



University Fellowship for Full time PhD

Guidelines

1.INTRODUCTION

“University Fellowship for Full-time PhD” is a research fellowship for those eligible for the Full-time PhD programme of KUHS. This will allow the selected candidates to pursue full-time PhD by working full-time at one of the Schools under the University.

2.OBJECTIVE

- a) To build research capacity in health science in the Schools under the University.
- b) To strengthen the research activities and training initiatives of Schools under the University.

3.ELIGIBILITY

The candidates eligible for full-time PhD as per the PhD Regulations in force, can apply for the University Fellowship for full-time PhD, which will be announced after the Entrance Examination for PhD admissions.

4.SELECTION PROCEDURE

- a) Candidates need to qualify the PhD Entrance Examination conducted by the University. There will be no exemption for the entrance examination other than the exemption as mentioned as per the PhD Regulations in force, or as per any other University order.
- b) Notification will be issued by the University, after the entrance examination for PhD.
- c) An application in the prescribed format along with attested copies of certificates including proof of eligibility for admission to the PhD programme in the University, brief synopsis of the proposed programme of research work for PhD, and consent letter from a Supervising Guide in the Schools/Departments of the University, shall be submitted by the candidates in response to the notification.
- d) The candidates will be interviewed by the Admission Committee of the University, and the successful candidates will be short listed by the Selection Committee constituted by the Vice Chancellor. Selection Committee shall include the PhD Supervising Guide.
- e) Selection Committee shall be comprised of the Dean Research, PhD Supervising Guide under whom the candidates have applied for the Fellowship , Heads of the Schools of the University, and at least two External Experts. Pro Vice Chancellor shall be the Chairman of the Selection Committee.
- f) Every application received will be evaluated by the selection committee regardless of the number of applications, and only the qualified and suitable candidates will be

selected. The selection committee may, if required, interview the eligible candidates before the finalisation of the list of candidates for award of the Fellowship.

- g) The final list of selected candidates will be published on the website, after getting approval from the Governing Council of the University.
- h) After the admission to the respective Schools of the University, the fellowship award letter indicating the terms and conditions of the Fellowship will be issued by the University. The candidate has to join the fellowship within a month from the receipt of the award letter, failing which he/she will lose the award offer.

5.INTAKE

Intake of the programme shall be as follows.

Centre	Intake	Mode	Stream/Faculty
School of Public Health, Thiruvananthapuram	Maximum 2 (Two)	Full- Time	Will be notified after the Entrance Examination for PhD.
School of Family Health Studies, Kozhikode	Maximum 2 (Two)	Full- Time	
School of Translational Research, Thrissur	Maximum 2 (Two)	Full- Time	
School of Fundamental Research in Ayurveda, Thripunithura	Maximum 2 (Two)	Full- Time	

6.FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

- a) Fellowship amount for an admitted candidate shall be equivalent to the stipend for a Senior Resident in a Faculty of different streams of the University, where the posts of Senior Residents are available to equate.
- b) Fellowship amount shall be 37000/- per month for others (in a Faculty of different streams of the University, where the posts of Senior Residents are not available to equate), which can be modified by the University from time to time.
- c) The Financial assistance/Fellowship will be for 36 months (Minimum Period for completing Full time PhD as per Regulations)
- d) Financial Assistance (as Fellowship) shall be disbursed by the respective School where the candidate is admitted.
- e) The Financial assistance under this fellowship programme includes only fellowship for the full time PhD scholar and does not include any other support. However, the PhD Supervising Guide may apply for Research funds from or outside the University. In case funds from the University is sought, the application shall be made within six months of admission of the candidate to the Schools.

7.MISCELLANEOUS

- a) The Candidates shall work full-time at the Schools as a Research Fellow.
- b) Research Fellow shall participate in all academic activities of the Schools.
- c) The Head of the Schools shall assign such work (other than the approved research programme for the PhD) as appropriate for a Research fellow and the Research Fellow will be under the administrative & disciplinary control of the Schools.
- d) Rules for leave will be same as that of existing rules for the Research Fellows of the University, and will be subject to changes as fixed by the University and there shall not be any unauthorized absence during the programme.
- e) Monthly Progress report indicating the days attended, leave availed with/without fellowship, brief report of work done is to be forwarded to the University through the Academic Head of the School, for monthly release of Fellowship.
- f) Progress of research work of the PhD Scholar will be assessed every 6 months by the respective doctoral committee.
- g) In case of discontinuation of the programme, Candidates have to return the amount received as fellowship. Necessary bonds will be executed for the purpose at the time of admission.
- h) Private Practice or engagement in similar professional services will not be allowed.
- i) All other conditions as per PhD Regulations in force, shall be applied to the Candidates selected for the programme.