

**SVKM's NMIMS Deemed to be University
Kirit P. Mehta School of Law, Mumbai Campus**

Ph.D. in Law (Batch - 2020)

Instruction Sheet (Revised)

1. Program: Ph.D. in Law

2. Eligibility for Ph.D. in Law.:

- Candidates for admission to the programme shall have a Master's degree in Law (LL.M) or a professional degree declared equivalent to the Master's degree in Law (LL.M) by the corresponding statutory regulatory body, with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade 'B' in the UGC 7-point scale (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed) or an equivalent degree 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 for the purpose of assessing, accrediting or assuring quality and standards of educational institutions.

Note:

- Ph. D in Law is a full-time program. All students will have to complete Pre-Ph.D. course work. On successful completion of Pre-Ph.D. course work student will be registered for Ph. D.
- Those candidates who have obtained their degree by doing a part-time course or through distance learning, correspondence courses, externally, open school from recognized University are eligible to apply and register as per UGC guidelines.
- Candidates appearing or awaiting for final year result are not eligible to apply. Candidates are required to submit all mark sheet/s / certificates at the time of admission.
- Candidates are required to submit Graduation & Master's degree all mark sheets of all years, also AIU Certificate (University Equivalence) is mandatory for those candidates who have completed their graduation/post-graduation from Overseas Universities.

3. Duration of the Programme:

Minimum 3 years and Maximum 6 years (including course work)

4. In Take Capacity: - 10 seats

5. Admission Process

5.1 Online Registration & Payment of Registration:

- Visit www.nmims.edu for online registration
- Before filling the online form, please read all the instructions carefully mentioned in the instruction sheet, important dates and also Terms & Condition given in the online application form.
- Online Registration Fee of Rs. 2000/- plus applicable taxes (Please refer online registration for payment details.)
- Registration Fee is non-refundable.

5.2 Call Letter:

Candidates registered successfully as per eligibility criteria will be called for Written Test & Personal Interview. On the basis of information indicated in the Registration Form, call letter for Written Test & Personal Interview will be communicated to the candidate as per important dates through NMIMS website.

Candidates are required to download the call letter from NMIMS website www.nmims.edu and upload below mentioned document. No separate call letter will be mailed or posted to the candidates.

Submission of Documents: Candidate have to upload below mentioned list of document using the link given in call letter for NMIMS Entrance Test and Personal Interview. It is important and primary requirement to upload the mandatory documents to execute the Written Test and Personal Interview process.

List of Documents :

- Copy of duly filled up online application form
- Attested copies of Graduation Mark sheet and Degree Certificate (Convocation certificate)
- Attested copies of Post-Graduation Mark sheet and Degree Certificate (Convocation certificate)
- Statement of Purpose (format available on website www.nmims.edu). SOP should describe area of research.
- **UGC-NET (including JRF)/UGC-CSIR NET (including JRF)/SLET/GATE/ M.Phil. for Law examination or other equivalent examinations certificate (if appeared).**

No candidate will be permitted to attend admission test or personal interview or to join the programme unless he/ she uploads the above mentioned list of documents in time AND completes the selection process successfully.

A set of photocopy of the above mentioned documents have to be carried along by candidate when they appear for NMIMS written test & personnel interview.

Candidate's application form will not be considered if they fail to upload the above mentioned documents till Friday, 25th September'2020 by 12.00 noon

No candidate without call letter will be permitted to appear for the written test & personal interview.

Candidate must carry any one requisite original ID proof for appearing for the written test & personal interview.

List of ID proof:

1. Voters ID
2. Passport
3. School/College ID
4. Aadhar Card
5. Driving License (Learner license will not be accepted)
6. PAN Card

6. Selection Process:- Ph. D in Law.

The candidate must have passed Admission Test conducted by the University.

OR

The candidate is qualified in UGC-NET (including JRF)/UGC-CSIR NET (including JRF)/SLET/GATE/ M.Phil. for Law examination of the apex bodies in higher/technical professional education or other equivalent examination.

a) Written Test:

1. 300 marks in total – each question carries 2 Marks - no negative marking
2. There will be total compulsory 150 questions only, in the form of MCQ and all need to be answered.
3. Paper 1 is common and compulsory for every candidate. Paper 1 will have 50 questions worth 100 marks. Paper 1 syllabus has 10 units and exactly 5 questions will be asked from each unit. Syllabus for Paper 1 is described below:

Unit-I Teaching Aptitude

Unit-II Research Aptitude

Unit-III Comprehension

Unit-IV Communication

Unit-V Mathematical Reasoning and Aptitude

Unit-VI Logical Reasoning

Unit-VII Data Interpretation

Unit-VIII Information and Communication Technology (ICT)

Unit-IX People, Development and Environment

Unit-X Higher Education System

4. Paper 2 will have 100 questions worth 200 marks. Paper 2 syllabus has 10 units. Syllabus for Paper 2 is described below:

SUBJECT: LAW

Unit – I: Jurisprudence

Unit – II: Constitutional and Administrative Law

Unit – III: Public International Law and IHL

Unit – IV: Law Of Crimes

Unit – V: Law Of Torts And Consumer Protection

Unit – VI: Commercial Law

Unit – VII: Family Law

Unit – VIII: Environment And Human Rights Law

Unit – IX: Intellectual Property Rights And Information Technology Law

Unit – X: Comparative Public Law And Systems Of Governance

Both the papers in the written component shall be held in the duration of 3 hours.

