

**UNIVERSITY REGULATION FOR
THE MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY (M.Phil.) EXAMINATIONS**

**[AS PER UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedure for
awards of MPhil Degree) REGULATION - 2009]**

**(One Year Course under Semester Pattern)
(Effective from 2010-2011 and onwards)**



NORTH ORISSA UNIVERSITY

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1. Course Offered and Number of Seats

1.1 Course offered: Master of Philosophy (M.Phil.)

1.2 Subjects and Number of seats:

Subjects	No. of Seats in each subject
Botany, Chemistry, Economics, Physics & Zoology	6+ 4 (Self Financing)= 10
Anthropology, Commerce, Education, English, History, Philosophy, Political Science, Public administration, Oriya, Sanskrit & Sociology	10 (Self Financing Course)

The university may change the number of seats of any Department as per the recommendation of the Department concerned. Similarly the University may change the subjects from time to time.

1.3 Duration of course: One Year (Two Semesters)

2. Application Procedure

2.1 Admission Notification:

The notification for admission will be given by the Chairman, P.G. Council. The dates shall be decided by the Admission committee of the University.

2.2 Availability of application forms:

Candidates seeking admission to the above programme shall obtain application form from the office of the Chairman, P G Council in person or by post. The form can also be downloaded from the official website of the university, www.nou.nic.in

2.3 Application fee:

A candidate can obtain application form by depositing a bank draft of Rs. 500/- in the office of the Chairman, P. G. Council. To obtain application form by post, one has to apply to The Chairman P G Council along with a bank draft of Rs. 550/- and a self addressed A₄ size envelope. The downloaded form must be accompanied by a bank draft of Rs. 500/- at the time of application. The bank draft must be drawn in favour of **The Comptroller of Finance, North Orissa University payable at Baripada**. The fees are subject to change from time to time as fixed by the University.

3. Eligibility

- 3.1 Candidates with good academic career securing not less than 55% per cent of marks or equivalent grade at Master's Degree in the subject from any recognized university are eligible to apply for admission into the course provided they qualify an entrance test followed by an interview.
- 3.2 Candidates qualifying UGC-CSIR-NET/GATE/SLET test and awardees of Teacher Fellowship (TF) from UGC are exempted from the entrance test.
- 3.3 Since M.Phil. is a full time course and as such a candidate who is employed cannot be admitted unless he/she has been duly relieved by the employer and produce a proof to that effect.
- 3.4 Research scholars registered for Ph.D. under North Orissa University can apply for M.Phil. with written permission from their supervisor(s) and Head of the Department. Registered Ph.D. scholars, who are admitted into M.Phil. program are not eligible to submit Ph.D. thesis within one year of completion of M.Phil. Candidates who have already submitted Ph.D. thesis or been awarded Ph.D. degree are not eligible for admission into M.Phil. in the same subject.

4. Selection Procedure

Selection shall be made on the basis of merit determined as per the following criteria.

Entrance test	: 50 marks*
Career	: 40 marks
Interview	: 10 marks

* The test will be conducted for 100 marks. The final score will be calculated from 50 marks.

4.1 Entrance test: 50 Marks

The Entrance Test shall comprise of one paper of 100 marks (50 marks multiple answer type questions and 50 marks for objective type questions) of two hours duration. The question paper shall cover all papers taught at the PG level of the subject concerned of North Orissa University. The University shall notify the syllabus for Entrance Test for the subjects in which North Orissa University does not provide PG courses. The candidates should secure minimum 40% of marks in the entrance test (30% for candidate belonging to the SC and ST categories) in order to be eligible for selection for admission. The Entrance Test will be conducted by the Admission Committee.

4.2 Career: 40 Marks

Degree	Details of Career Marking		
	1st Div./ Grade C and above	2nd Div./ Grade D and above	3rd Div./ Pass/ Compartmental.
H.S.C. or equivalent	4.0	3.0	2.0
+2 or equivalent	6.0	4.0	3.0
+3 Degree (Hons.)	10.0	6.0	--
+3 Degree (pass)	--	--	4.0
Distinction	2.0	2.0	2.0
P.G. Degree	18.0	13	--

4.3 Interview: 10 Marks

All candidates have to appear for an interview. The candidates who do not appear before the interview will not be considered at the time of preparation of merit list.

The interview board shall be constituted by the Admission Committee.

