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Eligibility

The following categories of candidates are eligible to appear in GATE 2008:

- Bachelor degree holders in Engineering/ Technology/ Architecture/Pharmacy (4 years after 10+2) and those who are in the final or pre-final year of such programmes.
- Master degree holders in any branch of Science/ Mathematics/ Statistics/ Computer Applications or equivalent and those who are in the final or pre-final year of such programmes.
- Candidates in the second or higher year of the Four-year Integrated Master degree programme (Post-B.Sc.) in Engineering/Technology or in the third or higher year of Five-year Integrated Master degree programme and Dual Degree programme in Engineering/Technology.
- Candidates with qualifications obtained through examinations conducted by professional societies recognised by UPSC/AICTE (e.g. AMIE) as equivalent to B.E./B.Tech. Those who have completed section A or equivalent of such professional courses are also eligible.

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IMPORTANT DATES

Date of Examination	23.12.2007
Date of start of sale of Information Bulletin	21.08.2007
Date of close of sale of Information Bulletin by post only	12.09.2007
Date of close of sale of Information Bulletin (at all stations except Delhi)	14.09.2007
Date of close of sale of Information Bulletin (by hand at Delhi only)	21.09.2007
Last date of receipt of completed application forms	21.09.2007
Last date of receipt of completed application forms (from remote areas)	28.09.2007
Last date for receipt of request for change of centre on merits	12.10.2007

1. CSIR will hold the above national level test on **23rd December, 2007** for determining the eligibility of the **Indian national candidates** for the award of Junior Research Fellowships (JRF) NET and for determining eligibility for appointment of Lecturers (NET) in certain subject areas falling under the faculty of Science. The award of Junior Research Fellowship (NET) to the successful eligible candidates will depend on their finding admission/placement in a university/ national laboratory/ institution of higher learning and research, as applicable.
 - 1.1 A candidate may apply either for 'JRF + Lectureship' both or for 'Lectureship (LS) only' He/she may indicate his/her preference in col.3 of the application, as the case may be. CSIR may consider candidates applying for 'JRF + LS' for 'Lectureship only' depending on number of fellowships available. If a candidate is found to be over-age for JRF (NET) he/she will automatically be considered for Lectureship (NET) only.
 - 1.2 Two separate merit lists, one comprising the candidates qualifying for the award of Junior Research Fellowship (JRF - NET) and the second, of those candidates qualifying the Eligibility Test for Lectureship (NET), will be made on the basis of their performance in the above Test. Candidates qualifying for JRF (NET), will also be eligible for Lectureship (NET). **The candidates qualifying for Lectureship will be eligible for recruitment as Lecturers as well as for JRF-ship in a Scheme/Project, if otherwise suitable as per the eligibility criteria of that Scheme/Project. However they will not be eligible for Regular JRF-NET Fellowship. They will be eligible to pursue Ph.D. programme with or without any fellowship other than JRF-NET.** Candidates qualifying for the award of JRF (NET) will receive fellowship either from CSIR or UGC as per their assignment or from the Schemes with which they may find association.
 - 1.3 The result of the examination to be held on **23.12.2007** may be declared sometime in the month of April, **2008** and fellowship to successful candidates could be awarded from **01.07.2008**.

2.1 SUBJECTS OF THE TEST

The Test will be held in the subjects as given under:

- 1 **Chemical Sciences**
- 2 **Earth Atmospheric Ocean and Planetary Sciences**
- 3 **Life Sciences**
- 4 **Mathematical Sciences**
- 5 **Physical Sciences**

2.2 EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION

M.Sc. or Equivalent degree under the subjects mentioned in para 2.1 above, with minimum 55% marks for General & OBC candidates; 50% for SC/ST candidates, Physically and Visually Handicapped candidates and Ph.D. degree holders who had passed Master's degree prior to 19th September 1991.

A candidate can also apply for the Test **under RA (Result Awaited) category**, if he/she is appearing or has appeared in his/her final year (III/IV Semester where Semester system is there) of M.Sc. **OR** equivalent Degree Examination in subjects mentioned in para 2.1 above during the academic Session 2007-2008. Such candidates will have to submit the attestation format (given at the reverse of the application form) duly certified by the Head of the Deptt./Institute over his/her signature and rubber stamp (with address and name) from where the candidate is appearing or has appeared in the final year M.Sc. or equivalent degree examination. However, such candidates shall be admitted to the Test provisionally. They shall be considered eligible for JRF-(NET)/LS-(NET), if they are able to produce the proof of having passed the Master's Degree examination in the relevant or related subject with the requisite percentage of marks and within the stipulated time frame.

UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION

NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL TESTING (NET) BUREAU

UGC NATIONAL ELIGIBILITY TEST FOR JUNIOR RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP AND ELIGIBILITY FOR LECTURESHIP – December, 2007

NOTIFICATION EXAM. DATE : 16-12-2007 N CLOSING DATE : 23-10-2007

Last date for receipt of duly completed Application Forms at the respective Test Centres is 23-10-2007. Candidates should submit their Application Forms only to the Registrar of the University from where they wish to appear in the Test as indicated in item 10 below. The application must be strictly as per the prescribed format. **APPLICATION SENT DIRECTLY TO THE UGC OFFICE WILL NOT BE ENTERTAINED.**

1) The University Grants Commission announces holding of the **National Eligibility Test (NET)** on **16th December, 2007 (Sunday)** for determining the eligibility of Indian nationals for the **Award of Junior Research Fellowships (JRF)** and **eligibility for Lectureship** in Indian universities and colleges. UGC will conduct NET in 77 (seventy seven) subjects (listed under item no. 9) at 66 (sixty six) selected University Centres (listed under Item no. 10) spread across the country.

