



**Admission Information for
Ph.D. in Development Studies
at Nabakrushna Choudhury Centre for Development Studies (NCDS)**

1. Please visit our website <http://ncds.nic.in> and download the application form or collect the prescribed admission form from the Office of NCDS. Fill the form up, attach the required documents (indicated in #2 below) and send it to reach the office of Secretary, NCDS on or before 15 July 2016.
2. **Self-certified copies of the following documents are to be submitted with the hard copy of the filled in application form.**
 - (a) An application fee of Rs.1500 (Rupees one thousand five hundred) only for Ph.D. course work in the form of crossed Demand Draft/Banker's Cheque in favour of Administrative Officer, PG Teaching Departments, Utkal University payable at any nationalised bank of Bhubaneswar.
 - (b) Mark sheets and Certificates of all examinations.
 - (c) College Leaving Certificate (CLC) or equivalent and Conduct Certificate from the institution last attended.
 - (d) Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe (SC/ST) Certificate from the competent authority (Member of Parliament (MP)/Member of Legislative Assembly (MLA)/Collector/Additional District Magistrate (ADM)/Sub-Divisional Officer (SDO)/Local Gazetted Revenue Officer not below the rank of Deputy Collector or *Tahasildar*) by candidates of those categories.
 - (e) Original application fee/e-receipt.
 - (f) Three passport size photographs (one to be fixed in the application form and two more copies to be attached with the form).
 - (g) Migration Certificate, if the candidate is not from Utkal University.
3. **Important dates**
 - (a) Availability of application form: upto 15 July 2016
 - (b) Last date for submission of filled in application form: 15 July 2016
 - (c) Entrance test for Ph.D. course: 23 July 2016
 - (d) Interview of those who qualify the entrance test: to be specified (but, likely date is 26 July 2016)
 - (e) Classes begin: to be specified (but, likely date is 29 July 2016)

4. **Eligibility for Admission into PhD Course work in Development Studies**

- (a) Master degree in any discipline having secured at least 55% of marks from Utkal University or any other University recognized as equivalent by Utkal University are eligible to take admission into Ph.D. coursework provided they qualify through a written test followed by an interview. However, candidates belonging to SC/ST category shall be given a relaxation of 5% of marks at Masters Level (i.e. 50%). The candidates qualifying UGC or CSIRNET/GATE/SLET or any other equivalent examination as approved by the Vice-Chancellor are exempted from written test only. M.Phil/M.Tech. Degree holders are also exempted from written test only provided they have been admitted to M.Phil./M.Tech. Program through a written/interview test.
- (b) Some of the selected candidates may be integrated with the ICSSR Institutional Fellowship for doctoral students or other such schemes. Such candidates will have to satisfy additional conditions.
- (c) In-service candidates may also apply. They should send their applications through proper channel with “No Objection Certificate” from their employer. However, their salary will not be protected by NCDS.

5. **Reservation Rules**

As per the Government of Odisha Notification No.HE-FE-III-Admn.- 64/14/11710/HE, dated 01.06.2015 the reservation of seats shall be as follows:

- (a) 22.5% of seats shall be reserved for Scheduled Tribe students.
- (b) 16.25% of seats shall be reserved for Scheduled Caste students.

6. **Important Notes**

- (a) **An applicant with criminal antecedents involving moral turpitude shall not be admitted to the course.**
- (b) **Suppression of facts in this regard shall make a candidate ineligible and admission of such candidates will be cancelled.**

7. Ph.D. course work will be governed by the Ph.D. regulations of the University vide Correction Slip No. 1351.

8. **(Added on 21.06.2016)**

All those who will be called for the interview should prepare a proposal and be prepared to make a presentation of the proposal.