

ASSOCIATION OF INDIAN UNIVERSITIES, NEW DELHI

Recognition of Fellow Programme of Self-Financing Autonomous Management Institutions recognized by AICTE towards Equivalence to Ph.D Programme of Indian Universities

(Guidelines)

The Institute

1. Must be an Institution duly approved by the Statutory Bodies and running duly approved Master's Programme at least for five years.
2. The Institute may be accredited by national agencies like NBA, NAAC, etc., and/or International agencies.
3. The Institute should have the teacher-student ratio of 1:15, and also maintain the minimum 1:2:4 Cadre-ratio of Professor, Associate Professor and Assistant Professor.
4. There should be a good library with at least 50 journals in the relevant discipline, including minimum 10 international journals. There shall be facilities for e-journals and number of research books.
5. At least 50 research publications by the institution during last five years.
6. Allocation of financial and physical resources for research during the last five years.
7. Organised research Seminars / Conferences every year during the last five years.

Faculty and Research Guidance

1. To qualify as a recognised research guide, the faculty member shall fulfil the following conditions:
 - Shall be a full-time regular faculty member of the Institute.
 - A Ph. D Degree holder with a minimum of three years post Ph. D experience.
 - Shall have minimum 10 publications in referred journals during the last five years.

2. There should be at least 6 qualified guides in the Institute.
3. A qualified external Faculty member may be associated as a joint guide only. However, exclusive guidance by external Faculty should not be allowed.
4. At any given point of time, maximum number of Ph.D students allowed should not exceed 8 students for a recognised Professor, 6 students for a recognised Associated Professor and 4 students for a recognised Assistant Professor.
5. The allocation of the research guide for a selected student shall be decided by the Research Committee of the institute depending on the research interest of the students and available specialization of research guides. The choice shall not be left to the individual student or guide.

Research Committee

Every Institute should have the Research Committee comprising of the recognised research guides from the Institute and at least two external experts who also fulfil the requirements for becoming recognised guide. Research Committee shall administer the Fellow programme at the Institution level.

Eligibility for Admission

Eligibility for admission to Doctoral Programme shall fulfil the following two conditions:

1. MBA **or** PGDM notified by AIU as equivalent to MBA of an University **or** Masters Degree in any relevant discipline like Commerce / Economics / Statistics / Psychology / Sociology / IT / Engineering, etc., **or** professional qualifications like CA / CS / CWA, etc.
2. Minimum 55% marks or equivalent grade in the qualifying examination.

Residency Requirement of the Scholar

Residency / attendance requirement may not be emphasized. However, students must attend the course work and meet the supervisor on regular basis. There could be residency requirements if the scholar is being paid fellowship as per AICTE / Other Statutory body norms. Such norms shall be fulfilled by the candidates.