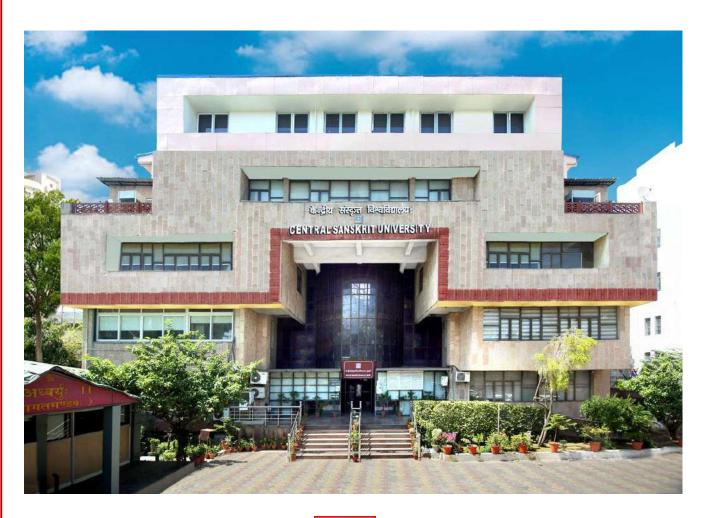# Guidelines

for

Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D.) Admission, 2025-26

Central Sanskrit University

(Accredited 'A++' by NAAC)

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1. Brief Introduction of Central Sanskrit University, Delhi

As per the recommendations of the Sanskrit Commission 1956, the **Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan** was established by the Government of India in the year 1970. Its main objective is to promote, propagate and preserve Sanskrit education, teaching, and research throughout the country. It was fully funded by the Ministry of Human Resource Development (now Ministry of Education), Government of India. Keeping in view its contribution in the field of promotion and dissemination of traditional Sanskrit education, Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan was accorded the status of Deemed University on 7th May 2002.

The erstwhile Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan (Deemed University) has been passed by the Parliament as **Central Sanskrit University, Delhi** under the **Central Sanskrit Universities Act 2020** (No. 5 of 2020). With the approval of His Excellency the President of India, it started functioning as Central Sanskrit University, Delhi with effect from 30th April 2020. The University has been accredited '**A⁺⁺**' by NAAC.

The guidelines for Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D.) are made as per University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedures for Award of Ph.D. Degree) as UGC Gazetted Notification dated 7th November 2022 and in supersession of the UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Awards of M.Phil. /Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2016 and its amendments.

2. Eligibility Criteria for Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D.) Admission

2.1 All those students who:
- **possess** Acharya/M.A. in any subject of Sanskrit or equivalent degree from Universities/Deemed Universities/Private Universities recognized by University Grants Commission, with at least 55% marks,
- **or, appearing** in 1-year/2-semester master's degree programme after a 4-year/8-semester bachelor's degree programme
- **or**, **appearing** in a 2-year/4-semester master's degree programme after a 3-year bachelor's degree programme or qualifications declared equivalent to the master's degree by the corresponding statutory regulatory body, with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed or equivalent qualification from a foreign educational institution accredited by an assessment and accreditation agency which is approved, recognized or authorized by an authority, established or incorporated under a law in its home country or any other statutory authority in that country to assess, accredit or assure quality and standards of the educational institution.

2.2 Provided that a candidate seeking admission after a 4-year/8-semester bachelor's degree programme should have a minimum of 75% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade on a point scale wherever the grading system is followed.

2.3 A relaxation of 5% marks or its equivalent grade will be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/differently-Abled, Economically Weaker Section (EWS) and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the University Grants Commission from time to time.

2.4 All foreign students who have passed a master's degree in any branch of Sanskrit from a recognized University in India with a minimum of 55% marks or in its equivalent category, or students holding a certified degree by the Academic Council of University, can apply through the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India and through the Ministry of Education.

2.5 Candidates who have qualified the UGC NET (JRF, Assistant Professor and only Ph.D.) December 2024 & June 2025 shall be eligible to apply to the Ph.D. programme. Candidates can apply as per the valid date mentioned in the JRF letter.

2.6 For Foreign Students who appeared in the UGC NET Exam, the selection criteria will be the same. It is noteworthy that for foreign students it will be mandatory to take approval

from the institution(s) prescribed by the Government of India for further necessary action. Also, it shall be mandatory to take action as per the rules prescribed from time to time.

