

Doctor of Philosophy in Urdu (PHDUL)

Programme Guide



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Introduction:

The Ph.D. in Urdu offered by the Discipline of Urdu at Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) is a research-oriented programme designed to promote advanced scholarly study and critical inquiry in Urdu language and literature. Covering poetry, prose, fiction, novel, drama, literary criticism, translation studies, and research methodology, the programme encompasses all major literary and academic domains of Urdu, providing a comprehensive framework for in-depth research.

The programme equips scholars with contemporary research tools, interdisciplinary perspectives, and strong analytical skills essential for a rigorous study of both classical and modern Urdu texts. It fosters intellectual and academic growth, literary sensitivity, and critical thinking, enabling researchers to conduct clear, insightful, and academically sound analyses of the artistic, aesthetic, cultural, and intellectual dimensions of Urdu literature.

Objectives:

- To encourage research in various fields of Urdu literature.
- To train research scholars in analytical, comparative, and interdisciplinary approaches.
- To strengthen critical understanding of classical and modern Urdu texts.
- To explore new theoretical perspectives and cross-cultural dimensions in Urdu studies.
- To Focus on both classical and contemporary Urdu literature.

Outcome:

- The program prepares research scholars to contribute meaningfully to Urdu literary studies by producing high-quality research that reflects intellectual depth, cultural awareness, and innovative interpretation.

Target Group:

The Ph.D. in Urdu program is designed for Postgraduate students in Urdu who wish to pursue research in Urdu literature and language.

Job Prospective:

The Ph.D. in Urdu program opens diverse career opportunities in academia, research and teaching. The graduates can pursue careers as Assistant Professors and Academicians in universities, colleges, and higher education institutions and as Researchers and Editors in literary, cultural, and research organizations, Language Experts and Cultural Coordinators in government and cultural institutions. The program equips research scholars with advanced academic skills and critical insight, enabling them to contribute effectively to Urdu studies and higher education.

Eligibility:

Possesses Master's Degree from a University recognized by UGC or any other qualification recognized as equivalent thereto in such fields of study as are notified for the purpose from time to time by the University with at least 55% marks [50% marks in the case of SC, ST, OBC (Non-creamy Layer) and Differently-Abled and other categories of candidates as per the decision of UGC from time to time, or for those who had obtained their Master's Degree prior to 19th September, 1991]excluding grace mark.

Duration:

Minimum Duration: 3 Years

Maximum Duration: 06 Years

Minimum Age: No bar

Maximum Age: No bar

Medium of Instruction: Urdu

Fee Structure (Research Degree Prog)

Name of the Programme	Programme Fee	When to pay
Ph.D. (With course work)	Rs 17,850/- (1 st year) Registration Fee Rs 8,400/- Re-Registration Fee each for every year till submission of thesis or maximum duration whichever is earlier.	At the time of admission. June of every year.
Ph.D. (Without course work)	Rs. 8,400/- (1 st year) Registration Fee Rs. 8,400/- Re-Registration Fee each for every year till submission of thesis or maximum duration whichever is earlier.	At the time of admission. June of every year.

Ph.D. Course work

Total Credits Score: 16 Credits

Compulsory Course: 2

Each course consists of 8 credits.

Course Details:

S. No.	Course Title	Course Code	Nature of Course	Credits
1.	تحقیق کا طریقہ کار (Research Methodology)	RUL-001	Theory (Compulsory)	8
2.	اردو تنقید Urdu Criticism	RUL-002	Theory (Compulsory)	8
3.	Research and Publication Ethics	RPE-001	Theory (Compulsory)	2