

ALL INDIA INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES

Rishikesh, Uttarakhand



PROSPECTUS



**AIIMS Rishikesh Ph.D.
Program
(July, 2023 SESSION)**

Important Dates at a Glance

<p><u>Last date for online Application on AIIMS Rishikesh website</u> For applying for admission to PhD Course each candidate is required to fill the Online google form available on the website (www.aiimsrishikesh.edu.in) i.e. (https://forms.gle/XHvuTbhQCaE1wryk9).</p>	26/June/2023 (Monday) (upto 05:00 P.M.)	
<p><u>Last date for receipt of hard copy of Application form at AIIMS Rishikesh</u> He/She is ALSO required to submit hard copy of duly-typed and signed application form provided as a MS word document file on the website to Dean (Exam), AIIMS, Rishikesh, Veerbhadra Marg, Rishikesh 249203 through registered post/ speed post. The envelope should be superscribed as "APPLICATION FORM FOR PHD ADMISSION JULY 2023."</p>	26/June/2023 (Monday) (upto 05:00 P.M.)	
<u>IMPORTANT NOTICE</u>		
1. Please fill both online and offline Application form carefully.		
2. Any Amendment/Rectification/Change/Editing is NOT allowed in Name, Date of Birth, Department, etc. after payment of application fee through Debit/Credit Card/Net Banking and images once uploaded cannot be changed later.		
3. Applicants may note that further correspondence will NOT be entertained in this regard.		
4. Status of application & Rejected application with reason for rejection. Applicants are required to check the status on AIIMS Rishikesh website.	5/July/2023	Wednesday
5. Last date for submission of required documents for Regularization of Rejected Application. No Correspondence will be entertained after this date under any circumstances and candidates are requested NOT TO CONTACT the Examination Section.	7/July/2023	Friday
6. Issue of Admit cards to eligible candidates	10/July/2023	Monday
7. Written Test at AIIMS Rishikesh- Stage 1	13/July/2023	Thursday
8. Stage II Assessment	25/July/2023	Tuesday
9. Last date for joining the Ph.D. Program	31/Aug/2023	Thursday

- To facilitate quick redressal of queries use your Email ID provided in online application form.
- Replies/Clarifications/Communications will be done only through your registered Email Address.

Declaration of Results: Results for Ph.D. Program will be available on AIIMS Rishikesh website.

Result of individual candidate **Will NOT** be informed on telephone and candidates are advised to check the website time to time for their result.

Application Fee (Mode of payment: Through Debit/Credit Card/Net Banking)	
All Applicants	Rs. 2000/- +Transaction Charges as applicable
SC/ST/EWS	Rs. 1600 /- +Transaction Charges as applicable
PWBD candidates	Exempted

All applicants are advised to read the Prospectus carefully before starting Online application and ensure that no column is left blank. In the event of rejection of the application form, no correspondence/request for reconsideration will be entertained. Applicants are ALSO required to submit hard copy of typed and signed application form in word document file to **Dean (Exam), AIIMS, Rishikesh, Veerbhadra Marg, Rishikesh 249203 through registered post/ speed post. They should ensure that there is NO discrepancy in the information provided between the two forms. In case of any discrepancy, their application will be REJECTED. They should retain a copy of both online and offline application form till the completion of Admission Process. Please visit https://aiimsrishikesh.edu.in/a1_1/ regularly for latest notification/announcement as well any Addendum/ Dedendum/ Corrigendum/Latest updates etc. regarding this Examination**

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All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) Rishikesh

All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Rishikesh invites applications for admission in Ph.D. Programme July 2023 Session.

Introduction

All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Rishikesh offers broad-based research programs leading to award of Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) degree. Research work may exemplify development of new interventions, testing of new scientific ideas or gaining insight into biological processes.

Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) would be awarded to a Candidate, who, as per the regulations of AIIMS Rishikesh, has submitted a thesis on basis of original research work done by him/her in any discipline specific or multi-disciplinary area that makes a contribution to advancement of knowledge in Medical, Nursing and Allied Health Sciences or innovates methods of application of existing knowledge in Medical, Nursing and allied Health Sciences so as to contribute to betterment of humanity. Basic objective of PhD course is to develop scientific capacities of researchers and scientists in field of Medical, Nursing and Allied Health Sciences. Institute provides excellent opportunities for research work in modern era of 21st century with state of art infrastructure, laboratories and equipment.

I. SUMMARY OF EXAMINATION PATTERN

(Please see the text for details and explanations)

1	Mode of Examination	Computer Based/ Hard copy Test
2	Duration of Examination	3 hours Stage I
3	Date of Examination	13 July, 2023
4	Centre of Examination	AIIMS Rishikesh only
5	Number of Shift	01 (One)
6	Timing of Examination	10:00 AM to 1:00 PM
7	Language of Paper	English
8	Type of Examination	Objective Type
9	Number of Questions	Stage I (200 Marks)
10	Type of Objective Questions	Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs)
12	Marking Scheme	Correct Answer : One mark (+)1 Incorrect Answer : 0 Unanswered / Marked for Review : 0 Not Answered : 0
13	Ratio/Proportion	Candidates 3 times the number of seats advertised will be called for Stage II (Department clinical / practical / lab based assessment)
14	Method of resolving ties	The tie cases will be resolved according to age (Date of birth). The older candidate shall get preference over the younger one. Decision of Director, AIIMS Rishikesh will be considered final.

