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Assam down town University

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NOTIFICATION

Ph.D. Admission– 2026 -27

Assam down town University (AdtU) stands as one of the leading universities in North East India, which offers students a unique blend of academic excellence and research opportunities. By combining the expertise of eminent academicians, highly motivated teachers, and top industry leaders, AdtU has created an environment that nurtures teaching, learning, and experiential growth. This approach equips students with a global perspective and instils a positive attitude towards embracing challenges. As one of the largest educational groups in Assam, AdtU boasts an impressive student body of over 8000 students and a faculty team of more than 400 members. The university is situated on a sprawling 50- acres campus nestled amidst picturesque green hills. Recognizing the importance of research, AdtU consistently upgrades its state-of-the-art laboratories and research facilities, thereby promoting and encouraging a wide range of research activities. The university's commitment to academic and research excellence, combined with its expansive campus and dedicated faculty, provides students with a conducive learning environment that fosters holistic development. AdtU strives to empower its students with the necessary knowledge, skills, and mindset to navigate the challenges of the real world successfully.

Applications are invited for Part Time/Full-Time PhD programmes under the different Faculty of Studies for the 2026-27 (3rd PHASE)

AdtU Research Entrance Test for PhD Programmes Important Dates:

Particulars	Dates
Opening Date of Online Application for AdtU-RET	31/10/2026
Last Date of Online Application for AdtU-RET	30/11/2026
Date of Online Examination (AdtU-RET)	04/12/2026
Date of Declaration of Results for Online Examination	07/12/2026
Last date of submission of PPT& PDF of Academic Documents (Only for selected candidates from RET entrance Examination & Candidates exempted for RET entrance)	09/12/2026
Interview/Presentation of Selected Candidates*	14/12/2026 & 15/12/2026
Announcement of Results	Last Week of December 2026
Last Date of Admission in PhD program	22/1/2027
PhD Course Work Classes	**Will start from February 2027 (1st week) Tentative**

*Date of interview for Applicants for Full Time PhD with AdtU scholarship (for Indian and International applicants) will be notified separately.

Vacancy area for Part Time and Full Time (without AdtU Scholarship) PhD for Indian applicants

Faculty of Study & Research Area for PhD Admission	
Faculty of Study	**Disciplines (Details of Area of Research of PhD)**
Pharmaceutical Science	Pharmaceutical Science
Engineering	Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering
Computer Technology	Computer Science, Computer Science and Engineering
Science	Biotechnology, Botany, Microbiology, Zoology, Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, Biochemistry
Commerce and Management	Management (Management, Commerce, Healthcare and Hospital Management)
Hospitality and Tourism Management	Hospitality and Tourism Management
Humanities and Social Sciences	English, Sociology, Social Work
Agricultural Sciences and Technology	Agricultural Biotechnology, Plant Pathology, Extension Education, Horticulture, Genetics & Plant Breeding, Agricultural Economics, Agronomy, Soil Science, Entomology, Agricultural Meteorology

Vacancy area for Full Time (with AdtU Scholarship) PhD Program for Indian Applicants

Faculty of Study & Research Area for PhD Admission (Full Time Scholars with Stipend)	
Faculty of Study	**Disciplines (Details of Area of Research of Full Time PhD)**
Pharmaceutical Science	Pharmaceutical Science
Science	Microbiology, Biotechnology

Vacancy area for Full Time PhD (with AdtU Scholarship) for International Applications

Faculty of Study & Research Area for PhD Admission	
Faculty of Study	**Disciplines (Details of Area of Research of PhD)**
Pharmaceutical Science	Pharmaceutical Science
Engineering	Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering
Computer Technology	Computer Science, Computer Science and Engineering
Science	Biotechnology, Botany, Microbiology, Zoology, Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, Biochemistry
Commerce and Management	Management (Management, Commerce, Healthcare and Hospital Management)
Hospitality and Tourism Management	Hospitality and Tourism Management
Humanities and Social Sciences	English, Sociology, Social Work
Agricultural Sciences and	Agricultural Biotechnology, Plant Pathology, Extension

Technology	Education, Horticulture, Genetics & Plant Breeding, Agricultural Economics, Agronomy, Soil Science, Entomology, Agricultural Meteorology

***The Research areas for Faculty of Allied and Healthcare Sciences will be notified very soon for both Domestic and International Admissions.**

Note: If a scholar wants to carry out multidisciplinary research despite of that scholar's enrollment in one of the faculties, then the scholar can propose for the multi-disciplinary research proposal write up including more than one Faculty of Study and can apply for admission to PhD Program of a particular Faculty of Study

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR ADMISSION TO PhD PROGRAMME:

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Candidates who have completed:

- 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-year 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. 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 the Commission from time to time.
- 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. 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 the Commission from time to time. However, such candidates will only be allowed under the full-time PhD Program of the University.

AdtU-RET:
AdtU-RET examination has the following two components:

- Written test [70 marks]
- Interview/Personal Interaction [30 marks]

Components of PhD–RET Written Examination:

Sl. No	Name of the sub-components	Marks
(i)	Subject Specific Questions	35
(ii)	Research Methodology	35

Interview/Personal interaction: Students who have secured 50% marks in the written test will be eligible for the interview.

Exemption from Entrance test:

- The candidates who have qualified for fellowship/scholarship in UGC-NET/UGC- CSIR NET/GATE/ GPAT/CEED and similar National level tests based on an interview in the concerned subject are exempted from the written examination of AdtU-RET. However, they shall have to appear in interview/personal interaction for getting admission into the program.
- NET qualified candidates are exempted from written examination.NET score obtained by the candidates in NET examination will be utilized for PhD admission as per UGC guidelines. However, such candidates shall have to appear in interview /personal interaction for getting admission into the programme.

Concept Note and PPT:

- All the selected applicants need to submit a concept note on their research interest/area (2-3 pages) and power point (PPT) presentation. Submission of concept note & PPT is mandatory before interview/presentation.
- Candidates are required to present and discuss their research interest/area before the selection panel.

APPLICATION FEES:
Rs.500/-(**non-refundable)**
Link for online PhD Application and payment of Application fees **https://adtu.in/phd/**

Important Note:

- After submitting the AdtU-PhD RET application online, please send the scanned copies of the following documents in a single PDF file to the PhD Cell Admission Executive via email at **phd@adtu.in** or **call us at 6003903317.**
- All testimonials, including all mark sheets and pass certificates, must be combined in a single PDF.
- Admission will be granted on the basis of merit and subject to seat availability.
- Selected candidates must complete the admission process within the specified time after the verification of original documents.

Issued with due approval of competent authority.



(Dr. Ashim Barman)
Registrar,
Assam down town University.

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