The rules for eligibility are decided in the light of the UGC regulation, 2022 named University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedures for Award of Ph.D. Degree) as UGC Gazetted Notification dated 7th November 2022 and in supersession of the UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Awards of M.Phil. /Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2016 and its amendments.

3.   Process of Admission & Registration to Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D.)

3.1   **The admission shall be based on the criteria notified by the Central Sanskrit University** keeping in view the guidelines/norms in this regard issued by the UGC and other statutory/regulatory bodies concerned, and considering the Central Reservation Policy of the Central/State Government from time to time.

3.2   The applicants seeking for admission in Vidyavaridhi can fill prescribed online application from websites of Central Sanskrit University, Delhi through **Samarth Online Application Portal** following this link: https://sanskritadm.samarth.edu.in/2025/index.php/

3.3   The candidates are required to register themselves on Samarth Portal for Admission by uploading the latest passport-size photograph and other credentials.

3.4   Fee for online application for Vidyavaridhi:
- Fee for Unreserved Candidates - Rs. 2,000 (Non-refundable).
- Fee for SC/ST/EWS/Differently-abled/OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) Candidates - Rs. 1,000 (Non-refundable).
- Only those candidates may apply who fulfil the eligibility criteria mentioned in the Guidelines para 2.1 to 2.5. **Once deposited the fee will not be refunded at any conditions.**

3.5   The concerned documents are required while applying online for admission as listed in Appendix. **(Please see the Appendix I)**

3.6   The **selection criteria** shall be as follows:
- 70% weightage for the score obtained in UGC NET (JRF, Assistant Professor and only Ph.D.)
- 30% weightage for the score obtained in the performance in the interview (Written & Oral Presentation).

Process of Admission

3.7   The admission process shall be as follows:
1. The candidates will register themselves through the Samarth Portal submitting the all concerned documents.
2. The candidates will be required to appear in the written presentation as a part of the interview which is scheduled at these locations: Agartala, Puri, Bangaluru, Jaipur, Bhopal, Prayagraj, Nashik, Jammu, Devprayag, Delhi, Kangra, Shringeri, Guruvayur & Lucknow. The University has reserved the right to change/cancel/extend the location for written presentation. Minimum 20 candidates are required to schedule a location for written presentation.
3. There will be two parts in the written presentation: questions related to research methodology and concerned subject. The syllabus and the model question paper for the written presentation are published on the university website. The candidates are advised to consider the concerned syllabus for the same.
4. The list of the candidates for the oral presentation will be prepared as required 40% minimum marks in written presentation. A relaxation of 5% marks will be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/differently-Abled, and Economically Weaker Section (EWS).
5. The oral presentation will be organized by the CSU focusing on the following aspects:
- the competencies related to the proposed research.

- the understanding of the candidates regarding the thrust areas of research as published in Research Policy of CSU.
- the depth of knowledge of the concerned subject.
- the language proficiency in Sanskrit, or concerned language.

6. Sanskrit medium for written and oral presentations will be mandatory. The candidates from Modern Subjects, Indian Knowledge System, Yoga Science, Foreign Students and other languages (Hindi, English, Pali, Prakrit, Sociology, Political Science, History etc.), will be exempted from Sanskrit medium. Such candidates may be allowed to use Hindi/English medium.

7. The candidates obtaining 40% minimum marks in the oral presentation will be selected for the final merit list. A relaxation of 5% marks will be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/differently-Abled, and Economically Weaker Section (EWS).

3.8 The **final Merit list** will be prepared considering the ratio for UGC NET (JRF, Assistant Professor and only Ph.D.) and Interview (written & oral presentations) as 70:30.

3.9 **Before preparing the final list, the documents submitted by the candidates will be verified by the concerned authority. If found any non-eligibility or discrepancy, such candidates will not be considered for the final merit list.**

3.10 The selected students will complete the registration process by depositing their admission fee through Samarth Portal.

3.11 The Merit-lists for admission will be prepared at all India level. The information for successful candidates will be published on the university website.

3.12 While applying, each candidate will provide the information regarding his/her choice as an available seat in the scheduled research centres.

3.13 If the candidate opts for the campus/research centre for research where the concerned department is not available, the campus/research centre will be allotted as per the availability of seats.

3.14 In case of non-availability of seats in the opted research centre, the admission may be given in any one of the other research centres according to merit.

