



**Department of Buddhist Studies**  
**University of Delhi**  
**NOTICE**  
**PhD Phase-II Admissions, 2025-26**

**Dated: 02 April, 2026**

Event	Date and Time	Venue
Interview for Ph.D. Buddhist Studies	16.04.2026 to 17.04.2026 at 10:30 am	Head's Room, Department of Buddhist Studies, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Extension Building, Faculty of Arts, North Campus, University of Delhi, Delhi-110007

**Eligibility under Phase - II of PhD Admission:**

1. Based on the scores obtained in NET, the candidates will be eligible in three categories:

**Qualified for**

- **Category-1:** Award of JRF and appointment as Assistant Professor
- **Category-2:** Appointment as Assistant Professor and admission to Ph.D.
- **Category-3:** Admission to Ph.D. only

2. Candidates seeking admission in Ph.D. Program must go through Clause C "Eligibility Criteria" of Notification: Amendments to Ordinances dated 09th August, 2017 and its Amendments approved by the Executive Council in its meeting held on 01-02.07.2019 to check if they are exempted from appearing in the test (Annexure-I & II). However, interview is mandatory for all Candidates.
3. Teachers and Non-teaching staff who are in service of University of Delhi may directly appear for an interview. These will be supernumerary seats.
4. The candidates who have applied under EWS/OBC/SC/ST differently-abled are advised to bring their original Caste/Medical/EWS certificates.

**Documents Guideline :** The candidates who have applied for Phase-2 Admissions to Ph.D. (Buddhist Studies) for the session 2025-26 are advised to submit the hard copy & Soft Copy (Email ID : [exam@buddhist.du.ac.in](mailto:exam@buddhist.du.ac.in)) of the following documents in Department of Buddhist Studies, University of Delhi, by **Monday, 13 April, 2026**.

1. Copy of Online Application Form
2. Copy of Academic Qualification (UG, PG)
3. Copies UGC-NET/JRF/PhD. Only Certificate and Marks
4. Copy of updated Caste Certificate (OBC/SC/ST/EWS/PWBD Category) if any
5. Research Proposal

It is **compulsory to send their mentioned documents by Monday, 13 April, 2026 at 05:00 pm to the Email ID : [exam@buddhist.du.ac.in](mailto:exam@buddhist.du.ac.in)**. Any candidate who have applied through portal but fails to fill this form will not be called for interviews.

**Instructions for Interview**

- Candidates must bring their research proposal (4 copies) on the day of interview.
- No TA/DA will be paid for attending the interview.

  
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**Indicative Guidelines for Research Proposal**

**Components of the Proposal:**

The research proposal needs to include the following components, preferably in the order listed here:

**1. Introduction/background**

'What', 'Why' and 'How' of your research.

§ What do you want to study/problematize/look at/examine?

§ Why are you interested in the topic of your choice? What is the relevance of your study? What is the value addition that you seek to provide?

§ How do you plan to examine the topic: stating your methodology and strategy.

**2. Review of the literature and identification of literature gap**

This would form the bulk of proposal. Please do not write a bibliographical essay. You need to review the existing literature and connect different scholarly works/other sources that make them relevant to your research question. Situate your arguments in and around the existing works. A thematic review is advisable. Cite all sources that you include even indirectly in your paper. Follow in-text citations and mention the last name of Author with Year in parentheses. Eg. (Sarkar, 1919)

Avoid footnotes and stick to in-text citation.

**3. Definition, Rationale and Scope of the study**

Define the study, provide working definition of key terms

Provide rationale/justification, identify gap and state the value addition

State the limitations – what the research is not able to do

**4. Research Question and Hypothesis**

- Statement of Research Problem
- Central Question
- Related Questions

There has to be one (or more) clear research questions and corresponding hypothesis (hypotheses). Your hypothesis is the tentative answer to your research question.


**5. Research Methodology**

Stating your methodology and strategy in detail. This can include your theoretical framework, and the type of source you want to consult. You can mention about the qualitative/ quantitative/narrative/theoretical approach that you seek to follow and explain it. If you plan to use case study/studies, justify the choice. This will depend on the work.

**6. Tentative Chaptering**

Mention the headings of tentative chapters with a brief description of the content of each chapter.

**7. Bibliography**

  
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**Text style:**

The main text should be in Times New Roman, Font size 12, 1.5 spacing, default black font. Page margins should be 1.5 inch (3.81 cm) on right and 1 inch (2.54 cm) on all other sides. Direct quotations should be single spaced, left indented and double quoted. Sub-headings should be **bold** and level 2 subheadings should *italicised*.

Proposal has to be typed and not handwritten.

For Hindi proposals, use Mangal (or any Unicode) font.

**Word Range:**

3500 - 7000 words.

**About plagiarism:**

Plagiarism/similarity over 18% will invite penalty. Plagiarism implies using others' arguments without acknowledging the same. You need to use in-text citation in your paper even if you use others' arguments indirectly or paraphrase those arguments. In case of doubt, it is better to over cite.



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