

PhD Admissions – 2025: Eligibility Criteria

[Regulation-2: Educational and Professional Eligibility for Admission to PhD Programme of Ordinance for Doctoral Programmes (Amended) 2024]

An applicant shall be eligible to apply for the PhD programme of SPAB provided s/he

- a) has qualified for the award of Masters degree of a recognized institution or university in various specialization of Architecture or Planning or allied specialisations (M.Tech / M.A./ M.Sc / M.Phil) relevant to the Department's interdisciplinary approach, with a minimum of 55% marks and 50% for reserved categories or equivalent CGPA (6.0 and 5.5 respectively). Diploma degrees not accepted. DRCs to make lists of appropriate qualifications to be approved by Chairperson Senate and validated at the commencement of each academic year before advertisement for admissions.

OR

- b) has qualified for the award of Bachelors degree of a recognized institution or university in Architecture or Planning or B.E/ B. Tech in allied specialisations relevant to the Department's interdisciplinary approach with
 - (i) Minimum marks criteria of 75% (70% for reserved categories) or equivalent grade and
 - (ii) Exemplary professional work /research in allied fields for 10 years after obtaining Bachelors degree. Including Senior/ Retired professionals who have served in Government/Private /Defence Sector. Diploma Degrees not accepted.

Shortlisted Candidates must appear in the PhD Entrance Examination and Interview conducted by SPA Bhopal for consideration of selection. Besides the above, eligibility conditions for admission to PhD programme shall also be as per the Government schemes / directions from time-to-time.

Department-wise Eligibility Criteria

In addition to the above 'Regulation-2: Educational and Professional Eligibility for Admission to PhD Programme', of the Ordinance for Doctoral Programmes (Amended) 2024, the following are the department wise eligibility criteria:

S.No.	Department	Eligibility Criteria
1	Department of Urban and Regional Planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• M.A. / M.Sc. in Geography / Economics / Sociology, Public Policy, Urban Systems, Urban Studies, Regional Studies, Statistics, Operation research.• M. Tech /M.E. in Remote Sensing/GIS.• MBA in relevant disciplines such as Operations/ Finance/ Real Estate/ Infrastructure Management.• 5 year Integrated Degree in Law with specialization in Land Ownership or Property Law.• With respect to the conditions mentioned in RG2 (b), B. Plan or its equivalent degree as listed by AICTE is eligible.
2	Department of Environmental Planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• M.A. / M.Sc in Geography / Economics / Environmental Science.• 5 year Integrated Degree in Law with specialization in Environmental Law.• M.A./M.Sc in Regional Studies/ Environmental Studies and Resource Management / Water Science Governance/ Public Policy and Sustainable Development/ Sustainable Development Practices.• M. Tech in Environmental Engineering / Renewable Energy Engineering and Management/ Water Resources Engineering and Management.• Post Graduate degree in Environmental Law/ LLM in Environmental and Natural Resources.• With respect to the conditions mentioned in RG2 (b), B. Plan degree or its equivalent degree as listed by AICTE is eligible.
3	Department of Transport Planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• M. Tech/M.E./M.S. in Transport/ Traffic/ Infrastructure or equivalent programs, as listed by AICTE.• MBA in Operations/ Logistics/ Public Policy/ Infrastructure or equivalent programs, as listed by AICTE.• M.Sc./M.A. in Geography/ Economics/ Statistics/ Operations research/ Econometrics or equivalent programs.• With respect to the conditions mentioned in RG2 (b), B. Plan degree or its equivalent degree as listed by AICTE is eligible.

4	Department of Urban Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • M.A. / M.Sc. in Urban Systems, Urban Studies • With respect to the conditions mentioned in RG2 (b), B. Arch degree or its equivalent degree as listed by AICTE is eligible.
5	Department of Conservation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • M.A. in History/ Cultural Studies/Heritage studies/Anthropology or equivalent degrees. • M.A./ M.Sc. in Museology / Archaeology or equivalent degrees • 5 year Integrated Degree in Law with specialization in Heritage Law • With respect to the conditions mentioned in RG2 (b), B. Arch degree or its equivalent degree as listed by AICTE, Bachelors in Visual Arts / Fine Arts is eligible.
6	Department of Landscape Architecture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • M.A. / M.Sc. in Geography, Urban Systems, Urban Ecology. • M. Tech /M.E. in Remote Sensing/GIS • With respect to the conditions mentioned in RG2 (b), B. Arch degree or its equivalent degree as listed by AICTE is eligible.
7	Department of Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Master in Technology/Engineering • Masters in Architecture/Planning • Masters in Fine/Applied Arts/Museum Studies / Museology. • Masters in Allied subjects of Design • With respect to the conditions mentioned in RG2 (b), B. Des degree or its equivalent degree as listed by AICTE, Bachelors in Visual Arts / Fine Arts is eligible.
8	Department of Architecture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Masters Degree Programmes in various specializations of Architecture / Planning and their equivalent degrees are eligible. • With respect to the conditions mentioned in RG2 (b), B. Arch degree or its equivalent degree as listed by AICTE is eligible.
9	Department of Building Engineering and Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Masters degree in various specialization of Architecture/ Planning/ Civil Engineering. • With respect to the conditions mentioned in RG2 (b), B. Arch / B.Tech (Civil) / B.E. (Civil) / Bachelor of Building Science (4-year) degree or its equivalent degree