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Admission Announcement 2023 PhD Programme in Social Sciences

Gulati Institute of Finance and Taxation (GIFT) invites applications for admission to its full-time PhD Programme in Social Sciences affiliated to Cochin University of Science & Technology (CUSAT), Kochi with specializations in Economics and Commerce

About the PhD Programme

The PhD program at GIFT envisages grooming scholars with strong analytical and empirical competence to analyse issues pertaining to economics and commerce, especially finance and taxation. Backed by rigorous coursework, the scholars are trained in problem solving skills with a strong foundation in theory, quantitative methods and data analytics.

Areas of Research

Economics: Public Finance & Taxation, Development Economics, Applied Econometrics Commerce: Direct & Indirect taxation (including GST), Financial Management, Government Accounts, Capital Markets

Programme Detail

- The PhD Programme adheres to the rules and regulations of CUSAT
- The minimum duration of the Programme is three years and maximum duration is five years. Extensions and relaxations are applicable as per CUSAT PhD regulations
- GIFT PhD Programme has a Foundation Course (FC). On successful completion of the FC, candidates will be allowed to complete core course credit requirements as per the CUSAT norms.
- The research scholars must complete 18 credits of coursework which includes a research proposal.

Research Fellowship

Selected doctoral candidates can avail GIFT's institutional fellowship if he/she has no external fellowship or financial assistance. The institutional fellowship is of Rs. 20,000 per month which will be available for a period of 36 months or till the submission of PhD thesis, whichever is earlier. However, we encourage our doctoral scholars to avail external sources of funding such as UGC's JRF/SRF, RGNF, Kerala State Government fellowship for SC/ST students and others. Selected PhD scholars may also apply for the ICSSR fellowships as per the ICSSR norms.

Eligibility

Candidates must have a Master Degree in in Economics/Econometrics/Applied Economics/Commerce with at least 55% marks in General Category and 50% marks in OBC (NCL), SC, ST and Person with Disability (PWD). Those awaiting the results of the qualifying examination may also apply.

Selection Procedure

The Selection will be in two stages. Eligible candidates will be invited for the entrance test, followed by a personal interview. Candidates holding JRF or other fellowships as notified by CUSAT are exempted from the entrance test. Selection will be based on the respective scores as per CUSAT norms. Candidates are required to submit a research proposal of maximum 1000 words along with their application form. Necessary instructions and guidelines for preparing research proposals are provided in the online application form. **Reservations as per rules of Government of Kerala and CUSAT shall be followed.**

The last date of application is 30th June 2023. For further queries, contact at phd@gift.res.in

For the application form, <u>click here</u> For consulting the CUSAT PhD guidelines, <u>click here</u>

The Application Form along with CUSAT PhD Guidelines may be downloaded from www.gift.res.in