



MAHARSHI DAYANAND UNIVERSITY, ROHTAK

(A State University established under Haryana Act No. 25 of 1975)

NAAC Accredited 'A+' Grade

NOTIFICATION

The Vice-Chancellor in anticipation of approval of Academic Council/Executive Council has approved the following recommendations of the Committee, **to formulate the guidelines, terms and conditions and fee (to be charged) in respect of Autonomous College/Institutes in order to facilitate the effective implementation of UGC regulations in this regard and offering Ph.D. Program from the session 2026-27:-**

1. As per Clause 10.1 of UGC Notification dated 03.04.2023, an autonomous college is free to start certificate or diploma courses without prior approval of the parent University. The autonomous College should inform the parent University about the introduction of such new course. Approval of the concerned statutory bodies of the Autonomous College and Statutory Council(s) should be obtained, wherever is required. Certificates and Diplomas shall be issued under the seal of Autonomous College.
2. As per Clause 10.2 of UGC Notification dated 03.04.2023, an autonomous college is free to start a new degree programme(s) at undergraduate and postgraduate levels with the approval of the Academic Council of the Autonomous College and concerned Statutory Council(s), wherever is required, provided the nomenclature of the degree is in consonance with UGC Notification on Specification of Degrees, 2014 as amended from time to time. Such courses shall fulfil the minimum standards prescribed by the parent University/UGC/ Statutory Council(s) in terms of number of hours, curricular content and standards, and the parent University shall be duly informed of such courses.
3. The Autonomous College has to properly circulate the agenda(s) and minutes of their Academic Council meetings well in advance, take follow-up actions and action taken report has to be submitted to the member concerned and the office of Dean, College Development Council.
4. The matter regarding Ph.D. admissions in Autonomous Colleges has also been discussed in the meeting and it is decided that the autonomous colleges of MDU may be allowed for Ph.D. programs in the light of UGC regulations by considering the procedure adopted by Kurukshetra University Kurukshetra. The Committee proposed the **"MDU Regulations for its Autonomous Institutes/Colleges for offering Ph.D. Programs"** (copy enclosed at Annexure 'A').
5. The autonomous institute should provide the documents related to (1) List of Faculty with designation (Assistant Professor, Associate Professor and Professor) (2) Date of appointment in the Institute (3) Total Teaching Experience with details and (4) Complete list of publications (Scopus, SCI, UGC Care List, Refereed etc.), Patents, Research Projects and any other Academic Achievement of all the faculty members eligible for Ph.D. supervisions as per UGC norms/MDU Regulations for its Autonomous Colleges/ Institutes for offering Ph.D. program.
6. An Inspection Committee may be constituted comprising of Dean Academic Affairs, Dean Colleges Development Council, Dean, Research & Development and Dean of the concerned Faculty to assess the feasibility whether the Institutes fulfils the norms as per MDU Regulations for its Autonomous Institutes/Colleges for offering Ph.D. Programs.
7. **Registration Return Fee: ₹5000/-** per student will be charged for Registration Return Fee upto the last date and after that the late fee/fine prescribed by the R&S Branch/Controller of Examinations shall be applicable.



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8. **Continuation Return Fee:** ₹2000/- per student will be charged for Continuation Return Fee upto the last date and after that the late fee/fine prescribed by the R&S Branch/Controller of Examinations shall be applicable.
 9. **Award of Degree Fee:** ₹2000/- per student will be charged for award of Degree Fee. For other charges related to the degree viz. duplicate degree, transcript, migration etc., the fee as per University Rules from time to time will be charged.
 10. No other fee viz. Development Fund, Examination Fee, Dr. R.K. Foundation Fee, University Sports Fee, Youth Welfare Fee, NSS Fee, Youth Red Cross Fund, Holiday Home Fee and Curriculum Fee shall be charged.
 11. The fees at Sr. No. 7 and 8 will be increased by 10% on year to year basis or as prescribed by the University from time to time.
- The above guidelines will be applicable from the session 2026-27.**

DEAN COLLEGES DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Endst. No. CB-II/164/2025/2061-2181

Dated: 09.04.2026

Copy of the above is forwarded to the following for information and further necessary action:-

1. The Secretary, University Grants Commissions, Bahadurshah Zafar Marg, New Delhi-110002.
2. Member Secretary, AICTE, Nelson Mandela Road, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi-110020.
3. Director, Department of Higher Education, Haryana, Shiksha Sadan, Sector-5, Panchkula-134109.
4. All the Deans/HOD's/Directors/Branch Officers, M.D. University, Rohtak.
5. Director, University Computer Centre, M.D. University, Rohtak with the request to upload the above notification on the University website.
6. Director, IQAC, M.D. University, Rohtak.
7. Dean (R&D), M.D. University, Rohtak
8. Controller of Examinations, M.D. University, Rohtak.
9. The Finance Officer, M.D. University, Rohtak.
10. All the Principal of University Autonomous Colleges/Institutes (affiliated with MDU, Rohtak).
11. Deputy Registrar (R&S), M.D. University, Rohtak.
12. Assistant Registrar (Academic), M.D. University, Rohtak.
13. Secretary to the Vice-Chancellor/PA to the DAA/Registrar/DCDC (For kind information of Vice-Chancellor/DAA/Registrar/DCDC), M.D. University, Rohtak.
14. Dealing Assistants of CB-I & CB-IX Sets.


