

JAWAHARLAL NEHRU UNIVERSITY

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Jawaharlal Nehru University every year conducts entrance examinations for admission into various academic programmes and the admission policy is devised as per the UGC guidelines and Government of India rules related to reservation of seats for different categories. And thus Separate merit lists are prepared for candidates belonging to the General Category, Scheduled Caste Category, Scheduled Tribe Category, OBC Category, EWS category and PWD Category and also in respect of Foreign Nationals for each programme of study.

The National Testing Agency conducts the Computer Based Tests (CBT) for admission into its academic programmes. And Schools and Special Centres of JNU conduct the viva voce tests (wherever applicable). The final selection of candidates for admission to various programmes of study is made “on the basis of inter-se merit of candidates in their respective categories based on their performance in the CBT and viva voce (wherever prescribed).”

Significantly, PhD admissions at JNU are based on 2016 UGC gazette notification and number of seats at each category are fixed and are announced well in advance in the prospectus. Number of PhD seats is based on available vacancies with each faculty member and available research resources. JNU has no authority to create supernumerary PhD positions while supernumerary positions are possible in non-PhD programs.

As per the admission policy of the university, JNU allocates 5% supernumerary seats for widows/wards of Armed Forces Personnel killed/disabled in action or during peace time for Admission to University programmes. These supernumerary seats are earmarked for UG/PG/Part-time programmes, but not in B.Tech., M.Sc. (Biotechnology), M.Sc. (Computational and Integrative Sciences), MBA and Ph.D. programmes.

The admission of foreign students for Ph.D. programme is considered in compliance with UGC 2016 Regulations regarding number of research scholars faculty members can supervise. Foreign students are offered PhD admission only if seats are left vacant in any discipline after being offered to Indian candidate who have appeared in JNUEE.



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