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DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PH.D.) PROGRAMME



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(অসম চৰকাৰৰ দ্বাৰা প্ৰতিষ্ঠাপিত আৰু ভাৰত চৰকাৰৰ
দূৰ শিক্ষা পৰিষদৰ দ্বাৰা স্বীকৃতিপ্ৰাপ্ত)

**KRISHNA KANTA HANDIQUE STATE
OPEN UNIVERSITY**

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KRISHNA KANTA HANDIQUI



WITH SARBAPALLI RADHAKRISHNAN

“... Professor K.K. Handique belonged to the rare category of individuals who dedicated his life to the cause of Sanskrit studies. As the founder Principal of J.B. College and the founder Vice Chancellor of Guwahati University, he distinguished himself as an educationist, a builder of educational institutions and an authority on many European languages. Prof. Handique was held in high esteem for his learning and scholarship in Sanskrit. His brilliant performance in Sanskrit literature right from his student days and his passion for promoting it made him one of the venerated figures not only in Assam but also in the whole country....”

DR. MANMOHAN SINGH
HON'BLE PRIME MINISTER OF INDIA

PROSPECTUS

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A Word from the Vice-Chancellor

Education is the backbone of a society. Education is knowledge and knowledge is power. In order to build a strong society or a strong nation, it is necessary that all the sections of the society are sufficiently educated. Therefore, along with all the educative purposes pertaining to the objectives of a University, Krishna Kanta Handique State Open University was established in order to provide opportunity of higher education through ODL System to those who have been deprived from pursuing higher studies. Established by the Government of Assam and recognized by the Distance Education Council, Govt. of India, New Delhi, this University is the fourteenth of its kind along with Indira Gandhi National Open University and the only State Open University in the whole of North-East India. The prime objective of the University is human resource development based upon the natural resources available in the country and fostering economic growth through education, thereby generating employment opportunities.

We have also started our degree programmes from the last academic session beginning August 2008. We are happy to state that the University is also offering professional degree programmes such as Bachelor of Computer Applications (B. C. A.), Bachelor of Business Administration (B.B.A.), Bachelor of Mass Communication (B. M.C) along with Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) and Bachelor of Commerce (B.Com). A total of 13911 learners have so far enrolled for these five degree programmes in 138 study centres across the state. In the next academic session beginning August 2010, we plan to start our M.Phil and Masters Degree Programmes. M. A. programme will be started in Mass Communication, Social Works along with other Social Sciences and Humanities subjects in Semester system.

The course structures of these programmes have been designed at par with the national curriculum. We sincerely hope that those interested in pursuing higher education would be benefited by these programmes and will be able to secure a respectable position in the society. The University also plans to offer some vocational and professional Certificate/Diploma programmes to enable the already enrolled students in various colleges / educational institutions of the state to pursue add-on studies simultaneously with their regular courses. The programmes of the University are so designed that it can spread education to all the learners of the region to reach the unreached. This is so because our motto is 'Education Beyond Barriers' irrespective of age, educational qualifications and geographical boundaries. We heartily welcome the learners to various programmes of the University.

Without a sound research environment, a University's existence cannot be complete. And in keeping with this we have appointed Research and Training Assistants (RTAs) to carry out research work in the field of Open and Distance Learning (ODL). In order to create a sound database in various fields of ODL we are offering Ph. D. programme in various disciplines with the aim of finding out deficient areas so that the University can design appropriate courses and programme to meet these deficiencies in future. I sincerely believe that this open university will be able to guide quality Ph.D. works in different areas.

(Prof. Srinath Baruah)
Vice-Chancellor

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SPEED POST

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UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
BAHADURSHAH ZAFAR MARG
NEW DELHI - 110002

No. F. 9-13/2008 (CPP-I)

18th March, 2009

The Registrar
Krishna Kanta Handique State
Open Universities
Guwahati - 781 006

Subject : Request for recognition of K.K. Handique State Open University,
Guwahati

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. KKHSOU/UGC/30/2008/6 dated 9th March, 2008 on the subject cited above I am directed to inform you that the Krishna Kanta Handique State Open University, Guwahati has been established by an act of State legislature (No. /UGC/20/2005/56 of 2005) and is empowered to award degrees on its main campus as specified by the UGC under section 22 of the UGC Act 1956 with the approval of Statutory councils, wherever required.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/
(S.C. Chadha)
Deputy Secretary