II. SEATS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE FOLLOWING DEPARTMENTS:

A. SUMMARY/NUMBER OF SEATS:

Sr. No	Department	Seats available*
1.	Biochemistry	2
2.	Community & Family Medicine	1
3.	Cardiothoracic and Vascular Surgery	1#
4.	General Medicine	2#
5.	Medical Oncology/Haematology	2
6.	Microbiology	2
7.	Pathology	1#
8.	Pediatrics	4#
9.	Pulmonary Medicine	2
	Total seats	17

#These projects have funds for manpower in the project for limited duration only.

N.B: A total of 10 institutional fellowships are available, which includes 2 fellowships of Rs. 15000/- per month + HRA for candidates with basic eligibility criteria of Nursing as specified in next section and 8 fellowships of Rs. 25000/ per month+ HRA for candidates having eligibility criteria of Medical as specified in next section. Decision regarding award of institutional fellowship will be decided by IRRB as per merit in entrance exam and will be considered final.

B. Details of seats are as follows :-

Department	Code No.	Research Topic	No. of Seats	Specific Qualification required over and above general eligibility criteria as per PhD ordinance
Biochemistry	1.	Study to explore Aldehyde Dehydrogenase activity in comparison with variable region of the immunoglobulin heavy chain (IGHV) gene mutation in Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia: An observational hospital-based study at a tertiary healthcare centre in Uttarakhand	1	Msc (Biochemistry)/ Msc (Biotechnology) /M tech (Biotechnology)
	2.	Prevalence of small intestine bacterial overgrowth (SIBO) and its risk factors in chronic pancreatitis: an analytical cross-sectional study	1	Msc (Biochemistry)/ Msc (Biotechnology) /Mtech (Biotechnology)

Department	Code No.	Research Topic	No. of Seats	Specific Qualification required over and above general eligibility criteria as per PhD ordinance
Community & Family Medicine	3.	SHE project	1	Essential- graduate with 4 years health science degree or life science graduate with one years' experience, in public health. Desirable qualification - MD community medicine/MPH/ Post graduate degree in life sciences or sociology
Cardiothoracic and Vascular Surgery	4.	Study over effectiveness of focused nutritional advice on lowering of Serum Lipid levels in patients with coronary artery disease	1	M. Sc. (Food & Nutrition / Dietetics & Food service) or equivalent from a recognized University
General Medicine	5.	To assess the beneficial effect of adjuvant growth hormone therapy in elderly individuals with chronic congestive heart failure	1	MSc in yoga science/Msc nursing/ Msc pharmacology
	6.	Harmonized Diagnostic Assessment of dementia DAD(for Longitudinal Aging Surveys in India (LASI)	1	MSc in yoga science/Msc nursing/ Msc pharmacology
Medical Oncology/Haematology	7.	Identification of molecular therapeutic target leading to development of chemo-resistance in non-GC DLBCL patients in India	1	MSc in Biotechnology / Biochemistry / Clinical Research
	8.	Targeting Nucleolin for Refining Antineoplastic Chemo-Immunotherapy & Immunomodulation in Bcell Lymphoma	1	MSc in Biotechnology / Biochemistry / Clinical Research

Department	Code No.	Research Topic	No. of Seats	Specific Qualification required over and above general eligibility criteria as per PhD ordinance
Microbiology	9.	Molecular mechanism of ESS (type-7) secretion system secreted by staphylococcus aureus	2	MSc Microbiology/Life Sciences/Biotechnology/ Mtech Biotech. OR Equivalent
Pathology	10.	Detection of novel genetic aberrations by exome sequencing and its association with clinical pathogenesis leading to chemotherapy resistance in chronic myeloid leukemia in adolescents and young adults.	1	MSc Life Sciences (Except Botany, Zoology, Environmental Sciences), MSc Molecular Biology/ Genomics with GATE/NET qualified or equivalent.
Telemedicine	11.	Regional Resource Centre, National Medical College Network (NMCN) project, Centre of Excellence for Artificial Intelligence	2	MSc in life sciences /Medical Informatics OR MBBS with 3 years' experience in the related field or in Evidence based medicine
CFM & Paediatrics	12.	Centre for Excellence/Regional coordinator under National One health programme for Prevention and control of zoonoses	2	Medical Graduate with Post Graduate Degree/Diploma (preferably in Epidemiology or Public Health such as MD, MPH, DPH, MAE, etc. or Microbiology) OR Medical Graduate with 2 years' experience in related field OR M.D. in Microbiology with experience in Molecular Diagnostic techniques with 1 year experience after MD degree OR Master's degree (MSc/MSc./MD) in Biotechnology/Molecular biology/Microbial genetics/ Organic Chemistry/ Microbiology OR Zoology with cell biology or human genetics as special subject OR Life Sciences with specialization in molecular biology/ microbial genetics/ cell biology or genetics from a recognized University. Experience -At least 3-year experience after Master Degree

Department	Code No.	Research Topic	No. of Seats	Specific Qualification required over and above general eligibility criteria as per PhD ordinance
Pulmonary Medicine	13.	Home Based Yoga therapy versus Pulmonary Rehabilitation in Patients of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease in Terms of Exercise Capacity (6-minute walk distance) Over a Period of 6 weeks: A Randomized Controlled Trial	1	MBBS/BDS/MSc
	14.	Prospective observational study to assess functional capacity to predict 90 day mortality &/or morbidity after major non-cardiac surgery in a cohort of hilly population	1	MBBS/BDS/MSc

III. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA & DURATION OF THE COURSE

A. General Eligibility criteria for admission to Ph.D. Course:

A Candidate seeking admission to course of study leading to award of a Degree of Doctor of Philosophy must possess at least one of following qualifications of a recognized University/Institute:

1. For Medical Sciences:

- I. MBBS /BDS degree or equivalent with minimum of 55% aggregate marks or Equivalent percentile in Professional examinations
- II. MD/MS/MDS/DM/MCh in Subject concerned or Diplomate of National Board of Examinations or equivalent degree recognized by MCI/DCI.
- III. Master's degree after BAMS, BHMS, BNYS for candidates from AYUSH discipline.

