

Indian Institute of Public Health Gandhinagar
(A University established under IIPHG Act 2015 of Gujarat State)

NOTIFICATION
Admission to PhD Programme (AY:2026-27)

Date: 27/01/2026

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (Ph.D.)

Applications are invited for admission to PhD programme in Public Health and Hospital Administration at Indian Institute of Public Health Gandhinagar (IIPHG).

1. Eligibility criteria for admission to the PhD Programme

A candidate shall be eligible to register for admission to the PhD programme after he/she has obtained;

- 1.1 A 1-year/2-semester master's degree programme after a 4-year/8-semester bachelor's degree programme or a 2-year/4-semester master's degree programme after a 3-year bachelor's degree programme or qualifications declared equivalent to the master's degree by the corresponding statutory regulatory body, with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed or equivalent qualification 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 to assess, accredit or assure quality and standards of the educational institution.

A relaxation of 5% marks or its equivalent grade may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/Differently-Abled, Economically Weaker Section (EWS) and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the Commission from time to time.

Provided that a candidate seeking admission after a 4-year/8-semester bachelor's degree programme should have a minimum of 75% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade on a point scale wherever the grading system is followed. A relaxation of 5% marks or its equivalent grade may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/Differently-Abled, Economically Weaker Section (EWS) and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the commission from time to time.

- 1.2 Candidates who have completed the M.Phil programme with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed or equivalent qualification from a foreign educational institution accredited by an assessment and accreditation agency which is approved, recognized by an authority, established or incorporated under a law in its home country or any other statutory authority in that country to assess, accredit or assure quality and standards of educational institutions, shall be eligible for admission to the Ph.D. programme. A relaxation of 5% marks or its equivalent grade may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/Differently-Abled, Economically Weaker Section (EWS).



2. Duration of the Programme

- 2.1 **Full time** Ph.D. Programme shall be for a minimum duration of three (3) years, including course work, and a maximum duration of six (6) years from the date of admission to the Ph.D programme.
- 2.2 **Part time** Ph.D. Programme shall be for a minimum duration of four (4) years, including course work, and a maximum duration of eight (8) years from the date of admission to the Ph.D programme.
- 2.3 A maximum of an additional two (2) years can be given through a process of re-registration as per the regulation governing award of PhD at IIPHG.
- 2.4 Female Ph.D Scholars may be provided Maternity Leave/Child Care Leave up to 240 days in the entire duration of the Ph.D. Programme.

3. Procedure for admission

- 3.1 The admission shall be based on the eligibility criteria mentioned in point (1). The eligible candidates shall be notified for entrance test.
- 3.2 Candidates who has qualified fellowship/scholarship in UGC-NET/UGC- CSIR NET or similar National level tests are exempted from entrance test and directly will be notified for interview.
- 3.3 The Entrance Test syllabus shall consist of 50% of research methodology, and 50% shall be specific to Public Health or Hospital Administration.
- 3.4 Students who have secured 50% marks in the entrance test shall be eligible for the interview. A relaxation of 5% marks will be allowed in the entrance test for the candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC/differently-abled category/Economically Weaker Section (EWS).
- 3.5 The final selection in PhD programme will be based on a weightage of 70% for the entrance test and 30% for the performance in the interview/viva- voce.
- 3.6 Selected candidates for PhD programme shall be notified about the selection and list of selected candidates shall be put on IIPHG website.

4. Seats: 15*

*Final decision regarding seats rest with IIPHG.

5. PhD Research Areas

Epidemiology	One Health	Communicable Diseases
Health System Strengthening	Diabetics-Type 1	Environmental Health
Health Technology Assessment	Maternal Health	Health Workforce Management
Public Health Nutrition	Climate and Infectious Diseases	Infectious Diseases Surveillance
Human Resources for Health	Health Prevention	Social Determinants of Health
Leadership Development and Governance	Health Communication	Mental Health & Wellbeing

6. Fees:

Sr. No.	Fee Details	Indian Scholars	Foreign/ NRI Scholars
1	Application Fee	Rs. 1000/-	\$20
2	Registration and Course Work Fee	Rs. 15,000/-	\$300
3	Tuition Fee & Semester Fees	Rs. 55,000/-	\$1100
4	Synopsis & PhD Examination Fee	Rs. 20,000/-	\$400
5	Convocation Fee	Rs. 3000/-	\$ 60



Accommodation:

Sr. No.	Charges Details	Indian Scholars	Foreign/NRI Scholars
1	Hostel Charges for single occupancy (per Semester)	Rs. 40,000/-	\$800
2	Hostel Charges for twin occupancy (per Semester)	Rs. 27,600/-	\$552

- The fees mentioned above will be subject to revision/change by the University from time to time.
- The fees once paid shall not be adjusted or refunded under any circumstances even, if the candidate cancels his/her admission.
- The fees mentioned above does not include food charges.

7. Important Dates and PhD Program Calendar

Admission Notification	2 nd February 2026
Availability of online application	6 th February 2026
Last date of application	15 th April 2026
Entrance Test	10 th May 2026
Result for Test	15 th May 2026
Interview	28 th & 29 th May 2026
Declaration of Final Result	1 st June 2026
Tentative PhD Programme Calendar for AY 2026-27	
Commencement of Programme	1 st June 2026
Induction and PhD coursework Workshop-I	22 nd June to 6 th July 2026
PhD coursework Workshop-II	30 th Nov to 4 th December 2026
PhD Coursework Examination	5 th and 6 th December 2026
1 st Research Advisory Committee Meeting	8 th to 29 th December 2026
2 nd Research Advisory Committee Meeting	01 st to 30 th June 2027

Entrance Examination Syllabus, List of PhD Research Supervisors for AY 2026-27, PhD Program Calendar for AY2026-27 is available on IIPHG website: <https://iiphg.edu.in/doctor-of-philosophy/>

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