



DECCAN COLLEGE
Post-graduate & Research Institute
Pune-411 006, India.

(A University established Under Section 3 of the University Grants Commission Act 1956, Vide Notification No.F.9-17/84-U.3 dated 5th March 1990 of the Government of India)

UNIVERSITY REGULATIONS FOR DOCTOR OF LETTERS (D Litt.)

In exercise of power conferred by section ---- of the Deccan College Postgraduate & Research Institute, Deemed University, the Board of Management of the University makes the following Regulations for conferment of D.Litt. degree by research.

PREAMBLE:

- The Doctor of Letters is the highest degree of this University in the subjects taught.
- The Degree of D.Litt. (Ancient Indian History, Culture & Archaeology, Linguistics, Sanskrit & Lexicography) shall be awarded to the candidate adjudged to have earned distinction as an authority in the subjects taught in the university or in allied subjects (inter-disciplinary research is also encouraged) on the basis of **published Book/ Research materials / research work of merit carried out independently**, and duly recommended unanimously by the examiners as substantial and original contribution of high standard.
- If the degree is to be awarded on the basis of the research work embodied in the thesis, it shall be written in English (in subjects other than language subjects).

ADMISSION & REGISTRATION FOR D.LITT. DEGREE BY RESEARCH:

Eligibility:

- Admission to the D.Litt. course will be open to those who have a Ph.D. from any UGC recognised University from within India and abroad.
- He/she will be eligible to apply for this degree if he/she has obtained his/her Ph.D degree five years before applying for D.Litt. According to UGC notification in Gazette of India 5, July 2014, Ph. D. is qualifying examination for D.Litt.
- The Candidate has post Ph. D. experience of more than 5 years in related field of research undertaken in any recognised University.
- Only professors from any recognised university can apply for the D Litt degree.
- Minimum ten post-doctoral research publications in nationally/internationally recognised refereed journals.
- The candidate must have made significant contribution to research in the concerned discipline as evidenced by the research publications in referred journals.
- A Thesis from any recognised university, published as a book will not be accepted for the award of D Litt.
- A thesis approved initially for the Postdoctoral research cannot be redirected and submitted for the award of D Litt degree.
- Such candidate should not be a nominated member of the University Authorities viz., Management Council, Academic council and Finance committee.
- No post-doctoral D Litt. scholar shall join any other courses of study or appear at any other examination conducted by any University or a public body.
- Format of the Application (given below) can be downloaded from the university's website (www.dcpune.ac.in).

**Application form for the Post-Doctoral Programmes
(Doctor of Letters) Deccan College Post-graduate & Research Institute,
Deemed to be University, Pune 411006.**

Date:

To,
Registrar
Academic Section

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Application for D.Litt.

1. Name of the Candidate: _____

2.1 Date of Birth: _____ 2.2 Nationality _____

3.1 Category: GEN / SC / ST / OBC /DNT

3.2 Gender _____ MALE / FEMALE / OTHER _____

4.1 Subject for Post-Doctoral Study Programme : _____

4.2 Department of Affiliation desired by the candidate:

4.3 Theme/Title of Research/Thesis : _____

4.4 Name , Designation & Address of Advisor: _____

5.1 Educational Qualifications _ UG & Master Degrees:

Sr	Name of the Degree	Name of the University	Year of Passing	Grade / Class	CGPA Percentage	Percentage
UG						
PG						

(if, space is insufficient, give details of UG , PG & Other Educational qualifications on a separate paper in the same format)

5.2 Educational Qualification _ Ph.D. Degree:

- i. Year of Obtaining Ph.D.: _____
- ii. Subject of the Ph.D. **awards:** _____
- iii. Title of the Ph.D. thesis: _____
- iv. Name of the Ph.D. awarding university: _____
- v. Name & Address of the Ph.D. Guide / Supervisor: _____

6. Research Experience: Give details of research experience on a separate attachment along following Parameters herewith:-

- i. Type and duration of research work
- ii. Quantum of research work
- iii. Outcomes of the research work
- iv. Awards / special recognition won for the research work, if any

7. Work Experience: Give details of research experience on a separate attachment along following parameters herewith:-

- i. Nature & duration of employment(s) with Name of Employer(s)
- ii. Achievements during employment
- iii. If employed, enclose No Objection Certificate from the employer

8. Synopsis (2500 to 5000 words) prepared along the following points and to be attached herewith in five copies:

- i. Title of the thesis
- ii. Introduction: Giving purpose of research
- iii. A brief review of the work already done in the field
- iv. Noteworthy contributions in the field of proposed work
- v. Contribution of the candidate in the field of proposed work
- vi. Proposed methodology of the research work
- vii. Expected outcome of the proposed work
- viii. Bibliography in standard format
- ix. List of published papers of the candidate. (enclose one set of reprints)

9. Names, designations and addresses of three experts whose letter of reference have been enclosed along with the application.