3.15 A research scholar will apply first for provisional admission in the allotted campus/research centre of CSU. The selected candidates will submit/present the all-concerned documents as per the requirement and the instructions of the guidelines.

3.16 **At the time of admission, the candidate will deposit the admission fee and first semester fee as per the notification of CSU published on the University Website.**

3.17 After the proper verification of the documents and other credentials, and approval of the Vidyavaridhi Admission Committee of the Research Centre, the candidate may submit the stipulated fee through Samarth Portal.

3.18 The research scholar will only be allowed to do research work in the allotted campus. The research scholar will submit the **affidavit (with stamp of Rs. 100)** regarding not willing to apply for any transfer or any change of the school and department for the research work.

3.19 No transfer will be permissible after admission and the fees paid shall also not be transferred.

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4. Course Work for Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D.)

4.1 The candidate will have to undertake six months of Course Work mandatorily which will be conducted in connection with the *Research Proposal – Purposes/Objectives of Research, Area/Theme of Research, Review of Related Literature, Identification of Research Problem, and Research Proposal.*

4.2 The course work will be conducted in selected research centres as per the decision of the Competent Authority.

4.3 A Ph.D. scholar must obtain a minimum of 55% marks in the course work to be eligible to continue in the programme and submit his or her thesis.

5.   Specific Instructions for Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D.)

5.1   After course work, the progress of a research scholar will be assessed by the Research Advisory Committee particularly made for him/her. **On the recommendations of the Research Advisory Committee, admission will be confirmed.**

5.2   The students will submit the synopsis in the stipulated period after being forwarded by the research supervisor to the Research Advisory Committee of campus/affiliated institution. After that, the Research Advisory Committee will review research proposals along with the feasibility and relevancy of research topics, and research formats prescribed by university and Research Advisory Committee itself.

5.3   The director will send the appropriate applications along with the research proposals forwarded/recommended by the Research Advisory Committee to the Research & Development Cell (RDC) for further consideration and acceptance by the stipulated date.

5.4   The research scholars must present the synopsis in the session being organised by RDC. After approval by the RDC, the information of the decision will be sent to the concerned campus/affiliated institute. Research work can be done at campus/Headquarter/affiliated institute.

5.5   A research scholar recommended for registration in Vidyavaridhi will be allowed to do research work under the guidance of the research supervisor who will look after the research work as per directions produced by the Research Advisory Committee.

5.6   The Central Sanskrit University, Delhi adheres to the Central Reservation Policy as applicable.

5.7   The admission shall be based on the criteria notified by CSU, keeping in view the guidelines/norms in this regard issued by the UGC and other statutory bodies concerned, and considering the reservation policy of the Central Government from time to time.

5.8   All the details regarding admission, and other concerned issues will be available on Central Sanskrit University Website. All students can go through the instructions in guidelines for Ph.D. Admission 2024-2025 prospectus.

Ph.D. through Part-time Mode

5.9   Ph.D. programmes through part-time mode will be permitted, provided all the conditions stipulated as per the UGC Regulation (Minimum Standards and Procedures for Award of Ph.D. Degree) as notified on 7th November 2022.

5.10 The CSU shall obtain a **"No Objection Certificate"** through the candidate for a part-time Ph.D. programme from the appropriate authority in the organization where the candidate is employed, clearly stating that:

1.   The candidate is permitted to pursue studies on a part-time basis.
2.   His/her official duties permit him/her to devote sufficient time for research.
3.   He/she must be relieved from the duty to complete the course work.

6.   Permissible Seats under each Research Supervisor

6.1   As per U.G.C. regulations 2016 (Para 6.5) and University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedures for Award of Ph.D. Degree) as UGC Gazetted Notification dated 7th November 2022, the following number of seats are permissible under each research supervisor is as follows: **Professor – 8, Associate Professor – 6, Assistant Professor – 4.** No teacher will be allowed to direct the research scholars admitted in Vidyavaridhi more than the prescribed number.

6.2   Additional 2 Seats for foreign students are permissible to all Research Supervisors.

6.3   The Vice-Chancellor can marginally change the number as per the recommendations of the Dean (Research), and UGC Regulations time-to-time or due to any other unavoidable circumstances.