4.4 Preparation of merit list:

A merit list for each subject shall be prepared on the basis of total marks secured by the candidate in the entrance test, career mark and interview mark. For the candidates who are exempted from the entrance test, full marks (50 marks) will be awarded to them in lieu of the entrance test. In case of a tie, marks secured in the entrance test, career mark, interview mark, in that order, will be taken into account to break the tie. The merit list shall be published by the Head of the Department of the Department concerned (for regular departments) and the Director, SFC (for self financing courses).

5. Reservation

Subject to eligibility and proof, following categories of reservation of seats will be made considering all regular departments together. The Admission Committee shall allot seats under different reserved categories on rotation basis every year.

- 5.1 SC and ST: 8% of seats for SC and 12 % for ST (Not Interchangeable).
- 5.2 Differently abled: Three percent (3%) of seats shall be reserved for differently abled candidates.
- 5.3 Outside State: A maximum of five percent (5%) of the seats shall be filled up by candidates (20% for UGC SAP Departments) from Institutions outside the state from the merit list.

- 5.4** Ex-serviceman: One seat shall be kept reserved for the candidates of the children of ex-serviceman of Indian Armed forces.
- 5.5** In view of the limited number of seats, the admission committee is authorized to allot the number of seats for each subject under different of reserved categories. In the case of non-availability of candidates from any one of the reserved categories (5.2- 5.4) seats will be filled up by general candidates from the merit list with prior approval from Vice-Chancellor.
- 5.6** Reservation and weightage neither shall be applicable for self-financing courses nor for seats under self-financing mode in regular departments.

6. Admission to the Course

- 6.1** Admission shall be made on the basis of the merit list. Admission process shall be completed as decided by the Admission Committee.

- 7. Fee Structure:** Fees shall be collected as fixed by the University from time to time.

8. Course Structure and Mark Distribution M. Phil. course consists of two semesters.

- 8.1** Semester-I is the pre-M. Phil. Course. The Chairperson of PG Council will issue the Pre-M.Phil. course completion certificate if so desired by the candidate duly forwarded by the Head of the Department concerned or the Director, SFC.

- 8.2** Semester-I of Science subjects shall consist of 2 theory papers carrying 50 marks each and one practical paper carrying 100 marks. The first theory paper should be “Research Methodology” which must include quantitative methods (One Unit) and computer applications (one Unit).

- 8.3** Semester I of Arts Subjects shall consist of 4 theory papers carrying 50 marks each. The first theory paper should be “Research Methodology” which must include quantitative methods (One Unit) and computer applications (One Unit). The subjects like English, Oriya and Sanskrit may opt for another unit of research methodology in lieu of unit of quantitative methods.

- 8.4** Semester- II shall comprise 2 theory papers, including one elective, carrying 50 marks each and a Dissertation carrying 100 marks.

Table 1. Specimen of Course Structure (for non-science subject)**Economics**
Semester –I

Paper Code	Paper Name	Credit	Marks
ECO -601	Theory Paper I: Research Methodology	5	50
ECO -603	Theory Paper II	5	50
ECO -605	Theory Paper III	5	50
ECO-607	Theory Paper IV	5	50
	Total	20	200

Semester- II

Paper Code	Paper Name	Credit	Marks
ECO-602	Theory Paper V	5	50
ECO-604	Theory Paper VI	5	50
ECO-606	Dissertation	10	100
	Total	20	200
	Grand Total	40	400

Table 2. Specimen of Course Structure (Science subject)**Botany**
Semester –I

Paper Code	Paper Name	Credit	Marks
BOT-601	Theory Paper-I Research Methodology	5	50
BOT-603	Theory Paper-II	5	50
BOT-605	Practical	10	100
	Total	20	200

Semester- II

Paper Code	Paper Name	Credit	Marks
BOT-602	Theory Paper-III –Elective-I	5	50
BOT-604	Theory Paper-IV-Elective-II	5	50
BOT-606	Dissertation	10	100
	Total	20	200
	Grand Total	40	400

* The maximum number of elective subjects in each discipline shall be limited by the respective Department. Each student is allowed to select any one out of these.

9. Attendance

9.1 A candidate shall be required to attend at least 75% of the lectures and practical classes taken separately. Condonation in exceptional cases may be granted by the Head of the Department to the extent of 15% on production of medical certificate/with sufficient reason behind the absence.

