



MAHATMA GANDHI UNIVERSITY, KERALA

No.53620/AC A15-3/2026/AC A15

Dated: 10.08.2026

NOTIFICATION

Applications are invited from eligible research scholars who have successfully completed Ph.D. Course Work in approved Research Centres of the University (Except University Departments) for registration to the Ph.D. Course Work Examination, August 2026 to regularise the provisional registration for research leading to the award of Ph.D. Degree consequent on implementation of Ph.D. Regulations 2016.

CONDITIONS OF ELIGIBILITY :

The Course Work Examination is for 2024 admission (Full Time & Part Time) scholars. As per U.O No. 3936/AC A10/2021/MGU dtd. 12.08.2021, in the case of part time scholars, those who have completed both the spells of course work only can apply. Those who were absent/ failed/ not qualified in the Examination conducted in August 2025 are also eligible to apply for the Examination.

SCHEME OF EXAMINATION:

1. There are four courses for the examination : -

Course - I	Research Methodology
Course - II	Recent Developments in the Broad Area of the discipline
Course - III	Areas of Research which will include detailed review of the current status of scholarship in the area (Internal Examination conducted by respective centres).
Course - IV	Research and Publication Ethics

For Courses I, II and IV, External Examinations will be conducted directly by the University. For Course - III, Internal written Examination will be conducted by the Research Centres under the control of the Research Committee and Head of the Research Centres concerned, as notified by the University.

The Supervising Teacher shall prepare the question paper for the Course - III - Internal Written Examination and submit the same in sealed cover to the head of the research centre at least two days before the date of the Course - III Examination. The Research Committee of the research centre shall conduct the examination on the scheduled date, notified by the University, under the supervision of an invigilator and hand over the answer scripts in sealed cover to the supervising teacher of each research scholar for valuation. The Supervising Teacher after valuation of the answer scripts shall hand over the mark lists and the answer scripts to the Head of the Research Centre who shall countersign the mark list and forward the same to the Registrar along with the Internal Marks of Course I, II, III and IV in the prescribed format and also upload the same through Research Online portal. The valued answer scripts shall be kept under the custody of the Head of the Institution till the date

of publication of results in view of complaints in future.

2. Candidates who have completed the full semester of course work are required to appear for all the four courses.

3. Course 1- Research Methodology Examination will be conducted in three Streams - ie;

- i. Science, Applied Science & Engineering Stream
- ii. Social Sciences, Management, Commerce, Law & Behavioural Sciences Stream
- iii. Languages Stream

4. The Maximum marks for the written examination (from 2020 Admission onwards) of Course I, Course II, Course III and Course IV will be 50 for each course. A scholar shall obtain minimum of 40% for each course, ie Course I, II, III & IV in the final written examination and an aggregate minimum of 55% for the successful completion of Course Work examination. For supplementary candidates there is no change in marks and grading. The grading pattern is as follows :

Grading (%) - 2019 Admission onwards
95 ≤ 100 - O - Outstanding
85 to < 95 - A +
75 to < 85 - A
65 to < 75 - B +
55 to < 65 - B
< 55 - Failed
Absent - Ab

5. Course Work Examinations will be of three hours duration.

6. There will be two parts for the Examination.

Part-A

Short answer type Questions - **40 marks**

(Answer any 10 out of 12 Questions, each question carries 4 marks)

Part-B

Essay type Questions - **10 marks**

(1 Out of 2 Questions, each question carries 10 marks)

Total : 50 marks

CENTRE OF EXAMINATION

For scholars registered at research centres other than the Rubber Research Institute, their respective research centres will be the examination centres. The examination centre for the scholars of the Rubber Research Institute will be announced later.

MODE OF APPLICATION

Candidates shall apply via Research Online Portal. Course Work Exam Registration portal will

be available from 10th August 2026 onwards for registration. The detailed instruction to the candidates/research centres for registration to the Ph.D. Course Work Examination will be available in the portal, researchonline.mgu.ac.in from 10th August 2026.

FEE STRUCTURE:

Fee for the Examination is as follows:

Examination Fee per paper - Full Time Candidate	Rs.885/-
Examination Fee per paper-Part time Candidate	Rs.1290/-
Examination Fee-Whole Exam - Full Time Candidate	Rs.2635/-
Examination Fee-Whole Exam - Part Time Candidate	Rs.4350/-
Course Work pass certificate/Grade Card- Full Time Candidate	Rs.155/-
Course Work pass certificate/Grade Card- Part Time Candidate	Rs.155/-

MODE OF PAYMENT

The fee payment has been integrated with the application in the Research Online Portal.

LAST DATE

The last date for online submission of application without fine is 19.08.2026, 3.00 PM, with a fine of Rs.685/- is 22.08.2026, 3.00 PM and with a superfine of Rs.1355/- is 31.08.2026, 3.00 PM. Date and Time of examination will be published later. Hall Ticket shall be downloaded from the Research Online Portal, researchonline.mgu.ac.in

Important Note

Internal marks & attendance should be submitted through the Research Online portal after the last date of submission of the application (exact date will be announced later). The internal Mark received after publication of the result will not be considered on any account.

Dr. SREEJIT C M
CONTROLLER OF
EXAMINATIONS

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Helpline Numbers

Discipline	Section	Contact
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