ORDINANCE NO: 42

MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION, EXAMINATION, EVALUATION AND GRADING SYSTEM FOR THE AWARD OF DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY.

(Under Section 28(1) (b), 28 (1) (c) and 28(1)(g) of the Central Universities Act 2009)

As Amended / Modified by the Executive Council vide Item No. 27.7 in its 27th Meeting held on 28th April, 2017 on the recommendations / approval of the Academic Council made vide Item No. 18.12(iv) in its 18th Meeting held on 9th March, 2017.

1. Admission to PhD Programme:

- 1.1 The university shall notify well in advance the number of seats available for admission in various subjects/ disciplines from time to time depending on the number of vacant seats (in specialized research areas), availability of research supervisors and available physical/infrastructural facilities.
- 1.2 However, applications for admission to PhD programme shall also be received throughout the year.
- 1.3 Admission to PhD programme shall be made in each semester.

2. Minimum Eligibility Criteria:

The following candidates shall be eligible to seek admission to the Ph.D programme:

- **2.1** Candidates for admission to the PhD programme shall have a Master's degree or a professional degree declared equivalent to the Master's degree by the corresponding statutory regulatory body, with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade 'B' in the UGC 7-point scale (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed) or an equivalent degree 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 for the purpose of assessing, accrediting or assuring quality and standards of educational institutions.
- **2.2** A relaxation of 5% of marks, from 55% to 50%, or an equivalent relaxation of grade, may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/Differently-abled and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the Commission from time to time, or for those who had obtained their Master's degree prior to 19th September 1991. The eligibility marks of 55% (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed) and the relaxation of 5% to the categories mentioned above are permissible based only on the qualifying marks without including the grace mark procedures.
- **2.3** Candidates who have cleared the MPhil course work with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade 'B' in the UGC 7-point scale (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed) and successfully completing the M.Phil Degree shall be eligible to proceed to do research work leading to PhD degree in the same institution in an integrated programme. A relaxation of 5% of marks, from 55% to 50%, or an equivalent relaxation of grade, may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/ differently-abled and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the Commission from time to time. Further, a person whose MPhil dissertation has been evaluated and the viva voce is pending may be admitted to the PhD programme of the same institution.
- 2.4 Candidates who have cleared the MPhil course work with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade 'B' in the UGC 7-point scale (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading



system is followed) and successfully completing the M.Phil Degree shall be eligible for admission to PhD degree. A relaxation of 5% of marks, from 55% to 50%, or an equivalent relaxation of grade, may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/ differently-abled and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the Commission from time to time. Further, a person whose MPhil dissertation has been evaluated and the viva voce is pending may be admitted to the PhD programme.

- 2.5 Candidates possessing a degree considered equivalent to MPhil of an Indian Institution, 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 for the purpose of assessing, accrediting or assuring quality and standards of educational institutions, shall be eligible for admission to PhD programme.
- 2.6 An employee of any university/ institution/ college/ government department/ public sector undertaking / R & D organization/ private industry, who is sponsored as a full time candidate by the said organization, with at least three years of experience and who is relieved on study leave for a period of not less than two years for pursuing PhD programme in a department/centre of the university.
- 2.7 To be eligible, the applicant must have qualified any of the following:
 - i. UGC-NET (including JRF)
 - ii. UGC-CSIR NET (including JRF)
 - iii. ICAR-NET (including JRF)
 - iv. SLET
 - v. GATE
 - vi. Teacher Fellowship Holder
 - vii. M.Phil
 - viii. Himachal Pradesh Kendriya Vishwavidyalaya Shodh Patrata Pariksha (HPKVSPP)
 - ix. Any other eligibility criterion as notified by UGC from time to time
- 2.8 The university shall conduct its own Research Eligibility Test for category as per clause 2.7 (viii) above namely Himachal Pradesh Kendriya Vishwavidyalaya Shodh Patrata Pariksha (HPKVSPP), which will remain valid for two years from the date of declaration of result. The eligibility, content, qualifying percentage, validity of HPKVPP shall be decided by the university from time to time.