F1-52/2000(CPP-II)5 MAY 2004

**The Registrar/Director
Of all the Indian Universities
(Deemed, State, Central Universities/
Institutions of National Importance)**



**UNIVERSITY GRANT COMMISSION
BAHADUR SHAH ZAFAR MARG
NEW DELHI - 110002**

Sub : **RECOGNITION OF DEGREES AWARDED BY OPEN UNIVERSITIES.**

Sir/Madam,

There are a number of open Universities in the country offering various degrees/diploma through the mode of non-formal education. The Open Universities have been established in the country by an Act of Parliament or State Legislature in accordance with the provisions contained in Section 2(f) of University Grants commission Act, 1956. These universities are, therefore, empowered to award degrees in terms of Section 22 (1) of the UGC Act, 1956.

A circular was earlier issued vide UGC letter N.F.1-8/92(CPP) dated February, 1992 mentioning that the Certificate, Diplomas and Degrees awarded by Indira Gandhi National Open University are to be treated equivalent to the corresponding awards of the Universities in the country.

Attention is further invited to UGC circular No. F1-25.93 (CPP) dated 28th July, 1993 (copy enclosed) for recognition of degrees and diplomas as well as transfer of credit for courses successfully completed by students between the two types of Universities so that the mobility of students from Open University stream to traditional Universities is ensured without any difficulty.

The UGC has specified the nomenclature of degrees under Section 22(3) of the UGC Act, 1956 to ensure mandatory requirements viz. minimum essential academic inputs required for awarding such degrees. A copy of Gazette Notification regarding specification of degrees issued vide No. 1-52/97(CPP-II) dated 31st January 2004 is enclosed. The details are also given in UGC Web site : www.ugc.ac.in.

May, I therefore, request you to treat the Degrees/Diploma/Certificates awarded by the Open Universities in conformity with the UGC notification on Specification of Degrees as equivalent to the corresponding awards of the traditional Universities in the country.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/

(Dr. [Mrs.] Pankaj Mittal)
Joint Secretary

Encl : as above.

Copies to :

1. Secretaries - MHRD, AICTE, AIU., NCTE, DEC
2. Vice-Chancellors of all National/State Open Universities.

V.K. Jabivall
Under Secretary

UNIVERSITY GRANT COMMISSION
BAHADUR SHAH ZAFAR MARG
NEW DELHI - 110002

D.O. No. F.I-25/03(CPP-II)

Date : 28th July, 1993

R.P. Gangurde
Additional Secretary
Tel. 3319659



Dear Vice-Chancellor,

As you are aware, the Open Universities have been established in the country by an Act of Parliament or State Legislature in accordance with the provisions contained in Section 2(f) of University Grants Commission Act, 1956. These universities are therefore, empowered to award degrees in terms of Section 22(1) of the UGC Act, 1956.

It has been brought to the notice of the Commission that the students who have done their M.A. from open universities are debarred by universities from registration for Ph.D. studies. This is most unfair in view of the importance attached to the Open University and distance learning in National Policy on Education, 1986. The programme of Action - 02 also aims at promoting the mobility of student among open universities and among traditional universities. This can be made possible only when there is a workable understanding between open universities for recognition of each other's degrees on reciprocal basis. A Memorandum of Understanding has already been signed between Universities of Pondicherry and Indira Gandhi National Open University which provides for recognition of each other's degrees and diplomas as well as transfer of credits for courses successfully completed by students between the two universities. The other universities may also make similar arrangements so that the mobility of students from Open University stream to traditional universities is ensured without any difficulty.

I hope that your university will make necessary efforts in this direction and let the Commission know the progress.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,
Sd/-
(**R.P. Gangurde**)

To
All the VCs as per list attached and copy to AIU.



**GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
EDUCATION (HIGHER) DEPARTMENT
DISPUR**

No. AHE.228/2007/330,

Dated Dispur, the 8th May, 2009.

From : **Shri H.M. Cairae, IAS
Principal Secretary to the
Government of Assam
Education (Higher) Deptt.**

To : **The Vice-Chancellor,
K.K. Handique State Open University,
Housefed Complex,
Dispur, Guwahati - 6**

Sub : Recognition of Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates of K.K. Handique State Open University.

Ref. : Letter No. DO/VC/KKHSOU/GOA/1(a)/2007/118 dated 9-4-09.

