

Indian Institute of Technology Jammu
Admission to Ph.D. Programmes (July Session) for Academic Year 2026-27

The online applications are invited for admission in the Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) programme for the session 2026-27 (July Session) in the following Departments with limited areas for the available **full-time/off-campus** PhD positions. Please refer to the online portal for the research areas. Applicants will be shortlisted only for these areas.

Name of the Department	Area of Research (For PhD Positions)
Bio Sciences and Bio Engineering	The student can apply for PhD programme through online portal. For Areas of Research (PhD positions), kindly visit the https://iitjammu.ac.in/Programme/phdadmissions/2026/Research%20Areas Regular%20Drive 2026-27.pdf
Chemical Engineering	
Chemistry	
Civil Engineering	
Computer Science and Engineering	
Electrical Engineering	
Humanities & Social Sciences	
Materials Engineering	
Mathematics	
Mechanical Engineering	
Physics	
Interdisciplinary Department (IDP)*	

***For IDP based Research Areas there is separate eligibility criterion in addition to the criterion mentioned at point no. 2. Please check the Research Area file for the same.**

Link

[https://iitjammu.ac.in/Programme/phdadmissions/2026/Research%20Areas Regular%20Drive 2026-27.pdf](https://iitjammu.ac.in/Programme/phdadmissions/2026/Research%20Areas%20Regular%20Drive%202026-27.pdf)

1. Categories of Admission:

The applicants for admission to the Ph.D. programme shall be classified under any one of the following categories:

- (a) Institute Research student/candidate (Full Time)**

- (b) **Full Time externally funded students (UGC, CSIR, GPAT, SERB, DST, PMRF, Visveswaraya scheme etc.)**
- (c) **External Project funding (Full Time)**
- (d) **Off Campus – External**
- (e) **Off Campus – Part time**
- (f) **Institute Staff^**

^For more details, institute staff refer the institute notification no. IITJMU/Acad/18-12/1/7 dated 15-06-2021

2. Eligibility Criteria

Regular (Full time):

Applicants with the following qualifications shall be eligible for application to a full time PhD program at the Institute.

1. A Master's degree in Engineering/Technology or a Master's degree by Research in Engineering /Technology along with a good academic record.
or
2. Master's degree in Science (with a good academic record) and a valid GATE / UGC-CSIR NET (JRF or LS) /GPAT/ NBHM/ ICMR (JS) / ICAR (JS) or equivalent qualification in the relevant area tenable for the year of registration.
or
3. Candidates with a Bachelor's degree in Engineering/Technology with an exceptional academic record and a valid GATE score in the eligible discipline/paper code.
4. Exemption for GATE under schemes as agreed by IIT Council for students of NITs/IITs/IIITs/ IISERs/ IISc may be acceptable. The Candidate should have a minimum of 8.0 CGPA during B.Tech program from these institutes.
5. UGC-CSIR NET Lectureship (LS) can be used as selection criteria if candidate qualifies interview cum selection process at the department level and Institute fellowship can be granted to such candidates.

Off Campus – External:

1. A candidate working as a regular employee in a government institution/ R&D organization/ relevant private industry/academic institution, which is equipped with the necessary infrastructure for carrying out research facilities and such a candidate must be sponsored by his/her employer and must have been in employment with the sponsoring organization for at least **two years** at the time of admission.
2. The organization(s) should have signed MoU with IIT Jammu. However, the MoU be waived off for Govt, PSU, Research labs and established companies private universities

and academic institutes having the NIRF ranking up to 100 under the engineering category and up to 150 under the university category (in previous published year). For other institutions, MoU is required. (NoC shall be required in each case).