3. Duration of PhD Programme:

- 3.1 PhD programme shall be for a minimum duration of three years from the date of admission, including course work, and a maximum of six years. Provided further that for a candidate admitted to Ph.D. Programme after completing M.Phil Degree, the Ph.D. Programme shall be for a minimum duration of two years from the date of admission including course work and a maximum of five years.
- **3.2** Provided further, that for Part-time PhD programme, a minimum duration of PhD programme shall be four years including course work, and a maximum of six years.
- **3.3** Under special circumstances, extension beyond six years may be granted on genuine grounds by the Vice Chancellor for one more year.
- 3.4 The women candidates and Persons with Disability (more than 40% disability) may be allowed extension of two years for PhD in the maximum duration. In addition, the women candidates may be provided Maternity Leave/Child Care Leave once in the entire duration of MPhil /PhD for up to 240 days.

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4. Admission Procedure:

- 4.1 The eligible candidates as per clause 2 may apply throughout the year for PhD programme. Their application should be accompanied with a research proposal comprising 1000 words and two recommendation letters out of which one must be from the faculty of concerned Department/ Centre of CUHP. Nevertheless, these applications shall be processed / considered for admission on 30 June and 15 December every year.
 - 4.2.1 Admission to PhD programme shall follow two-stage process:
 - 4.2.2 The eligible candidates shall be required to qualify entrance test with at least 50% marks. The syllabus of the entrance test shall comprise 100 marks. The syllabus will consist of 50 % research methodology and 50 % subject specific knowledge. The test shall be conducted by the concerned Department/ Centre as notified in advance by the university.
 - 4.2.3 Admission to PhD programme of study of the candidate who has qualified entrance test shall be made on the basis of merit of the composite score comprising: a) Academic Score, b) Score of the entrance test and c) Score of Personal Interview (PI). To prepare the merit list, a composite score with the following weight-ages shall be calculated as under:
 - Academic Score: 40 % (25% of percentage of marks obtained in PG examination, 15% of marks obtained in UG examination)
 - b) Entrance Test: 30% of total marks scored in entrance test
 - Personal Interview: 30% of total scored in PI

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- a) Entrance test shall comprise 100 marks with 30% weight-age in the composite score
- b) Personal Interview (PI) shall consist of 100 marks with 30% weight-age in the composite score.
- 4.4 The Personal Interview Committee shall be constituted as follows:
 - a) Head of the Department/ Director of the Centre (Chairman)
 - b) All eligible research supervisors from the Department
 - c) Representatives for different social categories wherever applicable

Enrollment and Registration for PhD:

- 5.1 After admission to the PhD programme, the candidate shall apply for enrollment on a prescribed pro forma as per ANNEXURE I. Further, s/he will be registered only from the date s/he completes the course work satisfactorily. The Controller of Examinations (CoE) shall notify the enrollment of the PhD scholar after admission, and registration after the successful completion of the course work upon the recommendation of the Head/ Director of the concerned Department/ Centre that the candidate has successfully/ satisfactorily completed the course work. For registration too, the candidate has to apply through filling out pro forma as per ANNEXURE II. The PhD scholar shall be deemed registered from the date of enrolment.
- 5.2 The University shall maintain the list of all the PhD registered students on its website on year-wise basis. The list shall include the name of the registered candidate, topic of her/his research, name of her/his supervisor/co-supervisor, date of enrollment, and registration.
- 6. Allocation of Supervisor & Eligibility Criteria to be a Research Supervisor, Co-Supervisor, Number of PhD scholars Permissible per Supervisor, etc.

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- 6.1 Any regular Professor of the University with at least five research publications in refereed journals and any regular Associate/Assistant Professor of the university with a PhD degree and at least two research publications in refereed journals shall be recognized as Research Supervisor. Provided that in areas/disciplines where there is no or only a limited number of refereed journals, the university may relax the above condition for recognition of a person as Research Supervisor with reasons recorded in writing.
- 6.2 Only a full time regular teacher of the University shall act as a supervisor. The external supervisors are not allowed. However, Co-supervisor can be allowed in inter-disciplinary areas from other departments of the CUHP or from other related institutions with the approval of the Research Advisory Committee (RAC).
- 6.3 The allocation of Research Supervisor for a selected research scholar shall be decided by the Department concerned depending on the number of scholars per Research Supervisor, the available specialization among the supervisors and research interests of the scholars as indicated by them at the time of interview/viva voce.
- 6.4 In case of topics which are of inter-disciplinary nature where the Department concerned feels that the expertise in the Department has to be supplemented from outside, the Department may appoint a Research Supervisor from the Department itself, who shall be known as the Research Supervisor, and a Co-Supervisor from outside the Department/ or centre of the university on such terms and conditions as may be specified and agreed upon by the consenting Institutions.
- A Research Supervisor/Co-supervisor who is a Professor, at any given point of time, cannot guide more than Eight (8) PhD scholars. An Associate Professor as Research Supervisor can guide up to a maximum of six (6) PhD scholars and an Assistant Professor as Research Supervisor can guide up to a maximum of four (4) PhD scholars.
- 6.6 In case of relocation of a PhD woman scholar due to marriage or otherwise, the research data shall be allowed to be transferred to the University to which the scholar intends to relocate provided all the other conditions in these regulations are followed in letter and spirit and the research work does not pertain to the project secured by the parent institution/ supervisor from any funding agency. The scholar will, however, give due credit to the parent guide and the institution for the part of research already done.
- 6.7 The superannuated teachers along with those having lien with CUHP will continue to supervise students registered under them.
- Course Work: Credit Requirements, Number, Duration, Syllabus, Minimum Standards for Completion, etc.
 - 7.1 The credits assigned to PhD course work shall be a minimum of 12 and a maximum of 16.
 - 7.2 The successful completion of the course work shall be a prerequisite for pursuing PhD programme. A minimum of four credits shall be assigned to one or more courses on Research Methodology which could cover areas such as quantitative methods, computer applications, research

