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Eligibility

Eligibility and Selection Criteria for PhD Level Admission at Nalanda University for Indian and International Students

Nalanda University offers 4 year doctoral programme for national and international students (<https://nalandauniv.edu.in/admissions/eligibility-criteria/#>)

For full time students, it's a fully residential programme (<https://nalandauniv.edu.in/admissions/eligibility-criteria/#>)

For part-time students, residence will not be provided (barring contact programmes / workshops for a period of not exceeding more than seven days) (<https://nalandauniv.edu.in/admissions/eligibility-criteria/#>)

Essential Eligibility Criteria:

1. Applicant should have a Master's degree with at least 65% marks or equivalent Grade Point Average (GPA), preferably with dissertation at Masters' level or M.Phil. Degree with 65% marks or equivalent Grade Point Average (GPA).
2. Applicant to submit a Letter of Self Introduction, and 2 Letters of Recommendation/ References.
3. Applicant to submit a Statement of Purpose (SoP). The SoP should clearly state:
 - The reason for opting the course/programme
 - The reason for choosing Nalanda University
4. Applicant to submit a detailed Research Proposal (A Plagiarism check report with similarity of 10% or less from Turnitin must be attached to the proposal).
5. Applicant to submit evidence of any research such as writing samples or published papers (at least 2 to 3).
6. International applicants have to submit a language proficiency proof such as:
 - TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) (<https://nalandauniv.edu.in/admissions/eligibility-criteria/#>)
 - IELTS (International English Language Testing System) (<https://nalandauniv.edu.in/admissions/eligibility-criteria/#>)
 - Any other standard English test on international platform (<https://nalandauniv.edu.in/admissions/eligibility-criteria/#>)
 - Or, completed a full-time degree-level course taught and assessed entirely in English (<https://nalandauniv.edu.in/admissions/eligibility-criteria/#>)

criteria/#)

7. NET/CSIRNET Qualified is a mandatory eligibility for Indian candidates.
8. Assessment will be done on the basis of online interaction, document verification and Interview before final shortlisting for admission.

Eligibility Criteria for Employed Applicants (Part-time):

1. Applicant should have a Master's degree with at least 65% marks or equivalent Grade Point Average (GPA), preferably with dissertation at Masters' level or M.Phil. Degree with 60% marks or equivalent Grade Point Average (GPA).
2. Applicant must have a minimum of 8-10 years of work experience.
3. Applicant to submit a Letter of Self Introduction, and 2 Letters of Recommendation/ References
4. Applicant to submit a Statement of Purpose (SoP) (The SoP should clearly state the reason for opting the course/programme and choosing Nalanda University)
5. Applicant to submit a detailed Research Proposal (A Plagiarism check report with similarity of 10% or less from turnitin must be attached to the proposal).
6. Applicant to submit evidence of any research such as writing samples or published papers (at least 2 to 3).
7. Application should be forwarded through proper channel along with a NOC from the present employer
8. International applicants have to submit language proficiency proof such as:
TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language)
(<https://nalandauniv.edu.in/admissions/eligibility-criteria/#>)
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Eligibility Criteria for Masters' programme for Indian and International Students.

A minimum of three years Bachelor's degree (10+2+3) is required from any recognised University.

Minimum criteria is 55% or 2.2/4.0 GPA or equivalent Grade Point Average (GPA) in Under Graduate Degree.

Students from any stream i.e Humanities/Sciences/Engineering/Management/Law etc. can apply for any programme, however students may not apply for more than two programmes. How to Apply: On the Portal, please submit.

(i) Self-Introduction/Bio-Note Statement (Not more than 250 words)

(ii) Statement of Purpose (SoP)

Why do you want to study at Nalanda University (100 words)

The reasons for choosing the programme (300 – 500 words)

(iii) Proof of English proficiency is required for students coming from non English speaking countries/medium: (Please attach)

TOEFL/IELTS or any other standard certification in English

*The candidate having full-time degree-level course, entirely taught and assessed in English need not submit any certificate

For MBA in Sustainable Development and Management (in addition to the above criteria)

For Indian students, a minimum score of 70 percentile in CAT or XAT or MAT is required.

For international students, a minimum credit score/GPA at Undergraduate level to be 2.8/4.0 GPA or equivalent GPA or relevant GMAT score.

Screenshot attached for your reference.

For Working Executives

Minimum 5 years of working experience

No Objection Certificate is required from employer for working executives/sponsored candidates/ candidates on sabbatical/candidates recommended by PSUs/GOI Departments.

CAT/XAT/MAT score will not be applicable.

A minimum of three years Bachelor's degree (10+2+3) is required from any recognised Indian University.

A GPA of at least 2.2 or above on a 4 point scale or equivalent grade if other grade point scale is used.

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