3. The applicant will be deputed/given leave for the coursework during his/her residence period at IIT Jammu (minimum of 1 semester to maximum of 3 semesters). In addition to this, the candidate will be relieved at least for 3 weeks over every six month period (typically every semester) in parts or at stretch to meet supervisor and carry out his/her research in the IIT Jammu campus.
4. The candidate should visit IIT Jammu campus at the end of every semester to present his/her progress to SRC and submit a report to the supervisor.
5. Attendance shall be marked by the candidate during their stay on campus.
6. Candidate should have well established research facilities on parent campus. Majority of research work shall be carried out in parent organization.
7. Candidate should have one supervisor from the parent organization who is a doctorate in the relevant field. { Annexure (A1)}.
8. Supervisor from IIT Jammu should be allowed visit the organization/lab/ industry once a year for mutual research benefit.
9. Minimum qualification for these candidates is the same as for full-time regular candidates.

Format of NOC is attached { **Annexure “A”** }

Off Campus – Part time:

1. Candidates working as a regular full-time employee in a government institution/ R&D organization/ relevant private industries/ CRPF/ Indian Armed Forces are eligible to apply. **The parent organization should be located in Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh regions only.**
2. The applicant will be deputed/given leave for the coursework during his/her residence period at IIT Jammu (minimum of 1 semester to maximum of 3 semesters). In addition to this, he will be relieved at the end of every semester (for 3 weeks) to meet supervisor and carry out his/her research on the IIT Jammu campus.
3. Part-time PhD candidates will utilize research infrastructure of IIT Jammu for their thesis research work and supervisor at parent organization is not mandatory.
4. Minimum qualifications for these candidates are the same as for full-time regular candidates.

Format of NOC is attached {Annexure “B”}

3. Application Fee:

Application Fee per department (non-refundable): Rs.300/- for General/Gen-EWS/OBC-NCL category and Rs.200/- for SC/ST/PwD category candidates. The candidates can deposit the requisite application fee by using net banking or debit/credit card facilities. Additional charges will be applicable as per the rule of the concerned bank. The Fee will not be accepted through any other mode.

4. Reservation:

Reservation norms shall be extended as per Govt of India rules.

5. Application Procedure:

For admission to Ph.D. programmes, candidates need to register and fill the application ONLINE only by accessing the website: <https://saral.iitjammu.ac.in/phdapplication>

6. Course Fee Structure:

For details of course fee structure, please visit the following link:

<https://iitjammu.ac.in/fee-structure>

7. Time Lines:

- (a) Start date of the application: 27 March, 2026.
- (b) End date of the application: 20 April, 2026.

8. Other Important Instructions:

The candidates are advised to read below mentioned instructions carefully before applying:

- (a) Candidates are requested to apply online only. The hard copy of the application need not be submitted. The application in any other mode/form will not be accepted.
- (b) The prescribed qualifications and experience are the minimum required and the mere fact that a candidate possesses the same will not entitle him/her for being called for a written/interview.
- (c) Departments/Centers of the Institute reserve the right to restrict the number of candidates to be called for interview to a reasonable number, based on qualifications and/or experience. A higher shortlisting criteria may be used by the departments in this regard.
- (d) All entries should be carefully made while applying online. IIT Jammu will not be responsible for the wrong entries. Candidates shall be solely responsible for the

Correctness and authenticity of the information/documents provided in the online application.

- (e) Online application submitted by the candidates shall be considered final and binding. Requests for making corrections in the online application shall not be entertained.
- (f) Online application found incomplete in any form will be summarily rejected. No correspondence/communication will be entertained in this regard.
- (g) Online applications will be scrutinized, relevant documents checked/verified for their authenticity.
- (h) Admitted students shall be governed by ordinance/ regulations of IIT Jammu in vogue.
- (i) The Institute has the right to cancel, at any stage, the admission for the candidate who is found admitted to a course to which he/she is not entitled, being unqualified or ineligible in accordance with the statutes and regulations in force.
- (j) The Institute reserves the right to verify the antecedents or documents submitted by the candidate at any time during their period of study. In case it is found that the documents submitted by the candidate are not genuine, then his/her admission shall be terminated.
- (k) Merely applying for / being shortlisted/appearing for the interview / written test / or subsequent processes does not imply that a candidate will necessarily be admitted in IIT Jammu. No request for considering the candidature in the department, other than in which applied through online mode, will be entertained.
- (l) Candidates are advised to fill their correct and active e-mail addresses in the online application as all correspondence will be made by the Institute through e-mail. Test/Interview schedule will be emailed in due course to the candidates in their registered e-mail. No other means of communication shall be used. Further, for any updates, please visit the Institute website regularly for subsequent amendments in the advertisement and final result.
- (m) The candidates should ensure that they fulfill all the eligibility conditions as specified. Their admission will be purely provisional subject to confirmation that they satisfy the prescribed eligibility conditions in the shortlisting and selection criteria. Mere issue of call letters to the candidates will not imply that his/her candidature has been found eligible.
- (n) Candidates belonging to OBC-NCL/EWS/SC/ST/DAP should have appropriate category certificates **issued by the central government only**; in the case of OBC category, the benefit of reservation only be available to OBC-NCL only.
- (o) The candidates claiming for OBC-NCL reservation should obtain the OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) certificate issued in the latest Financial Year (**issued on or after 01 April 2025**)

