



DRAVIDIAN UNIVERSITY

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PH.D. REGULATIONS: 2022

(Modified based on the University Grants Commission's (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of Ph.D Degree) Regulations, 2022 issued through Gazette Notification dated 7th November, 2022, and its adoption by Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education (APSCHE) by circulating it as draft Regulations for award of Ph.D. Degree, through e-mail dated 22nd May, 2024). to AP state Universities for implementation).

Approved in University Research Committee (URC) Meeting held on 28/12/2024, these Regulations are implemented to the candidates admitted through APRCET-2023 and DURCET-2024 and subsequent batches.

Note: Candidates admitted prior to these regulations will be governed by the corresponding old regulations but the rules of Plagiarism mentioned in these Regulations i.e., maximum allowed similarity up to 10% is applicable to all candidates irrespective of their date of registration.

1. PREAMBLE

Dravidian University offers a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) research programme across various subjects and departments. This programme is available in both full-time and part-time modes. Additionally, The University provides the option to pursue a Ph.D. through the Extramural Mode.

2. Eligibility criteria for admission to the Ph.D. Programme: The following individuals are eligible to seek admission to the Ph.D. programme:

2.1 Ph.D. through Full-Time mode:

i. Candidates who have completed:

- A 1-year/2-semester master's degree program following a 4-year/8-semester bachelor's degree program, or
- A 2-year/4-semester master's degree program following a 3-year bachelor's degree program, or
- Qualifications recognized as equivalent to a master's degree by the relevant statutory regulatory body, with at least 55% aggregate marks or its equivalent grade on a grading scale, wherever applicable. This also includes equivalent qualifications from foreign educational institutions.

- ii. An institution accredited by an assessment and accreditation agency that is approved, recognized, or authorized by a statutory authority established or incorporated under the laws of its home country, or any other authorized body in that country, to assess, accredit, or ensure the quality and standards of the educational institution.
- iii. A relaxation of 5% marks or the equivalent grade may be granted to candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer), Differently Abled, Economically Weaker Section (EWS), and other categories, as per the Commission's decisions from time to time.
- iv. Candidates seeking admission after completing a 4-year/8-semester bachelor's degree programme must have a minimum of 75% aggregate marks or its equivalent grade on a point scale where applicable. A relaxation of 5% marks or its equivalent grade may be granted to those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer), Differently Abled, Economically Weaker Section (EWS), and other categories of candidates as per the Commission's decisions from time to time.
- v. Candidates who have completed the M.Phil. programme with at least 55% aggregate marks or its equivalent grade on a point scale, where applicable, or an equivalent qualification from a foreign educational institution accredited by an assessment and accreditation agency approved, recognized, or authorized by an authority established or incorporated under the law in their home country, or by any other statutory authority in that country, to assess, accredit, or assure the quality and standards of educational institutions, are eligible for admission to the Ph.D. programme. A relaxation of 5% marks or the equivalent grade may be granted to those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer), Differently Abled, Economically Weaker Section (EWS), and other categories of candidates as per the Commission's decisions from time to time.
- vi. For institutions of national and international eminence, the Academic Senate may recognize them as research centres for offering Ph.D. programmes. This recognition will be based on the information provided by the institutions and the recommendations of a Committee constituted by the Vice-Chancellor to examine the infrastructure and other facilities.

2.2 Ph.D. through Part-time Mode:

Ph.D. programmes via part-time mode are permitted, provided all conditions stipulated in these regulations are met.

- i. Candidates satisfying the eligibility conditions noted under section 1.1 above can be admitted as part-time candidates through RCET, in the following order of priority:
- ii. Regular faculty working in the University or P.G. Centers.
- iii. Faculty working in Post Graduate and Professional Colleges who have completed at least two years of service.
- iv. Faculty, Librarians, and Assistant Librarians working in affiliated degree and PG colleges, as well as Faculty teaching Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, and Humanities in professional colleges, who have completed at least two years of service.

- v. Faculty working in Polytechnic institutions or Government/private aided Junior Colleges, having completed at least four years of service. Seniority for candidates under each category shall be calculated with the following weightage:
- vi. Teaching at the PG level/Professional - five points for each completed year of service in colleges.
- vii. Teaching at the graduate level/Professional - two points for each completed year of service in colleges.
- viii. Teaching at Polytechnic/Junior College - one point for every completed year of service.
- ix. Teaching at School - one point for every completed two years of service.
- x. Technical employees working in research institutes, having completed at least five years of service.
- xi. Teachers with a PG Degree working in Government/Aided High Schools/recognized Schools by the Government, with no less than six years of service as a teacher.
- xii. The candidate must submit a "No Objection Certificate" from the competent authority of the organization where they are employed, clearly stating that: a. The candidate is permitted to pursue studies on a part-time basis. b. Their official duties allow them to devote sufficient time for research. c. If required, they will be relieved from duty to complete the coursework.
- xiii. Notwithstanding anything contained in these Regulations or any other law, for the time being in force, no Higher Educational Institution or research institution of the Central Government or a State Government shall conduct Ph.D. programmes through distance and/or online mode.

2.3 Conversion from Full-Time to Part-Time

- a. Candidates pursuing a full-time Ph.D. programme may be permitted to convert to a part-time Ph.D. programme, provided they satisfy the eligibility conditions for part-time, regardless of their length of service. However, the candidate must pay the prescribed fee for such conversion. This conversion from full-time to part-time is permitted only if the candidate secures a job (academic/scientific). Conversion from full-time to part-time is allowed only after 9 months of registration, with the permission of the Guide(s), RAC approval, and subsequent final approval from the Dean of Academic Affairs.
- b. The Dean of Academic Affairs may convert full-time registration to part-time, subject to seat availability, by obtaining specific remarks from the Research Supervisor, the Head of the Department, and the Dean of the concerned School. This conversion is allowed only once.

2.4 General rules

- a. A candidate engaged in full-time research shall not pursue any other full-time course or engage in any other full-time occupation during the research period.