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ethics and review of published research in the relevant field, training, field work, etc. Other courses shall be advanced level courses preparing the students for PhD degree.

- **7.3** All courses prescribed for PhD course work shall be in conformity with the credit hour instructional requirement of CUHP and shall specify content, instructional and assessment methods duly approved by the Board of Studies.
- 7.4 The Department where the scholar pursues his/ her research shall prescribe the course(s) to him/her based on the recommendations of the Research Advisory Committee, as stipulated under sub-Clause 8.1.
- 7.5 All candidates admitted to PhD programmes shall be required to complete the course work prescribed by the Department within one semester, but cannot extend beyond two semesters in any case.
- 7.6 Candidates already holding MPhil degree and admitted to the PhD programme, or those who have already completed the course work in MPhil may be exempted by the Department from the PhD course work. All other candidates admitted to the PhD programme shall be required to complete the PhD course work prescribed by the Department.
- 7.7 Grades in the course work, including research methodology courses shall be finalized by the Department and the final grades shall be communicated to the Controller of Exams (CoE) who will notify the result.
- 7.8 A PhD scholar has to obtain a minimum of 55% marks or its equivalent grade as per CUHP in the course work in order to be eligible to continue the programme and write the thesis eventually.

8. Submission of Synopsis:

- **8.1** A PhD scholar shall have to prepare a synopsis in consultation with his/ her supervisor on her/his topic of research. S/he shall have to submit it to the concerned Centre/ Department and defend it before Research Advisory Committee (RAC) within three semesters, or one and a half year. The synopsis has to be approved by the Board of Studies (BoS) and the School Board of the concerned Department/Centre and School respectively.
- A PhD scholar shall get one chance to request for modifications in any part of his/her synopsis to her/his supervisor six months prior to the actual submission of the thesis. On the recommendation of the concerned supervisor, the PhD student shall have to defend the modifications in synopsis before her/his RAC. Modifications in the synopsis have to be approved by the BoS and School Board of the concerned Centre/ Department/School before the thesis is submitted for evaluation.

9. Monitoring of Research Work by the Research Advisory Committee (RAC)

For monitoring research work, there shall be a Research Advisory Committee (RAC) for each PhD scholar.

9.1 The Research Advisory Committee (RAC) shall comprise the research supervisor of the PhD student who shall be the convener of the committee, Head of the Department / Director of the Centre who shall be the *exofficio* chairman, and at least one subject expert nominated by the Head/Director upon the recommendation of the concerned supervisor.

This Committee shall have the following responsibilities:

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- 9.1.1 To review the research proposal and finalize the topic of research:
- **9.1.2** To guide the research scholar to develop the study design and methodology of research and identify the course(s) that s/he may have to undertake;
- **9.1.3** To periodically review and assist in the progress of the research work of the research scholar.
- 9.2 A research scholar shall appear before the Research Advisory Committee (RAC) once in six months to make a presentation of the progress of his/her work for evaluation and further guidance. The six-monthly progress report shall be submitted by the Research Advisory Committee (RAC) to the Department/ Centre with a copy to the research scholar.
- 9.3 In case the progress of the research scholar is unsatisfactory in three consecutive progress reports, the RAC shall record in writing and suggest corrective measures. If the research scholar fails to implement these corrective measures, the Research Advisory Committee may recommend to the Board of Studies (BoS) with specific reasons for cancellation of registration.