Date:

Candidate's Signature

Evaluation of the application:

- The application and relevant enclosures will be adjudicated by the committee headed by the Pro- Vice Chancellor and comprising of three domain experts nominated by the Vice Chancellor in consultation with the concerned Head of the Department for ascertaining the suitability and originality of the research work for which the registration is sought. The Assistant Registrar of the Academic Section will complete the necessary formalities and issue letters with kind concurrence of the Vice Chancellor for holding the meeting. If the committee unanimously recommends the case for admission and registration, the Assistant Registrar of the Academic Section will forward the recommendation to the Vice Chancellor for his kind approval for admission and registration of the candidate to the D.Litt. Programme of this University.
- Foreign students desiring to get registered under this programme in this University must produce 'No Objection Certificate' of Government of India, proper visa and other requisite clearance (both academic and otherwise) from the competent authorities in addition to fulfillment of other criterion of this Regulation at the time of admission and Registration.
- Generally a candidate shall be registered under D.Litt. Programme in the discipline in which the candidate has obtained Ph.D./ Master degree or in allied discipline subject to the recommendation of the Committee recommendation of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor.
- Following the scrutiny, the candidate will be finally enrolled as a research scholar for higher research degree after the completion of the aforesaid requisites and submission of original migration certificate.

Fee Schedule

- The fee-structure for the D. Litt. programme will be as follows:

Admission fees at the time of provisional Admission (Unrefundable)	Rs. 5000/-
Tuition fees (per semester) There will be 6 semesters. <u>However, those</u>	Rs. 25000/-

<u>who intend to submit immediately after registration should pay the amount of minimum 2 Semesters i.e. Rs50,000.</u>	
Examination fee (Examination fee is to be paid at the time of submission of the thesis or piece of published book)	Rs. 40000/-

Duration:

- The minimum time span for the submission of the thesis by the scholar will be one semester from the date of admission. The maximum period shall be three years.
- In case, the scholar is not able to submit thesis within the prescribed time limit, he/she may apply for extension of the period to the Vice-Chancellor, through the Advisor and Head of the Department. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor may grant an extension for a maximum period of two years. This is finally extendable to only a semester after paying the fee of Rs.40000 for one semester.
- In case the scholar is not able to submit the thesis within the prescribed or the extended period, his/her enrolment as a scholar will be cancelled.
- The university is not obliged to provide any Laboratory facilities or supplies to the candidate.
- Only one candidate from all three disciplines will be admitted every year.

Language of Thesis:

- The thesis shall be written in English or Marathi while thesis in the subject of Sanskrit may be written in Sanskrit, Hindi or English.

Submission of Thesis:

- The scholar shall have to submit four typed/ printed copies and two electronic copies of the thesis (PDF File Format) along with copies of the abstract of thesis (within 1000 words).
- The format of thesis will be exactly on the lines of the rules laid down for the format of PhD Thesis of this University.

- A written declaration by the candidate (which is to be included in the thesis) regarding non-commitment of plagiarism in writing the thesis, in the Form given in Annexure A of this Regulations.
- The University may revoke any D.Litt. degree duly conferred, if subsequently charge of plagiarism is proved.
- At the time of submission of thesis the candidate shall have to deposit requisite examination-fees as decided by the University.
- Electronic Version (PDF) of the thesis along with a hard copy of the D.Litt. thesis shall be sent to each of three examiners.

Award of the Degree:

- The reports of all the examiners shall be placed before the Research Recognition Committee. If all the reports are unanimous, recommending the thesis to be accepted for the award of the degree by the Deccan College.
- Even if, one examiner recommends the rejection of the thesis, the thesis shall be rejected.
- If the thesis is rejected, the candidate shall not be allowed to apply again for admission within a period of 2 (two) years.
- The year of award of the degree shall be the year of submission of the thesis provided the thesis is accepted without revision. In case of revision, the year of award of the degree shall be the year of submission of the revised thesis.
- The degree certificate shall mention the title of the thesis and the name of the concerned Department in which the candidate was admitted.
- The approved thesis for the award of the degree shall be displayed on the Web-site of the University.
- The Academic Section shall send one copy of the thesis duly approved for the award of the degree, for preserving in the library of the University.