- b. A candidate who is an employee may be permitted to pursue a part-time Ph.D. programme only if they satisfy the eligibility criteria outlined in sections 2.2 and 2.3.
- c. Candidates must join within the specified date, pay the necessary fees, and submit all original certificates simultaneously. The joining report, duly signed by the guide and the Head of the Department concerned, shall be submitted to the School Dean and the Dean of Academic Affairs.
- d. Registration and tuition fees once paid will not be refunded or readjusted to any other programme. A full-time candidate must submit their progress report through the guide every quarter, along with attendance details, through the proper channels to the Dean of Academic Affairs.
- e. A part-time candidate must submit their progress report through the guide every year, along with attendance details, through the proper channels to the School Dean concerned and the Dean of Academic Affairs.
- f. If at any stage the progress report is adverse or unsatisfactory, the registration of the candidate shall be cancelled as recommended by the RAC. It is advisable that a guide maintains a record of progress reports.
- g. If a full-time research scholar is absent continuously for 3 months without written intimation to the Department, the concerned guide shall report this to the RAC, the School Dean, and the Dean of Academic Affairs through proper channels, recommending cancellation of the registration.
- h. If a part-time research scholar has not attended the department concerned for at least 40 days in a year for two consecutive years, the guide shall report this to the RAC and, through the Dean concerned, to the Dean of Academic Affairs for cancellation of the registration.
- i. Non-teaching staff candidates of Dravidian University or any other recognized institution are subject to the same rules and regulations as other research candidates, regarding actual attendance in departments, progress reports, and leave of absence from their institutions.
- j. The Dean of Academic Affairs may convert part-time research to full-time when a research scholar is selected under the Faculty Improvement Programme / Faculty Development Programme by the UGC, after obtaining specific remarks from the Research Supervisor, the Head of the Department, and the Dean of the School concerned. If there is no vacancy under full-time at that point, the scholar may be converted from part-time to full-time. Furthermore, if there is no vacancy in part-time, it may be treated as an extra seat.

3. Extramural Research

- a. For admission into the Ph.D. programme under the Extramural category, there must be an Internal Guide recognized by the University at the research institution where the candidate is employed. In addition to the Internal Guide, a faculty member from the relevant department of the University or its PG Centers, who is eligible to guide research, must be included as an External Guide.

- b. Registration for candidates under the Extramural category is conducted once a year, in July.
- c. The eligibility criteria for admission under the Extramural category are as follows:
- i. Scientists or Technical Officers working in a research institution recognized by the University, possessing a P.G. or equivalent degree and satisfying the eligibility conditions noted under section 2.2, with at least two years of experience (Ph.D. Part-Time).
- or
- ii. Research Scholars with a P.G. or equivalent degree who satisfy the eligibility conditions noted under section 2.1, and have been awarded a fellowship by a duly constituted selection committee approved by the University. These scholars must be attached to an institution recognized as a Research Center by the University, and have completed at least six months with a scholarship tenable for a further period of two years (Ph.D. Full-Time).

4. Procedure for admission to the Ph.D. programme:

Admission to the Ph.D. programme shall be conducted using the following methods:

- i. Universities shall admit students who qualify for fellowships/scholarships in UGC-NET, UGC-CSIR NET, GATE, CEED, and similar national-level tests based on an interview.
- ii. Universities shall admit students to the Ph.D. programme through the Andhra Pradesh Research Common Entrance Test (APRCET), conducted at the State level on behalf of the universities concerned, as per the G.Os issued by the government from time to time.
- iii. In the case of the Kannada and Tamil departments, as approved in the Executive Council meeting dated 27.10.2021, Dravidian University may admit students through an Entrance Test conducted at the university level. The Entrance Test syllabus shall consist of 50% research methodology and 50% subject-specific content.
- iv. Students who secure 50% marks in the entrance test are eligible to be called for the interview.
- v. A relaxation of 5% marks in the entrance examination will be allowed for candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer), Differently Abled, Economically Weaker Section (EWS), and other categories as per the UGC's decisions from time to time.
- vi. The University may decide the number of eligible students to be called for an interview based on the number of available Ph.D. seats.
- vii. For the selection of candidates based on the entrance test conducted by the HEI, a weightage of 70% will be given to the entrance test and 30% to the performance in the interview.

viii. To conduct a Ph.D. programme, the University shall:

a. Notify a prospectus well in advance on the institution's website. This prospectus should specify the number of seats for admission, the subject/discipline-wise distribution of available seats, criteria for admission, the procedure for admission, and all other relevant information for the candidates.

b. Adhere to the National/State-level reservation policy, as applicable.

ix. Higher Educational Institutions shall maintain a list of Ph.D. supervisors. This list should specify the name of the supervisor, their designation, and their department/school/centre, along with the details of Ph.D. scholars. This includes the name of the registered Ph.D. scholar, the topic of their research, and the date of admission. The list must be updated on the institution's website every academic year.

4.1 Admission of International students to the Ph.D. programme

a. Each supervisor may guide up to two international research scholars on a supernumerary basis, in addition to the permitted number of Ph.D. scholars specified in clauses 9 and 12.

b. Universities may determine their own selection procedure for Ph.D. admission of international students, considering the guidelines/norms issued by relevant statutory/regulatory bodies from time to time.

c. The total number of Ph.D. scholars under a faculty member, either as a supervisor or a Co-Supervisor, shall not exceed the number prescribed in clause 12.

5. Registration of Candidates:

a. The registration of candidates into the Ph.D. programme shall be conducted by the office of the Dean of Academic Affairs, based on the recommendations of the Departmental Research Committee (DRC) of the respective department.

b. All candidates recommended for admission into the Ph.D. programme shall pay the stipulated fees to confirm their admission.

c. Registration proceedings shall be issued to the candidate by the office of the Dean of Academic Affairs, based on the recommendations of the DRC concerned, specifying their research topic along with the research proposal and allocation to a particular recognized research supervisor.

6. Departmental Research Committee (DRC)

- Every academic department must have a Departmental Research Committee(DRC).
- All recognized Research Supervisors shall be members of the DRC.
- The Head of the Department will be the Convener of the Committee.
- The Chairman of the Board of Studies will serve as the Chairman of the Committee.

7. Functions of the Departmental Research Committee (DRC)

The functions of the Departmental Research Committee regarding research admissions are as follows:

- a. To determine the number of Ph.D. seats to be filled each year for research admissions, ensuring that the number of candidates with a guide at any time does not exceed the limit specified in the Research Regulations.
- b. To approve the Academic Calendar for the Ph.D. programme for the academic year.
- c. To recommend the syllabus for the Pre-Ph.D. coursework for Paper-I (Research Methodology), as approved by the Board of Studies (BoS).
- d. To suggest a panel of examiners and paper setters for the Pre-Ph.D. examinations for Paper-I (Research Methodology).
- e. To prepare a database of experts for each specialized area, to be used for forming panels of examiners for adjudicating Ph.D. theses. This database should be periodically updated and made available to the BoS to evaluate the progress of scholars' research work.
- f. To participate in all Viva-Voce examinations and seminars of the Pre-Ph.D./Ph.D. programmes.

