

**Q1. I would like to pursue a PhD programme at the Centurion University of Technology and Management (CUTM). I would like to know the procedure.**

Ans. The Registrar of the University invites Applications for Ph.D Admission once a year (advertised in the CUTM website in January of that year)

The prospective candidate is required to send:

The online application (compulsory) and the hard copy of the Application form (form no. 67.1) duly filled in mentioning the discipline.

Brief synopsis of the Research Topic (A Guide to writing Research Proposal is uploaded in the website)

Details of qualification and experience

Two passport size recent photographs

Details of DD of Rs 2000/- towards Application and Processing Fee

For sending hard copies of the application forms, please use the address below:

**PHD APPLICATION -**

Centurion University of Technology and Management

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**Q2. What are the subjects available?**

Ans. The subjects offered for the year are mentioned in the website and also mentioned in the Application Form.

## FAQs and Answers (PhD Programme)

### **Q3. What are the eligibility criteria for application to the PhD programme?**

Ans. For **Engineering/ Technology**

First class or equivalent marks/ grades in Master's degree in Engineering/ Technology in the relevant branch.

#### **Management Studies**

First class or equivalent marks/ grades.

#### **Sciences/ Humanities**

First class in Master's degree in Sciences/ Humanities/ Social Sciences with valid GATE/ NET/ UGC/ CSIR/ URET scores.

### **Q4. If I meet with the above requirements, does it mean that I will automatically qualify for the Phd programme? (Please decide if this is required or can be subsumed within the last few questions).**

Ans. It is a competitive process through a registration seminar and will depend on a combination of factors listed below:

- a) Your ability to defend your research proposal during the registration seminar
- b) Your previous experience, in the proposed field of study and research  
(please check)
- c) The availability of supervisor/ co-supervisor

### **Q5. Will the University provide supervisor?**

Ans. The RC (Research Committee) will allot one Senior Supervisor and one Co-supervisor depending on the availability of the Supervisors at the University. If Supervisors are not available, the same is to be intimated to the candidate and the candidate has to submit the name of Supervisor of his choice from outside.

### **Q6. Can I take external supervisor?**

Ans. Yes, a candidate can take external supervisor with a co-supervisor from the University.

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### Q7. Do you have any eligibility criteria for supervisor?

- a) Professors/ Associate Professors/ Lecturers with a minimum 2 years of PG/ 4 years of UG teaching experience and a PhD degree in the concerned subject and minimum 2 Research publications with impact No-1
- b) Scientists of reputed research centres/ retired Professor/ eminent personality from other organizations having PhD degree in the concerned subject and possesses sufficient research experience (to be determined by number of publications) will be eligible for Supervisor.

### Q8. Is it compulsory to take a co-guide from the University?

Ans. Yes it is compulsory to take a co-guide from the University as per UGC guidelines. If the candidate has an external guide, then the RC (Research Committee) of the University will allot a co-guide to a candidate.

### Q9. How long can a candidate take to complete their PhD?

Ans. The candidature is valid for 3 years from the date of registration. A candidate may complete the programme in 2 years in exceptional cases, recommended by the Research Committee.

### Q10. In which special case, can one complete one's PhD in 2 years?

Ans. In case of Full-time PhD programme, a candidate may complete in two years.

### Q11. What is the fee structure?

The Application Fee is Rs 2000.

Fee Structure for the Batches going to be admitted from 2017-18 are:

- i. Pre-registration Year : Admission fee - Rs. 25,000/-, Annual Fee - Nil.
- ii. Normal examination fees for three compulsory papers shall be applicable. For special exam, in case scholar is unable to attend due to medical or other emergencies (with due approval of the Research Committee), the examination fee shall be Rs.5,000 per paper.
- iii. Years I to V : Admission fee - Nil, Annual Fee - Rs. 60,000/-.
- iv. Extension period : Extension fee - Rs. 25,000/-, Annual Fee - Rs. 75,000/- or the existing fee whichever is higher.
- v. Thesis Examination Fees : Thesis Submission Fee - Rs. 50,000/-,  
Air Lifting Charges - Rs. 5,000/- on actual or  
which is higher,  
Oral Defence Fee - Rs. 30,000/- or as fixed.

**Q12. Which bank & in favour of who do I send my DD?**

Ans. Any Nationalized Bank, in favor of Centurion University of Technology and Management, Bhubaneswar, Odisha.

**Q13. In the interdisciplinary section, what are the specific subjects/ disciplines which can be combined under this category?**

Ans. CUTM encourages interdisciplinary and applied research. The subjects under Engineering or any relevant branch/ Humanities and Management/ Core management and General Management subjects can be combined. Basic Science subjects can be combined for interdisciplinary PhD topic as well.

**Q14. Is coursework compulsory?**

Ans. Yes, coursework in Research Methodology and concerned discipline (if deemed by the supervisor) for six months is compulsory for the completion of PhD Programme.

**Q15. What is last date of applying?**

Ans. The last date for applying is notified (website) with the notification for admission into PhD programme.

**Q16. When will the University have Registration Seminar for the candidate?**

Ans. Registration Seminar is conducted in the month of June.

**Q17. How do you select the candidates in Registration seminar?**

Ans. The originality of the research topic and the research orientation/ aptitude of a candidate are the deciding factors for the selection of candidates into PhD Programmes.

**Q18. How much time extension is allowed for submission of Thesis?**

Ans. Maximum extension a candidate can get is 2 years (total five years). However, the candidate has to re-enroll every year till the thesis has been submitted for examination.

**Q19. Can I defer my PhD programme after admission?**

Ans. Yes one can defer their registration under exceptional circumstances, within two years of initial registration. The maximum period for deferment a candidate can get is 5 years, that is the candidate can seek reinstatement anytime within five years (see prescribed form in CU T M/ P h D/2015/67.16)