2. **For Nursing:** Candidates holding M.Sc. degree with minimum 55% aggregate marks or equivalent percentile in Nursing specialty.

3. **For Non – Medical:** Master degree (02-year course) awarded by Indian University or equivalent in subject as per requirement of project. Candidates holding MSc (Other than MSc Nursing), M Biotech/ M Tech degree / M Com / MBA/ MPH will be eligible for non-medical qualification category as per AIIMS Rishikesh. Candidates having eligibility under non-medical category should have at least 55% marks or equivalent in last eligibility examination qualified.

***Candidate possessing Master's Degree through distant learning course shall not be eligible.**

Relaxation in Qualification for all Candidates.

A relaxation of 5% of marks from 55% or an equivalent relaxation of percentile / grade, may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/Differently-Abled and female Candidates.

- B. Eligibility for Own Government fellowship (OF) seats:** To be eligible for OF seats, candidates must fulfill following criteria:
1. Candidates who have qualified the National Entrance Tests in any one of following national entrance tests in last 2 years (1 June 2021 to Last date of application) leading to the award of a fellowship viz. SRF/JRF from any Government organization viz. CSIR, DBT, DST, UGC etc. tenable at AIIMS Rishikesh.
- C. Eligibility Criteria for External Candidates in permanent employment:**
1. Implies In-service or sponsored candidates who will receive their salary/stipend from the sponsoring/parent organization, subject to submission of sponsorship certificate from the sponsoring agency.
 2. Candidates who are permanent employees of external Institutions (Central Govt/ Semi Govt/ Autonomous organization) should submit application through proper channel. i.e. employer. They will be required to submit a **‘No Objection Certificate’** from their employer at the time of Stage II examination.
 3. In addition, such Candidates will have to provide a certificate at time of joining from employer stating that in event of selection to PhD course, Candidate will be granted a minimum period of 03-year study leave with full pay and permission to work at AIIMS Rishikesh to pursue full time PhD Course.
- D. Eligibility criteria for In-service- Candidates from AIIMS Rishikesh**
1. Applicants from AIIMS Rishikesh – Only those faculty/scientists/administrative officer/officials, whose tenure is of 3 years or more (subject to fulfillment of eligibility criteria), will be allowed to apply as internal candidate. They will be required to submit a **‘No Objection Certificate’** from their employer at the time of Stage II examination. DM, MCh, PDCC candidates and others pursuing full time academic courses at AIIMS Rishikesh cannot apply for a PhD programme simultaneously.
 2. If a faculty is registered as a guide of a PhD scholar, he/she will NOT be eligible to apply for PhD Course as a PhD scholar until submission of thesis work by research scholar under him/her.
 3. Also, any faculty pursuing PhD Course himself/herself is NOT allowed to guide a student.
- E. Eligibility criteria for Transfer for PhD credit in case of relocation**
1. In case of relocation of PhD scholar due to marriage or otherwise, research period, and research data shall be allowed to be transferred to AIIMS Rishikesh, subject to the condition, that Research Scholar has either joined as employee/ on deputation and has cleared entrance exam (Stage I and Stage II) conducted by AIIMS, Rishikesh and is willing to enroll as a full time PhD Research Scholar. Scholar will give due credit to parent guide and previous Institution for part of research already done.

Please Note: Candidates who are likely to complete the requisite qualification and degree by the last date of application may also apply. All such candidates must submit a certificate on the letterhead of the College/Universities, signed and stamped by the Registrar/Dean/Principal confirming that the candidate is likely to complete the eligibility qualification by the last date of application. Candidates who are completing their requisite qualification after the last date of application are NOT eligible to take this examination.

F. Duration of Course

- i. Duration of course for all candidates will commence from date of joining (provisional registration) to submission of final thesis to exam cell for evaluation.
- ii. PhD course will be full time for all external candidates, including those with sponsorship.
- iii. Duration of three years' course will include previous research experience for transferred Scholars and faculty.
- iv. Minimum Duration: Shall be for a minimum period of three years including course work.
- v. Maximum Duration: Shall be for a period of 6 years.

Important Notes:

1. All Seats in a department will be clubbed
2. Candidates may apply for PhD in one subject and project only.
3. Candidates will be eligible ONLY for seats in the department and project that they have applied for.
4. Candidates will be allocated seats in order of their merit in the exam.
5. Successful candidates will be screened for eligibility criteria of respective Project before admission.
6. Candidates who are allotted a seat but do not join or resign after joining will not be eligible for any additional rounds of seat allocation.
7. PhD Scholars are required to make their own arrangements for stay at their own expenses during the period of their PhD Course.
8. They are also required to identify source of funding support for their research work, as Institute is not bound to support PhD Scholar (External) for their stay/salary/ research funding support.
9. The decision of Institutional research Review board (IRRB) will be considered final in all matters pertaining to the PhD course.
10. Candidates who are allotted a seat but do not join or resign after joining will NOT be eligible for any additional rounds of seat allocation

IV. Method of selection:

Entrance to PhD Course will be based on merit scores based on following evaluations. All Internal and External candidates (Medical, non-medical, in-house, in-service, transfer-in etc.) will have to appear in two stages of entrance exam:

Stage 1: Written entrance Exam

Stage 2: Departmental assessment and interaction with IRRB

A. Stage I: Written Entrance Exam will comprise of 200 Questions of 3 hours duration of 200 Marks.

Distribution of topics	Number of questions
Basics of Research Methodology	50
Basic Biostatistics	20
Basics of Biochemistry, Physiology and lab technology	30
General aptitude and logical reasoning	50
English	20
Recent advances in subject applied by the candidate	30

If any discrepancy in any question is found in the Entrance Examination, the candidate is advised to write to Dean (Exam), AIIMS, Rishikesh within 24 hours on the following email: exam@aiimsrishikesh.edu.in. This mail will only be used for discrepancy related to question.