8. Research Advisory Committee (RAC)

8.1 Formation of RAC

- Every academic department must establish a Research Advisory Committee (RAC). The term of the RAC is for two years or coterminous with the term of the Chairperson of the Board of Studies, whichever is earlier.
- The composition of the RAC is as follows: 2 Professors, 2 Associate Professors, 1 Assistant Professor, the Head of the Department, and the Chairman of the Board of Studies. All members must hold doctoral degrees.
- The research supervisor of the Ph.D. scholar shall serve as the Convener of the Committee. The Chairman of the Board of Studies shall be the Chairman of the Committee. If there are not enough faculty members in any cadre within the department, those positions may be filled by faculty from other cadres. In the case of single-faculty departments, positions may be filled by faculty from related departments, the Head of the Department, the School Dean concerned, and the Chairman of the Board of Studies.

8.2. Responsibilities of the Research Advisory Committee (RAC)

- a. To review the research proposal and finalize the topic of research.
- b. To suggest a panel of examiners and paper setters for Pre-Ph.D. examinations for Paper II and Paper III to the Board of Studies.
- c. To guide the Ph.D. scholar in developing the study design and research methodology and identify the necessary courses.
- d. To periodically review and assist in the progress of the Ph.D. scholar's research work.

- e. Each semester, the Ph.D. scholar shall appear before the RAC to present and submit a brief report on the progress of their work for evaluation and further guidance. The RAC shall submit its recommendations, along with a copy of the Ph.D. scholar's progress report, to the Director of the R&D cell of the concerned university and the Office of the Dean of Academic Affairs. A copy of these recommendations shall also be provided to the Ph.D. scholar.
- f. If the progress of the Ph.D. scholar is unsatisfactory, the RAC shall record the reasons and suggest corrective measures. If the Ph.D. scholar fails to implement these measures, the RAC may recommend the cancellation of the Ph.D. scholar's registration, providing specific reasons.

9. Eligibility criteria to be a Research Supervisor and Co- Supervisor

- a. Permanent faculty members working as Professors or Associate Professors in Universities with a Ph.D. and at least five research publications in peer-reviewed or refereed journals, and permanent faculty members working as Assistant Professors in Universities with a Ph.D. and at least three research publications in peer-reviewed or refereed journals, may be recognized as Research Supervisors in the university where the faculty member is employed or in its affiliated postgraduate colleges/institutes. Such recognized research supervisors cannot supervise research scholars in other institutions, where they can only act as co-supervisors. A Ph.D. awarded by a university under the supervision of a faculty member who is not an employee of the university or its affiliated postgraduate colleges/institutes would be in violation of these regulations.
- b. For Ph.D. scholars working in Central Government/State Government research institutions whose degrees are awarded by Higher Educational Institutions, scientists in such research institutions who are equivalent to Professor/Associate Professor/Assistant Professor can be recognized as supervisors if they fulfill the above requirements. Provided that in areas/disciplines where there is no, or only a limited number of, peer-reviewed or refereed journals, the Universities may relax the above condition for recognizing a person as a Research Supervisor with reasons recorded in writing.
- c. Co-Supervisors from within the same department or other departments of the same institution or other institutions may be permitted with the approval of the competent authority. Adjunct Faculty members shall not act as Research Supervisors and can only act as co-supervisors.

In case of interdisciplinary/multidisciplinary research work, if required, a co-supervisor from outside the Department/School/Centre/College/University may be applied.
- d. An eligible Professor/Associate Professor/Assistant Professor can guide up to eight (8) / six (6) / four (4) Ph.D. scholars, respectively, at any given time.
- e. In case of relocation of a female Ph.D. scholar due to marriage or otherwise, the research data shall be allowed to be transferred to the Higher Educational Institution to which the scholar intends to relocate, provided all the other conditions in these regulations are followed, and the research work does not pertain to a project sanctioned to the parent institution/supervisor by any funding agency. Such scholars shall, however, give due credit to the parent institution and the supervisor for the part of research already undertaken.

- f. Faculty members with less than three years of service before superannuation shall not be allowed to take new research scholars under their supervision. However, such faculty members can continue to supervise Ph.D. scholars who are already registered until superannuation and as a co-supervisor after superannuation, but not after attaining the age of 70 years.
- g. The DRC of the relevant department processes the application for recognition as a research guide and forwards it to the Director, R&D cell of the concerned University College. The Dean of Academic Affairs shall give necessary orders for recognition based on the recommendation of the RAC and approval of the Vice-Chancellor.
- h. A retired teacher may act as a Research Guide for full-time, if he/she is appointed as Emeritus Professor or if he/she has a Major Research Project with Junior Research Fellowship/Senior Research Fellowship. Those faculty having Emeritus positions or a Research Project beyond their retirement can act as guides for two years.
- i. Faculty who have resigned/retired voluntarily from service shall include an eligible teacher from their departments as co-guide for every research student working under their guidance. However, their guide ship will be terminated in two years from the date of resignation/voluntary retirement, while the co-guide will become the Principal Guide.
- j. Notwithstanding anything stated above, recognition may be bestowed on persons with exceptional merit by the Vice-Chancellor.

10. Research Centers

10.1 Research Laboratories as Research Centers

Research laboratories of the Government of India/State Government located within the State, R&D Centers of Public Sector Undertakings, and Private R&D Centers of Industries with a turnover of no less than Rs.500 crores, with at least two eligible Research Supervisors in the concerned department, along with the required infrastructure, supporting administrative, and research promotion facilities as per UGC Regulations, shall be considered eligible to be recognized as Research Centers.

10.2 Academic, Research, Administrative, and Infrastructure Requirements for Colleges to Gain Recognition for Offering Ph.D. Programmes

- Postgraduate colleges offering 4-year undergraduate programmes and/or postgraduate programmes may offer Ph.D. programmes, provided they meet the requirements for eligible research supervisors, infrastructure, and supporting administrative and research facilities as per these regulations.
- Colleges and research institutions established by the central government or a state government, whose degrees are awarded by higher educational institutions, may offer Ph.D. programmes provided they have:
 - i. At least two faculty members in the college or two Ph.D. qualified scientists in the research institution.
 - ii. Adequate infrastructure, administrative support, research facilities, and library resources as specified by the university.