Sir,

In inviting a reference to your letter cited above, this is to clarify that the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates conferred by the K.K. Handique State Open University are at par with the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates given by other Universities for the purposes of admissions and jobs etc.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

Principal Secretary to the Government of
Assam, Education (Higher) Department
Dispur

Memo No. AHE.228/2007/330-A Dated Dispur, the 8th May, 2009.

Copy to : The Director of Higher Education, Assam
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January 14, 1994

**The Registrar (s)
Member Universities**

Subject : Recognition of Degrees/Diplomas of Open Universities

Dear Sir,

The Standing Committee at its 237th meeting held at Utkal University and the 68th Annual Session of the AIU in December, 1993 at the University of Delhi have decided in principle that the Degrees of the Open Universities be recognized in terms of the following resolutions:

“Resolved that the examinations of one University should be recognized by another on reciprocal basis, provided that the entrance qualification, duration of course and the general standard of attainment are similar to those prescribed by the recognized university.”

“Further resolved that in case of Degrees awarded by Open Universities, the conditions regarding entrance qualifications and duration of the course be relaxed provided that the general standard of attainment are similar to those prescribed by the recognized university.”

The decision is brought to the notice of the Universities for favour of appropriate action in the matter. The additional information, if required in this behalf, may kindly be obtained from the Registrar of the Universities direct.

Thanking You,

Your faithfully,

Sd/-
(K.C. KLARA)
Joint Secretary

Ph. D Academic Session

Session	Last date of Submission of Application Form	Admission Test*	Provisional Registration
2009	30th June, 2009	26th July, 2009 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.	August, 2009
2010	31st January, 2010	14th Feb., 2010 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.	April, 2010

Admission shall be at the head quarter of the University only

*** Admission Test Centres : Dispur College, Guwahati
 J.B. College, Jorhat**

Candidates are to indicate the choice of examination centre in the application form.

[No separate communication will be made unless otherwise necessary]

ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY

(In brief)

The University was established under the provisions of the Krishna Kanta Handique State Open University Act 2005 enacted by the Govt. of Assam & published in the Assam Gazette (extraordinary) dt 29/9/05. The Krishna Kanta Handique State Open University started functioning with the joining of Prof. Srinath Baruah as its first Vice-Chancellor w.e.f. 11th December, 2006.

The University has been vested with the authority to prepare its own curriculum, system of examination and to admit, examine and confer Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates to the learners registered with it up to degree and post-degree level courses as well as research degrees.

The University has been recognized and its academic programmes approved by the Distance Education Council (DEC), New Delhi. Vide letter No. DEC/Misc/07/5957 dated 03-10-07. The University Grants Commission vide letter No. F-9-13/2008(CPP-1) dated 18th March, 2009 also has empowered the University to award degrees under section 22 of the UGC Act, 1956.

The University, at the moment has been functioning from Housefed Complex, Last Gate, Dispur, Guwahati - 781006 and its jurisdiction covers the whole of the State of Assam and beyond.

Motto:

The very purpose of establishment of the University is to promote education to reach the unreached through the Open and Distance Learning System and the motto of the University is ‘**Education Beyond Barriers**’ of age, academic background and geographical boundaries.

Objectives:

The main objectives of the Krishna Kanta Handique State Open University among others are :

1. to provide access to higher education to a large segments of the population, and in particular the disadvantaged groups such as those living in remote and rural areas including working people, housewives and other adults who wish to upgrade or acquire knowledge through studies in various fields;
2. to provide opportunities for higher education to a larger segment of the population, including those who could not pursue higher education in the appropriate time due to one reason or the other;
3. to promote acquisition of knowledge in a rapidly developing and changing society and to continually offer opportunities for upgrading knowledge, training and skills in the context of innovations, research and discovery in all fields of human endeavour.
4. to strengthen and diversify the degree, diploma and certificate courses related to the needs of employment and necessary for building the economy of the country on the basis of its natural and human resources;
5. to advance and disseminate learning and knowledge by a diversity of means including the use of any communication technology;
6. to provide education and training to develop skills in various arts and crafts, raising their quality and improving their availability to the people;
7. to contribute to the improvement of the educational system in the State by providing a non-formal channel complementary to the formal system; and
8. to provide counselling and guidance to the learners;

Vision & Mission:

The main aim of the University is to develop and provide easily accessible modes of higher education and training with the use of latest educational inputs and technology. Because of the inherent flexibility in terms of pace and place of learning, methods of evaluation etc., KKHSOU holds the promise of providing equal opportunities of higher education to all and bringing into its fold the deprived and denied sections of people of the North-East. In order to reach those groups disadvantaged due to educational, economic, geographical or any other circumstances, KKHSOU has been formulating academic programmes to suit the less educated, educated and higher educated groups to achieve the goal of providing higher education and training at the doorstep of the seekers of higher education.

