

# PhD admissions at Plaksha

The PhD program prepares scholars for advanced research through rigorous training and domain expertise. **Applications are invited for the Monsoon Semester 2026** across multiple interdisciplinary areas.

## Highlights of the program

- Distinguished faculty and globally trained mentors from Berkeley, UPenn, MIT, Cornell, Cambridge, IITs and IISc.
- The program offers more benefits than prestigious programs like PMRF, with comprehensive support to help focus on groundbreaking research rather than financial concerns.
- Structured partnerships with global research groups is a key feature of the program. PhD topics are developed in conjunction with international collaborators, ensuring greater impact and visibility.

## Financial support for PhD scholars

- A monthly stipend of ₹ **48,000** is provided to candidates holding a 4-year Bachelor's degree along with a 2-year Master's degree (such as MTech).
- Candidates with a 4 or 5-year degree (such as BTech or MSc) receive a monthly stipend of ₹ **42,000** in the first year, and ₹ **48,000** in subsequent years.
- Scholars may undertake up to six months of a **fully funded international fellowship**.
- A professional development allowance of ₹ **2 lakhs** is offered.
- Minimal academic fees apply, including a one-time admission fee of ₹ **10,000** and a ₹ **5,000** registration and tuition fee per semester (with a **95% tuition waiver** in lieu of teaching assistance).
- Special fellowship provided under **Harish and Bina Shah School of AI and Computer Science** starting at ₹ **80,000/month**.
- Additional paid teaching and research assistantship opportunities are available.

Know more about  
the **faculty**

**Applications open:**  
Mar 1, 2026

**Application deadline:**  
Apr 15, 2026

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## Admission process

- Preference will be given to those who have qualified in at least one of the exams: **CSIR NET-JRF, DBT-JRF, UGC NET-JRF, GATE, IIT-JAM, or GRE**. Shortlisted candidates will be exempted from the written test and will be considered eligible for the interview.
- For other shortlisted candidates, a written test based on NET/GATE syllabus of the concerned discipline will be conducted.

## Steps to apply

**Step 1** - Visit <https://plaksha.edu.in/phd> and navigate to 'Open PhD Positions'.

**Step 2** - Click 'Apply now' and fill the application form.

**Step 3** - Review the required documents before submitting the application.