Removal of Name of a PhD Student from the Rolls of the University:

- 10.1 The name of a PhD scholar shall automatically stand removed from the rolls of the university if s/he:
 - a) does not clear the course work within first two semesters of the admission to PhD programme.
 - b) does not submit the thesis within the maximum permissible period of time.
 - c) does not pay university fees and other dues in time.
 - d) indulges in any behaviour/ conduct that violates university rules / discipline leading to punishment, or removal of the name from the rolls of the university as per relevant Ordinances / Regulations of the university.
 - e) breaches the provisions of this Ordinance or any other relevant Ordinances/Rules of the University, or on account of her/his unsatisfactory progress.
- 10.2 Till such time that a candidate admitted to PhD programme completes the minimum specified period of time for completing her/his PhD as prescribed in clause 3.1 above, no candidate shall:
 - i) take up any employment.
 - ii) avail two fellowships at a time.
 - iii) join any other degree programme except part-time certificate, or diploma offered by CUHP.
 - iv) appear in any other examination of a course other than those prescribed by Department / Centre concerned without the prior permission of the Head/ Director respectively.
- 10.3 If a candidate admitted to a PhD programme has completed her/his course work, and whose synopsis has been duly approved by the BoS, may undertake employment. In that case, s/he shall be treated as a part-time PhD student, and will conduct herself/ himself as per clause 18.

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10.4 In case a candidate is removed from the rolls of the University as per clause **10.1** above, the name of the candidate along with her/his registration number shall be placed before the Board of Studies and the School Board for information.

10.5 The Vice Chancellor on the recommendation of Research Advisory Committee (RAC) may, however, subsequently accept the request of a candidate whose name has been removed from the rolls of the University under Clause 10.1(c) above, to get re-enrolled and become eligible for submission of her/his thesis by paying fee as prescribed by the University from time to time, provided that s/he submits her/his thesis as per clause 3.1.

11. Modification of the Title of the Thesis/Research:

11.1 If there is a need for modification of the title of thesis/ research, the candidate shall submit an application to Research Advisory Committee (RAC) through supervisor at least four months before the date of submission of the thesis for approval. The same must be gotten ratified in the BoS and School Board.

12. Change of Supervisor:

- 12.1 A candidate confirmed for PhD program shall be allowed to change her/his supervisor in case:
 - the supervisor is not in a position to guide the candidate due to his personal reasons/problems.
 - ii) there is some drastic change in the field of research.
 - (iii) the supervisor leaves the University, or ends her/his association with the University.
 - (iv) there is incompatibility due to temperamental, or inter-personal issues
 - v) of an eventuality like death.
- 12.2 Under the circumstances described above, a research scholar can make a written request listing the reasons for change of supervisor to the Head of the Department.
- 12.3 The Head of the Department/ Director of a Centre shall place such request before the Board of Studies in its next meeting and if Board of Studies is satisfied with the reasons stated by the candidate for change of supervisor, a new supervisor shall be allotted to the research scholar after obtaining mutual consent of the scholar and supervisor to be.

13. Submission of Thesis:

- 13.1 A PhD scholar shall be permitted to submit her/his PhD thesis for evaluation subject to the condition that s/he has
 - a) completed course work successfully and satisfactorily.
 - b) completed three years period after enrollment.
 - c) published 2 papers in refereed journals and made two presentations in seminars/ conferences.
 - d) made pre-PhD submission before the RAC in a seminar open for all.
 - e) produced certificate to the effect that the research work is original and has not been plagiarized.
 - f) fulfilled any other condition required for the evaluation of the thesis.

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- 13.2 After fulfilling all the above conditions as per Clause 13.1 above, the candidate shall be permitted to submit the thesis. The thesis shall contain a detailed account of research work carried out by the candidate and should constitute a significant contribution to knowledge characterized either by discovery of new facts or re-interpretation of known facts, or development of new techniques/methodologies/ models.
- 13.3 The first page of the thesis shall be as per ANNEXURE III.
- 13.4 The thesis shall also contain a certificate as per ANNEXURE IV to the effect that the thesis incorporates the results of investigations carried out by the candidate herself / himself and that the results are not submitted earlier to any other institution / university for the award of any degree.
- 13.5 There shall also have to be an undertaking from the research scholar and a certificate from the Research Supervisor attesting to the originality of the work, vouching that there is no plagiarism as per ANNEXURE V. This certificate shall be signed by the candidate as well as the supervisor(s).
- 13.6 The candidate shall also be required to submit a "No Dues Certificate" from concerned offices of the University prior to the submission of his/her thesis.
- 13.7 The candidate shall be required to submit five hard copies of the thesis and its soft copy on four CDs along with four copies of the approved synopsis and the summary of the research work not exceeding 5000 words to the Controller of Examination through the supervisor and the Head of the Department / Director of the Centre.
- 13.8 The thesis shall be written in Hindi or English. However, when the subject matter relates to or is based on a language other than Hindi or English, it may be written in the relevant language.