in the prescribed format of Central govt and upload the same in the ONLINE application or else they will be admitted as general students {**Format attached as Annexure C**}.

- (p) The candidates claiming for EWS reservation should obtain the Income & Assets certificate issued in the latest Financial Year (**issued on or after 01 April 2025**) in the prescribed format and upload the same in the ONLINE application. {**Format attached as Annexure D**}.
- (q) After joining, Hostel and Mess facilities may be provided as per the availability and institute rules.
- (r) A Qualifying degree certificate/ provisional certificate/Reservation Certificate needs to be submitted at the time of admission.
- (s) If a provisional certificate is submitted at the time of admission, the students are required to submit the qualifying degree certificate/Reservation Certificate within 15 days of the commencement of the classes.
- (t) Cases of students who do not submit the certificates with in first semester will be reported to the authority for further decisions which may include the termination of studentship.
- (u) No scholarship will be provided to the students until all the required documents along with the final qualifying degree certificates are submitted physically and verified.

Contact Details: For any query or information, applicant can write us on pgoffice.acad@iitjammu.ac.in or contact 0191-2570633.

[To be submitted at the time of Interview on the letter head of organization where the applicant is a regular full-time employee]

Certificate from the Employing Organization for External candidates

The application ofworking as in our organization since is herewith endorsed, recommended, and forwarded for admission under External (off-campus) mode of PhD programme in the Department ofat IIT Jammu

1. This organization has adequate facilities for carrying out the research indicated by the applicant and if he/she is selected, these will be made available to him/her till the completion of the programme. Some of the relevant facilities are given below:
 - Facility 1 (mention details)
 - Facility 2 (mention details)
 - etc (list and mention details)
2. The applicant will be deputed/given leave for the coursework during his/her residence period at IIT Jammu (minimum of 1 semester to maximum of 3 semesters). In addition to this, he will be relieved at the end of every semester (for 2 weeks) to meet supervisor at IIT Jammu and present his/her progress report to the committee.
3. Facilities will be made available to the Co-supervisor at this organization to supervise the work of the applicant and to attend the meetings at IIT Jammu when necessary.
4. Till the completion of his/her research programme, the applicant will not ordinarily be transferred to another unit or place which may impede his/her work for which admission is sought.

If such a transfer is necessary, IIT Jammu will be informed within a month of such transfer. We understand that continuing the registration will depend on IIT's decision in this regard, considering all the relevant factors/rules of the institute.

5. No part of the work carried out in fulfilment of the Research programme will be utilized commercially or for applying for a Patent without the approval of Indian Institute of Technology Jammu (Dean IPR) other than on terms mutually agreed to by IIT Jammu and this organization.

Date:

Signature of the Officer*:
Name and Designation:
Address of the Organization:

* Not lower than VC/Director in case of Universities
Or MD/Chairman in case of companies/organizations

Seal of the organization/Institution

[To be submitted at the time of Interview on the letter head of organization where the applicant is a regular full-time employee]

Particulars of Research Co-supervisor for students under External category

In addition to being able to ensure technical and logistic support to the scholar in his/her research work in the organization, the Research Co-supervisor must have a PhD degree and adequate professional experience in the relevant field. He/She will be an invitee to the Doctoral Committee meetings at IIT Jammu.

