

M. Phil. Federal Studies

M.Phil is a pre-Ph.D but a separate programme. Candidates for admission to M.Phil. programme shall have a Master's Degree in the major disciplines of social sciences/ federal studies such as Political Science, International Politics, Economics, Public finance, Public Policy, Governance, Regional and Development Studies, Geography, Sociology, Public Administration, Human Rights, Law, Comparative Politics and other allied disciplines, or a Professional degree declared equivalent to Master's degree by the corresponding statutory body, with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade 'B' in the UGC 7-points scale.

A relaxation of 5% of marks, from 55% to 50% or an equivalent relaxation of grade, shall be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer) differently-abled and other categories of candidates declared eligible by the UGC from time to time.

M. Phil. Selection criteria:

- 1.1 M.Phil. programme shall be for a minimum duration of two consecutive semesters/ one year, including course work and to a maximum of four consecutive semesters/ two years.
- 1.2 The University/Centre shall admit M.Phil. students through an Entrance Test comprising of 2-stage selection process to be conducted at the level of the Department /Centre. Centre will conduct a screening test/ qualifying written examination. Written examination will comprise of short and long answers types questions from the fields of research methodology, federal studies, public policy, Indian society, constitution, economy, government and politics, human rights, major theories of social sciences and other contemporary issues of India and the world. Candidate securing less than 50% of the total marks shall not be eligible for Interview Test. Selection will be based on performance in interview and previous academic record as per the following.

S. No.	Criteria	Max. Marks (100)
1	Post-graduate	20
2	Undergraduate	10
3	JRF/NET (INSPIRE=30, JRF=20 NET=10)	30
4	Teaching Experience/Publication	05
5	Personal Interview	35

- 1.3 The interview board shall specifically look for the candidate's depth of knowledge awareness of recent developments, competence for the proposed research, whether the research work can be suitably undertaken at the institute, and whether the proposed area of research can contribute to new/additional knowledge. The candidate is required to submit detailed research proposal in advance i.e. before the scheduled date of interview.

1.4 Total no of Seats : 15 (excluding supernumerary seats for foreigners)