- The institution must have earmarked library resources, including the latest books, Indian and international journals, e-journals, extended working hours for all disciplines, and adequate space for research scholars in the department/library for reading, writing, and storing study and research materials.
- Colleges may also access the required facilities from neighboring institutions/colleges, or from institutions/colleges/R&D laboratories/organizations that have the necessary facilities.
- The PG course in Science, Arts and Commerce, Engineering, or Pharmacy must have been in existence for at least five years.
- The necessary amount per course, as prescribed by the university, should be invested in the procurement of the latest journals and books.
- An amount per course, as prescribed by the university, should be invested in upgrading the laboratory facilities for the courses.
- Faculty members must have at least two years of teaching experience in the PG course in the college after obtaining a Ph.D., with at least two research articles published in journals having a science citation index or an impact factor given by Thomson Reuters/UGC-listed journals.
- Failure to ensure that the recognized research guide remains in the college for three years from the date of admission of candidates into research will result in the college paying a minimum penal fee of Rs. 1 lakh for each scholar admitted.
- If a teacher retires or leaves the institution, the research student may be transferred to another eligible guide or to another research center recognized by the university. If this is not possible, the teacher must suggest a replacement from any of the recognized research institutes.
- In the case of admission in affiliated colleges recognized as research centers by the university, there must be a co-guide from the concerned academic department of the constituent college of the university or the PG center of the university.

10.3 Process of recognizing research centers

The process of awarding recognition will be initiated upon receipt of an application from the institute in a prescribed format. Recognition of these institutions will be approved by the Academic Senate based on the recommendations of a committee appointed by the Vice-Chancellor to examine the infrastructure and other facilities. These institutions will be required to bear the cost of inspection. Institutions recognized as research centers shall pay a recognition fee as prescribed by the University from time to time.

For institutions of national and international eminence, the Academic Senate may recognize them as research centers for offering Ph.D. programmes based on the information provided by the institutions and the recommendations of a committee constituted by the Vice-Chancellor to examine the infrastructure and other facilities.

11. Duration and requirements for Ph.D. Programme

1. The Ph.D. programme shall have a minimum duration of three years, including coursework, and a maximum duration of six years from the date of admission to the programme.
2. An additional two years may be granted through re-registration as per the Statute/Ordinance of Dravidian University, provided that the total period for completing the Ph.D. programme *does not exceed eight years from the date of admission*.
3. Women Ph.D. scholars and Persons with Disabilities (having more than 40% disability) may be allowed an additional relaxation of two years, but the total period for completing the Ph.D. programme in such cases should not exceed ten years from the date of admission.
4. Women Ph.D. scholars may be granted Maternity Leave/Child Care Leave for up to 240 days during the entire duration of the Ph.D. programme.
5. Part-time candidates employed at external institutions are required to spend at least six weeks (40 days) each year in the University Department concerned during the total prescribed period of research.
6. After the maximum period ends, Ph.D. research scholars will be given a grace period of 30 days to submit their thesis. After this period, the candidate must pay the extension (penalty) fee as specified in the fee structure. However, candidates who have made excellent progress and secured employment may be considered for conversion of their full-time programme to part-time upon recommendations from the RAC, provided they have fulfilled the attendance criteria and qualified in the Pre-Ph.D. examination. Such candidates must pay the necessary conversion fee of Rs.5000/-.
7. Research candidates requiring fieldwork, approved by the RAC, are eligible for all the days sanctioned by the RAC. Their fieldwork shall be considered part of the working research days.

The duration of Ph.D for M.Phil Degree holders is as follows:

a. Ph.D (full-time) with M.Phil Degree:	Minimum 2 years and
	Maximum 5 years.
b. Ph.D (full-time) without M.Phil Degree:	Minimum 3 years and
	Maximum 6 years
c. Ph.D (part-time) with M.Phil Degree:	Minimum 3 years and
	Maximum 5 years
d. Ph.D (part-time) without M.Phil Degree	Minimum 4 years and
	Maximum 6 years

Notwithstanding anything contained herein, in exceptional cases, the Vice-Chancellor may review and take a final decision, which will be binding on all parties.

12. Intake, Eligibility, Admission Process and Fees

12.1 Intake

The intake for the Ph.D. programme in a particular subject or department depends on the available vacancies with the recognized research supervisors. Furthermore, no more than two Ph.D. scholars shall be registered with a supervisor per year.

Maximum entitlement of seats

Designation	Ph.D (both full-time & part-time)
Professor	8
Associate professor	6
Assistant Professor	4

12.2 Fees

A candidate selected for the Ph.D. programme shall pay the stipulated fee as indicated in the Dravidian University Research Programmes prospectus, or as prescribed by the State Government of Andhra Pradesh from time to time.

- a. **Tuition Fee Per Annum:** Every Ph.D. student is required to pay the annual tuition fee every year until they submit their Ph.D. thesis to the University for Evaluation.

Sl.no.	Name of the stream	Tuition Fee per Annum
	Sciences and Technology (Biotechnology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Library and Information Science)	Rs. 30,000/-
	Human and Social Sciences (Folklore and Tribal Studies, Linguistics, History, Education, Physical Education, Business Management)	Rs. 25,000/-
	Languages, Translation Studies and Philosophy (Comparative Dravidian Literature, Philosophy, Telugu, Tamil, Tulu, Kannada, English)	Rs. 25,000/-

- b. Fee for Conversion from Full-Time to Part-Time is Rs.5000/-
- c. **Extension Fee after completion of Maximum period:** If a Ph.D. student seeks an extension beyond the maximum period, they are required to pay the annual tuition fee plus the prescribed extension fee as outlined below.
- i. **First year of Extension:** Prescribed Annual Tuition Fee plus Extension fee of Rs. 10,000/-
- ii. **Second year of Extension:** Prescribed Annual Tuition Fee plus first year Extension fee of Rs. 10,000/- plus Rs.15,000/-

iii. Third and fourth year of Extension for Women Ph.D. scholars and Persons with Disabilities (having more than 40% disability) who are allowed an additional relaxation of two years, but not exceeding ten years.

a. Prescribed Annual Tuition Fee plus third year Extension fee of Rs. 20,000/-

b. Prescribed Annual Tuition Fee plus fourth year Extension fee of Rs. 25,000/-

d. The research policy allows for two standard extensions to a Ph.D. program beyond the prescribed maximum period. A potential third exceptional extension may be approved by the Vice-Chancellor following a comprehensive review process. This third extension requires the research scholar to pay a penal fee of Rs. 75,000/-. It is based on the specific remarks from the research supervisor about the progress of the research work and must be routed through the research supervisor, Research Advisory Committee, Department Head, School Dean, and Dean of Academic Affairs. The Vice-Chancellor's decision shall be final in this matter.

