

G H RAISONNI SKILLTECH UNIVERSITY, NAGPUR

Rules for conducting Online Ph.D. Entrance Test (PET) for Registration of Degree of Doctor of Philosophy, 2026 Summer Session

Whereas, it is expedient to frame the rules in respect of conducting Online Ph.D. Entrance Test (PET) for registration of Degree of Doctor of Philosophy to be conducted centrally by G H Raisonni Skill Tech University, Nagpur.

The concerned authority of GHRSTU Nagpur is hereby pleased to make the following rules:

1. These rules may be called “Rules for Conducting Online Ph.D. Entrance Test (PET) for registration of Degree of Doctor of Philosophy, 2026.”
2. These rules shall be applicable to the candidates appearing for Ph.D. Entrance Test for registration of Ph.D. Degree of this University under the provisions of relevant Ordinance.
3. These rules shall come into force with effect from the session 2026-27.

Definitions:

- i) “University” means G H Raisonni Skill Tech University, Nagpur.
 - ii) “PET” means Ph.D. Entrance Test to be conducted by G H Raisonni Skill Tech University, Nagpur.
 - iii) “Candidate” means research scholar appearing for PET.
 - iv) “Committee” means the committee constituted by Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor for the purpose of conducting Online Ph.D. Entrance Test (PET) for registration of Ph.D. Degree from time to time.
 - v) “Question Bank Committee” means a Committee of experts for the preparation of Question Bank, suggested by the PET Committee and approved by Hon’ble Vice- Chancellor.
4. The PET will be conducted by the University *twice in a year*. The date of examination will be decided/notified by the University.
 5. The University shall be the authority for inviting application forms from candidates desirous to appear for Online PET.
 6. All application forms in the prescribed format shall be filled Online on University website and printed forms along with testimonials and prescribed fees will be received by the office of the University. All the applications shall scrutinize by PET committee. University will publish the list of all eligible candidates for PET.

7. University will generate Roll Numbers and Admission Cards of the candidates.
8. University will provide Online Admission Cards to all candidates within time period as per the schedule.
9. The PET comprises TWO Papers, i.e. **PET-I & PET-II**.

a) PET-I – RESEARCH METHODOLOGY AND GENERAL APTITUDE

PET-I will be based on Research Methodology and General Aptitude and will be common to all candidates. Test for this Section will be of 50 multiple choice objective questions with 50 marks. Each question will carry one mark. The medium for PET-I will be in English only.

b) Paper Course

This course of section shall have MCQs from Research Methodology covering :

Meaning and type of research, Principles of Review of Literatures, defining a research problem, Research designs, preparing a research proposal, Sampling techniques, Types of data and data collection techniques, Data analysis tools, Referencing styles. And General aptitude covering Analytical reasoning, Numerical ability, Data interpretation, Computer awareness, Language competency

c) PET-II – SUBJECT SPECIFIC

PET-II will be based on specific subject in the relevant faculty. Test for this Section will be of 50 multiple choice objective questions with 50 marks. Each question will carry one mark. The medium for PET-II will be in English only.

d) Paper Course

The Paper Course for PET-II has been separately provided discipline wise. (The Paper Course for PET-II shall be as that of prescribed for the GATE Examination for Ph.D. Programme under Faculty of Science and Technology. The Paper Course for PET-II for Faculty of Management and Faculty of Law shall be as that of prescribed for the NET/SET Examination.)

10. The duration of Online PET shall be of 90 minutes which includes both PET-I and PET-II papers simultaneously.
11. The PET will be conducted online at examination centers proposed by PET Committee and approved by Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor. If required the Online PET will be conducted in batches and on subsequent days.
12. PET committee shall make available sufficient computers with networking and Internet Facility for Online PET.

13. PET committee shall submit the list of Observers and Supervisors for approval of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor. The approved Observers and Supervisors will look after the smooth conduct of PET.
14. There will be no provision to provide / permit a 'writer' in PET, except differently-abled candidates as per the provision of relevant ordinances of G H Raisonni Skill Tech University, Nagpur. In such cases differently-abled candidates must submit application with relevant documents to the PET committee 3 days before the date of examination.
15. The valuation of answers for both PET-I & PET-II will be done by evaluators appointed by university.
16. Passing PET will not be exclusive criteria for registration of Ph.D. Degree, since it is regulated as per the provisions of relevant Ordinance. Mere appearance in the Entrance Test or securing pass marks at the Entrance Test does not entitle the candidate to be considered for the admission to the Ph.D. Programme unless he/she fulfills the other eligibility conditions. Applicants must fully satisfy themselves about their eligibility as prescribed, before filling in the application form for the admission to the Ph.D. Programme. It shall be the responsibility of the Candidate, to read carefully the rules / conditions regarding the procedure for the admission and award of Ph.D. degree as mentioned in the relevant ordinance.
17. Students who have appeared in the entrance test are eligible to be called for the interview.
18. Candidates declared successful on the basis of combined score of Ph.D. Entrance test (PET) and personal interview with the weightage as per the rules and regulations framed by university from time to time in this regard, will only be considered for Ph.D. registration subject to the availability of Ph.D. Supervisor.
19. The **validity of PET Score will be for ONE year** from the date of declaration of PET result.
20. **Passing Certificate of the successful candidates (who clears PET Examination as well as Personal Interview) shall be displayed and available on the concerned website for thirty days** from the date of declaration of result and the candidate shall have to obtain the same by online process only.
21. Chairman, PET committee shall be responsible for smooth conduct of test. No other person than examinee, Observers, supervisor and any such person as may be permitted by the Chairman or member of the PET committee shall be allowed to enter the premises of the Examination Centre.
22. The PET Committee shall prescribe instructions to appearing candidates for PET, which may be displayed on the website or on exam center.
23. Candidate will have to pay total fees of Rs.1500/- through NEFT as per the details given below,

Bank Account details:

ACCOUNT NAME: G. H. RAISONI SKILL TECH UNIVERSITY, NAGPUR

ESCROW A/C BANK NAME: ICICI BANK LTD

ACCOUNT NO.: 624205022281

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BRANCH: NAGPUR-RAMDASPETH

24. In case of any grievance from the candidate regarding PET, the decision of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor and PET Committee shall be final.
25. In case of any unfair means during the Process of PET examination shall be put forward in front of committee constituted by Hon'ble Vice Chancellor and decision of committee shall be final.
26. Candidate shall submit the printed application form of PET Examination by hand / post / courier along with all the necessary documents and copy of fees payment as per the guidelines to the following address.

**Registrar, G H Raisonni Skill Tech University, 37-39/1, Shraddha Park, Hingna-Wadi
Link Road, MIDC, Nagpur, Dist: Nagapur, Maharashtra,
PIN: 440025**

27. No TA / DA shall be given to any candidate appearing for PET Examination and personal interview.
28. **No Revaluation and Redressal permitted for PET Answer Scripts and decision of PET Examination committee shall be final.**

**Vice Chancellor
G H Raisonni Skill Tech University,
Nagpur**
