



KANNUR UNIVERSITY

(Abstract)

Kannur University–M. Phil Programme– Regulations- `` *Minimum Standards and Procedures for the Award of M. Phil Degree Regulations, 2019* `` - Implemented – Orders Issued.

RESEARCH DIRECTORATE

U.O. No RD C1/ 1733/ M. Phil/Regu/2019

K.U. Campus, Dated: 08 .07.2019

Read: UGC Notification No. F.1-2/2009(EC/PS)V(I) Vol. II dated 05th May 2016.

ORDER

University Grants Commission issued notification vide paper read above implementing the “UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedures for award of M.Phil. / Ph.D.Degrees) Regulations 2016”. In tune with the UGC regulations 2016, Vice Chancellor ordered to prepare a comprehensive unified regulation for M.Phil Programme for Kannur University.

Accordingly, a draft regulation, Viz., “Kannur University Minimum Standards and Procedures for the Award of M. Phil Degree Regulations, 2019” was prepared by the Director of Research and submitted to the Vice Chancellor. After examining the regulation, the Vice Chancellor approved the regulation with certain modification.

The following orders are issued in the matter as approved by the Vice Chancellor.

- (i) The regulation for **M.Phil** programme in the University, Viz.,-“ **Kannur University (Minimum Standards and Procedures for the Award of M.Phil Degree) Regulations, 2019**”(as appended) is implemented in the University.
- (ii) The above regulation will come into force from the M.Phil. programme 2019-20.
- (iii) All Candidates, registering under Kannur University for M.Phil. Programme from the year 2019-20 will abide by the above regulation.
- (iv) The Regulations as such and the amendments, modification, deletions etc. to the above regulations issued by the University from time to time shall be abided by the Research Guides / Supervisors and Candidates concerned .

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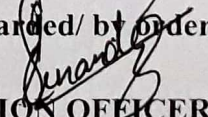
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KANNUR UNIVERSITY

**Minimum Standards and
Procedure for the Award of
M.Phil. Degree
Regulations, 2019**

Appendix to U.O. No. RDC1/1733/M.Phil/Regn/2019 KU Campus Dated 08.07.2019

KANNUR UNIVERSITY

Minimum Standards and Procedure for the Award of M.Phil Degree Regulations, 2019

1. Preamble:

- 1.1 Regulations for Award of M.Phil. Degree, Kannur University, 2019 are framed in supersession of the any other regulations existing for M.Phil registration and award of Degree of Master of Philosophy in Kannur University; and in accordance with the UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Awards of Ph.D./M.Phil. Degree) Regulations 2016 notified in the Gazette of India [No. 278, Part III Section 4] Extra Ordinary on July 5th 2016.
- 1.2 The Kannur University offers M.Phil programmes in different subjects listed in Statutes of the University, A candidate shall ordinarily work in recognized places of research including the University Departments, and Affiliated Colleges recognized by the University. The Standards and Procedures for Award of M.Phil. Degree of the University shall be as per this Regulation.

2. Short title, Application and Commencement:

- 2.1 These Regulations shall be called “**Kannur University (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.Phil Degree) Regulations, 2019**”.
- 2.2 These Regulations shall apply to the University Teaching Departments as well as affiliated colleges recognized by the University for the purpose of M.Phil course.
- 2.3 These Regulations shall come into force from the date of its approval by the *University*.
- 2.4 All cases registered and pending for processing before the date of effectiveness of this rules and regulations shall be governed by respective rules and regulations.

3. Eligibility Criteria for Admission to M.Phil. Programme

- 3.1 Subject to the conditions stipulated in these Regulations, the following persons are eligible to seek admission to the M.Phil. programme.
 - 3.1.1 Candidates who have secured 55% marks (or equivalent Grade) and above in their P.G. degree examination of this University or equivalent degree of any

other Indian, foreign Universities recognized by Kannur University, shall be eligible to apply for the entrance examination for registration for M.Phil.

- a) Candidates who have appeared for their final semester PG examinations and are awaiting result are also eligible to apply for M.Phil Programme. They, however, need to produce the certificates before admission.

3.2 Candidates for admission to the M.Phil. programme shall have a Master's degree declared by Kannur University as equivalent to the Master's degree of Kannur University, with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade 'B' in the UGC 7-point scale (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed), or an equivalent degree 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 for the purpose of assessing, accrediting or assuring quality and standards of educational institutions.

3.2.1. *A relaxation of 5% of marks, from 55% to 50%, or an equivalent relaxation of grade, shall be allowed to candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/ Differently-Abled and other categories of candidates as per the decisions of the University/State Government from time to time, or for those who had obtained their Master's degree prior to 19th September, 1991.*

3.2.2. Eligibility marks of 55% (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed) and the relaxation to the categories mentioned in Clause 3.2.1 in these Regulations are permissible based only on the qualifying marks without including the grace mark procedures.

4. Duration of the Programme

4.1 M.Phil. programme shall be for two semesters, including course work and research work.

4.2 Extension beyond the above limits, a maximum of six months, in exceptional circumstances, may be permitted by the Vice Chancellor / Syndicate for the completion of the research work and submission of thesis.

5. Procedure for Admission

5.1 Candidates seeking admission for M.Phil. programme shall be granted registration based on the entrance test conducted by the University.

5.2 The registration to the M.Phil. programme is also governed by the available vacancies in each subject of study notified by the University, availability of research supervisors and other academic and physical facilities specific to the area of the study proposed by the candidate.

5.3 Entrance Examination

5.3.1. The entrance examination shall be conducted by the department concerned.

5.3.2. The duration of the examination shall be two hours.

5.3.3. The entrance examination shall consist of questions based on Research Methodology (20%) and the subject of study concerned (80%).