The policy aims to provide structured flexibility for researchers while maintaining academic rigor and ensuring the timely completion of research programs. The penal fee serves as a deterrent to excessive delays and encourages focused academic work.

e. **Ph.D Registration Cancellation Policy:** A doctoral candidate's registration will be automatically stands cancelled if they fail to submit their thesis within the prescribed maximum extended time limit of 8 years for standard scholars, and 10 years for female scholars and persons with disabilities (with disability exceeding 40%), as specified under Clause 11.

13. Allocation of Research Supervisor

1. The registration of a candidate can be completed either at a university department or at any institution recognized by the university as a research center.
2. The allocation of a Research Supervisor for a selected research scholar shall be decided by the concerned RAC, based on the number of scholars per Research Supervisor, the specializations available among the Supervisors, and the research interests of the scholars as indicated by them during the interview/viva voce.
3. In case of interdisciplinary/multidisciplinary research work, if required, a Co-Supervisor from outside the Department / School / Centre / College/University may be appointed.

14. Change of Guide

If a candidate wishes to change his/her guide or include a co-guide for valid reasons, the request may be considered by the DRC based on the merits of the case. However, in such cases where the candidate is permitted, he/she can submit thesis only after one year from the date of the change of guide or inclusion of an additional guide.

15. Title of the Research Study

- a. The field or area of research must be specified in the application at the time of registration. Full-time candidates must present a seminar on their provisional topic within the broad area of research specified in the application before the Research Advisory Committee (RAC) within six months from the date of registration to finalize the topic of research. For part-time candidates, this presentation should occur within one year.
- b. The finalized title of the thesis shall be communicated to the Controller of Examinations and the Dean of Academic Affairs.
- c. After the finalization of the topic (six months for full-time and one year for part-time candidates), any change in the topic is allowed with a penal fee of Rs. 5000/-.
 - i. Requests for changing the topic can be submitted through the proper channel up to the Pre-Ph.D. written examination.
 - ii. After this period, any modifications to the title may be allowed with the recommendations of the RAC.
 - iii. Any major change in the title must be referred to the URC.

16. Credits for Ph.D. Course Work

The credits assigned to the Ph.D. course work shall total 14 credits. This includes a "Research and Publication Ethics" course as notified by UGC (vide d.o. No.F.1-1/2018 (Journal/CARE) in 2019) and a research methodology course. The breakdown of credits is as follows: three theory papers, each worth 4 credits, and one seminar paper worth 2 credits. The Research Advisory Committee may also recommend UGC-recognized online courses as part of the credit requirements for the Ph.D. programme.

- The department where the scholar pursues their research shall prescribe the course(s) based on the recommendations of the RAC.
- The coursework for the Pre-Ph.D. Examination consists of the following four papers:

Paper-I: Research Methodology which could also cover areas such as quantitative methods, computer applications, research ethics and review of published research in the relevant field, training, field work, etc. for 100 marks/Four Credits

Paper-II: Advanced Subject Paper/Recent Advances in the Subject for 100 marks/Four Credits

Paper-III: Paper on research Area for 100marks/Four Credits

Paper-IV: Open Seminar for 50 marks/Two credits

- 16.1 RAC shall submit the credit points along with recommendations to the University. The candidate shall give a seminar on the research topic emphasizing the importance of the problem, review of literature, methodology and techniques to be adopted including interpretation of data and the expected outcome. The seminar is open to all members of the department.

16.2 All Ph.D scholars, irrespective of discipline, shall be required to train in teaching, Education /pedagogy/ writing related to their chosen Ph.D., subject during their doctoral period. Ph.D scholars may also be assigned 4-6 hours per week of teaching/research assistantship for conducting tutorial or laboratory work and evaluations.

16.3 Full-time Ph.D. scholars admitted from the 2022 batch onwards must complete mandatory coursework within the first two semesters, or within one year, to remain in the Ph.D. program. Part-time Ph.D. scholars must complete the coursework within the first four semesters to stay in the program. Completion of the Ph.D. coursework is mandatory for all students, and exemptions will not be granted under any circumstances. Students who fail to complete the coursework within the given period will be required to leave the program.

16.4 The Deans/heads of the respective Academic Units should immediately inform Dean, Academic Affairs office & Controller of examinations office, if any student fails to complete the coursework within 4 semesters.

16.5 In course work for Ph.D., (i) required attendance is 75%.

16.6 In case of full-time scholars, Pre. Ph.D. Examination examinations are to be conducted after 9 months and before one year from the date of registration, while in case of part-time candidates the examination is to be conducted after 18 months and before the completion of 2nd year months from the date of registration. The date of payment of fee at the time of admission will be treated as the date of registration.

17. Syllabus and Examination

- a. The Departmental Research Committee (DRC) of the respective department shall prescribe the syllabus for Paper I, which will be approved by the Board of Studies (BoS). The syllabus for Paper II and Paper III shall be provided by the respective research guide and approved by the Research Advisory Committee (RAC). The papers will be set by external examiners.
- b. The candidate shall present a seminar on the research topic, emphasizing the importance of the problem, a review of the literature, the methodology and techniques to be adopted, including the interpretation of data and the expected outcome. The seminar is open to all members of the department.
- c. The RAC will act as the Seminar Committee. The candidate shall present a seminar on the research topic, emphasizing the following:
 - Importance/significance of the problem/topic (10 marks)
 - Review of related literature/theory (10 marks)
 - Research design/methodology and techniques adopted for carrying out the research (10 marks)
 - Research progress (10 marks)
 - Expected outcome/hypothesis (10 marks)

18. Seminar Evaluation

1. Average marks, awarded by the RAC shall be treated as marks awarded to the candidate.
2. The Examination Committee shall follow the apportioned marks as indicated above. Minimum qualifying marks is 25 out of 50.
3. Controller of Examination shall schedule the seminar examination as the last exam of Pre-Ph.D examination schedule.

