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Notification

AdtU Scheme for award of Fellowship (JRF/SRF) for PhD Scholars

This is for the information of all concerned that the competent authority of AdtU is pleased to notify the “AdtU Scheme for award of Fellowship (JRF/SRF) for PhD Scholars” attached as Annexure-I from the academic year 2022-23 to encourage the scholars and other stakeholders to promote research, innovation and teaching experience as approved in 43rd meeting of Academic Council (AC) and 55th meeting of Board of Management (BoM) held on 12th Oct 2022.

Issued with due approval of the competent authority.

(Ashim Barman)
Additional Registrar (Administration),
Assam down town University.

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Annexure-I

Name of the Scheme: AdtU Scheme for award of Fellowship (JRF/SRF) for PhD Scholars

Scheme: The AdtU has taken a decision to offer Fellowships in the form of JRF and SRF to the deserving and eligible full time PhD scholars. The Scheme is applicable for the candidates who pursue their research leading to a Ph.D. degree in different disciplines as notified by the university. AdtU will award Junior Research Fellowship (JRF)/Senior Research Fellowship (SFR) to the selected PhD Scholars as per the guidelines framed for the purpose. The main objective of the Fellowship scheme is to provide an opportunity to the full time eligible PhD scholars to undertake their advanced study in order to contribute towards R&D programme of the university through quality research in selected areas.

Guidelines and Regulations:

1. Required provisions of regulations for the Fellowship Scheme are being included in the PhD Regulations of the University and shall come in to effect from Academic Year 2022-23. The PhD Scholars of the University registered during 2021 / 2022 shall also be eligible for consideration of JRF under this Regulation.

2. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

- 2.1. The candidates fulfilling all necessary criteria as laid down in AdtU PhD Regulation shall be admitted in "Full time PhD programme" of AdtU.
- 2.2. These PhD scholars should not be engaged in any part-time or full time employment of any nature during the entire tenure of the Fellowship. Employees on the rolls (with or without pay) of any organization shall not be eligible for admission under this category.
- 2.1. Age limit of the full time PhD scholars at the time of admission shall not exceed 30 or 35 (with relaxation of age limit for women scholars/SC/ST candidates for 5 years) years for General and SC/ST candidates, respectively.
- 2.2. These PhD scholars availing the JRF/SRF should not be receiving any scholarship/Fellowship by whatever name called from any other source.
- 2.3. The candidate must be present full time at the University during the entire period of the fellowship.
- 2.4. Candidates with UGC-NET/NET-JRF or having good publications in JCR impact factor journal will be preferred for admission as full time scholar.

3. TERMS & CONDITION:

- 3.1 Number of Junior/Senior Research Fellowship that may be approved every year by the University which will depend upon its budgetary allocations and will be subject to a maximum number as may be notified by the University at the time of PhD admission.
- 3.2 The tenure of fellowship is initially for two years under the JRF scheme. Upon expiry of this period, the progress of works of the Fellow will be evaluated by experts/designated committee of the university. If the research work is found satisfactory, his/her tenure will be extended for a further period of one year as SRF with the enhanced emoluments as decided by the university.
- 3.3 In case the work for the first two years is not found satisfactory, an additional year will be given to him/her for improvement and achieve the targets in a time frame. However, during this period he/she will be designated as a Junior Research Fellow only.

- 3.4 The continuation of the assistantship will be subject to satisfactory performance of the duties assigned by the university, and progress of works.
- 3.5 The Fellowship is payable for a total period of 3 years from the date of admission or date of submission of thesis, whichever is earlier.
- 3.6 Such scholars should publish at least two papers as First/Corresponding author in SCI/Scopus/Impact Factor Journal in an academic year.
- 3.7 They should abide by the Rule and Regulations of AdtU PhD Regulation.
- 3.8 Existing leave rule for project staff will be applicable to these PhD scholars.
- 3.9 No separate/fixed medical assistance is provided. However, the fellow may avail of the medical facilities available in the institution.
- 3.10 If the candidate fails to follow the norms laid down in AdtU PhD regulation, and the guidelines of the existing policy including the Clause No. 3.6 and 3.7 above, the university may terminate the continuation of fellowship to the scholar.

4. FELLOWSHIP ASSISTANCE

4.1. Fellowship to the scholars

Sl No	Nature of Assistance	JRF	SRF
1	Monthly Fellowship (Rs.)	Rs. 12,000.00	Rs. 16,000.00
2	Contingency Fund (Rs.) per year	Rs. 10,000.00	Rs. 12,000.00
3	Escorts/Reader Assistance per year (only for Divyanag scholars - Persons with Disabilities)	Rs. 10,000.00	Rs. 15,000.00

- 4.2. Such scholar will be assigned for 4 credit h course or 4 h/week teaching/laboratory assistantship, and for this purpose they will get additional Rs. 4000.00/ month.
- 4.3. Scholar needs to pay admission fee only, other fees will be waived off.

5. The utilisation of contingency fund: The utilisation of contingency fund is permissible only for the following purposes:

- 5.1. Purchase of Books/Journals/Monographs etc related to the subject of research. However, such purchases shall be routed through the concerned FRC and shall remain the property of the University at all times.
- 5.2. Field work and Local Travel for the purpose of research activities.
- 5.3. Computation and Analytical Charges for Consultants.
- 5.4. Registration fee for attending Conferences/Seminars in India.
- 5.5. Purchase of chemicals etc.

6. Mode of award and disbursement of the Fellowship: The fellowships will be awarded on a semester to semester basis to the PhD scholars based on the satisfactory reports of progress and conduct. However, disbursement of the fellowship will be made on monthly basis.

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