7.   Important Dates for Vidyavaridhi Admission 2025-26:

Online Application through Samarth Portal	01.09.2025 - 15.09.2025
Written Presentation	05.10.2025
Result of Written Presentation	**The dates will be declared accordingly.**
Oral Presentation	
Final Successful Candidates List	

*The Competent Authority has the rights to change/modify/cancel the aforesaid dates.

8.   The Broad Areas of Research

1. Research Projects
- ▪ The provisions regarding Seed Money will stimulate competitive research projects in crucial areas of national or international importance. The grants of Seed Money will promote innovative ideas, knowledge, and facilitate the start of research projects which will also potentially develop the sources of their own through external funding.
- ▪ The infrastructure which includes facilities, resources and services will be provided and funded by the Head Office, CSU, Delhi for research projects. The provisions will be designed to conduct research projects and to foster innovation in the field of Sanskrit and Sanskrit Education.
- ▪ Any administrative support will be provided by the Head Office, CSU, Delhi to facilitate the research culture and research projects.

2. Research Publications
- ▪ The University will promote the print and online publication of quality journals in the fields of Sanskrit and other allied disciplines.
- ▪ The University will also economically support the republication of published rare publications of established scholars and authors.
- ▪ The University will stimulate, energise, and encourage the faculty members to publish the quality research papers in high indexed quality journals.
- ▪ Faculty members will be funded to attend the conferences/seminars to present the quality research regarding Sanskrit Knowledge Traditions.
- ▪ The University will exclusively appreciate, support, and sustain the interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary research publication which possesses the scientific research methodologies, and produces the specific outcomes.

3. Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)
- ▪ Under the broad theme '**Creative India, Innovative India**' accepted by the Government of India, the policy will stimulate a dynamic, vibrant, and balanced **intellectual property rights system** in university. The policy document will foster creativity and innovations, and promote entrepreneurship and enhance socio-economic and cultural development, and to focus on enhancing access to Sanskrit Knowledge Traditions including Yoga, Ayurveda, healthcare, Sustainable Development, and other sectors of vital social, economic, and technological development.
- ▪ The University will ensure that intellectual property rights are the legal rights given to researchers over the creations of her/his mind. The researcher will be given the exclusive rights over the use of his/her creation for a certain period of time.
- ▪ The University will sustain a critical ecosystem which is critical to foster innovations. Without protection of ideas, research would not reap the full benefits of inventions and would focus less on research and development.

4. Manuscripts Repository

- The Sharing, collecting, purchasing, digitizing, and acknowledging the manuscripts resulting as IPRs and patents - all these pursuits will be performed in Ganganath Jha Campus, Prayagraj.
- The preservation and protection of Manuscripts will be main concerns as per the Protection Rules.
- The Manuscripts will be electronically digitalised, and available for researchers and faculty members on payment mode.
- The manuscripts will be collected and preserved by the fund allocated by the university.

5. Research in Different Programmes

- The University is committed to promote the quality research in various programmes offered by university at different levels i.e., at Under-Graduate, Post-Graduate, Doctoral and Post-Doctoral levels.
- The University will have the detailed guidelines for the above-mentioned programmes to ensure the quality of research.
- The guidelines will be prepared as per the directions of UGC and other regulatory bodies.

9. Priorities and Thrust Areas for Research

The CSU will identify the priorities and thrust areas of research in consultation with the respective various institutional committees, and other concerned councils. The priorities and thrust areas of research need to be conducted systematically along with the details of facilities, availability of funding/scholarship/incentives/fellowships and infrastructure available for undertaking research in these areas. The CSU will prioritise the research regarding **Research Projects, Publications, Intellectual Property Rights (IPR), and Manuscripts Repository.**

The following are the priorities and thrust areas, as well these are subjects to review from time to time:

1. Manuscripts Editing and Preparation of Critical Editions

- Critical editing under editing principles and rules.
- Critical Review of published and unpublished manuscripts.
- Preparation of critical edition of a single available manuscript.
- Special editions with translation in Sanskrit, Hindi, English and other languages.