19. Evaluation of Ph.D. Course Work

- a. The panel of paper setters and examiners for Paper-I, II & III should be provided by the Chairperson, Board of Studies from the list approved by Board of Studies.
- b. Evaluation of the Paper-I, II & III of Part-I Course work shall be double valuation with TWO External Examiners.
- c. A Ph.D. scholar has to obtain a minimum of 55% of marks or its equivalent grade in the UGC7-point scale(or an equivalent grade/CGPA in a point scale wherever grading system is followed) in the course work in order to be eligible to continue in the programme and submit the dissertation/thesis.
- d. Candidates who fail in first attempt will be given only one another chance to qualifying the examination. Registration for appearing the examination shall be considered as an attempt. In Ph.D course work, the Results and Grade sheets will only carry Pass/Fail results.
- e. Grading for Ph.D courses is as follows:

80 < 100	A+
75 < 80	A
65 < 75	B+
60 < 65	B
55 < 60	C

A grade sheet will be issued for the course work done.

20. Requirements for the award of Ph.D. Degree

The requirements for the award of a Ph.D. degree are:

- i. Candidates should have been qualified in Pre-Ph.D.Examination.
- ii. Candidate should have been qualified in progress evaluation tests.
- iii. Prior to submission of final copy of thesis the candidate should make a presentation of the Ph.D. thesis work (Pre-Viva).

- iv. The candidate must have published at least two research papers in refereed journals before submitting their thesis for adjudication. Additionally, they must have made two paper presentations at conferences or seminars before submitting their dissertation/thesis for adjudication and provide evidence for the same in the form of presentation certificates and/or reprints. The journal publications must be in journals with an impact factor given by Thomson Reuters, Science Citation Index Journals, or UGC-listed journals.
- v. Candidate should submit a thesis based on the research work carried out under the supervision of one or more recognized research guides as per the University norms.
- vi. After receipt of positive recommendations on the presentation of the thesis from adjudicators, the candidate should defend the thesis in a viva-voce examination successfully before a committee appointed by the Vice-Chancellor.

21. Pre-Viva Presentation

Prior to submitting the dissertation/thesis, the scholar must make a presentation in the department before the Research Advisory Committee (RAC) of the concerned department. This presentation shall also be open to all faculty members and other research scholars. The feedback and comments obtained from the audience should be suitably incorporated into the draft dissertation/thesis in consultation with the Research Supervisor. The Departmental Research Committee must certify the eligibility for submission of the thesis.

22. Publication & Presentation of research papers

Ph.D. scholars must publish at least two research papers in refereed journals and make two paper presentations at conferences or seminars before submitting their dissertation/thesis for adjudication. They must produce evidence of these activities in the form of presentation certificates and/or reprints. The journal publications must be in journals with an impact factor as given by Thomson Reuters, Science Citation Index Journals, UGC-CARE listed journals or Peer reviewed Journals with ISSN.

23. Submission of Synopsis

A candidate can submit the Ph.D. synopsis only when he / she

- a. Has passed the Ph.D. Written examination.
- b. Has published at least two *research articles* in the area of research in a standard / refereed research journal. (The list of such journals shall be furnished by the Departmental Research Committee (DRC) of the Department concerned and should be made available to all the candidates.)

Only such research articles where the name of the candidate or the research supervisor appears as the first or second author will be considered for this purpose. If the candidate has a co-guide or if the candidate receives considerable help from any teacher/scientist/co research scholar for the same work, they may appear as the third author.

- c. Has presented pre-thesis-submission talk on the topic of the thesis in the Department, and the School Dean concerned, the RAC comprising the Guide, the Head of the Department, Chairperson of Board of Studies, Faculty and other Research Scholars shall be present for the seminar. The guide, Head of the department and Chairman of Board of Studies are must for the talk.
- d. The synopsis should be written in English only, except in the case of languages.
- e. Every candidate shall submit SIX (6) hard copies of the synopsis to the controller of Examinations through proper channel at least One month prior to the submission of thesis along with the following:
 - i. Soft copy of the synopsis
 - ii. Certificate from the Head of the Department to the effect that the Ph.D. Research Scholar has presented the open seminar (Pre-thesis-submission-Talk) on the topic of the thesis.
- f. The research supervisor while forwarding the synopsis to the Controller of Examinations he/she shall address a letter to the Chairman of Board of Studies, along with a copy of synopsis with a request to submit the panel of examiners to the Controller of Examinations.
- g. The synopsis may be sent to the examiners either by post or by e-mail. The acceptance through e-mail is also acceptable.

24. Similarity Checks for Plagiarism

"Plagiarism" refers to an act of academic dishonesty and a breach of ethics, involving the use of someone else's work as one's own. This includes data plagiarism and self-plagiarism. Plagiarism is quantified into levels of severity for definition purposes. It is mandatory that the research work carried out by Ph.D. students be based on original ideas. Therefore, the plagiarism check shall include the following components:

1. Abstract
2. Summary
3. Hypothesis
4. Observations
5. Results
6. Conclusions
7. Recommendations

The maximum allowed similarity is upto 10%. It shall exclude a common knowledge or coincidental terms, up to fourteen (14) consecutive words.

Every Ph.D students shall submit a compact disc (CD) at the time of submission of his / her thesis. The said CD shall contain three files relating to his / her research work, namely, (1) first file with title page, (2) second file with the above listed 6 aspects only,(3) third file with complete thesis / dissertation as per the reporting format applicable to a particular subject.

24.1 Similarity checks for exclusion from Plagiarism

The similarity checks for plagiarism shall exclude the following:

- i. All quoted work reproduced with all necessary permission and / or attribution covering the components of Introduction, Review of Literature, and Methodology.
- ii. All references, bibliography, table of content, preface and acknowledgements.
- iii. All generic terms, laws, standard symbols and standards equations.

24.2 Levels of Plagiarism

Plagiarism would be quantified into following levels in ascending order of severity for the purpose of its definition.

- i. Level 0: Similarities up to 10% - Minor similarities, including publications, is allowed for submission.
- ii. Level 1: Similarities above 10% to 30%
- iii. Level 2: Similarities above 30% to 60%
- iv. Level 3: Similarities above 60%

24.3. Penalties for faculty and researchers

Institution's Academic Integrity Panel (IAIP) shall impose penalty by considering the severity of the plagiarism.

i. Level 1: Similarities above 10% to 30%

Such Scholar shall not be allowed for submission of the Thesis and shall be asked to submit a revised thesis within a stipulated time period of not exceeding 6 months

ii. Level 2: Similarities above 30% to 60%

Such Scholar shall not be allowed for submission of the Thesis and shall be asked to submit a revised thesis after a time period of one year but not exceeding eighteen months.