14. Appointment of Examiners for the Evaluation of the Thesis:

- (a) Once a candidate has submitted the thesis for the award of PhD, the supervisor concerned shall prepare a panel of nine external examiners not below the level of Associate Professor who are not in the service of the University and/or not Members of the Board of Studies of Department/Centre concerned or the concerned School Board for the evaluation of the thesis, and submit the panel through the Head of the Department / Director of the Centre concerned to the Vice-Chancellor.
- (b) The Vice-Chancellor shall, from the panel so submitted, appoint two examiners to evaluate the thesis. Provided that, if the Vice-Chancellor is not satisfied with the Panel submitted to her/him, she/he may refer the Panel back through the Head/Director asking for a fresh panel of external examiners. Provided further that the Vice-Chancellor, while appointing the examiners for the evaluation of the thesis shall also indicate as to who of the two examiners shall conduct the viva voce in case the examiners recommend that the thesis be accepted for the award of PhD degree and viva voce be conducted.

15. Evaluation of the Thesis:

15.1 The PhD thesis submitted by a research scholar shall be evaluated by her/his Research Supervisor and two external examiners, who are not in employment of the CUHP. The viva-voce examination, based among other things, on the critiques given in the evaluation report, shall be conducted by the Viva voce Board consisting of Head/director of department/ Centre, Research Supervisor and at least one of the two external examiners, and shall be open to be attended by Members of the Research Advisory Committee (RAC), all faculty members of the Department, other research scholars and other interested experts/researchers.

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- 15.2 The public viva-voce of the research scholar to defend the thesis shall be conducted only if the evaluation report(s) of the external examiner(s) on the thesis are satisfactory and include a specific recommendation for conducting the viva-voce examination. If one of the evaluation reports of the external examiner in case of PhD thesis is unsatisfactory and does not recommend viva-voce, the university shall send the thesis to another external examiner out of the approved panel of examiners and the viva-voce examination shall be held only if the report of the latest examiner is satisfactory. If the report of the latest examiner is also unsatisfactory, the thesis shall be rejected and the research scholar shall be declared ineligible for the award of the degree.
- 15.3 The university shall develop appropriate methods so as to complete the entire process of evaluation of PhD thesis within a period of six months from the date of submission of thesis.
- 15.4 After obtaining the consent of the examiners so appointed by the Vice-Chancellor, the Controller of Examination shall arrange to dispatch the thesis along with the approved synopsis and summary to each examiner for the evaluation of the thesis and submission of their report.
- 15.5 Each examiner shall be required to submit a detailed report to the Controller of Examinations containing a clear recommendation whether in her/his opinion: (i) the thesis be accepted for the award of the degree of PhD and viva-voce examination of the candidate be held; or (ii) the thesis be referred back to the candidate for revision; or (iii) the thesis be rejected.
- 15.6 The examiner(s) shall not recommend that the thesis be accepted for the award of the degree and viva-voce examination be held unless he/she is satisfied that the thesis constitutes a contribution to knowledge characterized either by the discovery of new facts or by re-interpretation of known facts or development of new techniques / methodologies / models and that the methodologies pursued by the candidate are sound and its literary presentation is satisfactory.
- 15.7 In case an examiner recommends that the thesis be referred back to candidate for revision, he/she shall be required to give in his detailed report the reasons for such a recommendation and also clearly delineate the details of the revision that is required to be made by the candidate in the thesis.
- 15.8 In case an examiner recommends that the thesis should be rejected, he/she shall be required to give detailed reasons in her/his report justifying the recommendation.