2. Indian Knowledge Traditions and their Application

- Research on contemporary problems, challenges, and issues in the context of most enriched traditions of Indian Knowledge Traditions.
- Some Research related to Indian Knowledge Traditions are expected as Scientific and fundamental research engaging in different areas leading to new theories.
- Research focussing on correlative studies with these concerns and domains of Indian Knowledge Traditions.
- Research dealing with ancient history, archaeology, museology, Vedic agriculture, traditions of medicines, healthcare, and so on are the top priorities of CSU.
- **Any theme related with other Shastric disciplines** - Interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary research on allied branches of Sanskrit Knowledge System.
- **Critical discourse analysis of Sanskrit Language** - Analysis of Sanskrit Language with other Indian and foreign languages which is based on growing interdisciplinary research movement
- **Information and Communication Technology based Themes and Areas -** Computational Linguistics and Traditional Studies, Natural Language Processing, Technological Experiments based Research, i.e., development of technological

resources for teaching of Sanskrit, Development of Tools, and Software for learning and optimum utilisation of Sanskrit Knowledge System.

3. **Review of Criticism of Indian Knowledge Traditions**
   ▪ Review of Indian Shastric Literature.
   ▪ Evaluation of theory formulations and propagations performed by colonial approaches.
   ▪ Criticism of prior publications and propagations by modern commentators and Scholars.

4. **Historical, Descriptive and Experimental Research**
   ▪ The main focus of educational research should be on National Education Policy 2020. The areas for educational research may be accepted as National Curriculum Framework, New Curricula, Pedagogical Experiments, and enhancement of Sanskrit Teaching-Learning Practices, which are directly interconnected with National Education Policy 2020.
   ▪ Educational research must deal with a new paradigm shifting towards the medium of mother language and its impact on teaching-learning practices that also result in new possibilities and innovations in Sanskrit Education.
   ▪ The historical educational research should deal with ancient Indian history and educational systems of India. The qualitative research methodology should be adopted to study these educational phenomena.
   ▪ The descriptive survey-based research focussed the trends, challenges, problems, and issues of Sanskrit and Sanskrit Education to understand the cross-cutting socio-cultural aspects.
   ▪ The experimental educational research should deal with teaching methodologies, especially the Indic methods to teach humanities and science subjects. Similarly, some studies to develop Bharatiya research methodologies should be encouraged, recommended, and endorsed.

10. **The Availability of seats for Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D.) for Session 2025-26**

10.1 Availability of seats for Vidyavaridhi as per the following list:

SN	School	Disciplines/Departments	Vacant Seats for admission
1.	**School of Veda-Vedanga & Vedic Science**	1. Vyakarana Shastra	**25**
		2. Jyotish Shastra	**25**
		3. Veda/Paurohitya/Karmakanda/ Vedanga & Veda Bhashya	**3**
2.	**School of Education**	4. Shikshashastra	**40**
3.	**School of Language, Literature and Culture**	5. Sahitya	**25**
		6. Puranetihasa	**2**
		7. English	**6**
		8. Hindi	**8**
		9. Pali	**4**
		10. Indian Languages – Bangla, Odiya, Nepali, Dogri, Malayalama, Kannada, Marathi, Maithili, and other regional language	**-**
		11. Natyashastra	**-**

4.	**School of Shastric Knowledge System**	12. Dharmashastra	**2**
		13. Manuscriptology and Palaeography	**-**
		14. Bharatiya Vidhishastra	**2**
5.	**School of Darshan**	15. Bauddha Darshan	**4**
		16. Vedanta	**6**
		17. Nyaya	**10**
		18. Darshan	**10**
		19. Jain Darshan & Prakrit	**5**
		20. Mimansa	**3**
		21. Sankhya Yoga Darshan	**2**
6.	**School of Contemporary Knowledge Systems & Humanities Department**	22. Political Science	**2**
		23. Economics	**-**
		24. History	**-**
		25. Sociology	**-**
		26. Geography	**-**
		27. Commerce	**-**
		28. Business & Public Administration	**-**
		29. Library Science	**-**
7.	**School of Multidisciplinary Science and Technology**	30. Computer Science & Natural Language Processing	**4**
		31. Linguistic and Translation Studies	**-**
8.	**School of Yogic Science & Holistic Health Practices**	32. Yogic Sciences & Spirituality	**-**
		33. Ayurveda & Naturopathy	**-**
Total Seats for Admission			**188***

*The University has the rights to increase/reduce the seats.

In specific cases of research, the school other than university may approve collaborating institutions based on MoUs. **Modern Subjects may be the area of interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary research.**

10.2 The degree in research is known as Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D.). Its degree printed in Sanskrit along with English Translation will be awarded in convocation or any other programme of the University. The degree has been recognized as equivalent to Ph.D. degree awarded by other Universities.