With a view to make higher education more accessible, KKHSOU has classified its diverse academic programmes to suit the potential learners of the following target groups :

1. People living in rural, remote, mountainous and border areas.
2. Persons deprived of higher education in young age and desirous to improve their qualification.
3. People engaged in different services, business, agriculture or other professions.
4. Persons deprived of admission in conventional Universities of the State,
5. Women, particularly housewives.
6. People belonging to Scheduled Tribes, Hill tribes, socially and educationally backward classes.
7. Physically handicapped.
8. People engaged in arts, crafts, cottage industries.
9. Prisoners, and
10. Working people who wish to develop their professional skills.

Academic Programmes :

The University offers the following degree, diploma and certificate programmes,

1. Bachelor of Computer Application (BCA)
2. Bachelor of Mass Communication (BMC)
3. Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA)
4. Bachelor of Commerce (B. Com)
5. Bachelor of Arts (BA)

Diploma and Certificate in Professional Programme

Post Graduate Diploma :

- 1) Mass Communication
- 2) Broadcast Journalism
- 3) Tourism and Hospitality Management
- 4) Human Resource Management

Diploma :

- 1) Journalism & Mass Communication
- 2) Assamese Journalim
- 3) Tourism Management
- 4) Hotel Managemnt
- 5) Creative Writing in English
- 6) Computer Hardware & Networking

Certificate :

- 1) Computer Application
- 2) Mobile Phone Repairing
- 3) Maintainance and Repairing of Audio Video Equipments
- 4) Maintainance and Repairing of Electronic Domestic Appliances
- 5) Scientific piggery farming
- 6) Commercial Got rearing
- 7) Commercial Broiler farming
- 8) Commercial Duck farming
- 9) Commercial Layer farming

Ph. D. Programme :

Ph.D. programme is offered in regular mode consisting of courseworks and research. The scholars admitted in the programme are required to work as full time scholars. They are also to undergo courseworks at least for one semester.

Research and Teaching Assistantship (RTA) :

There is a provision of Research and Teaching Assistanship under KKHSOU-DEC collaborative project under which the selected scholars are required to assist the University in its teaching course preparation/design in the concerned subject for a minimum of 6 hours per week besides doing research. They are entitled to get monthly stipends at the rates fixed by the Distance Education Council or appropriate authority. Candidates applying under this scheme shall not be above 25 years of age on 1st July of the year of award.

In the next academic session , it is planned to start M.Phil and Master's Degree Programmes in selected subjects. M. A. programmes will be in Mass Communication, Social Works along with other Social Sciences and Humanities subjects under Semester System.

In addition to above, the University will also offer some P.G. Diploma, Diploma and Certificate courses in professional and vocational areas to be notified from time to time.

Admission to Ph. D. programme :

Admission will be given based on performance in the admission test followed by presentation of the Synopsis before a panel of experts. The written test will comprise of General English, current affairs, general awareness and aptitude. There will be objective type questions for 100 marks and the duration of the test will be 2 (two hours). 30 candidates will be selected for presentation of synopsis provided they secure minimum qualifying marks 50% in the admission test.

Guidelines for Ph. D admission

The Ph.D programme shall be offered as per the Ph.D regulation 2008, passed by Academic Council (Committee) and approved by the Board of Management vide its Resolution No. BM/7/2/2008 dated 2/12/08 with the guidelines for admission to the Ph.D programme approved by the Academic Council 19.3.09.

1. Application for Ph.D programme will be invited once in a year in the month of January (excepting the first batch).
2. Considering the constraint of physical infra-structure and core faculty, the total number of Ph.D candidate to be registered will not exceed fifteen (15) per year. The guides will be selected by the University on the basis of research proposal accepted, with the approval of the Research Council.
3. The Ph.D. programme will be, at present, confined to the following areas of research, i.e. distance education, social sciences (Political Science, Economics, History, Education, Sociology, Philosophy), management, computer science, mass communication, commerce and selected language and literature (Assamese, Sanskrit and English).