New research scholars shall not be allocated to such Research Supervisor for a period of two years.

iii. Level 3: Similarities above 60%

Such Scholar shall not be allowed for submission of the Thesis and shall be asked to submit a revised thesis after a time period of three years.

New research scholars shall not be allocated to such Research Supervisor for a period of five years.

25. Submission of the Thesis

- a. After passing the Pre-Ph.D. examination and completing the research work, the candidate shall submit his/her thesis on the concerned topic of research.
- b. Research Scholars working in the University Campus shall submit Ph.D. Thesis through the concerned department in the campus while scholars working in all the Research Centers of University Colleges, Affiliated colleges, and other recognized Research Centers, will submit their Thesis through proper channel.
- c. Prior to submission of the thesis 10 copies of the synopsis along with soft copy should be submitted to the University.
- d. A candidate may utilize for his/her thesis the contents of any work which he/she may have already published on the subject. But he/she shall not submit the whole or any substantial part of the work for which a degree has been conferred on him/her by the University or any other University.
- e. The candidate shall enclose to his/her thesis, the printed contribution(s) to the advancement of the subject which he/ she has published independently or jointly with others. (i)The thesis in all subjects shall be written and submitted only in English except in language subjects where the candidate shall have the option of writing the same either in English or in the language concerned. Where the thesis is submitted in a Language other than English, a detailed summary in English version of the thesis shall also be submitted.
- f. Candidates working for Ph.D. in subjects such as Music, Fine Arts and Theatre arts can write their thesis in English, Telugu or Hindi. If the thesis is not written in English a detailed summary in English should accompany the thesis.
- g. The candidate should submit the thesis only after One month from the date of submission of synopsis but not later than six months failing which a penal fee Rs. 5000/- should be paid by the candidate for a maximum of three more months' extension to submit the thesis.
- h. The candidate has to submit Five (5) copies of thesis in hard bound along with the soft copy to the Controller of Examinations through proper channel along with the following:
 - i) Xerox copies of the two published articles or accepted for publication.
 - ii) Certificate from the Research Advisory Committee (RAC) to the effect that the articles published or accepted for publication are a part of the thesis and they have been published in a standard / refereed journal (as per the list given by the DRC).

25.1 The thesis shall be prepared as per the following format.

- a) Paper Size - A4
- b) Font – New Times Roman, Font size -12 for text
- c) 1.5 line spacing
- d) One side printing

- e) Hard Bound binding
- f) Tissue / Transparent sheets should not be used
- g) The thesis should not be dedicated.
- h) The title page should contain Dravidian University logo only.

The Research Supervisor shall meticulously observe the above norms while preparing the thesis.

25.2 The candidate shall also enclose to the thesis, a certificate from the guide(s) under whom he/she worked that the thesis submitted is a bonafide record of research work done by the candidate during the period of study under his/her/them and that the thesis has not previously formed the basis for the award of any Degree, Diploma, Associate ship, Fellowship or other similar title to the candidate or to any other person(s).

25.3. The candidate shall also append to his/her thesis copies of published papers relevant to his/her work.

26. Evaluation of Ph.D. Thesis

The Ph.D. thesis submitted by a Ph.D. scholar shall be evaluated by their Research Supervisor and at least two external examiners who are experts in the field and not employed by the higher educational institution concerned. These external examiners should be academics with a strong record of scholarly publications in the field. The viva-voce board shall consist of the Research Supervisor and at least one of the two external examiners and may be conducted online. The viva-voce shall be open to members of the Research Advisory Committee, faculty members, research scholars, and students.

26.1 Panel of Examiners for Thesis Evaluation

- a. **Panel I by Research Supervisor** -List of at least six Examiners from within the state / outside the state / foreign adjudicators.
- b. **Panel II by Chairperson, Board of Studies** -List of at least six Indian Adjudicators outside the State of AP and other States.
- i. The Ph.D. thesis shall be adjudicated by two examiners selected by the Vice-Chancellor, one from Panel I and one from Panel II described above.
- ii. In case of theses in Fine Arts including Music and National Languages other than English, shall be evaluated by Indian Adjudicators from Panel I and Panel II. If all the three examiners recommend the thesis for the award of Ph.D. there shall be a viva-voce examination.
- iii. The Adjudicator's summary report of the thesis should be accompanied by a detailed report. In case the thesis is recommended for revision or rejected outright, the reason for the same has to be incorporated in the report.
- iv. If the reports of all the examiners are favorable, the candidate shall be permitted to take Viva- voce and he/she shall be awarded the Ph.D degree on the recommendation of the Vive-voce committee.

- v. If all the examiners reject the thesis, the registration of the candidate stands cancelled.
- vi. If a thesis is approved by two examiners and suggested for revision by the third examiner or the thesis is approved by one examiner and suggested for revision by two examiners or all three examiners ask for revision, the candidate will be permitted to resubmit and it will be referred to the same examiners(s), who have suggested for revision and resubmission. At the time of resubmission, the guide has to certify that all the suggestions made by the examiner(s) have been incorporated. A minimum time limit of one month shall be forced for resubmission in all such cases.
- vii. If two of the examiners approve the thesis and one rejects, or vice-versa or if one of the examiners approves the thesis, one rejects and the other asks for revision, the candidate may be permitted for resubmission. However, in such cases, the examiner(s) who have rejected the thesis shall have to be replaced by new examiner(s) while keeping the other examiner(s) the same. A minimum time limit of one month shall be forced for resubmission in all such cases.
- viii. If two of the examiners ask for revision and one examiner rejects the thesis or one examiner asks for revision of the thesis and the remaining two reject the thesis, the thesis shall be rejected.