Interdisciplinary Research

10.3 As per the provision of National Education Policy (Para 11.6), CSU will facilitate the move towards high-quality holistic and multidisciplinary education and research. This will be encouraged by faculty members and institutional autonomy in pursuing multidisciplinary research with emphasis on cross-disciplinary and interdisciplinary thinking.

10.4 Again, as per the special provision of National Education Policy (Para 22.15) regarding Sanskrit Institutions, it is highly appreciated for interdisciplinary research in interesting and innovative ways, and connected to other contemporary and relevant subjects such as mathematics, astronomy, philosophy, linguistics, dramatics, yoga, etc. due to vast and significant contributions and literature across genres and subjects of Sanskrit, its cultural significance, and its scientific nature, rather than being restricted to single-discipline research methodology.

10.5 CSU will move towards becoming a large multidisciplinary institution of quality research. CSU will establish infrastructures and formulate specific provisions to conduct outstanding interdisciplinary research on Sanskrit and Sanskrit Knowledge Systems. Research

Proposals focussed on multidisciplinary/ interdisciplinary approaches regarding above said subjects and other allied subjects will be highly appreciated/ strengthened.

10.6 For multidisciplinary/interdisciplinary research, research scholars can apply and submit the proposals which require any collaboration with Sanskrit universities and higher education institutions. The approval of such research are the concerns of MoUs which can be subject of CSU's policy, planning, and implementation.

11. **Research Centres for Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D.) programme***

1. **Central Sanskrit University,** Ekalavya Campus, Village- Sipai Para, PO-Lembucherra, District- West Tripura, State- Tripura, Pin- 799210
2. **Central Sanskrit University,** Shri Raghunath Kirti Campus, Devprayag, Pauri Garhwal-249301 (Uttarakhand)
3. **Central Sanskrit University,** Ved Vyas Campus, Village- Balahar, Tehsil- Dehra, Distt. Kangra 177108, (Himachal Pradesh)
4. **Central Sanskrit University,** Shri Ranbir Campus, Vill & P.O. Kot Bhalwal, (Near Central Jail), Tehsil/Distt – Jammu 181122, (Jammu)
5. **Central Sanskrit University,** Guruvayoor Campus, Post Office-Puranattukara, Distt. -Trichur 680551, (Kerala)
6. **Central Sanskrit University,** Rajiv Gandhi Campus, Post Office - Sringeri, Distt. - Chikmagalur 577139, (Karnataka)
7. **Central Sanskrit University,** Nashik Campus, Takekar Shiksh Sankul, Near Bafana Ware house, Sayyad Pimpri, Nashik - 422003 (Maharashtra)
8. **Central Sanskrit University,** Bhopal Campus, Sanskrit Marg, Bagsewaniya, Bhopal 462043, (Madhya Pradesh)
9. **Central Sanskrit University,** Shri Sadashiv Campus, Near Mochi Sahi Chhak, Puri 752 001, (Orissa)
10. **Central Sanskrit University,** Jaipur Campus, Triveni Nagar, Gopal Pura ByPass, Jaipur 302018, (Rajasthan)
11. **Central Sanskrit University,** Lucknow Campus, Vishal Khand- 4, Gomti Nagar, Lucknow, Pin – 226 010 (Uttar Pradesh)
12. **Central Sanskrit University,** Sh. Ganganath Jha Campus, Azad Park, Prayagraj 211001 (Uttar Pradesh)
13. **Central Sanskrit University,** 56-57, Institutional Area, Janakpuri, New Delhi-110058
14. **Poornaprajana Samsodhan Mandiram**, Katriguppa Main Road, Bengaluru 560028 (Karnataka)
15. **Vedic Samshodhan Mandal**, Vaidika Samshodhana Mandala, T.M.V. Colony, Mukund Nagar, Tilak Vidyapeetha, Gultekadi, Pune-411037 (Maharashtra)
16. **Shri Chinmay International foundation, Chinmaya International Foundation**, Adi Sankara Nilayam, Adi Sankara Marg Veliyanad - PO, Ernakulam – 682313 (Kerala)
17. **Sri Sitaram Vaidic Adarsh Sanskrit Mahavidyalaya**, 7/2A, P.W.D. Road, Kolkata – 700035 (West Bengal)
18. **Shri Diwan Krishan Kishore S.D. Adarsh Sanskrit College,** Ambala Cantt. – 133001 (Haryana)
19. **Shri Bhagwandas Adarsh Sanskrit Mahavidyalaya**, P.O.-Gurukul Kangri, Distt-Haridwar, Uttarakhand -249404.
20. **Kaliachak Bikram Kishore Adarsh Sanskrit Mahavidyalaya**, Vill-Kaliachak, P.O.-Heria, Distt- Purba Medinipur, West Bengal – 721430

*The University may add some more research centres for the Vidyavaridhi Programme in due course of time.