Details of the Research Co-supervisor

1. Name (in block letters) :
2. Designation :
3. Academic qualifications :
4. Membership of Professional Societies :

(Please attach a detailed CV, with qualifications, work experience, and list of publications of the Research Co-supervisor)

Certificate from the Research Co-supervisor

This is to state that in the event of Mr. /Ms. _____ of this organization being selected for PhD program in the Department of _____ in the External (off campus) mode of IIT Jammu, I agree to be the Research Co-supervisor and I shall extend all possible facilities at this organization to enable him/her to carry out his/her research towards the completion of the programme.

Date:

Signature of Research Co-supervisor

Date:

Forwarded by

Signature of the Officer*:
Name and Designation:
Address of the Organization:

* Not lower than VC/Director in case of universities
Or MD/Chairman in case of companies/organizations

[To be submitted at the time of Interview on the letter head of organization where the applicant is a regular full-time employee]

Certificate from the Employing Organization for Part-time (off campus) candidates

The application ofworking as..... in our organization since is herewith endorsed, recommended, and forwarded for admission under Part time (off-campus) mode of PhD programme in the Department ofat IIT Jammu

1. The applicant will be deputed/given leave for the coursework during his/her residence period at IIT Jammu (minimum of 1 semester to maximum of 3 semesters). In addition to this, he will be relieved at the end of every semester (for 3 weeks) to meet supervisor and carry out his/her research on the IIT Jammu campus.
2. Till the completion of his/her research programme, the applicant will not ordinarily be transferred to another unit or place which may impede his/her work for which admission is sought.

If such a transfer is necessary, IIT Jammu will be informed within a month of such transfer. We understand that continuing the registration will depend on IIT's decision in this regard, considering all the relevant factors/rules of the institute.

3. No part of the work carried out in fulfilment of the Research programme will be utilized commercially or for applying for a Patent without the approval of Indian Institute of Technology Jammu (Dean IPR) other than on terms mutually agreed to by IIT Jammu and this organization.

Date:

Signature of the Officer*:
Name and Designation:
Address of the Organization:

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Seal of the organization/Institution

FORM-OBC-NCL

OBC-NCL Certificate Format

FORM OF CERTIFICATE TO BE PRODUCED BY OTHER BACKWARD CLASSES (NCL) 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/Union Territory _____ belongs to the
_____ community that is recognized as a backward
class under Government of India**, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment's
Resolution No. _____ dated _____ ***

Shri/Smt./Kum. _____ and/or _____
his/her family ordinarily reside(s) in the _____
District/Division of the _____ State/Union Territory. This is
also to certify that he/she does NOT belong to the persons/sections (Creamy Layer)
mentioned in Column 3 of the Schedule 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, further modified
vide OM No. 36033/3/2004-Estt. (Res.) dated 14/10/2008, again further modified vide OM
No.36036/2/2013-Estt (Res) dtd. 30/05/2014.

District Magistrate /
Deputy Commissioner /
Any other Competent Authority

Dated:

Seal

* Please delete the word(s) which are not applicable.

** As listed in the Annexure (for FORM-OBC-NCL)

*** The authority issuing the certificate needs to mention the details of Resolution of Government of India, in which the caste of the candidate is mentioned as OBC.

NOTE:

- (a) The term 'Ordinarily resides' 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/ Ist Class Stipendiary Magistrate/ Sub-Divisional magistrate/ Taluka Magistrate/ Executive Magistrate/ Extra Assistant Commissioner (not below the rank of Ist Class Stipendiary Magistrate).
 - (ii) Chief Presidency Magistrate / Additional Chief Presidency Magistrate / Presidency Magistrate.
 - (iii) Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tehsildar' and
 - (iv) Sub-Divisional Officer of the area where the candidate and/or his family resides

Government of

(Name & Address of the authority issuing the certificate)

INCOME & ASSETS 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.

2. Shri/Smt./Kumari _____ belongs to the _____ caste which is not recognized as a Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe and Other Backward Classes (Central List)

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.