BODOLAND UNIVERSITY
Rangalikhata, Debargaon, Kokrajhar, Assam

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Ph. D. ADMISSION NOTICE

Online applications in the prescribed format are invited from eligible candidates for admission in Ph. D. Programme of Bodoland University for the academic session 2025-26. For details, candidates may visit the university website www.bunivadm.samarth.edu.in

Department offering Ph. D Programme under Bodoland University is shown below along with intake capacity of respective department.

APPROXIMATE SEAT VACANCIES FOR Ph. D. PROGRAMME, 2025-26

Sl. No.	Departments	Degree	Faculty	Vacancy (Indicative only)	Research Area, if any
1	Commerce	Ph. D.	Commerce	5	Open

1. Eligibility for Admission into Ph. D. Programme

Candidates who have completed:

i. A 1-year/2-semesters 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, EWS and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the Commission from time to time.

(ii) 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 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 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, EWS and other categories of

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candidates as per the decision of the Commission from time to time.
Admission to the Ph.D. Programme will occur annually, with the possibility of a second admission cycle within the same academic year if there are sufficient vacancies.

2. Procedure for admission:

The admission shall be based on the criteria notified by the University, keeping in view the guidelines/norms issued by the UGC and other statutory/regulatory bodies concerned, and including the reservation policy of the Central/State Government from time to time.

Admission to the Ph. D. programme shall be made as follows:

Group I: University shall admit students who qualify for fellowship/scholarship in UGC- NET/UGC-CSIR NET/GATE/CEED or similar National level tests based on an interview.

and/or

Group II: Eligible NET qualified applicants specified as Category-2 Eligible for (i) admission to Ph. D without JRF and (ii) appointment as Assistant Professor and Category-3 (Eligible for admission to Ph. D Programme only) as per UGC guidelines. Candidates who have cleared the NET examination and having the validity for admission in the programme are exempted from the written test to be conducted by the university and selection will be based on the interview at the departmental level.

and/or

Group III: The University may admit students through an Entrance Test conducted at the level of the University for Departments where the number of applicants as specified in Group I and Group II above is not sufficient on the recommendation of the concerned DRC. The syllabus for the Entrance Test shall comprise 50% research methodology and 50% subject-specific content.

Students who have secured 50% marks in the entrance test are eligible to be called for the interview.

A relaxation of 5% marks will be allowed in the entrance examination for the candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC/differently-abled category, Economically Weaker Section (EWS), and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the Commission from time to time.

University may decide the number of eligible students to be called for an interview based on the number of Ph.D. seats available.

Provided that for the selection of candidates belonging to Group II and Group III, a weight age of 70 % for the entrance test score/NET marks and 30 % for the performance in the interview/viva- voce shall be given.

The University shall prepare a combined merit list for applicants from Group I, Group II, and Group III. To ensure a simple and consistent evaluation method, the final scores for all groups shall be normalized on a scale of 100. All candidates' final scores from Group I, Group II, and Group III shall be compiled into a single list on a scale of 100.

The interview/viva voce will be organized by the Department when candidates are mandated to present and discuss their research interests/areas before a duly constituted panel. The DRC will conduct interviews/viva voce for candidates who qualify for fellowships/scholarships through UGC-NET/UGC-CSIR NET/GATE/CEED, and similar national-level tests including international

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candidates with recognized degrees for admission into the Ph. D programme. The interview/viva voce shall also consider the following aspects:

xvi. The candidate possesses the competence for the proposed research;
xvii. The research work can be suitably undertaken at the department;
xviii. The proposed area of research can contribute to new/additional knowledge.

The result shall be notified by the DRC and a copy of the list of successful candidates recommended for admission shall be submitted to the Academic Registrar for necessary action. Successful candidates shall have to apply for admission to Course Work to the Head of the Department in the prescribed form to be obtained from the office of the Academic Registrar within 10 days of notification of the selection list. The DRC shall be responsible for providing suitable guide/supervisor to the candidates with 30 days from the date of admission depending on the number of scholars per Research Supervisor, the available specialization among the Supervisors, and the research interests of the scholars as indicated by them at the time of interview/viva voce.

Documents to be submitted at the time of admission:

i. All Certificates and Mark sheets of BA/B.Sc./B.Com/Equivalent
ii. All Certificates and Mark sheets of M.A/M.Sc/M.Com/Equivalent
iii. All Certificates and Mark sheets of M.Phil/Equivalent
iv. Registration Certificate of Bodoland University (Migration Certificate, if the candidate is from any other university).
v. No Objection Certificate (NOC) from his/her employer for candidates serving in any organization.

How to apply: Candidates may apply online on payment of Rs. 700/- (for general and OBC students) and Rs. 400/- (for ST/SC/PWD students) through University online portal. The web link www.bunivadm.samarth.edu.in for the purpose shall be active for application with effect from 12th December, **2025 to 20th December, 2025.** Written test will be conducted in the departments where sufficient number of NET qualified candidates for admission in the programme is less has the intake capacity of the departments. Dates for holding written test shall be notified later based on the number of applications received.

***Fee structure for Ph. D Programme**

Sl. No	Particulars of Annual Fees	Amount in Rs.
1.	Fee for admission without laboratory	10,000/-
2.	Fee for admission with laboratory	20,000/-
3.	Course-work fee	8,000/-
4.	Registration fee	3,000/-
5.	Identity card fee	300/-
6.	Library card fee	300/-
7.	Library fee, e-resources, Wi-fi, Plagiarism	5,000/-
8.	Monthly fee (Arts & Commerce)	800/-
9.	Monthly fee (Science)	1,000/-
10.	Thesis examination fee	6,000/-
11.	Viva voce fee	10,000/-
12.	Caution money without laboratory (Max. 80% refundable)	1,000/-
13.	Caution money with laboratory (Max. 80% refundable)	2,000/-
14.	Late fine for final registration (per month)	1,500/-
15.	Library caution fee (maximum 80% refundable)	1,200/-
16.	Establishment fee	500/-
17.	Electricity fee	500/-
18.	Development fee	500/-

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***Note:** A Ph. D. scholar once admitted in the course shall pay monthly fee @ Rs. 800/- per month (Arts & Commerce) and @1000/- per month (Science) till the date of submission of the Ph.D. Thesis. The fee shall be paid quarterly.

Reservation of seats for admission in respect of SC/ST/OBC (Non Creamy layer)/PWD candidates will be made as per Govt. of Assam rules. Appropriate certificate may be submitted from the statutory authority.

- **Admission into the programme will be carried out as per the recent UGC notification.**

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