12. Duration of Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D.) Programme

12.1 Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D.) Programme shall be for a minimum duration of three (3) years, including course work, and a maximum duration of six (6) years from the date of admission to the Ph.D. programme.

12.2 After three years of research work, the Research Advisory Committee may extend research work for year by year on the satisfactory progress report submitted by Research Scholar. The maximum period of the research work will be six (6) years per the UGC Regulation 2022.

12.3 After six years, a maximum of an additional two (2) years can be given through a process of re-registration as per the rules and notifications published by CSU, Delhi.; provided, however, that the total period for completion of a Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D.) programme should not exceed eight (8) years from the date of admission in the Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D.) programme. **All registered research scholars are required to submit the Re-registration Fee mentioned in the Guideline para 13.1 to 13.5.**

12.4 Provided further that, female Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D.) scholars and Persons with Disabilities (having more than 40% disability) may be allowed an additional relaxation of two (2) years; however, the total period for completion of a Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D.) programme in such cases should not exceed ten (10) years from the date of admission in the Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D.) programme.

12.5 Female Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D.) Scholars may be provided Maternity Leave/Child Care Leave for up to 240 days in the entire duration of the Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D.) programme. The Maternity Leave/Child Care Leave will be provided one time in entire duration of research work.

12.6 Extension beyond the above limits will be governed by the relevant policy and guidelines of Central Sanskrit University, Delhi, and as per the guidelines issued by UGC/Higher Education Commission of India.

12.7 For student exchanges, if they contribute significantly to the completion of the thesis, leave of absence may be granted from the second year onwards on the following basis:
- research expeditions (less than one month): authorised by the supervisor and head of the department.
- research missions (more than one month): proposed by the department and approved by the Research Advisory Committee for working in National/International Research Laboratories or Centres of Excellence; and
- exchange programmes: proposed by the department and approved by the Research Advisory Committee for working in the Institutions in India/abroad.

12.8 The research scholar will have to submit the thesis within a period of six years. If the thesis is not submitted within this period, the research scholar may apply for de-registration. Such research scholars have time period of five years to re-register herself/himself to submit the thesis. After this re-registration, there will be no further process and provision for re-registration.

13. Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D.) Programme Fee

13.1 The fee structure regarding Vidyavaridhi programme is published time-to-time. The candidates are advised to visit the university website regularly for all the updates/information in this regard.

13.2 A research scholar applying for admission in Vidyavaridhi (PhD) in the campus or affiliated institute of Central Sanskrit University, Delhi has to pay the fee **₹ 8200 (for Indian Students) and $ 535 (for Foreign Students).** The details are as following:

Fees for first semester for the session 2025-26 only

S. No.	Particular	Fee (Indian Students)	Fee (Foreign Students)
1.	Admission Process Fee	₹ 200	$ 15
2.	Admission	₹ 2000	$ 125
3.	Library Security Money*****	₹ 1400	$ 90
4.	Enrolment	₹ 1000	$ 65
5.	Identity Card	₹ 100	$ 10
6.	Magazine (per annum)	₹ 600	$ 40
7.	Student Fund	₹ 400	$ 25
8.	Course Work Fee	₹ 1,500	$ 100
9.	Fee for Examination in Course Work	₹ 1,000	$ 65
Total Fee in first semester		**₹ 8200**	**$ 535**

*Only **Library Security Money** is refundable if a research scholar completes her/his research work. If a research scholar leaves the programme without completing the research will not be eligible for refund.