16. Viva-Voce Examination:

- (a) The Controller of Examinations shall forward the reports of the examiners of a thesis to the Head of the Department/ Director of Centre concerned for further necessary action.
- (b) Head of the Department, after the receipt of the detailed reports and recommendations of both the examiners that the thesis be accepted for the award of the degree and viva-voce examination be held shall forward these reports to the supervisor who shall in consultation with the Head of the Department arrange to hold the Viva voce examination under intimation through Head to the Dean of the concerned School.
- (c) In case the examiners of the thesis have not unanimously recommended that the thesis be accepted for the award of the degree and the holding of the viva-voce examination, the Head of the Department/ Director of Centre concerned shall be required to act as under:



(i) In case an examiner has recommended that the thesis be referred back to the candidate for revision, the candidate shall be required to submit the revised thesis within a period of one year and that the revised thesis shall be sent for evaluation to the same examiner who had recommended for the revision. If upon revision, the examiner recommends that the thesis be accepted for the award of the degree and viva voce examination be held, the Head of the Department / Director of the Centre shall arrange to hold the Viva voce of the candidate under intimation to the Dean.

(ii) In case the examiner after evaluation of the revised thesis recommends either that the thesis be further revised or be rejected, the Head of the Department / Director of the Centre shall recommend to the Vice-Chancellor that a third examiner be appointed out of the panel of experts as originally submitted to him/her for the evaluation of the thesis and that the Dean shall act in accordance with the recommendation of the third examiner.

- (iii) In case an examiner has recommended that the thesis be rejected, the Head/Director of the Department/ Centre shall recommend to the Vice-Chancellor that a third examiner be appointed out of the panel of experts as originally submitted to her/him for the evaluation of the thesis and that the Head/ Director of the Department/ Centre shall act in accordance with the recommendation of the third examiner.
- (iv) No thesis shall earn a degree unless two external examiners have recommended that the thesis be accepted for the award of the degree and viva voce be held.
- (d) The viva-voce of the candidate shall be conducted by a Viva voce Board consisting of (i) the external examiner of the thesis, as appointed by the Vice-Chancellor to conduct the Viva voce; (ii) the Head of the Department / Director of the Centre and (iii) the Supervisor(s) concerned. The Viva voce examination shall be conducted under the supervision of the Head of the Department/ Director of the Centre.
- (e) The viva voce shall be open to all members of the Faculty and Research Scholars of the University.
- (f) The viva voce shall ordinarily be held on the University Campus. However, the Vice-Chancellor may, in exceptional circumstances and on the recommendation of the Head of the Department / Director of the Centre of the School concerned, allow the viva voce examination of a candidate to be held at a centre of higher learning outside the University Campus.
- (g) The viva voce Board having satisfied itself that the thesis submitted by the candidate is his/her own work and that the candidate has defended his/her thesis satisfactorily, shall recommend for the award of the degree of PhD to the candidate. In case of any difference of opinion in this regard, the decision of the external examiner shall be considered final.
- (h) The recommendation of the viva voce Board together with all other relevant documents shall be forwarded by the Head/ Director to the Controller of Examinations (COE) for submission and approval of the Vice-Chancellor for the issue of the notification and the award of provisional certificate and further approval of AC for the award of the degree.



17. Award of PhD Degrees Prior to Notification of These Regulations, or Degrees Awarded by Foreign Universities:

- 17.1 Award of degrees to candidates registered for the PhD 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 Awards of MPhil/ PhD Degree) Regulation, 2016.
- 17.2 If the MPhil/ PhD degree is awarded by a foreign university, the issue shall be placed before Standing Committee on Equivalence of Examinations/ Degree (provided in Ordinance 29) constituted by the University for the purpose of determining the equivalence of the degree awarded by the foreign university.

18. Part-time PhD:

The CUHP shall allow part-time PhD provided the candidate:

- a) fulfills minimum eligibility criterion to seek admission to PhD programme as per clause/s 2.1 to 2.6.
- has completed two years of regular service in any university including CUHP/ institution/ college/ government department/ public sector undertaking / R & D organization/ private industry.
- c) completes the course work on regular basis as per clause 7.5.
- fulfills all other conditions as per clause 9 and other relevant clauses.

19. Depository with INFLIBNET:

- 19.1 Following the successful completion of the evaluation process and before the announcement of the award of the PhD degree, the university shall submit an electronic copy of the PhD thesis to the INFLIBNET, for hosting the same so as to make it accessible to all institutions/colleges.
- **18.2** Prior to the actual award of the degree, the University shall issue a provisional certificate to the effect that the Degree has been awarded in accordance with the provisions of the UGC Regulations, 2016.

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(Application form for enrolment as a candidate for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy)

Note: The applicant must carefully read the Regulations/Rules and Instructions before filling up this form. Please fill in all the columns and clearly indicate 'NOT APPLICABLE' wherever not relevant.

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CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF HIMACHAL PRADESH

(Application form for Registration as a candidate for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy, PhD)

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