Evaluation Procedure for Stage I:

Each correct (MCQ) answer will be awarded 1 mark. More than one answer will be treated as wrong answer. Zero mark will be given for wrong answer, questions not answered or marked for review.

Candidates must score at least 50% marks in Stage I to be eligible for Stage II of entrance exam.

Note:

Candidates with Own government fellowship (OF) as per the criteria mentioned in Section 3, B, point no. 1 above, and in-service candidates of AIIMS Rishikesh will be exempted from the entrance test, i.e. Stage I.

They will appear for Stage II of the Entrance test directly after fulfilling the eligibility criteria for PhD Admission.

Evaluation Procedure for these candidates will be as follows:

For Stage 1: 50% of Marks will be awarded to all candidates with own government fellowship (OF) as per the criteria mentioned in Section 3, B, Point no. 1 and in-service candidates of AIIMS Rishikesh.

If they wish to improve their scores of Stage I, they may appear for Stage I exam.

If they obtain more than 50% in Stage I, these scores will be considered as final and an additional 10 marks will be added to entrance exam-based score of Stage I as special weightage;

If they obtain less than 50% marks in Stage I entrance exam, their final score of Stage I will be considered as 50% marks of Stage I; however additional 10 marks as special weightage will NOT be added to their scores of Stage I.

The final score for all candidates will be computed as follows:

- 80%: Score of Stage I
- 20%: Score of Stage II (Departmental assessment & interaction with IRRB)

Special weightage:

i. Medical / Dental/ Nursing candidates:

10 marks as special weightage extra will be added to total score of Stage I for candidates who fulfil both the following criteria:

- (1) Those candidates who have scored at least 50% in Stage I.
- (2) They hold a Medical Degree (MBBS/ BDS/ MDS/ DNB/ MD/ MS/ DM/ M.Ch.) or M.Sc. (Nursing).

ii. Non-Medical candidate

10 marks will be added to the total score of Stages I for candidates who fulfill both the following criteria:

- (1) Those candidates who have scored at least 50% in Stage I
- (2) Candidates who have qualified the National Entrance Tests in last 2 years (July 2021 to July 2023) leading to the award of a fellowship viz. SRF/JRF from any Government organization viz. CSIR, DBT, DST, UGC etc. tenable at AIIMS Rishikesh.

NOTE: To be eligible for special weightage marks, ALL the following criteria must be fulfilled:

1. The result of the National Entrance Tests listed above must have been declared between 1 June 2021 to Last date of application.
2. The award of the fellowship must be based on the result of the above listed National Entrance Tests
3. The fellowships should be tenable at AIIMS, Rishikesh
4. The letter of award of fellowship must be uploaded with the application form. Passing the listed National Entrance Tests is not acceptable as proof of award of fellowship.

Final Result of qualified candidates will be prepared based on number of seats available. Final result of selected candidates will only be declared after getting approval from Executive Director, AIIMS Rishikesh. Selected candidates are required to join within last date of joining as mentioned in Result information uploaded on Institute website. In case a candidate fails to join by this date and no written request for extension is received, it will be assumed that he/she does not intend to join course and seat will be offered to next candidate on waiting list. No further correspondence will be entertained in this regard. The maximum duration of extension that may be provided to a candidate after approval by Executive Director, AIIMS Rishikesh is one month from the last date of joining.

Note:

- i. Result will be available on website of AIIMS Rishikesh. No individual intimation will be communicated to the Candidate.
- ii. In service candidates of AIIMS Rishikesh, whose candidature is not approved by Institutional Research Review Board will not be eligible for admission.
- iii. Candidates who fail to attend any of the stage of examination as mentioned above will NOT be eligible for admission.

Indemnity Bond:

All Candidates enrolled for PhD Course shall sign a bond for completion of course. Leaving course in mid-way will involve recovery of salary/fellowship and a fine up to Rs 2 lakh based on decision of IRRB. However, Candidate can request Director AIIMS Rishikesh for review of decision of IRRB.

Allocation of Guide:

Candidate shall work under supervision of a recognized Ph.D. guide of AIIMS Rishikesh based on the option chosen by the candidate at the time of application. Candidate for Ph.D. Course shall have option to choose his/her research guide from AIIMS Rishikesh. Allocation of guide will be done by IRRB, from the department in which the candidate has applied for Ph.D. Co-guides will be selected by the guide and scholar based on subject expertise required for PhD thesis. Only a full-time regular teacher/Director of AIIMS Rishikesh can act as a supervisor. External Guides are not allowed. However, Co-Guide can be allowed in inter-disciplinary areas from other departments of AIIMS Rishikesh or from other related Institutions with approval of DRC.

Registration Process: Date of joining shall be treated as date of Registration.

Method of Resolving Tie: The tie cases will be resolved according to age (Date of birth), the older candidate shall get preference over the younger one.

Joining: Selected candidates are required to join **as per the date provided in the notification of results**. The Ph.D. Seats shall lapse if the selected candidates do not join by 31.08.2023 for July session. No candidate shall be allowed to join after 31.08.2023 **for July session**. In case the candidate is not granted an extension for joining and fails to join by the date given to him/her in provisional offer letter, it will be assumed that he/she does not intend to join the course and the seat will be offered to the next candidate on the waiting list. No further correspondence will be entertained in this regard.

V. IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING UP APPLICATION FORM

1. For applying for admission to PhD Course each candidate is required to fill the Online google form available on the website (www.aiimsrishikesh.edu.in) i.e.(<https://forms.gle/XHvuTbhQCaE1wryk9>). He/She is ALSO required to submit hard copy of duly-typed and signed application form provided as a MS word document file on the website to **Dean (Exam), AIIMS, Rishikesh, Veerbhadra Marg, Rishikesh 249203** through registered post/ speed post. The envelope should be superscribed as “APPLICATION FORM FOR PHD ADMISSION JULY 2023.”
2. It is mandatory to fill up BOTH Google form and also send the typed signed hard copy of Application form to AIIMS Rishikesh as per the instructions provided in the prospectus. In absence of receipt of either of the forms, the application process will NOT be considered complete and the candidature will be cancelled.
3. **No candidate should register more than one application.**
4. Candidate should fill in the Google Form taking utmost care. Incorrectly filled form may lead to rejection. It will be the responsibility of the candidates to ensure that correct details are filled in the Google Form. The Institute will not be responsible for any incorrect information/cancellation of candidature/loss or lack of communication etc. due to wrong filled online Application form. Applicants must fill all the fields carefully since after submission of online application request for change in any information at any later stage will not be considered. Candidates should keep a copy of both the forms for future reference till the completion of admission process.
5. The fee for entrance examination is non-refundable and no correspondence in this regard will be entertained. The candidate is required to go through the Prospectus carefully and acquaint himself/herself with all requirements with regard to ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA of filling of the application form. Candidates may please note that unless they make the payment of Application Fee, their application will be treated as INCOMPLETE.
6. Payment of fee: Candidates can pay the application fee through NEFT or direct bank transfer. Additional charges viz. bank charges, service tax etc. incurred while making online payment of application fees will be borne by the candidate.
7. Candidates are advised to take a print of the payment receipt where they can see transaction number or UTR number, the receipt will be uploaded during submission of the online application also. Candidates are advised to keep payment records for their records and future references. Communication regarding exam will be sent on the email of candidate (as provided in the application form) well in advance of the date of examination.

8. Payment of application fees by any other mode viz Cash, Cheque, Money Orders, Postal Orders, Pay Orders, Banker's Cheques, Postal Stamps, etc., will not be accepted. Such applications will be summarily rejected. The decision of Director, AIIMS Rishikesh in this regard shall be final and binding.
9. APPLICATION FEE AND MODE OF PAYMENT:
- General/OBC Category: Rs. 2000/- + Transaction Charges as applicable.
 - SC/ST/EWS Category: Rs. 1600/- + Transaction Charges as applicable.
 - PWBD Candidates is exempted from any Fee.

For all purposes, for candidate applying under SC/ST/OBC(NCL)/EWS/ & PWBD category, the candidate must possess a certificate issued by competent authority (as applicable to the category/format provided by AIIMS Rishikesh). **OBC (NCL) Caste Certificate to be produced during 25.07.2022 to 24.07.2023 (as per format attached). SC/ST Caste Certificate to be produced as per format attached. EWS Certificate to be produced during 01.04.2023 to 24.07.2023 (as per format attached).**

10. Please make sure to correctly mention the Transaction number, Date/Time and Bank of which remittance is made in your application form for reconciliation. Also, make sure to get the confirmation of the successful remittance by your bank and retain the proof of the same which may be required at the time of document verification. The application fee is non-refundable.

11. MODE OF PAYMENT - Through NEFT/ Direct bank transfer

NEFT Details

Name of Institute – AIIMS, Rishikesh

Name of Bank- Punjab National Bank

Branch- Pashulok, Rishikesh

Account Holder Name- AIIMS Examination Account Rishikesh

Account No. – 6189000100046878

IFSC Code- PUNB0618900

12. DOCUMENTS TO BE ATTACHED WITH REGISTRATION FORM:

- I. Proof of date of birth
- II. ID Card
- III. Essential qualification certificate/s
- IV. Recent photograph
- V. Signature
- VI. Left thumb impression
- VII. Sponsored Candidates: Sponsorship Certificate (in the case of sponsored candidate) in the format prescribed in the Prospectus, duly completed and signed by the competent authority.
- VIII. Proof of award of eligible fellowship for non-medical candidates for getting the benefit of special weightage.
- IX. Proof of category for availing benefits of fees and relaxation in qualifying marks.

13. Guidelines for scanning the photograph & Signature:

Before applying online, a candidate will be required to have a scanned (digital) image of his/her photograph, signature and left thumb impression as per the specifications given below:

(i) Photograph:

- Photograph must be a recent passport size colour picture.
- The picture should be in colour, against a light-coloured, preferably white, background.
- Caps, hats and dark glasses are not acceptable. Religious headwear is allowed but it must not cover your face.
- Dimensions 200 x 230 pixels (preferred)
- Size of file should be between 80 kb–100 kb
- Ensure that the size of the scanned image is not more than 100 KB.

