भारतीय विज्ञान शिक्षा एवं अनुसंधान संस्थान बरहमपुर
Indian Institute of Science Education and Research Berhampur
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Advertisement for Admission to Ph.D. Programs AY 2025-26 Semester-II (January 2026)

Indian Institute of Science Education and Research Berhampur invites applications from highly motivated students for admission to the Ph.D. programme starting from January 2026. Currently, IISER Berhampur offers Ph.D. programmes in Biological Sciences, Chemical Sciences, Earth & Environmental Sciences, Mathematical Sciences, Physical Sciences and Computational Data Sciences disciplines OR in any relevant interdisciplinary area closely related to the mainstream are encouraged to apply for Ph.D. programmes.

A glimpse of the research areas open for admission and admission criteria are provided on the admission webpage and further information about individual faculty profiles and areas of research can be obtained from the IISER Berhampur website. Prospective students satisfying the eligibility criteria are encouraged to acquaint themselves with the research areas of our faculty members for a suitable match of interest.

The aim of the Ph.D. Program is to develop graduates having good knowledge and research training in classical and emerging areas. Applications are invited in the following departments:

1. Chemical Sciences
2. Computer Science
3. Earth & Environmental Sciences
4. Mathematical Sciences
5. Physical Sciences

Detailed information about the research areas of Faculty Members in the above disciplines can be obtained from the Institute website at https://iiserbpr.ac.in/people/faculty. The applicants are strongly encouraged to go through the profiles of Faculty Members and to get familiar with their specialization and research interests.

A. Application Procedure:

Applicants are requested to use the following link to fill and submit the application form online: https://www.iiserbpr.in/phdform/

In case of any query, candidates may contact the Office of Academic Affairs (academics_pg@iiserbpr.ac.in, caa_pg@iiserbpr.ac.in) for issues related to online application and other general queries may be directed to the offices of the respective departments.

B. Eligibility for Admission:

1. M.Sc./MCA/M.Tech. Degree in the relevant discipline with a minimum of 60% marks or CGPA/CPI of 7.0 on a 10-point scale. (Overall percentage/ CGPA/CPI; not only in majoring subject)
2. A relaxation of 5% of marks, or an equivalent relaxation of grade, will be allowed for candidates belonging to SC/ST/PwD categories.
3. If the transcript/grade sheet issued by the Institute/University reports:
   a. Only marks, percentages will be considered.
   b. Only grades, CGPA/CPI will be considered. If CGPA/CPI is reported on any scale other than 10 (eg. 4 point/ 8 point scale), an equivalent CGPA/CPI will be calculated as per the following formula:

CGPA/CPI in a 10 point scale = (CGPA/CPI Obtained×10)/PS

PS = Point scale used by the Institute/University.

c. Both marks and CGPA/CPI
The percentage equivalent of CGPA/CPI, as indicated on the transcript/grade sheet, will be considered if absolute grading is followed.

d. CGPA/CPI ONLY will be considered if relative grading is followed.

4. Additionally, a National level examination like the National Eligibility Test (NET)/GATE/UGC-JRF/CSIR-JRF/DBT (JRF A category)/ICMR (JRF category I)/NET-LS/INSPIRE-PhD/JGEEBILS/JEST/or any other recognized score is mandatory. The certificate/ fellowship MUST be valid at the time of admission.
5. The Department of Physical Sciences has vacancies for SC/ST/PwD/OBC-NCL Categories only.

or

Exemptions from mandatory requirements mentioned above at B (4):

1. B.Tech/B.E./B.S. (or equivalent) degree from CFTI (Centrally Funded Technical Institute) at the time of application with CGPA/CPI of at least 8.0 (on a scale of 10) or equivalent.

2. Exceptionally brilliant candidates with MBBS also apply for Ph.D. programs.

3. Students with CGPA>=8.0 in BS-MS dual degree from any of the IISERs are eligible to apply without the essential eligibility criteria listed above.

C. Reservation Policy:

The norms of reservation for different categories shall be adopted as laid down by the Ministry of Education, Government of India.

D. Age relaxation:

Applicant's age should not exceed more than 28 years at the time of joining. Age relaxation of 3 years will be given for OBC (Non Creamy Layer) and 5 years for SC/ST/PwD/Female candidates.

E. Financial Assistance

Candidates admitted to Ph.D. Program (Regular) will be eligible for financial assistance as per the norms of IISER Berhampur or the external funding agency.

Important Instructions

Selection mode: The interview shall be conducted in offline mode.

- All communication with candidates will be done by email only.
- Kindly check this website for periodic updates.
- Candidates who are appearing or are about to appear for final examinations of the qualifying degree programme are eligible to apply for Ph.D. programmes. However, their final selection is subject to their successful completion of the qualifying degree with the above-mentioned requirements at the time of admission. A provisional degree certificate is mandatory at the time of admission.
- Selection will be based on interviews of the short-listed candidates. Shortlisted candidates will be called for an interview. **Date of the interview will be communicated to shortlisted candidates by e-mail, and the same will be available on the Institute website.** TA will be paid to SC/ST candidates appearing for the interview as per Govt. of India norms.
- Mere fulfilling the eligibility criterion does not entitle a candidate to be called for the test and interview.
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Important Dates:

Milestones	Date
Opening date of online Application	October 07, 2025
The closing date of filling online application form	October 27, 2025
Announcement of shortlisted applicants for the interview process	November 4, 2025
Last date for issuing PhD interview call letters	November 4, 2025
Date of test/interview (Tentative):	November 13-23, 2025

Whom to contact:

In case of any query, the applicants may contact the offices of the department/school, where they are applying to:

Department	Email ID
Biological sciences	hod_bio@iiserbpr.ac.in, office_bio@iiserbpr.ac.in
Chemical sciences	hod_chm@iiserbpr.ac.in, office_chm@iiserbpr.ac.in
Mathematical Sciences	hod_maths@iiserbpr.ac.in, office_maths@iiserbpr.ac.in
Physical Sciences	hod_phy@iiserbpr.ac.in, office_phy@iiserbpr.ac.in
Earth and Environmental Sciences	hod_ees@iiserbpr.ac.in, office_ees@iiserbpr.ac.in
Computer Science	hod_cs@iiserbpr.ac.in, office_cds@iisrbpr.ac.in