



M.Phil. and Ph.D. programmes in History:
Announcement of Admission Activities (August 2011)

Applicants to the M.Phil. and Ph.D. programmes in History who have submitted complete applications and met minimum eligibility requirements (see attached list of candidates) are requested to participate in an **entrance examination to be held on Monday, 8 August 2011 at 10:30 a.m. on the Kashmere Gate campus of the University.**

Candidates having obtained an acceptable score on the entrance examination shall next be invited to participate in **entrance interviews to be held on 10 (Wednesday) and 11 (Thursday) August 2011.** A list of eligible interview candidates with the **schedule of interviews** shall be posted on the AUD website by 6 p.m. on Monday, 8 August 2011 and on notice boards at the Kashmere Gate and Dwarka campuses. No additional notification of these interviews (by letter or email to individual candidates) shall be given.

To be considered for admission to M.Phil. or Ph.D. studies, all candidates must participate in both the written test and the interview. The written entrance test shall be conducted by History faculty members and the interviews shall be conducted by History faculty members and representatives of the Research Studies Committee of the School of Liberal Studies.

Doctoral applicants who have completed an M.Phil. degree (whether in History or another field) are directed to submit as soon as possible a synopsis/abstract and a sample chapter of the M.Phil. thesis. Candidates who do not submit this material before the date of interview (whether 10 or 11 August) may not be given full consideration and could be denied admission on that basis. The M.Phil. thesis as well as the proposal submitted with the original application to AUD may serve as points of discussion in the interview. *It is preferred that candidates send the sample chapter and abstract in soft copy--in Word, pdf, or other common electronic format--as email attachments to history@aud.ac.in.* Identify yourself in the covering email by your full name as given on your application and make sure that each document contains your name and the title of the work. If you are unable to send soft copies, then mail, courier or hand deliver printed copies to Convenor, Standing Committee Research, Ambedkar University Delhi, Sector-9, Dwarka, New Delhi 110077.

About the Entrance Test:

There is no entrance test admission card. Eligible candidates will have their names checked against an application roster. They must bring with them two forms of identification.

The entrance test shall be used to diagnose the candidate's potential for conducting historical research. The test shall consist of three or four questions, of which the candidate must answer



two in the form of essays (500-700 words each) written in English. The test is of ninety minutes' duration. The exam questions are not objective-type questions which a candidate is expected to answer only by displaying knowledge of specific historical events or processes. Instead, the questions shall require the candidates to think about the nature of history as a scholarly discipline (for example, its relation to other kinds of knowledge), the methods used by historians, or the relevance of historical studies to current events. Candidates are expected to write clearly and accurately in English and to support their claims and opinions through logical arguments. *Candidates who do not write entrance tests in good English, or who write in Hindi, shall not be disqualified on that account. However, examiners shall pay due attention to the candidates' **English writing ability** as well as the content of their answers.*

It is understood that some applicants come from 'non-English-medium' educational backgrounds and may be uncomfortable speaking or writing English. Instruction at AUD is in English, and students are expected to engage in discussion and write assignments—including the eventual research thesis—in English. Historians work with documents and texts written in various languages, as well as with non-textual materials. Research scholars at AUD may base their work on sources in Hindi, Urdu, Punjabi, or any other Indian languages. Some might choose to utilize sources in non-Indian languages. A candidate could already be proficient in languages other than English. It is expected, however, that every research scholar shall achieve an acceptable standard of academic English. AUD offers opportunities for students to improve their use of English and other languages. Students accepted into the M.Phil. or Ph.D. programme could even be directed to learn one or more languages as part of their formal instruction.

About the Entrance Interview:

Each entrance interview is expected to last 15-25 minutes. For 'direct Ph.D.' admission, the research proposal shall probably be the main matter for discussion and the M.Phil. thesis may be discussed as well. For M.Phil. admission, the candidate shall be asked about her/his proposed topic of research. Even if the proposal is recognized as provisional, the candidate is expected to speak about the research area in as specific terms as possible. Questions may be asked about the candidate's academic background or knowledge of languages. One function of the entrance interview is to help the University design a study/research programme best suited to the candidate.

Formula for Assessment of Candidates:

All candidates shall be evaluated for admission according to the same formula of 25% for academic background/preparation, 50% for score on the entrance test, and 25% for performance in the entrance interview. 'Academic background' includes quality of previous academic performance and its relevance to the proposed research. (Some applicants might not



have degrees in History but their academic preparation may nevertheless equip them to pursue a research degree in History.) Consideration of the proposal submitted with the original application thus becomes part of the 'academic background/preparation' component.

AUD is an educational institution supported by the Government of Delhi and as such has a primary obligation to inhabitants of the National Capital Territory (NCT). 15% of seats for research scholars are available to candidates from outside the NCT. Applicants offered M.Phil. or Ph.D. seats shall be expected to provide proof of their residency or non-residency in the NCT.

A list of applicants accepted for admission shall be posted on this website by the evening of Friday, 12 August 2011. Further instructions for admission shall also be given at that time.

26 July 2011

The History Faculty

LIST OF CANDIDATES CALLED FOR THE HISTORY ENTRANCE TEST

Note that all applicants take the same test, regardless of whether they have applied for M.Phil. admission, Ph.D. admission or both.

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1	Mr. Krishna Kumar Sharma	M12
2	Mr. Dhruv Khadkiwala	M13
3	Ms. Sanu Kumari	M18
4	Ms. Narbanita Sharma	M19
5	Mr. Amol Saghar	M40
6	Mr. Rajesh Kumar Jha	M47
7	Ms. Menka Singh	M48
8	Mr. Vikas Kumar	M51



9	Ms. Namita Singh	M52
10	Mr. Vijay Prasad	M53
11	Mr. Naveen Kumar	M54
12	Ms. Ritu Yadav	M58
13	Mr. Rajesh Gautam	M62, D68
14	Ms. Neha Singh	M71
15	Mr. Tejendra Pratap Singh	M74, D78
16	Ms. Naveen	M78
17	Ms. Shweta Prakash	M79
18	Ms. Shikha Panwar	M85

19	Ms. Neeraj	D14
20	Mr. Harikrishan	D17
21	Mr. Ashin Nyana Dipa	D24
22	Ms. Cheryl Jacob	D27
23	Mr. Manjeet Singh	D29
24	Mr. Bikash Karki	D36
25	Ms. Kanika Singh	D43
26	Mr. Sudhakar Srivastava	D48
27	Mr. Jitendra Pratap Agrahari	D49



28	Ms. Sumanlata	D50
29	Ms. Maitree Devi	D51
30	Mr. Mahesh Kumar	D66
31	Mr. Bittoo B. Kishore	D70
32	Mr. Nitin Goyal	D75
33	Mr. Chattar Singh Paarcha	D84
34	Ms. Sarabjeet K. Bamrah	D92
35	Mr. Chottu Govind Ram	D105
36	Ms. Asha (Yadav) Premnath	D109
37	Ms. Meenakshi Jha	D120