

#### **FORMAT OF THE PhD PROGRAMME**

Research Scholars undergo intensive course work during the first year. The medium of instruction is English. On successful completion of the course work and other requirements for confirmation of their candidature, research students will be registered for a PhD degree with the Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi. Students will be paid a scholarship of Rs. 37,000/- per month for the first two years and Rs.42,000/- per month thereafter for the next three years, subject to satisfactory progress. In addition, they are paid a book grant totaling



to Rs.50,000/- in five years. Hostel accommodation, if available, or HRA at applicable rate, will be provided. The scholarship will be provided for a period

of five years. RRI encourages and supports participation of students in national and international conferences.

RRI is also a participant in the Joint Astronomy Programme (JAP) with the Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru.

### **WHO ARE ELIGIBLE**

Candidates seeking admission in PhD programme must necessarily have the following Qualification(s):

 One year/2-semester Master's degree in Physics/ Mathematics/Astronomy/Optics/ Photonics/ Biophysics after a 4-year/8semester Bachelor's degree programme with at least 55% marks in aggregate or equivalent grade. or

 Two year/4-semester Master's degree in Physics/ Mathematics/Astronomy/Optics/ Photonics/Biophysics after a 3-year Bachelor's degree programme or equivalent qualifications with at least 55% marks in aggregate or equivalent grade.

or

 4-year/8-semester Bachelor's degree in Science or Engineering with 75% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade.

or

- M.Phil degree in Physics/Mathematics with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade.
- A relaxation of 5% marks or its equivalent grade is allowed to reserved candidates.
- Students who expect to complete their final degree in the academic year 2023-2024 may also apply, provided they can produce their final score card at the time of admission.
- Reservations for SC/ST/OBC/EWS candidates will be as per Institute norms.

# SELECTION PROCEDURE

Candidates seeking admission are called for interview based on:

Performance in the Joint Entrance Screening Test (JEST-PHYSICS) with a valid score. Please visit https://www.jest.org.in for more information on JEST.



0

Performance in any of the following tests with a valid score:

- CSIR-UGC NET (Physics)
- GATE (Physics)
- GRE (Physics)

## **FINAL SELECTION**

The final selection of all the candidates is based on performance in the interviews to be held at RRI tentatively during May – June 2024. Call letters for interviews will be sent around second or third week of April 2024.

### **HOW TO APPLY**

All candidates need to apply online for admissions at RRI via the link http://www.rri.res.in/phd\_programme.html. The online application process will start after the results of JEST, CSIR-UGC NET and GATE examinations are published. It is expected that online application will be open in the month of March 2024. Please visit the PhD Programme page of RRI website in March 2024 for further updates.

You may immediately register an expression of interest in advance using the link given in the PhD programme page. In that case, you will receive an email once the online application is open.

In case of queries, please write to admissions 2024@rri.res.in