13.3 After the due deposit of admission fee in the first semester, the research scholar has to submit the fee semester-wise. The details regarding Semester Fee and other fees are as following:

S. No.	Particular	Fee (Indian Students)	Fee (Foreign Students)
1.	Per Semester Fee (From 2nd Semester onward)	₹ 2,500	$ 160
2.	Re-registration Fee (after 6 years of research work) (For all Research Scholars including female Ph.D. scholars* and Persons with Disabilities having more than 40% disability) + Per Semester Fee (A maximum of additional two years which should not exceed 8 years from the date of admission.) *Including the female Research Scholars who availed the maternity & childcare leave.	₹ 20,000 +₹ 2,500	$ 1,250 + $ 160
3.	No Re-registration Fee (after 8 years of research work) + Per Semester Fee (Re-registration only for female Ph.D. scholars and Persons with Disabilities having more than 40% disability. A maximum of additional two years which should not exceed 10 years from the date of admission.)	₹ 2,500	$ 160
4.	De-registration Fee (De-registration will be permitted after the 18 Months of research work.)	₹ 1000	$ 65
5.	Re-registration Fee after De-registration + Per Semester Fee (After De-registration)	₹ 50,000+ ₹ 2,500	$ 3,250 + $ 160

The University has the rights to increase/reduce all types of fees during the entire research work.

13.4 If the identity card is lost, destroyed, the fee for the identity card will be Re. 100 (for Indian Students) or US $ 10 (for foreign students) payable again with proper evidence.

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14. Scholarship

14.1 The Scholarship is provided to eligible research candidates as per rules of the CSU in Vidyavaridhi Programme.

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15. Most Important Instructions

15.1 **All the candidates are highly informed that before applying for the Vidyavaridhi programme, carefully read all Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D.) guidelines available on the University Website.**

15.2 **Candidates should ensure they meet the eligibility criteria.**

15.3 Applicants are advised to fill in all their particulars in the online application carefully.

15.4 The facts mentioned in the online application will be duly verified at the time of examination and admission.

15.5 On verification of any type of false information legal action as per rules will be taken. It also includes disqualification from examination or cancellation of admission.

15.6 All judicial matters will be settled under Delhi Jurisdiction only.

15.7 Upload your clear and latest photo on the online form. If the photo does not match properly at the time of examination/admission, then it may result in disqualification from the examination/cancellation of admission, or any other legal action deemed fit.

The guidelines for the Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D.) programme run by Central Sanskrit University, Delhi deal with significant concerns of research and provide directions for doctoral research. In any condition, if there is any contradiction, dispute, or issue of conflict, the decision and directions of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of Central Sanskrit University, Delhi will be final.

**List of Documents required for the Online Application and Admission
in Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D.)**

➢ **Mandatory Uploads –**
  o Passport Size Photo (Size – 10 KB – 500).
  o Signature Scan Copy (Size – 10 KB – 500 KB).
  o Class X or Equivalent – Mark sheet & Certificate (in Single Digital File – size 10 KB – 500 KB).
  o Class XII or Equivalent – Mark sheet & Certificate (in Single Digital File – size 10 KB – 500 KB).
  o Graduation – Mark sheet & Certificate (in Single Digital File – size 10 KB – 500 KB).
  o Masters – Mark sheet & Certificate (in Single Digital File – size 10 KB – 500 KB).
  o UGC-NET Marksheet with clear mention of the obtained marks (Size – 10 KB – 500 KB).

➢ **Conditional Uploads (required only in case of related selections made by the applicants) –**
  o Category Certificate (in case of EWS, OBC, SC, ST, PWD)
  Note – For EWS and OBC categories, certificates should be issued in the **current financial year**.

➢ **At the time of admission, the candidates are required to submit the following documents –**
  o Copy of Provisional/Pass certificate of the last qualifying examination.
  o Copy of Mark List obtained in each examination right from Matriculation/SSC to the last qualifying examination.
  o Original Transfer certificate.
  o Original Study Certificate.
  o Original Migration Certificate.
  o Original Conduct Certificate.
  o Copy of Date of birth Certificate.
  o Copy of Aadhaar Card.
  o Copy of ABC (Academic Bank of Credits) ID
  o Copy of OBC Caste & Income Certificate.
  o Copy of SC/ST Certificate.
  o Copy of EWS & Income Certificate wherever applicable, valid for the year of admission.
  o Medical Fitness Certificate (After admission will be done by concerned Campus/Affiliated Institution).
  o Submitting the proof of Anti ragging in the campus by registering through anti-ragging.in.
  o Passport Size photos and other documents are required at the time of submission of form in Campus/Affiliated Institutions.