5.3.4. The maximum marks for the entrance examination shall be 100 and consists of descriptive and objective (Multiple Choice Questions with four choices) type of questions.

5.3.5. The syllabus for the entrance test shall be based on the concerned PG programme and UGC/CSIR - eligibility test

5.3.6. Admission shall be made on the basis of rank obtained in the entrance test

6. Allocation of Research Supervisor

6.1 Any regular Professor of the University with at least five research publications in refereed journals, approved by the UGC / University and any regular Associate/ Assistant Professor of the University with a Ph.D. degree and at least two post Ph.D. research publications in refereed journals, approved by the UGC / University, may be recognized as Research Supervisor.

6.1.1 Provided that in areas/disciplines where there is no/only a limited number of refereed journals available, the University may relax the above condition for recognition of a teacher as Research Supervisor with reasons recorded in writing.

6.1.2 For the purpose of recognition as research supervisor, the research projects undertaken from International/National funding agencies, may be treated as equivalent to research publication.

- 6.2 Only a full time regular teacher of the University/College can act as a supervisor. External supervisors are not allowed.
- 6.3 A Professor as Research Supervisor, at any given point of time, shall guide not more than Three M.Phil. Scholars. An Associate Professor shall guide up to a maximum of Two M.Phil. Scholars and an Assistant Professor as Research Supervisor shall guide only one M.Phil. Scholar.
- 6.4 Allocation of research supervisor for a selected M.Phil scholar shall be decided by the Department Research Committee (DRC) concerned depending on the number of scholars per research supervisor, available specialization among the research supervisors and research interests of the scholars.

7. Procedure for Granting Registration

At the time of joining, the candidate has to pay prescribed fees and caution deposit fixed by the University.

8. Course Work and Dissertation

- 8.1 All candidates admitted to the M.Phil. programmes shall be required to undergo the course work of one semester duration. A maximum of Two chances will be available to students to pass the course work examination. No supplementary examinations will be held. A minimum of 50% marks in each course is necessary for the successful completion of the programme.
- 8.2 Total Credits for the Programme shall be minimum of 16 credits. The course work shall be a minimum of 8 credits and the dissertation and *viva vice* together shall have a minimum of 8 credits.
- 8.3 A minimum of four credits shall be assigned to Research Methodology course which shall cover areas such as quantitative methods, computer applications, research ethics and review of published research in the relevant field, training, and field work and other areas found relevant to the discipline concerned. Other courses shall be advanced level areas in the subjects concerned for enabling the students to acquire deep knowledge in the preparation for M.Phil. Degree.

8.4 Scheme and evaluations of the course shall be as follows

Semester	Courses	Marks			Credits
		CE	ESE	Total	
I	1. Research Methodology	40	60	100	4
I	2. Research Subject	40	60	100	4
II	1. Dissertation	-	160	160	6
II	2. Course <i>viva-voce</i>	-	40	40	2
		80	320	400	16

- 8.5** The Department where the scholar pursues M.Phil Programme shall prescribe the courses, credits and syllabus based on the recommendations of the Department Research Committee (DRC) concerned.
- 8.6** The research subject Course shall have two parts. Part A, with broad subject area and Part B, with specific area of research. Both the Part A and Part B shall have equal marks.
- 8.7** All courses and syllabus prescribed for M.Phil. programme shall be duly approved by the Department Research Committee (DRC) concerned.
- 8.8** Upon completion of course work, the scholar shall be required to undertake a research work of six months duration in the second semester under a research supervisor and shall submit a dissertation / thesis at the end of the semester.
- 8.9** End Semester Evaluation of the course shall be done by the Head of the Department concerned by engaging appropriate external examiners.
- 8.10** The M.Phil. Dissertation/thesis submitted by a scholar shall be evaluated by an external examiner, who are not in employment of the same Institution/College, and shall conduct a *viva voce* on the topic. Average of marks given by the external examiner and the supervisor separately shall be taken for the evaluation of the Dissertation. *Viva-voce marks* will be given exclusively by the external examiner. Marks and result shall be forwarded to the University within two weeks of the conduct of examination.
- 8.11** For the successful completion of the programme the candidate shall secure a minimum of 50% marks or the equivalent grade for both the CE and ESE components of the each of the courses separately.

8.12 The qualified candidates shall be issued an M.Phil Degree Certificate by the University.

8.13 The M. Phil Course Work shall be held only once in a year and the candidates who fail in the first attempt may be given a supplementary chance, on their request, along with the next batch. The registration of the candidates who fail to qualify the coursework examination even after the supplementary chance will stand cancelled automatically.

8.14 There will be no revaluation for the coursework examinations and dissertation.

9. Submission of Thesis

9.1 The dissertation/thesis shall have attached a declaration from the scholar and from the Research Supervisor attesting to the originality of the work, vouching that there is no plagiarism and that the work has not been submitted for the award of any other degree/diploma of the same Institution where the work was carried out, or to any other Institution. A certificate on originality in prescribed format shall also be attached to the dissertation/thesis.

9.2 The thesis shall be in crown size (26.5 cm X 18.5cm) with double sided printing. Running matter shall be in Times New Roman font with 12 point and 1.5 line spacing. The total number of words used in the thesis shall not exceed 60000 (Sixty Thousand) excluding certificates and cover pages.

10. Treatment of M.Phil. through Distance Mode / Part time:

10.1 Notwithstanding anything contained in these Regulations or any other Rule or Regulation, for the time being in force, the University shall not conduct M.Phil. Programmes through distance education mode.

11. Depository with INFLIBNET

11.1 The University shall submit an electronic copy of the M.Phil. thesis to the INFLIBNET, following the successful completion of the evaluation process and before the announcement of the award of M.Phil. degree, for hosting the same accessible to all.