(ii) Signature: -

- The applicant has to sign on white paper with Black/ Blue ink pen.
- The signature must be signed only by the applicant and not by any other person.
- The signature will be used to put on the Hall Ticket and wherever necessary.
- If the Applicant's signature on the answer script, at the time of the examination, does not match the signature on the Hall Ticket, the applicant will be disqualified.
- Dimensions 140 x 60 pixels (preferred)
- Size of file should be between 50 kb – 80 kb
- Ensure that the size of the scanned image is not more than 80 KB.

iii. Left thumb impression

- Draw a box of size 4 x 3 cms (width * height) on a plain white sheet.
- Take a good quality Blue/Black ink stamp pad.
- Put your left thumb gently on the stamp pad and role lightly in horizontal manner.
- The lines of the finger should be clearly visible in the print.
- Scan the area of white sheet having thumb impression only, not the whole sheet.
- Scan the left thumb impression on 200 dpi. It should not be blurred while enlarging it.
- Save the image as "Left Thumb Impression jpg". Supported formats of the image include jpg/jpeg, gif, png.
- Keep the size of image between 10 KB to 50 KB.

14. Candidates are advised to upload the relevant documents/ photographs in the desired format only.

15. Once form is submitted there shall be no provision for making changes in the application form.

16. Communication regarding eligibility for examination will be sent to the respective email ids of the candidates. If the candidate has not received any communication at least 5 days before the Stage I exam, he/she should immediately write an email to the Dean Examinations, AIIMS, Rishikesh on exam@aiimsrishikesh.edu.in with his/her full particulars.

17. SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION BY CANDIDATES WHO ARE EMPLOYED:

All in-service candidates are required to route the hard copy of their application form through proper channel. The candidates in employment applying for Ph.D. Program are required to submit the hard copy of their

applications through proper channel. They should also sign the undertaking in the online application form that they have informed their employer about the submission of the application to AIIMS. If any communication is received from their department/office withholding permission to the candidate's appearing at the entrance examination/admission to the course, the candidature/admission of the candidate will be cancelled, and no further correspondence in this regard will be entertained. The fees submitted will also not be reimbursed in such cases.

Sponsored candidates must submit/send **sponsorship certificate in original** from their employers in the attached format along with the hard copy of application form to the **Dean (Examinations), AIIMS, Rishikesh-249203** failing which their candidature will be cancelled.

18. REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION OF "SPONSORED" CANDIDATES

- a) Candidates who are permanent employees of any Central/State Government/Armed Forces or the Public Sector Undertaking/Autonomous Body can be sponsored by the respective Government/Defence Authorities or the Competent Authorities of PSU/Autonomous Body.
- b) All eligible "sponsored" candidates will be called by the Institute for an entrance test.
- c) Seats as shown in the prospectus are available for "sponsored" candidates. Sponsored candidates will be designated as "trainees".
- d) The subject for which the candidate is being sponsored should be clearly specified in the sponsorship form by the sponsoring authority. The candidate can be sponsored for only one subject. The applications of those candidates who are sponsored for more than one subject will not be considered.
- e) No "Sponsored" candidate will be paid any emoluments by the AIIMS Rishikesh during the training period. Such payments will be the responsibility of the sponsoring authority (i.e. Central/State Government or Defense Authorities).

VI. PROCEDURE FOR REDRESSAL OF DISCREPANCY NOTICED:

- (i) If any discrepancy in any question is found in the Entrance Examination, the candidate is advised to write to Dean (Exams), AIIMS, Rishikesh within 24 hours on exam@aiimsrishikesh.edu.in.
- (ii) Discrepancy, if any, in the Prospectus etc. should be immediately brought to the notice of the Dean (Academics) AIIMS, Rishikesh through email ONLY at phdadm@aiimsrishikesh.edu.in Communication done on any other email id of the institute will NOT be entertained. Complaints received after the examination will not be entertained.
- (iii) The candidates are required to verify their eligibility criteria for the project that they have applied for, before applying for the course.
- (iv) Fees deposited will NOT be reimbursed under any circumstances.
- (v) ***All applicants are required to ensure that Photo/Signature/Left Thumb Impression is uploaded clearly and completely. Failure to do so may result in rejection of applications. Duplicate applications from any applicant will result in cancellation of all such applications. No intimation regarding such summary rejections will be provided.***
- (vi) It will be the responsibility of the candidate to ensure that correct address, Mobile No. & email ID in the Application Form is filled. AIIMS Rishikesh shall not be responsible for any miscommunication due to incorrect address, Mobile No. and email ID given by the applicant on the Application Form or non-receipt for any communication.
- (vii) Any Change in the address, mobile No. and email ID should be immediately intimated to this office by registered mail. The candidate should also ensure that any communication sent at the previous address is redirected to him/her at the new address.
- (viii) If a candidate is at any stage found to have provided false information/certificate or is found to have

withheld or concealed some information in his/her application form, he/she will be debarred from admission, his/her Candidature will be terminated with immediate effect.

- (ix) If ineligibility is detected at any stage, candidature/admission of the candidate will be cancelled without any notice.
- (x) Candidates must not obtain or give or attempt to obtain or give irregular assistance of any kind during the examination; this will entail expulsion and cancellation of candidature for the examination. The admission of the candidate will be cancelled, and appropriate criminal/civil proceedings will be initiated against the candidates, if at any stage of the examination the candidate is found to have secured admission by using any unfair means.
- (xi) The Institute will not intimate the result of Entrance Test individually. No correspondence in this regard will be entertained.
- (xii) There is no provision for re-checking/re-evaluation of the answer sheets and no query in this regard will be entertained.
- (xiii) The decision of the Executive Director of the Institute shall be final in the matter of selection of candidates for admission to Ph.D. Program and no appeal will be entertained in this regard.
- (xiv) Selected candidates must join the course on the date stipulated in the letter of selection, failing which the selection/admission shall stand cancelled/withdrawn.
- (xv) The selected candidates will have to submit the original Certificates at the time of joining.
- (xvi) The selection of students for the Ph.D. Program will be subject to medical fitness. No selected candidate will be permitted to pay fee/join the course unless declared medically fit by the Medical Board appointed by the Institute. The decision of the Medical Board shall be final.
- (xvii) Each candidate selected for admission shall have to pay the fee/dues within the prescribed period failing which his/her admission shall be cancelled.
- (xviii) Private practice in any form during the course is prohibited. The period of training is strictly full time and continuous.
- (xix) The rules are subject to change in accordance with the decision of the Institute to be taken from time to time.
- (xx) Any dispute in regard to any matter referred to herein shall be subject to the jurisdiction of High Court of Uttarakhand.