**Assistant Registrar (Colleges)
For DCDC**

Annexure-A

**MDU Regulations for its Autonomous Institutes/Colleges
for offering Ph.D. Programs w.e.f. 2026-27**

The following norms shall apply to Autonomous Institutes/Colleges seeking permission to conduct Ph.D. programs having NAAC 'A' Grade or by NBA for at least three program(s) and having 10 years' of existence under the affiliation to Maharshi Dayanand University, Rohtak:

1. Admissions to the Ph.D. program in the autonomous Institutes/Colleges shall be made only in regular mode. No part-time or distance learning mode shall be permitted. The Institute/College will follow the admission procedure as per latest UGC and MDU norms and notices issued from time to time and as per reservation Policy of the Govt. of Haryana. The Institute/College will maintain a roster register of reservation.
2. For subjects in which UGC-JRF/CSIR-JRF/GATE test is not conducted, a common Ph.D. Entrance Test shall be conducted by Maharshi Dayanand University for admission in Ph.D. programs will be considered for admission in Ph.D. program. Exemption from the entrance test shall be granted only to candidates holding a valid UGC-JRF/CSIR-JRF/GATE qualification subject to the relevant provisions of UGC Regulations and the Maharshi Dayanand University norms.
3. The eligibility of Ph.D. Supervisor shall be governed by the Ph.D. Ordinance of Maharshi Dayanand University and aligned with UGC Regulations, 2022. The supervisor/Co-Supervisor must be the regular and approved faculty of the Institution/College and must have completed a minimum of two years of continuous service in the institute prior to the declaration of Ph.D. seats.
4. As per UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2022:
 - a. The number of Ph.D. seats for admission in Ph.D. program available as per latest UGC/MDU norms shall be declared in advance.
 - b. The details of seat allocation alongwith the names and designations of the Supervisors shall be formally communicated to the Maharshi Dayanand University before the admission process is initiated.
5. The registration return of the admitted Ph.D. candidate along with registration fee as per MDU norms for Ph.D. programs should be submitted by the Institute/College to the Registration & Scholarship Branch of the University within one month from the date of enrollment in Ph.D. Program.
6. The Autonomous College/Institute may fix fees as per the norms of the State Government/Statutory Council(s) at their own level, as applicable. The detailed fee structure, as approved by the competent authority, must be published at the time of admission notification. The Autonomous Institutes/Colleges shall remit 30% of the total fee collected (all heads as specified in the Handbook of Information for Ph.D. admission) to the University within one month of admission of candidate in Ph.D. program.

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7. The presence of two Vice-Chancellor's Nominee from the concerned subject shall be mandatory during the following academic activities:

- i. DRC Meeting
- ii. PGBOS/BOS Meeting
- iii. Pre-submission seminar

The Travel Allowance (TA), Daily Allowance (DA) and Sitting fee to the nominees for the above activities will be paid as per the norms of Maharshi Dayanand University, Rohtak by the concerned Autonomous College/Institution(s).

8. The implementation of Regulations of Ph.D. Program will be reviewed by the Maharshi Dayanand University, Rohtak from time to time. In case of non-compliance or any other issue regarding Ph.D. program, the University reserves the right to suspend or withdraw the Ph.D. program in the concerned Autonomous College/Institute.

9. The University reserve the right to revise the Regulations for Ph.D. program at Autonomous College/Institute as per the provision of UGC from time to time. The compliance of these regulations with all regulatory requirements is mandatory for continued approval to conduct Ph.D. programs in an Autonomous Institutes/College.

10. The evaluation of Ph.D. thesis will be done by the Controller of Examinations, MDU, Rohtak. The fees pertaining to thesis submission, evaluation and viva-voce will be paid by the Autonomous College/Institute(s) as per MDU, Rohtak norms for Ph.D. programs.

11. The legal implications/litigations regarding Ph.D. admissions, registrations and award of Ph.D. degree, if any, will be solely resolved by the Autonomous College/Institute(s).

12. The appointment of teaching staff and Principal in the Autonomous Colleges/Institutes shall be made as per the Clause 3.9 of UGC Guidelines dated 03.04.2023 and proceedings of the same should be submitted to the office of Dean, Colleges Development Council for information within a week from the conduct of the Selection.

13. The Autonomous Colleges/Institutions are required to submit teachers return annually before the commencement of new academic session to the office of Dean, Colleges Development Council.

14. In case of any other clarification/ambiguity, the regulations by UGC for Autonomous Colleges (Gazette Notification dated 03.04.2023) will be considered & binding to the Autonomous College/Institute(s).

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