4. More weightage will be given on the research in Distance Education System for which a minimum of 3 seats will be allotted and remaining seats will be allotted to the other areas of research.
5. The candidate must possess consistently good academic record with a minimum of 55% marks at the Master's level with relaxation for SC/ST as per UGC/DEC guidelines.
6. Candidates for Ph.D will be selected on the basis of written test followed by the research proposal (synopsis) and its presentation before the experts.
7. The candidate once selected and admitted in the Ph. D. programme has to undergo course work at least for one semester of this University before applying for final registration. The final registration will be subject to successful completion of the course work.
8. Candidate shall apply in prescribed application form to be available in the Office of the Dean (Academic) on payment of application fee of Rs. 500/- including written test fee in the form of Bank Draft drawn in favour of K.K. Handique State Open University payable at Guwahati.
9. Candidates who qualify for admission shall have to submit application in triplicate along with the copies of Research Proposal (Synopsis) and other relevant documents to the Dean (Academic).
10. Candidate serving in an institution other than this University shall be required to submit "No Objection Certificate" from the employer along with the application form.
11. Dean (Academic) will scrutinize the forms with synopsis, and the applications along with the synopsis will be sent to experts for opinion as to whether the proposed research proposal can be accepted for Ph.D. If the expert suggests revision of the research proposal, the same has to be done by the candidate within one month and the same will be forwarded to the expert again.

12. All the applications alongwith expert comments will be placed before the Research Council for final consideration for admission.
13. A candidate selected for admission in the Ph.D. programme, will be provisionally admitted on payment of the following fee(one time)
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| i. Admission fee | Rs. 10,000.00 |
| ii. Registration/Enrolment fee | Rs. 100.00 |
| iii. Library fee | Rs. 1000.00 |
| iv. Identity card fee | Rs. 50.00 |
14. A Ph.D. scholar once provisionally registered shall pay monthly fee @ Rs. 500/- from the date of provisional registration till the date of submission of the Ph.D. thesis. The fee shall be paid quarterly at the beginning of a quarter.
15. Internal Ph.D. scholar (faculty member and RTA) need not pay library fee and identity card fee.
16. At the time of submission of the thesis, a scholar shall have to pay the examination fees as may be decided by the University from time to time.
17. When a scholar has to appear for viva-voce after the examination of the thesis, a viva-voce fee as may prescribed by the University shall be paid by the scholar before holding the viva-voce.
18. Matters on award of the Ph.D. degree will be guided by the Ph.D. regulation of the University. The Research Council will be the final authority in this regard.

Notwithstanding anything contained in the above guidelines, the decision of the Vice-Chancellor on any matter related to Ph.D. programme shall be final and binding.

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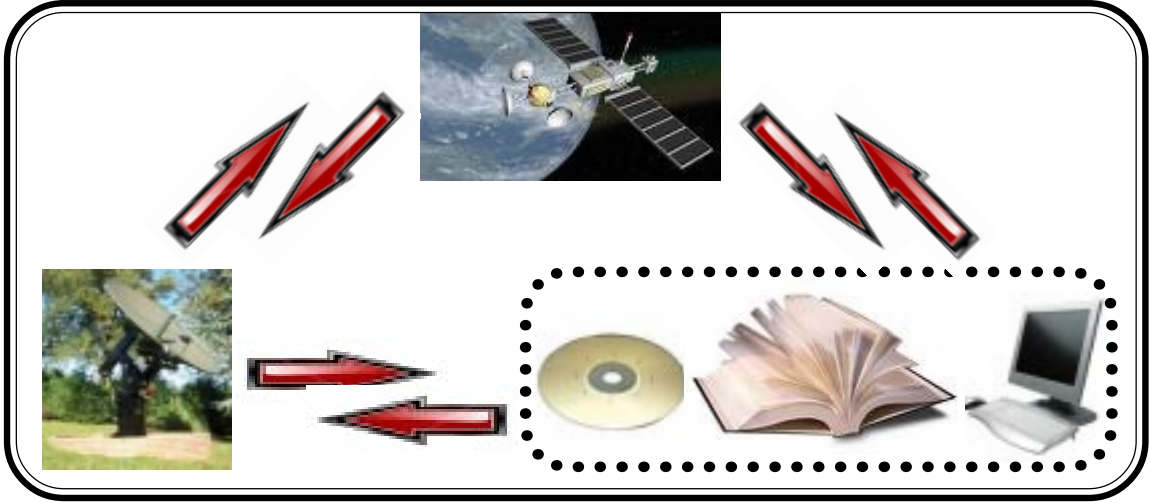
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