The result of the UGC-NET held on 24th June, 2007 and the one to be held on 16th December, 2007 will be made available on the UGC website : www.ugc.ac.in and shall also be published in the Employment News as and when it is declared. The candidates will not be individually intimated about their result.

The Candidates who qualify for the award of Junior Research Fellowship are eligible to pursue research in the subject of their post-graduation or in a related subject and are also eligible for Lectureship. The universities, institutions, IITs and other national organizations may select the JRF awardees for whole time research work in accordance with the procedure prescribed by them. The award of JRF will depend on the performance of the candidate in NET. The qualified candidates will also be eligible for Lectureship. However, the candidates qualifying exclusively for Lectureship will not be considered for award of JRF. Candidates appearing in NET should clearly specify in the prescribed Application Form whether they are applying for both JRF & eligibility for Lectureship OR only for eligibility for Lectureship.

Candidates who qualify the Test for eligibility for Lectureship will be governed by the rules and regulations for recruitment of Lecturers of the concerned universities/colleges/state governments, as the case may be.

Scheduled Caste (SC)/Scheduled Tribe (ST)/Visually Handicapped (VH)/Physically Handicapped (PH) candidates will be given such special concessions as may be decided by the Commission.

2) JUNIOR RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP :

Candidates qualifying for the award of Junior Research Fellowship will be eligible to receive fellowship of the UGC under various schemes, subject to finding their placement in universities/IITs/institutions. The validity period of the offer is two years w.e.f. the date of issue of JRF Award Letter. However, in case the candidates have already joined M.Phil/Ph.D., the date of commencement of fellowship shall be from the date of declaration of NET result or date of their joining, whichever is later.

3) CONDITIONS OF ELIGIBILITY :

i) Candidates who have secured at least 55% marks (without grace or rounding off) in Master's Degree (or) equivalent examination from Universities/Institutions recognised by UGC in Humanities (including languages) and Social Sciences, Computer Science & Applications, Electronic Science etc. are eligible for this Test. The Scheduled Caste (SC)/Scheduled Tribe (ST)/Physically Handicapped (PH)/Visually Handicapped (VH) category candidates who have secured at least 50% marks (without grace or rounding off) in Master's degree examination are eligible for this Test.

ii) Candidates who have appeared **OR** will be appearing at the qualifying Master's degree (final year) examination and whose result is still awaited **OR** candidates whose qualifying examinations have been delayed may also apply for this Test. However, such candidates will be admitted provisionally and shall be considered eligible for award of JRF/Lectureship eligibility only after they have passed their Master's degree examination or equivalent with at least 55% marks (50% in case of SC/ST/PH/VH category candidates). Such candidates must complete their P.G. degree examination within two years from the date of NET Result with required percentage of marks, failing which they shall be treated as disqualified.

iii) The Ph.D. degree holders whose Master's level examination had been completed by 19th September, 1991 (irrespective of date of declaration of result) shall be eligible for a relaxation of 5% in aggregate marks (i.e., from 55% to 50%) for appearing in NET.

iv) **Candidates are advised to appear in the subject of their post-graduation only.** The candidates whose post-graduation subject is not covered in the list of subjects in item No. 9, may appear in a related subject.

v) **Candidates seeking concession in fee are required to submit attested copy of their OBC/SC/ST/PH/VH certificate along with their Application Forms.**

Other candidates are not required to submit any certificates/documents in support of their eligibility alongwith the Application Form. Therefore, the candidates, in their own interest, must satisfy themselves about their eligibility for the Test. In the event of any ineligibility being detected by the Commission, their candidature will be cancelled and they shall be liable for legal action.

4) AGE LIMIT & RELAXATION :

i) Junior Research Fellowship : Not more than 28 years as on 01.12.2007. A relaxation upto 5 years is provided to the candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC/PH/VH categories and to women applicants. Relaxation will also be provided to the candidates having research experience, limited to the period spent on research in the relevant/related subject of post-graduation degree, subject to a maximum of 5 years, on production of a certificate from appropriate authority. Three years' relaxation in age will be permissible to the candidates possessing L.L.M. Degree. Total age relaxation on the above ground(s) shall not exceed five years under any circumstances.

ii) **Lectureship : No upper age limit.**

5) EXEMPTION (ELIGIBILITY FOR LECTURESHIP) :

i) **For M. Phil/ Ph.D candidates:** The candidates having Ph.D. Degree in the concerned subject are exempted from NET for Under Graduate and Post Graduate level teaching. The candidates having M. Phil Degree in the concerned subject are exempted from NET for Under Graduate level teaching only. The candidates who have passed the UGC/CSIR JRF examination prior to 1989 are also exempted from appearing in NET.

ii) **For SET Candidates:** The candidates who have cleared the State Eligibility Test (SET) accredited by UGC for eligibility for Lectureship held prior to 1st June 2002, are exempted from appearing in NET, being eligible to apply for