



KARPAGAM UNIVERSITY

(Established Under Section 3 of UGC Act 1956)
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Regulations for M.Phil Full-Time (FT) / Part-Time (PT) Research

1. Eligibility

The candidates possessing Master's degree with 55% marks (50% in the case of SC / ST) in the concerned or related discipline of Karpagam University or any other University recognized by Karpagam University as equivalent to, are eligible to register for Full-time / Part-time M.Phil.

The candidates who have undergone 10+2+3+2 /11+1+3+2 /10 + 2 + 3 + 3 are eligible to register for M.Phil.

Candidates who have obtained direct PG degree from Open University are not eligible for admission to Research Programme.

The candidates working in organizations (Industries, Research and Educational Institutions, etc.) other than Karpagam University are eligible to enroll for Part-time M.Phil. programme only.

2. Admission

Admission for M.Phil. programme will be made twice in a year i.e January, and July.

3. Selection Procedure

The candidates will be selected for admission to M.Phil. programme based on the academic performance, and the performance in the entrance test and interview conducted to assess the aptitude of the candidate for research and his/her academic competence, subject to satisfying the eligibility conditions.

4. Subject of Registration

The candidates seeking admission to M.Phil shall have the PG degree in the subject concerned.

The candidates seeking admission in interdisciplinary subject (Computer Science/Management/Environmental Science/Biotechnology/Life Science or any other) shall have PG in the subject concerned or PG in related subject.

5. Submission of Certificates

The candidates selected for admission to the M.Phil programme in the University shall be required to submit attested photocopy of the certificates.

6. Duration of the Programme

The total duration of FT/PT for M.Phil is one / two years respectively.

The maximum duration for all the above programmes shall be three years.

7. Research Programme

The research programme consists of Part I and Part II

Part I : Course Work

The candidates with PG qualification shall undergo the course work for one semester comprising the following theory papers.

Paper I : Research Methodology and Pedagogy
Paper II : Subject Paper
Paper III : Special Paper (Research Area)

The part I examination for FT / PT is conducted at the end of the I / II Semester respectively.

The candidates shall clear the course work before taking up the research work. The passing minimum for each paper is 50%.

Part II : Research work

The FT/PT candidates shall select a research topic within the chosen area of research specializations and work for 6 / 12 months respectively under the supervision of a recognized Guide. At the end of the period, the candidates are eligible to submit the thesis.

In case the candidate chooses an interdisciplinary subject involving two departments, the candidate may have two guides – main guide in the department, where the candidate is registering for the degree and the other guide or co-guide from the department in which the candidate wants to carry out a part of the work or utilize the expertise.

The candidate can have a Co-guide. The Guide has to send a request along with the consent letter and bio-data of the qualified recognized teacher / researcher whom he is proposing as Co-guide.

8. Place of Research

Candidates registering FT, shall do research in Karpagam University and shall be available during the working hours.

Candidates registering PT, the place of research normally shall be, where the guide is working or the candidate has access to pursue research.

9. Progress of the Research Work

The PT candidate must meet the guide at least once in three weeks. Online monitoring is also allowed for part time registered candidate. The progress report shall be sent to the Director (Research) through the Guide.

Pre-Submission Presentation

Prior to submission of the thesis, the student shall make a pre-M.Phil presentation in the Department that may be open to all faculty members and research students, for getting feedback and comments, which may be suitably incorporated into the draft thesis under the advice of the supervisor

10. Cancellation of Registration

The registration of research scholars, who have exceeded the maximum period stipulated for the M.Phil. programme, will be cancelled. In exceptional circumstances, if the Research Board recommends and deems it fit, a maximum extension period of 2 years beyond the normal maximum period may be granted, by the University, to enable the research scholar to submit the dissertation. However, the candidate is permitted to submit the dissertation any time within the year. A penalty of 50% of the annual fee over and above the regular fee of that year is to be paid for each extension.

The registration is liable for cancellation automatically by the University, if

- i. the research scholar has not paid the semester fee within the stipulated period or time with the necessary fine.
- ii the performance is not satisfactory as informed by the guide and accordingly recommended for cancellation.
- iii. the research scholar wishes to withdraw the course and wishes to cancel his / her registration

In all the above cancellation cases, the fees paid by the research scholar shall not be refunded.

11. Conversion from FT/PT or PT/FT

The FT regular candidate during the course of the research programme, may convert FT into PT with the recommendation of the Guide. In case the PT candidates wish to convert to FT, the candidates may convert into FT with the recommendation of the guide and all regulations of FT scholars will apply to such candidates.

12. Change of Guide

Transfer / change of Guide is not normally encouraged. In extraordinary circumstances the above could be effected on the merit of the case by referring to the Committee with the following members: Director (Research), Director / Dean of the concerned School and HOD of the concerned subject.

