



## TATA INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

(Deemed University U/s – 3 of the UGC Act, 1956)

DEONAR, MUMBAI 400 088

### ANNOUNCEMENT FOR ADMISSION TO THE M.PHIL & PH.D. PROGRAMMES

TISS invites applications for the Integrated M.Phil-Ph.D. and 'Direct' Ph.D. Programmes (academic year 2014-2015) with the various Schools and Independent Centres of the Institute across TISS Mumbai, Tuljapur, Guwahati and Hyderabad Campuses. UGC JRF qualified candidates, post graduates, students in the final year post graduation in Social Sciences and allied fields and individuals with M.Phil and / or industrial, academic and field based experience in Social Sciences, Social Work, Disaster Management, Development Studies and allied fields are invited to apply.

Admission to the **Integrated M.Phil – Ph. D. programme & Direct Ph. D. programme** will be in the following Research Areas :

| Sr. No. | Research Areas                | Mumbai Campus - No. of seats* |               |
|---------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|
|         |                               | Integrated M. Phil-Ph. D      | Direct Ph. D. |
| 1.      | Habitat Studies               | 3                             | 3             |
| 2.      | Health Systems Studies        | 10                            | 5             |
| 3.      | Management and Labour Studies | 10                            | 5             |
| 4.      | Social Work                   | 25                            | 15            |
| 5.      | Disaster Management           | 5                             | 5             |
| 6.      | Education                     | 8                             | 5             |
| 7.      | Women's Studies               | 10                            | 5             |
| 8.      | Development Studies           | 15                            | 10            |
| 9.      | Social Sciences               | 10                            | 10            |
| 10.     | Media and Cultural Studies    | -                             | 2             |
| 11.     | Library Sciences              | -                             | 5             |

\* Stated numbers can change and are subject to Research Council & Academic Council approval

| Sr. No. | Research Areas  | Hyderabad Campus -No. of seats* |               |
|---------|-----------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
|         |                 | Integrated M. Phil-Ph. D        | Direct Ph. D. |
| 1.      | Education       | 10                              | -             |
| 2.      | Women's Studies | 10                              | -             |
| 3.      | Social Sciences | -                               | 5             |

| Sr. No. | Research Areas  | Guwahati Campus -No. of seats |               |
|---------|-----------------|-------------------------------|---------------|
|         |                 | Integrated M. Phil-Ph. D      | Direct Ph. D. |
| 1.      | Social Sciences | 10                            | 5             |

| Sr. No. | Research Areas    | Tuljapur Campus -No. of seats* |               |
|---------|-------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|
|         |                   | Integrated M. Phil-Ph. D       | Direct Ph. D. |
| 2.      | Rural Development | 10                             | 5             |

## About the Programme

**The Integrated M. Phil – Ph. D. programme** is a five year full time programme. All the candidates admitted to the Integrated M. Phil – Ph. D programme will follow a common course curriculum in Research Methodology. However, for M. Phil in Education, Women's Studies, Health System Studies\* and Development Studies there will be a subject specific **taught M. Phil. Programme of four semesters**. The first year of the programme comprises of course work while in the second year, students will work towards completing their M.Phil Dissertation.

**The Ph.D. programme** is designed for candidates with a minimum of five years of post-graduate relevant experience in the field being proposed for research by the candidate. Selected candidates can pursue Ph.D. either by staying on the TISS campus (subject to availability of accommodation) or from whichever location they are based in. TISS does not make any distinction among research scholars as full time and part time. However, selected candidates who are not residing in the Campus, are expected to be in touch with the research guide, attend modular programmes/courses (also applicable for direct on campus PhD scholars who do not hold an M.Phil degree), pay fees regularly, ensure timely submission of progress reports and fulfill the necessary requirements of the Ph.D. programme.

\* Subject to Research Council, Academic Council approval.

\* Course work for additional programme(s) may be made available for Academic year 2014 based on Research Council, Academic council approval.

Candidates applying for **Integrated M.Phil/Ph.D. and Direct Ph. D. Programme in Education, Development Studies and Women's Studies at the Mumbai Campus** should refer to the details about eligibility, rationale, objectives and programme structure as per the details provided on the TISS website ([www.tiss.edu](http://www.tiss.edu)).

Candidates applying for **Integrated M.Phil/Ph.D. in Education, Women's Studies at the Hyderabad Campus**\* should refer to the details about eligibility, rationale, objectives and programme structure as per the details provided on the TISS campus website (<http://www.campus.tiss.edu/> )

\*The relevant information for the Hyderabad Campus will be available on the above mentioned website in early February.

## Application Instructions

- A candidate may apply for a maximum of **two** programmes from among the different programmes offered at TISS Mumbai, Tuljapur, Guwahati and Hyderabad campuses.
- Candidates can apply for two programmes within one or across more than one campus. The Research Aptitude Test (RAT) can be taken at any one of the chosen campuses on April 10. The RAT score is valid across campuses and across two choices.
- Candidates who apply for more than one campus, if shortlisted, have to travel for Personal interview to both the campuses on designated dates given in this brochure.
- The same application form can be used for applying to more than one programme.
- Processing fee paid by the candidates will not be refunded if they are found ineligible for the applied programme/s.
- Candidates must ensure that application is complete in all respects, including fee payment. Incomplete application forms will not be considered.
- Applications received after the due date will not be considered and the processing fee paid will not be refunded.

