

Guidelines for Admission in MS & PhD Program

Applications for admission to MS and PhD Program under course-credit system in the following Subjects (Number of vacant seats are mentioned in the bracket) are called for Winter 2017 Term. Duration of MS program is usually 5 (five) terms and that of PhD program is usually 9 (nine) terms (each term includes 12 weeks and each year consists of 3 terms).

1. Subject

MS Program: Agricultural Extension & Rural Development (5); Agroforestry and Environment (30); Agro-Processing (11); Agronomy (49); Biotechnology (6); Crop Botany (20); Environmental Science (4); Genetics & Plant Breeding (20); Horticulture (30); Plant Pathology (20); Soil Science (24); Seed Science and Technology (8); Genetics and Fish Breeding (7); Animal Nutrition (6) Dairy Science (6); Poultry Science (8); Theriogenology (10); Agricultural Economics (14).

PhD Program: Agricultural Extension & Rural Development (2); Agroforestry and Environment (6); Agronomy (5); Biotechnology (2); Crop Botany (5); Genetics and Plant Breeding (4); Horticulture (5); Plant Pathology (6); Soil Science (3); Seed Science and Technology (2).

2. Eligibility and selection procedure

MS Program

- a) Candidates for admission to **MS Program** must have a Bachelor of Science degree in agricultural discipline or DVM from BSMRAU with a minimum GPA 3.00 (out of 4.00) or an equivalent degree with a minimum GPA 3.00 (out of 4.00) or second class from a recognized university or institution.
- b) Candidates will be selected on the basis of GPA/ number obtained in SSC, HSC and BS level examinations. The selection of candidates will be made in order of merit based on 100 points out of which 60 points for BS/BSc, 20 points for HSC and 20 points for SSC. Applicants with degree/degrees in course credit/grading system should secure at least 70 points and candidates with degree/ degrees under number system must secure at least 65 points.
- c) In-service candidates having degree in grading system must secure at least 65 points and those having degree under number system must secure at least 60 points. In-service candidates holding scholarship, 5 points may be reduced for candidates having degree either in grading system or in number system i.e., minimum 60 points in case of grading system and 55 points in case of number system.
- d) A candidate may give option for only 3(three) departments in order of preference.
- e) In-service candidates must attach a deputation order/evidence of deputation with the application form from his employer for the period of course and research works.
- f) A candidate who left the university with 'F' grade or GPA below 3.00 (three) is not eligible to apply for admission.

PhD Program

- a) Only the in-service candidates are eligible to apply.
- b) Candidates for admission to **PhD Program** must have a Master of Science degree from BSMRAU with a minimum GPA 3.00 (out of 4.00) or an equivalent degree with a minimum GPA 3.00 (out of 4.00) or second class from a recognized university or institution.
- c) Candidates from recognized non-govt. organizations/ NGOs must have service experience of at least 2 years.
- d) A candidate may give option for only 3(three) departments in order of preference.
- e) Selection of candidate will be made on the basis of GPA/ number obtained in SSC, HSC, Bachelor and Masters degree. Candidates will be selected in accordance with merit based on 100 points of which 35 points for Bachelor and 35 points for Masters degrees (Total 70 points) and 15 points for SSC and 15 points for HSC examinations (Total 30 points). Degree holders in course credit/grading system should have at least 70 points and in number system at least 60 points for their eligibility to get admission. In case of in-service candidates working in Govt./semi Govt. organizations or autonomous bodies and holding scholarship 5 points may be reduced.

- f) A letter of clearance or deputation order for the period of course and research must be attached with the application.
- g) A candidate who left the university with 'F' grade or GPA below 3.00 (three) is not eligible to apply for admission.

3. Payment

- a) Following advertisement for admission a candidate may collect application form, guidelines for admission and a Graduate Catalogue from academic section of the university during office time. Application form may also be downloaded from the university website www.bsmrau.edu.bd. Application form duly filled in along with a bank receipt of taka 500/- (five hundred) deposited in Sonali Bank, BSMRAU branch is to be submitted in academic section.
- b) **Foreign students** are allowed to submit the bank draft of taka 500/- (five hundred) deposited in Sonali Bank, BSMRAU branch on or before the day of admission. Upon receiving request from a foreign applicant the validity of payment may be extended up to the following term.

4. Important dates

- a) Last date of submission of application form : 10/10/2017
- b) Publication of list of selected candidates : 25/10/2017
- c) Admission date : 01/11/2017
- d) Orientation : 12/11/2017 (Morning)
- e) Beginning of class : 12/11/2017 (Afternoon)

5. Attested copy of certificates/documents to be submitted along with the application.

- * Two copies of recent passport size photograph.
- * Certificate & Mark sheet/ Transcript of SSC, HSC, Bachelor & Masters degree (For PhD Program).
- * Photocopy of National ID card for Bangladeshi students and photocopy of Passport for foreign students.
- * Testimonial from the head of the institute last attended.
- * Receipt for deposited money for Admission Form (Academic section's copy)
- * Attested photocopy of other essential documents should be submitted.
- * Application with illegible, incomplete and wrong information and that received after the scheduled date shall directly be cancelled.


6. Original certificates must be shown at the time of admission.

Original certificates of the documents submitted along with the application form must be produced at the time of admission.

7. Other information

- i. Information related to admission, course and examination procedure are available in the Graduate Catalogue.
- ii. Application form must be submitted in the academic section on or before 10/10/2017 during office time.
- iii. List of the selected candidates will be published in the notice board of academic section of BSMRAU on 25/10/2017 and admission will be held on 01/11/2017.
- iv. Prior to admission the selected candidate shall deposit required fee in the Sonali Bank of BSMRAU branch.
- v. Course enrolment should be furnished at the time of admission. Orientation of the admitted student will be held on 12/11/2017 (morning) and classes will be held on 12/11/2017 (afternoon).
- vi. The admission of a student shall automatically be cancelled if he/she fails to attend the classes within the first 14 (fourteen) days of the term of admission.
- vii. Each student must reside in Hall during study period. Rules regarding the hall/ residence may be found from the provost office.
- viii. Students enrolled in academic program (MS & PhD) of BSMRAU must not be involved in regular academic program of any other university/ institution.
- ix. A limited number of students will be awarded scholarship/ stipend in accordance with scholarship/ stipend rules of the university and availability of fund. Stipend is available from the first term of admission and scholarship is awarded from second term of admission.


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