Fee Structure: Each candidate selected for admission will have to pay course fees at time of admission of Rs. 6500/-.

Fee Schedule:

S/No.	Fee	Amount (Rs.)	Minimum Period	Maximum Period
1	Registration Fee	500/-	--	--
2	Tuition Fee, Ph.D.	5000/ per year	3 Years	6/7 years (as applicable)
3	Ancillary Utility Charges Ph.D.	500/- per year	3 Years	6/7 years (as applicable)
4	Caution Money (To be deposited by every student for recovery of breakages or loss of AIIMS Rishikesh equipment etc.).	500/-	--	--
5	Examination Fee (Fee in Rs. Per exam/per attempt/per student)	25000/-	--	--

Executive Director
AIIMS Rishikesh

FORMAT OF SPONSORSHIP CERTIFICATE BY CENTRAL/STATE GOVT./ARMED FORCES (SPONSORING AUTHORITIES)

1. I certify that Dr./Miss/Mrs./Mr.* __ is being sponsored for PhD course in (subject) _____ at All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Rishikesh for the session commencing in **July, 2023**.
2. That Dr./Miss/Mrs./Mr.* __ is a permanent employee of _____ (name of the State/Central Govt. Dept./Office/Armed Forces/the Competent Authorities of PSU/Autonomous Body etc.)
3. That Post Graduate [**Ph.D. Programme**] course for which the candidate is being sponsored.
4. That he/she after getting the training at the AIIMS will be suitably employed by the sponsoring authority in the specialty in which training is to be provided in All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Rishikesh.
5. That the candidate will be paid all emoluments by the sponsoring authority during the entire training period. Such payment will not be the responsibility of the All India Institute of Medical Sciences.
6. That the candidate is being sponsored for the entire duration of the course as specified in the prospectus for the above-mentioned course.

Sponsoring authority

Signature

Name (**In BLOCK LETTERS**)

Place:.....

Designation

*Delete whichever is not required.

IMPORTANT:

- (i) **The above certificate, duly signed only by the Competent Authority i.e. Secretary/Director General of Health Services of the Central/State Government concerned/ DGAFMS/ Director/ Executive Head, will be considered.**
- (ii) No addition or alteration in the above certificate is allowed.
- (iii) Subject/Discipline must be specified in the sponsorship certificate failing which the candidature will not be considered under the sponsored category.

NOTE 1: While sponsoring the candidates, the Central/State Government/Defence Authorities /PSU/ Autonomous Bodies should furnish a certificate prescribed for this purpose duly completed and signed by the competent authority.

NOTE 2: The 'Sponsorship Certificate' should indicate the discipline/specialty for which the candidate is being sponsored, failing which the application will not be considered under the Sponsored Category.

PROFORMA FOR OTHER BACKWARD CLASS (OBC) CERTIFICATE

(Certificate to be produced by other Backward Classes applying for Admission to Central Educational Institutions (CEIs), Under The Government of India)

This is to certify that Shri /Smt./Kum. _____ Son/Daughter of Shri/Smt. ___ of _____ Village/Town _____ District/Division _____ in the State belongs to the Community which is recognized as a backward class under:

- (i) Resolution No. 12011/68/93-BCC(C) dated 10/09/93 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section I No. 186 dated 13/09/93.
- (ii) Resolution No. 12011/9/94-BCC dated 19/10/94-BCC dated 19/10/94 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary part I Section I No. 163 dated 20/10/94.
- (iii) Resolution No. 12011/7/95-BCC dated 24/05/95 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section I dated 25/05/95.
- (iv) Resolution No. 12011/96/94-BCC dated 09/03/96.
- (v) Resolution No. 12011/44/94-BCC dated 06/12/96 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section I No. 210 dated 11/12/96.
- (vi) Resolution No. 12011/13/97-BCC dated 03/12/97.
- (vii) Resolution No. 12011/99/94-BCC dated 11/12/97.
- (viii) Resolution No. 12011/68/98-BCC dated 27/10/99.
- (ix) Resolution No. 12011/88/99-BCC dated 06/12/99 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section I No. 270 dated 06/12/99.
- (x) Resolution No. 12011/36/99-BCC dated 04/04/2000 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section I No. 71 dated 04/04/2000.
- (xi) Resolution No. 12011/44/99-BCC dated 21/09/2000 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section 1 No. 210 dated 21/09/2000.
- (xii) Resolution No. 12015/09/2000-BCC dated 06/09/2001.
- (xiii) Resolution No. 12011/01/2001-BCC dated 19/06/2003.
- (xiv) Resolution No. 12011/04/2002-BCC dated 13/01/2004.
- (xv) Resolution No. 12011/09/2004-BCC dated 16/01/2006 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section I No. 210 dated 16/01/2006.

Shri/Smt./Kum. _____ And/or his family ordinarily reside(s) in the District/Division of _____ State.

This is also to certify that he/she does not belong to the persons/sections (Creamy Layer) mentioned in Column 3 of the Scheduled to the Government of India. Department of Personnel & Training O.M. No. 36012/22/93-Estt. (SCT) dated 08/09/93 which is modified vide OM No. 36033/3/2004 Estt. (Res.) dated 09/03/2004 or the latest notification of the Government of India.