- 9.2** The Vice-Chancellor may grant further condonation of shortage in attendance to the extent of 10% in respect of candidates who represent the University or State for Inter-University or National integration Camps, Competitions, Games and Sports subject to production of certificate from authorized bodies.

10. Examination

- 10.1** Candidates for admission to M. Phil. Examination shall specify the subjects/papers as the case may be and paper code in which he/she desires to be examined in the form of application prescribed for the purpose. Filling up forms for semester-I is compulsory.
- 10.2** The mode of examination for theory shall include written examination at the end of the each semester. Duration of examination for each theory paper (05 credits) shall be 3 hours. The candidates shall have to answer 5 questions one from each unit.
- 10.3** The practical examination shall be conducted before or after the completion of theory paper examinations on the dates fixed by the University. Duration of the practical examinations shall be 6 hours.
- 10.4** The Dissertation shall be submitted (2 copies, 3 copies in case of co-supervisor) along with a CD containing the soft copy of dissertation through the concerned Head of the Department, to the Controller of Examinations within seven days of completion of theory paper examination. The Dissertation shall be submitted only when the supervisor concerned is satisfied that it is worthy of consideration for the partial fulfillment of M. Phil. Degree. Dissertation shall be evaluated by both the internal and external examiners as recommended by Board of Studies. The average of both the marks awarded by the internal and external examiners shall be considered as the mark secured in that paper. In case the difference between marks awarded by the internal and external examiners exceeds 20%, the dissertation be revalued by another external examiner (expert in the subject) appointed by the Controller of Examinations confidentially and the mark awarded by him/her shall be taken as final.
- 10.5** A faculty member with M. Phil/Ph.D degree or three years of research/teaching experience at PG/Hons level is eligible to be a supervisor/co-supervisor for M.

Phil. scholars. The eligible faculty shall not have, at any point of time, more than 5 M. Phil. Scholars to supervise.

10.6 Provision of repeat/improvement:

A candidate who is otherwise eligible to appear in the examination but fails in the same or fails to appear in the examination or wants to improve performance can reappear the same examination as an ex-student not more than once within three years of his/her admission into the said course.

11. Results

11.1 For the candidates admitted into the M.Phil Degree, the pass mark in each paper shall be 40% and the pass mark in aggregate shall be 50% in each semester. The equivalent grade point for pass mark in each paper shall be 5.0 (Five), the SGPA shall be 5.5 (Five point five) and the CGPA for pass mark in aggregate shall be 5.5 (Five point five).

11.2 A candidate who is otherwise eligible to appear in the examination but fails in the same or fails to appear in the examination, shall be required to reappear the same as an ex-student not more than once within 3 years of his/her admission into the said course. However, only in case of dissertation paper, the candidate need not submit it again for repeat or special examination, if already cleared. The provision will be given to the candidate to resubmit the dissertation if the candidate secured fail mark or the paper is rejected for any other reason.

11.3 Hard Case (For theory only): A maximum of 2% grace mark shall be awarded in one or more theory paper (s) only in order to enable a candidate to pass the M. Phil. Examination only for the said semester.

11.4 The results shall be published as soon as possible (preferably within 30 days after completion of examination) after being approved by the appropriate authority.

11.5 The successful candidates shall receive their result from the Controller of Examinations/ Head of the Department of the concerned subject within 7 days from the publication of the final result.

11.6 The successful candidates will be awarded MPhil pass certificate as University Grant Commission (minimum standards and procedure for awards of M. Phil Degree) Regulation 2009.

12. Interpretation of the Grade Point Average (GPA)

12.1 Grade shall be awarded as follows:

% of Marks	Grade
90 and above	O
80-89	A
70-79	B
60-69	C
50-59	D
40-49	P
Below 40	F

12.2 Calculation of Grade Points:

Grade	Grade Point per Credit
O	10
A	9
B	8
C	7
D	6
P	5
F	0

12.3 Calculation of Semester Grade Point Average (SGPA):

$$\text{SGPA} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n c_i g_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n c_i}$$

where, n = total number of papers, c_i = number of credits and g_i = grade point per credit.

12.4 Calculation of Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA):

$$\text{CGPA} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m c_i g_i}{\sum_{i=1}^m c_i}$$

where, m= total number of papers of the semesters combined.

