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NOTIFICATION**Ph.D. Degree Admissions Notification- January 2026 Batch****Sub:** Ph.D. Degree Admissions Notification- January 2026-Batch**Ref:** Hon'ble Vice Chancellor's approval dated 05-11-2025

CMR University (CMRU) invites applications for the Ph.D. Degree full-time with fellowship / part-time Ph.D. Degree Program in the following Schools (Disciplines):

Architecture, Computer Science and Engineering, Electronics and Communication Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Computer Application, Information Technology, Management, Economics, Commerce, Psychology, Sociology, English, Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, Interdisciplinary Studies.

Eligibility:

For Admission to Ph.D. Degree full-time with fellowship /part-time Ph.D. Degree Programme, applicants must fulfill the following criteria:

1. Candidates who have completed:

- i) A 1-year / 2-semester 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-years 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.

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. Those candidates should obtain their qualifying degrees from reputed institutions of National Importance/ NIRF ranking with in 200.

2. 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 any 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 admissions to the Ph.D. Degree programme.
3. Applicants with Chartered Accountancy (CA) Qualification from 'The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India' (ICAI)/Cost and Works Accountancy of ICWAI/Company Secretary of ICSI with a minimum 55% marks or equivalent grade may be considered eligible for admission to Ph.D. Programs in the relevant field.
4. In all the above cases 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 committee from time to time.

Foreign applicants:

- Foreign nationals can only register as regular full-time scholars. Foreign nationals with degree from Indian Universities will be treated at par with Indian nationals for admission purposes.
- Foreign nationals with foreign degree have to meet the minimum educational requirements as given in **Eligibility** section.
- The Masters' Degree of foreign applicants should be equivalent to the Master's degree from any Indian University, in the relevant disciplines. Candidates possessing a degree considered equivalent to the Master's degree of an Indian institution, from a foreign educational institution which is approved, recognized, or authorized by the **Association of Indian Universities**, shall be eligible for admission to the Ph.D. programme.

Procedure for Admissions:

CMR University admissions to the Ph.D. Degree programmes (Full Time and Part-Time) shall be made using the following methods:



1. CMR University will admit students through an Entrance Test conducted at the level of CMR University. The Entrance Test syllabus shall consist of 50% of research methodology, and 50% shall be subject specific. However, Candidates qualified for fellowship in UGC-NET (including JRF)/ UGC - CSIR NET (including JRF)/SLET/GATE/CAT & GMAT (only for management candidates)/ Teacher Fellowship holder and similar National level tests will be exempted from the Entrance Test.
2. Students who have secured 50% marks in the Entrance Test are eligible to be called for the interview.
3. 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 Committee from time to time.
4. CMR University will decide the number of eligible students to be called for the interview based on the number of Ph.D. Degree seats available.
5. Provided that for the selection of candidates based on the entrance test conducted by the University, a weightage of 70% for the entrance test and 30% for the performance in the interview/viva-voce shall be given.
6. The personal interview/viva voce shall consider the following aspects:
 - a) The relevancy of the proposed area of research;
 - b) The candidate possesses the competence for the proposed research;
 - c) The research work can be suitably undertaken at the respective school of studies.
7. The final list of selected candidates will be announced and they are eligible to take admission to the Ph.D. Degree program in the concerned fields of specialization. The number of candidates selected shall depend on the existing vacancies under different disciplines and respective supervisors.

CMRU Fellowships:

Full-time scholars admitted to the program are eligible to apply for the CMRU fellowship schemes under JRF/SRF. The monthly stipend for eligible candidates is up to Rs. 35,000/- (1st and 2nd year: Rs. 30,000/- 3rd year: Rs. 35,000/-)

Instructions for Applicants:

- The applicants are requested to fill up the Online Application form available on the CMR University website (www.cmr.edu.in). Application fee of Rs 1500/- shall be paid online.
- The vacancies in various disciplines for Ph.D. Degree admission in January 2026 are available on the CMRU website, for details please refer to www.cmr.edu.in.
- The duly filled application along with the copies of educational transcripts and photo ID proof along with a copy online receipt shall be submitted at the office. The application fee paid is non-refundable and non-transferable.
- The last date to submit the application form is **Monday, 22nd December, 2025**

Important Dates: -

Last date for submission of the application form	22 nd December 2025
Date of Entrance test	10 th January 2026
Dates for Personal interview of shortlisted candidates	20 th -24 th January 2026
Announcement of the merit list	30 th January 2026
Last date for admission along with payment of tuition fees and submission of required documents in original	2 nd February 2026

For any clarifications admissions.phd@cmr.edu.in / research@cmr.edu.in



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