13. Submission of thesis / dissertation

The thesis / dissertation shall report, in an organized and scholarly fashion, an account of original research work of the research scholar leading to the discovery of new facts or techniques or correlation of facts already known (analytical, experimental, hardware oriented etc.,) and demonstrating a quality as to make a definite contribution to the advancement of knowledge and the research scholar's ability to undertake sustained research and present the findings in an appropriate manner with actual accomplishments of the work plainly stated and honestly appraised.

The thesis / dissertation be written in English for subjects other than languages.

Five copies of thesis / dissertation along with soft copy shall be prepared in accordance with the format and specifications prescribed and may be submitted together with the prescribed application form along with the prescribed fee. The thesis submission cannot be delayed except under extraordinary special circumstances, where an extension of three months is permissible. The extension fee of Rs.500/- is to be paid for each extension.

The thesis shall include a declaration by the candidate and a certificate of the supervisor as prescribed by the University to the effect that the thesis is a record of bonafide research work carried out by the research scholar under his / her supervision and guidance and that the work reported in the thesis has not been submitted elsewhere for a degree or diploma.

Thesis will be accepted for submission only after surrendering the Identity Card Payment of dues and submission of “No Due Certificate”.

Completing the pre-submission presentation in the department and after carrying out the suggestions/corrections indicated during the pre-submission presentation. A certificate by the guide for having carried out the the corrections in the thesis shall be submitted separately.

(i) DECLARATION

I hereby declare that the thesis entitled “.....” submitted to the Karpagam University, in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the award of the Degree of Master of Philosophy in is a bonafide record of original and independent research work done by me during the period from to under the supervision and guidance of Dr. Department of and it has not formed the basis for the award of any Degree / Diploma / Associateship / Fellowship or other similar title to any candidate in any University.

Signature of the Candidate

(ii)

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the thesis entitled "". submitted to the Karpagam University, in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the award of the Degree of Master of Philosophy in is a bonafide record of original research work done by Mr. / Ms. during the period from to of his / her study in the Department of at (Karpagam University / Research Institute /) under my supervision and guidance and the thesis has not formed the basis for the award of any Degree / Diploma / Associateship / Fellowship or other similar title to any candidate of any University.

Countersigned

Signature of the Guide

Head of the Dept / Director / Principal

14. Evaluation

The Guide shall provide a panel list of three experts from outside Coimbatore to the Director (Research). Only full time faculty and not below the rank of Associate Professor / Reader may be suggested. The thesis submitted by the candidate shall be referred for valuation to a Board of Examiners consisting of one expert from the panel and the Guide. Each member of the Board shall adjudicate the thesis / dissertation and shall submit a detailed report as given in the prescribed form. The examiner shall indicate whether the thesis / dissertation is Recommended or Not Recommended or Recommended for Resubmission.

The candidate whose thesis has been recommended for award shall have to present the work before the committee comprising the Guide as Chairman and other faculty of the department as Members and researchers of the Department / School concerned. On the receipt of the satisfactory report and the recommendation of the committee, the candidate shall be declared to have qualified for the M.Phil. degree of the Karpagam University.

In the case of interdisciplinary candidates the degree will be awarded in the name of the interdisciplinary subject and also the word "Interdisciplinary in Subject" should be mentioned in the degree certificate along with the title of the thesis.

For example, a scholar who has post graduate degree in Commerce can register for M.Phil. in Management. The degree will be awarded as M.Phil. in Management (Interdisciplinary in Commerce).

In case revision and resubmission is suggested by the examiner, the resubmission of the thesis shall not exceed twelve full months. A candidate shall not ordinarily be permitted to submit the thesis for the degree on more than two occasions.

The Guide is to furnish a certificate, as given here, after the corrections have been carried out.

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that all corrections, modifications suggested by the examiners of the thesis entitled, "....." submitted by Mr./Ms have been incorporated and the thesis be accepted.

Signature of the Guide

15. Award of the Degree

A candidate who is successful in the public viva-voce examination shall be declared to have qualified for the award of the M.Phil. degree of Karpagam University.

16. Publication of the thesis

Paper arising out of the research work may be published and the University Affiliation should be given in the publication.

Due credit shall be given to Karpagam University and Guide if any patent is filed out of the work undertaken during the period of research.

17. Grievance Committee

The candidate or the Guide can approach the Grievance Committee which consists of the Director (Research), Controller of Examination, Dean / Director and Head of the Department concerned, in case of any hardship.

Any irregularity on the part of the candidate that will affect the name and fame of Karpagam University shall invite appropriate action.

The University may alter or amend the regulations, if found necessary, at any time.

The above guidelines will be effective from the academic year 2010 - 2011 and onwards.