➤ In a nutshell, the following are the guidelines for taking further course of action in recommending the thesis for the award of Ph.D. degree

Sl. No.	Recommendation of the adjudicator(s)	Action on the further processing of the thesis
1	Two adjudicators have recommended for the award of the degree	To constitute a Viva-Voce committee
2	One/Two of the two adjudicators has/have recommended for revision of the thesis	To revise the thesis by the scholar on the suggestions of the adjudicator(s) and submit the revised thesis through proper channel certified by Research Guide. The thesis will be sent to the same adjudicator to evaluate the revised version
3	One of the two adjudicators has recommended for rejection of the thesis	To send it to another foreign/out of state /state adjudicator, as the case may be.
4	One examiner asks for revision of the thesis and the remaining two Reject the thesis	To reject the thesis
5	Two adjudicators recommended for rejection of the thesis	To reject the thesis

27. Expediting Evaluation Process

1. The University shall develop appropriate methods so as to complete the entire process of evaluation of Ph.D. thesis within a period of six months from the date of submission of the thesis.
2. In cases where a foreign examiner is not fixed within 15 days from the date of giving e-mail or has not sent the report within three months from the date of dispatch of the thesis (by air-mail), the Vice-Chancellor may consider the change of the foreign examiner with another foreign examiner.
3. In cases where an Indian examiner is not fixed within 15 days from the date of giving e-mail or has not sent the report within two months from the date of dispatch of the thesis (by air-mail), the Vice-Chancellor may consider the change of the Indian examiners with another Indian examiner.

28. Ph.D. Open Viva-voce examination

The viva-voce of the Ph.D. scholar to defend the thesis shall be conducted if both the external examiners recommend acceptance of the thesis after incorporating any corrections suggested by them. If one of the external examiners recommends rejection, the Higher Educational Institution concerned shall send the thesis to an alternate external examiner from the approved panel of examiners, and the viva-voce examination shall be held only if the alternate examiner recommends acceptance of the thesis. If the alternate examiner does not recommend acceptance of the thesis, the thesis shall be rejected, and the Ph.D. scholar shall be declared ineligible for the award of a Ph.D.

- a) The viva-voce relating to Ph.D. thesis shall be conducted by a viva-voce committee to be appointed by the Vice-Chancellor. The viva-voce committee shall consist of
 1. The Chairperson of the Board of Studies
 2. School Dean concerned
 3. The Head of the Department as Convener
 4. Research Supervisor
 5. One of the External Examiners who adjudicated the thesis as Chairperson (by designation), to be nominated by the Vice-Chancellor).
- b) The Viva is open to all members of the department and allied departments. The candidate shall have to successfully defend his/her work to the satisfaction of majority members of the Viva-Voce committee.
- c) A candidate who is not successful at the Viva-Voce may be permitted to take the viva-voce a second time within a period of three months. No candidate shall be permitted to take the viva-voce more than twice. If the candidate fails for the second time, the case shall be disposed of by the Vice-Chancellor on its merits.
- d) The concerned shall complete the entire process of evaluating a Ph. D. thesis, including the declaration of the viva-voce result, with in a period of six (6) months from the date of submission of the thesis.

29. Depository with INFLIBNET

Following the successful completion of the evaluation process and the issuance of the Ph.D. degree award notification, the Co-ordinator of Shodhganga shall submit an electronic copy of the Ph.D. thesis to INFLIBNET. This will ensure that the thesis is accessible to all higher educational institutions and research institutions.

30. Provisional Certificate

Prior to the actual award of the original degree, the controller of examinations, Dravidian University shall issue a Provisional Certificate that the Ph.D Degree has been awarded in accordance with the provisions of the UGC Regulations, 2022 upon approval of the file by the Vice-Chancellor.

31. Award of Ph.D. degrees prior to Notification of these Regulations

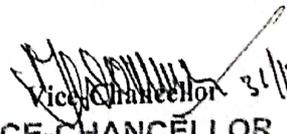
Award of degrees to candidates registered for the Ph.D. programme on or after July 11, 2009, till the date of Notification of these Regulations shall be governed by the provisions of the UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.Phil./Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2009 or the UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.Phil./Ph.D. Degrees) Regulations, 2016 as the case may be. Further, the award of degrees to candidates already registered and pursuing Ph.D. shall be governed by these Regulations or UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.Phil./Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2016. Nothing in these Regulations shall impact the M.Phil. Degree programmes commencing prior to the enactment of these Regulations.

32. Exemption from Ph.D (Part-I: Pre-Ph.D) Written Examination

- a. A Candidate who has passed M.Phil Degree Examination from any Recognized University is exempted from writing Pre-Ph.D. Examination both Paper-1 (Research Methodology) & Paper-2 (Broad Area), if he/she has registered for Ph.D on the same topic. However, the candidate has to write Pre-Ph.D. Examination in Paper-2 and Paper III if his/her Ph.D. Topic is different from that of M.Phil. The candidate has to make a request for exemption, to be approved by the RAC.
- b. The Candidate shall complete Paper-3 and Paper-4 seminar and there is no exemption in this regard.
- c. After qualifying in the Pre-Ph.D. written examination, if there is any change in the area or field of research, the candidate has to take the Pre-Ph.D. written examination in the new area of research before the submission of synopsis.


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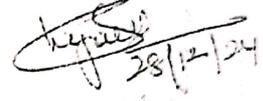
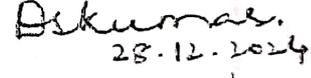
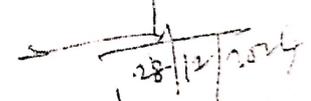
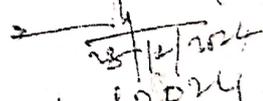
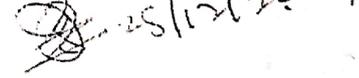
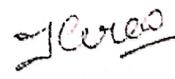

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28.12.2024 AT 11.30 A.M. (THROUGH ONLINE) IN THE COMMITTEE HALL, VEMANA
BHAVAN, DRAVIDIAN UNIVERSITY CAMPUS, KUPPAM.

Members Present:

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| 1. Prof. M. Doraswamy
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| 2. Prof. M. Rajasekhar
Dept. of Commerce,
S.V. University, Tirupati. | - | External Member (Through Online) | |
| 3. Prof. C. Viswanatha Reddy
Dept. of Management,
Rayalaseema University, Kurnool | - | External Member (Through Online) | |
| 4. Prof. K. Shyamala
Dean, Academic Affairs | - | Member | 
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| 5. Prof. B. S. Shiva Kumar
Dean, School of Comparative Literature & Translation Studies | - | Member |  |
| 6. Prof. M. N. Venkatesha
Dean, School of Human and Social Sciences | - | Member |  |
| 7. Prof. D. Srinivas Kumar
Dean, School of Education & HRD | - | Member | 
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