 25000/- (Rs 10000/- at the time of admission and Rs 15000/- at the time of thesis submission). The fees may increase in the future if the appropriate authorities deem it necessary, and candidates will be notified accordingly.

6. SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION FORM:

- i) The applicants need to submit the online application form by 25th November 2025, midnight.
- ii) The hard copy of the application form generated/downloaded at the time of online application must be submitted to the Receiving Section, Ground Floor, Aliah University, Action Area-IIA/27, New Town, Kolkata 700160, latest by 3rd December 2025 till 5.00 pm.
- iii) Hard copies of all documents should be submitted in a sealed envelope superscribing the Name of the Department applied for and Name of the Programme (PhD). Submission of the hard copy of the application form along with all supporting documents is mandatory.

The following documents must be attached to the Printout of the Online Application Form:

- a) Self-attested copies of all testimonials in support of age and qualifications (all mark sheets and certificates).
- b) Self-attested certificate(s) of UGC-NET / UGC-CSIR-NET / GATE / WB-SET / ICMR / DBT / ASRB-NET / JEST / NBHM / BET / DST-INSPIRE / or similar national-level tests, and experience certificate (if any).
- c) **Part-time PhD:** If the candidates are employed and willing to apply for the Part-time PhD programme, they shall have to apply through the proper channel. They also have to submit the original NOC from their employer at the time of admission.
- d) Copy of Application Fee Payment Receipt.

7. The names of the shortlisted candidates and the schedule of the interview will be notified on the university website. Please follow the website regularly. The dates mentioned below are tentative (may be revised):

Application start date	14 th November 2025		
Last date of online application submission	25 th November 2025		
Last date of receiving the hard copies of documents	3 rd December 2025		
Publication of the shortlisted candidates for interview	2 nd week of January, 2026		
Interview	Between the 3rd week and the last		
	week of January, 2026		
Final result of candidates selected for admission	1st week of February, 2026		

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- All inquiry-related correspondence should be made via email (phdadmission_au@aliah.ac.in). No postal communication will be entertained.
- ❖ Fellowship: The University does not provide any fellowship. However, full-time scholars may apply for various fellowships, such as UGC-NET / CSIR-UGC-NET / DST-INSPIRE / ICMR / DBT / NFSC / SVMCMS (non-NET fellowship), etc. subject to the terms and conditions laid down by the relevant fellowship funding agencies.
- The University also reserves the right to drop or include any name if any suppression of facts on the part of the applicants or any mistake in the calculation of merit score is detected at any stage before and after admission.
- ❖ PhD Regulations of Aliah University and the latest Regulations of UGC (2022) will be followed in case of PhD admission.
- ❖ In case of any clarification on eligibility for a 4-year bachelor's degree, NEP-2020 and/or UGC PhD regulations-2022, and further amendments from time to time shall be followed.
- * Incomplete applications are liable to be summarily rejected. The rights of cancellation or admission lie with the Board of Research Studies (BRS) of the University.
- ❖ The decision of the University BRS is final in all matters of admission.

Applicants are advised to follow the university website https://www.aliah.ac.in for all information/notifications related to admission to the PhD Programme.