Dated:

District Magistrate/Competent Authority Seal

NOTE:

- A. The Term Ordinarily used here will have the same meaning as in Section 20 of the Representation of the People Act, 1950.
- B. The authorities competent to issue Caste Certificates are indicated below:
 - (i) District Magistrate/Additional Magistrate/Collector/Deputy Commissioner/Additional Deputy Commissioner/Deputy Collector/1st Class Stipendiary Magistrate/Sub-Divisional Magistrate/Taluka Magistrate/Executive Magistrate/Extra Assistant Commissioner (not below the rank of 1st Class Stipendiary Magistrate.)
 - (ii) Chief Presidency Magistrate/Additional Chief Presidency Magistrate/Presidency Magistrate.
 - (iii) Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tehsildar.
 - (iv) Sub-Divisional Officer of the area where the candidate and/or his family resides.

FORM OF SC/ST CERTIFICATE PRESCRIBED

Form of certificate as prescribed in M.H.A., O.M., No. 42/21/49-N.G.S. dated the 28.1.1952, as revised in Dept. of Per-& A.R. letter No. 36012/6/76-Est. (S.CT), dated the 29.10.1977, to be produced by candidate belonging to a Scheduled Caste or a Scheduled Tribe in support of his/her claim.

CASTE CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that Shri/Smt./Kum.* Son/daughter* of of village/town* in district/Division* of the State/Union Territory* Belongs to the Caste/Tribe which is recognized as a Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe* under:

- The Constitution (Scheduled Caste) Order, 1950
- The Constitution (Scheduled Tribe) Order, 1950
- The Constitution (Scheduled Caste) (Union Territories) Order, 1951
- The Constitution (Scheduled Tribe) (Union Territories) Order, 1951

% 1. (as amended by the Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes Lists (Modification) Order, 1956, the Bombay Re-Organization Act, 1960, the Punjab Re-Organization Act, 1966, the State of Himachal Pradesh Act, 1970 the North Eastern Areas (Re-organization) Act, 1971 and the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Orders, (Amendment) Act, 1976). The Constitution (Jammu and Kashmir) Scheduled Caste Order, 1956.

- The Constitution (Andaman and Nicobar Islands) Scheduled Tribes Order, 1959.
- The Constitution (Dadra and Nagar Haveli) Scheduled Caste Order, 1962.
- The Constitution (Dadra and Nagar Haveli) Scheduled Tribes Order, 1962.
- The Constitution (Pondicherry) Scheduled Caste Order, 1964
- The Constitution (Uttar Pradesh) (Scheduled Tribes) Order, 1967
- The Constitution (Goa, Daman & Diu) Scheduled Caste Order, 1968.
- The Constitution (Goa, Daman & Diu) Scheduled Tribes Order, 1968.
- The Constitution (Nagaland) Scheduled Tribes Order, 1970.
- The Constitution (Sikkim) Scheduled Caste Order, 1978.
- The Constitution (Sikkim) Scheduled Tribes Order, 1978.

% 2. Applicable in the case of Scheduled Caste/Schedule Tribe persons who have migrated from one State/ Union Territory Administration:

This certificate is issued on the basis of the Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe certificate issued to Shri/ Smt.* father/mother of Shri/Smt./Kum* of village/town* in District/Division* of the State/Union Territory* who belongs to the caste/tribe which is recognized as a Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe* in the State/Union Territory* issued by the (name of Prescribed authority) vide their No.....date..... % 3. Shri*/Smt.*/Kum* and/or his/her* family Ordinary reside(s) in village/town* of the State/Union Territory of.....

Signature.....

Place..... State/Union Territory **Designation.....

Date..... (With seal of Office)

- Please delete the words which are not applicable.
- Please quote specific Presidential Order.

% Delete the paragraph which is not applicable.

** Should be signed by the Authorities empowered to issue Scheduled Caste/ Scheduled Tribe certificates as specified above.

Government of

(Name & Address of the authority issuing the certificate)

INCOME & ASSEST CERTIFICATE TO BE PRODUCED BY ECONOMICALLY WEAKER SECTIONS

Certificate No. _____

Date: _____

VALID FOR THE YEAR _____

This is to certify that Shri/Smt./Kumari _____ son/daughter/wife of _____ permanent resident of _____ Village/Street _____ Post Office _____ District _____ in the State/Union Territory _____ Pin Code _____ whose photograph is attested below belongs to Economically Weaker Sections, since the gross annual income* of his/her 'family**' is below Rs. 8 lakh (Rupees Eight Lakh only) for the financial year _____. His/her family does not own or possess any of the following assets*** :

- I. 5 acres of agricultural land and above;
- II. Residential flat of 1000 sq. ft. and above;
- III. Residential plot of 100 sq. yards and above in notified municipalities;
- IV. Residential plot of 200 sq. yards and above in areas other than the notified municipalities.

Signature with seal of Office _____

Name _____

Designation _____

Recent Passport size
attested photograph of
the applicant

*Note1: Income covered all sources i.e. salary, agriculture, business, profession, etc.

**Note 2: The term "Family" for this purpose include the person, who seeks benefit of reservation, his/her parents and siblings below the age of 18 years as also his/her spouse and children below the age of 18 years

***Note 3: The property held by a "Family" in different locations or different places/cities have been clubbed while applying the land or property holding test to determine EWS status.

G. Prasad

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For enquiries relating to Entrance Examination please contact:

Dean (Examination)

Examination Section

All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) Rishikesh -

249203

exam@aiimsrishikesh.edu.in

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