

CUET (UG) Eligibility Criteria for
Admission to
Banaras Hindu University (BHU) - 2026

Undergraduate Programs via CUET (UG) 2026

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Important: Verify with Official BHU UG Information Bulletin 2026 once
released at www.bhu.ac.in

1 Introduction

Banaras Hindu University (BHU), Varanasi, is a premier central university in India. Admissions to Undergraduate (UG) programs for the academic session 2026-27 are conducted through the Common University Entrance Test (CUET UG) conducted by the National Testing Agency (NTA).

Candidates must appear in CUET (UG) 2026, select BHU, and meet program-specific eligibility criteria. The official Undergraduate Information Bulletin (UGIB) for 2026 will be available on the BHU website (www.bhu.ac.in or admission.bhu.ac.in).

This document is based on the 2025 patterns, which typically remain consistent with minor updates.

2 General Guidelines

- Candidates must be Indian citizens (except supernumerary seats for foreign nationals).
- Gap years do not affect eligibility.
- Candidate and parent names must match exactly on Class 10/12 certificates and CUET application.
- Pursuing two regular degree programs simultaneously is not allowed.
- Foreign nationals are generally exempted from CUET and apply separately.
- Reservations: As per Government of India norms (SC/ST/OBC-NCL/EWS/PwD, etc.).
- No upper age limit by NTA for CUET (UG), but BHU enforces program-specific limits (typically max 22 years as of July 1, 2026 for most programs).

3 General Eligibility for UG Programs

- Passed or appearing in Class 12 (10+2) or equivalent from a recognized board.
- Minimum aggregate marks: Typically 50% (General/OBC), 45% (SC/ST/PwD) in qualifying examination (varies slightly by program).
- Age Limit: Maximum 22 years as of July 1, 2026 (born on or after July 2, 2004) for most programs. Relaxations for reserved categories as per norms.
- Candidates must choose specific CUET test papers as per program requirements (detailed in BHU UGIB).

4 Key Program Categories and Eligibility

BHU offers programs such as BA (Hons) Arts/Social Sciences, BCom (Hons), BSc (Hons) Maths/Bio/Ag, BA LLB (Hons), BPA, BFA, BVoc, Shastri (Hons), etc.

Program Category	Qualifying Examination (Class 12)	Min. Marks (General)	Required CUET Subjects (Typical)
BA (Hons) Arts	Passed 10+2 or equivalent	50%	Section IA/IB (Language) + Domain Subjects + General Test
BA (Hons) Social Sciences	Passed 10+2 or equivalent	50%	Section IA/IB (Language) + General Test
BCom (Hons)/BCom (Hons) Financial Markets Management	Passed 10+2 with Commerce/Economics/Maths/Finance/etc.	50%	Accountancy/Book Keeping + Economics/Business Studies + General Test
BSc (Hons) Mathematics	Passed 10+2 with Physics + Mathematics	50%	Physics + Mathematics + Chemistry/Computer Science/etc.
BSc (Hons) Biology	Passed 10+2 with Physics + Chemistry + Biology	50%	Physics + Chemistry + Biology
BSc (Hons) Agriculture	Passed 10+2 with Physics + Chemistry + (Biology/Maths/Agriculture)	50%	Physics + Chemistry + Biology/Agriculture/Maths
BA LLB (Hons)	Passed 10+2 or equivalent	50% (relaxations apply)	Section IA/IB (Language) + General Test + Domain Subjects
Performing Arts (BPA)/Fine Arts (BFA)	Passed 10+2; Practical/Audition required	50%	CUET + Practical Test
Shastri (Hons)	Madhyama or 10+2 with Sanskrit	50%	Sanskrit-specific papers

Note: Exact subject combinations and test paper codes are specified in the official BHU UG Information Bulletin and program-wise eligibility PDF/Excel released by BHU.

5 Admission Process Overview

1. Appear for CUET (UG) 2026 and select BHU.
2. Register on BHU portal (bhucuet.samarth.edu.in) for Combined Allotment Program (CAP).
3. Fill preferences and participate in online counseling rounds.
4. Seat allotment based on CUET merit, eligibility, preferences, and reservations.
5. Document verification and fee payment.

For programs with practicals (e.g., Arts, Music), merit may include CUET score + practical performance.

6 Important Websites

- BHU Official: <https://www.bhu.ac.in>
- Admission Portal: <https://admission.bhu.ac.in>
- CUET (NTA): <https://cuet.nta.nic.in>
- BHU UG Portal: <https://bhucuet.samarth.edu.in>

7 Disclaimer

This document is compiled for informational purposes based on previous years' (2025) bulletins and patterns. Official 2026 criteria from BHU supersede this information. Always consult the latest UG Information Bulletin and notifications from BHU/NTA.