The candidate must have qualified written test with qualifying marks as 50% individually in both the papers as well as personal interview with 50 % marks conducted by the NMIMS University

The ingredients of the units mentioned above and the level of examination in both the papers shall be at par with UGC NET examination.

Note: Candidates those who have qualified in UGC-NET (including JRF)/UGC-CSIR NET (including JRF)/SLET/GATE/ M.Phil. for Law examination of the apex bodies in higher/ technical professional education or other equivalent examinations with valid score in validity period are exempted from NMIMS entrance test. However, they have to appear for Personal Interview.

b) Personal Interview:

- Power Point presentation based on Statement of Purpose (max 500 words) followed by Personal Interview.
- The candidates will have to discuss their research topic/interest area during Personal Interview (Research methodology and proposal for research).
- Final Selection will be on merit.

7. Fees

The Fees for Ph. D.in Law (Batch - 2020) will be informed during personal interview.

8. Refund Rules:

If a student chooses to withdraw from the program of study in which he / she is enrolled, the institution shall follow the following five-tier system for the refund of fees* remitted by the student.

Sr. No.	Percentage of Refund of Fees*	Point of time when notice of withdrawal of admission is received in the Higher Educational Institutions (HEI)
(1)	100%	15 days or more before the formally-notified last date of admission (on or before 14th October 2020)
(2)	90%	Less than 15 days before the formally-notified last date of admission (15th October 2020 to 30th October 2020)
(3)	80%	15 days or less after the formally-notified last date of admission (31st October 2020 to 14th November 2020)
(4)	50%	30 days or less, but more than 15 days, after formally-notified last date of admission (15th November 2020 to 29th November 2020)
(5)	00%	More than 30 days after formally-notified last date of admission (30th November 2020 onwards)

In case of (1) in the table above, the HEI concerned shall deduct an amount not more than 5% of the fees paid by the student, subject to a maximum of Rs. 5,000/- as processing charges from the refundable amount.

Note: Candidates to refer Important Dates of the respective programme.

The above refund rules are as per University Grants Commission (UGC) notification on Refund of Fees and Non-Retention of Original Certificates of October, 2018 and are subject to revision as per UGC notification (as applicable). Please note the closure of admission/last date of admission as mentioned in the refund is Wednesday, 2nd September, 2020.

9. Important Instructions:

- Please see the important dates and preserve it as a guide. All announcements from the University will be through its website www.nmims.edu and there will be no separate mail sent.
- It is the sole responsibility of the candidate to check whether he/she is eligible for the program as per the eligibility criteria stated above.
- AIU certificate is mandatory for those candidates who have completed their Graduation/Post-graduation from overseas Universities
- **For cancellation/ withdrawal of admission:** Withdrawal / cancellation means voluntary withdrawal / cancellation by candidate for any reason. Candidate should email at admissioncancellation@nmims.edu, the soft copy of admission cancellation form duly filled and signed fee paid receipt copy & cancelled cheque (personal account).

The cancellation form is made available on the website (www.nmims.edu & <https://www.nmims.edu/students/>)

- Canvassing in any form will disqualify the candidate.
- If at any stage, it is found that a candidate does not satisfy the eligibility criteria or the information furnished by him/her is incorrect, then application for the admission to the Program, even if selected and fees paid, will stand cancelled and fees will be forfeited.
- NMIMS has full right to disqualify a candidate at any stage of admission process if found ineligible.
- All disputes under Mumbai jurisdiction only.

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Format for preparing SOP

Title: The Title of the project should be concise (with sub-title, if any) reflecting the scope of the investigation.

Aim of the Project: The broad Aim of the project emphasizing the overall thrust of the proposed investigation should be clearly mentioned.

Statement of the Problem: The problem to be investigated should be clearly contextualized in the theoretical framework of the discipline.

Overview of Literature: The problem identified should be logically linked to other studies on the theme in the literature delineating the need for the present investigation.

Conceptual Framework: The concepts to be used, their relevance and applicability to the study and their operationalization should be indicated.

Research Questions or Hypotheses: The research questions to be answered/ addressed need to be unequivocally stated.

Research Methodology:

- (a) **Coverage:** The proposal should clearly indicate the universe of the study, sampling frame, sampling methods, sampling size, units of observation etc.
- (b) **Data Collection:** The proposal should indicate sources of data types of data, tools and techniques for collection of various categories of proposed data.
- (c) **Data Analysis:** It should indicate the statistical techniques, if any, proposed to be used in data processing, specific packages for data analysis, content analysis, indices/scaling techniques proposed to be used etc.

Implications: The proposal should state whether this research would bring forth any implications for policy making either for the region concerned or the country, any methodological innovations or contribute to theory building.

References: The proposal should include a 'List of References' mentioned in the text along with other important recent additions to the literature on the theme. The references should indicate the author, title, publisher and year of publication.