**The last date for submission of application form is March 30, 2014**

## Application Process

Candidates must complete the application process in online mode. The online application can be saved at any stage (information entered will remain intact). The candidate can then return to the application by logging in with the respective user name and password at any time before the submission deadline of March 30, 2014. Once the application has been submitted online, candidates can choose the mode of payment of the application fees (Credit card, Debit card or net banking). Candidates can refer to section no. 6 named 'Application Procedure for Integrated M.Phil. and Ph.D. Programmes and Direct Ph.D. Programme' of the information brochure to know the application procedure in detail.

Candidates facing genuine technical issues/having difficulty in accessing the online application, may write to [pgadmission@tiss.edu](mailto:pgadmission@tiss.edu) mentioning their name, contact details and a clear description of the problem being faced or may call 022-25525252.

## Application Fee Details

|                             | <b>Online Payment by Credit Card/Debit Card</b> | <b>Online Payment by Netbanking</b> | <b>Cash Deposit in any SBI Branch using the prescribed challan</b> |
|-----------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|--|
| <b>Fee for 1 Programme</b>  | Rs. 1,530/-                                     | Rs. 1,530/-                         | Rs. 1,500/- + Bank Charges   |
| <b>Fee for 2 Programmes</b> | Rs. 3,060/-                                     | Rs. 3,060/-                         | Rs. 3,000/- + Bank Charges   |

## Reservation Policy

- TISS adheres to the reservation of seats for SC, ST, OBC and PWD candidates as per the Government of India norms.
- Unemployed SC/ST and OBC(NC) (including NT, DNTs & SBC from Maharashtra State) candidates, whose parent's/guardian's annual income for the financial year 2012-13 is less than Rs.2.5 lakhs and Rs.1 lakh respectively are exempt from paying the application fees.
- Further, the above specified candidates (on submission of the relevant certificate) will be provided to and fro travel expenses (Second Class Railway or State Transport Bus fare only). The reimbursement of the travel expenses will be subject to their submission of the original tickets. No reimbursement of TA will be done if candidate travels by taxi/private car/tourist bus/air/other class of railway.
- All eligible SC/ST/OBC/PWD/Minority scholars applying for the programme are required to submit an attested photocopy of their AADHAAR CARD and photocopy of first page of Bank Passbook, if they get selected in the final round of the admission process.

## Admission Process

- The list of all eligible candidates amongst the candidates who apply for Integrated M.Phil-Ph.D. programme and direct Ph.D. Programme will be displayed on the Institute website on April 4, 2014. The eligible candidates will be invited for the Written Test (Research Aptitude Test - RAT) to be held at all the TISS Campuses on 10<sup>th</sup> April, 2014. Candidates can opt to take the RAT at any of the campuses.
- The model paper and rules for the Research Aptitude Test (RAT) along with the guidelines for shortlisting will be put up on the TISS website by early March 2014.

- Candidates who have cleared JRF, GATE and other relevant exams are also expected to attend the Written Test and Personal Interview\*.
- The list of shortlisted candidates from the eligible list of candidates for all the programmes will be displayed on the TISS website by 15 April, 2014. These candidates will be required to appear for the PI's between 21 and 30 April, 2014 as per the email communication sent to them.
- Apart from the fulfillment of academic criteria the short listing of applicants for the Personal Interviews for Integrated M. Phil – Ph. D. programme and direct Ph. D. programme will be linked to the statement of purpose/ research proposal and the domain expertise available at the Schools / Centre.
- Candidates with visual impairment will have to indicate the impairment in the application form. They will be provided with a writer for the written test.
- The final selection process will be completed by mid May and the final list of candidates and relevant information will be uploaded on the TISS website.
- All candidates who appear in the final selection list are required to bring a hard copy of their duly filled in application form duly filled along with original caste, income and degree certificates as applicable for verification.
- Selected candidates are expected to pay fees by end of May 2014.
- All the programmes will begin by mid June 2014 or on a date as indicated in the offer letter at the time of admission.

## Important Dates:

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|---|----------------------------|
| <b>Last date of submission of Application Form:</b>                   | <b>March 30, 2014</b>      |
| <b>Announcement of shortlisted Candidates for RAT</b>                 | <b>April 4, 2014</b>       |
| <b>Research Aptitude Test (RAT)</b>                                   | <b>April 10, 2014</b>      |
| <b>Announcement of candidates invited for Personal Interview (PI)</b> | <b>April 15, 2014</b>      |
| <b>Personal Interview:</b>  | <b>April 21 - 30, 2014</b> |
| <b>Mumbai Campus</b>  | <b>April 21-24, 2014</b>   |
| <b>Guwahati Campus</b>  | <b>April 24-25, 2014</b>   |
| <b>Hyderabad Campus</b>   | <b>April 28-30, 2014</b>   |

For further details read the Information Brochure. For any queries regarding any part of the admission process please contact TISS C.A.R.E. (Centre for Application Relationship and Engagement (Helpline) 022-25525252.

**C.P. Mohan Kumar**  
Registrar

**Date: 31 January 2014**

***\*As per the guidelines received from UGC No. F.1-1/2002(PS)/Exemp. Part file-III dates March 10, 2011***