

Guidelines for Admission in MS & PhD Program

Applications for admission to MS and PhD Program under course-credit system in the following Subjects are invited for Winter 2020 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; Agroforestry and Environment; Agro-Processing; Agronomy; Biotechnology; Crop Botany; Environmental Science; Entomology; Genetics and Plant Breeding; Horticulture; Plant Pathology; Soil Science; Seed Science and Technology; Fisheries Biology and Aquatic Environment; Fisheries Management; Genetics and Fish Breeding; Dairy Science; Poultry Science; Theriogenology; Pathology; Agribusiness Economics.

PhD Program: Agricultural Extension and Rural Development; Agroforestry and Environment; Agronomy; Biotechnology; Crop Botany; Entomology; Genetics and Plant Breeding; Horticulture; Plant Pathology; Soil Science; Seed Science and Technology; Agricultural Economics.

2. Eligibility and selection procedure

MS Program

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- A candidate may give option for only 3(three) departments in order of preference.
- 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.

PhD Program

- Only the in-service candidates are eligible to apply.
- 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.
- Candidates from recognized non-govt. organizations/ NGOs must have service experience of at least 2 years.
- A candidate may give option for only 3 (three) departments in order of preference.
- 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.
- A letter of clearance or deputation order for the period of course and research must be attached with the application.

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. Duly filled in application form should be submitted to office of the Dean, Faculty of Graduate Studies within the specified time along with a bank receipt of TK 500/- (Five hundred Taka) deposited in account No. SND-0219636000036 Sonali Bank, BSMRAU branch from any branch of Sonali Bank Limited.
- b) Foreign students may deposit USD 20 (Twenty Dollar) in account No. SND 0219636000036 Sonali Bank, BSMRAU branch through SWIFT CODE- BSONBDDH-WEB Routing No: 200330370 and evidence of money deposit must be attached along with the duly filled in application form which should be submitted in the office of the Dean, Faculty of Graduate Studies within specified time.

4. 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.
- * 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.

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

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6. 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 office of the Dean, Faculty of Graduate Studies on or before **26/11/2020** during office time.
- iii. List of the selected candidates (based on merit) will be published in the notice board of academic section of BSMRAU on **06/12/2020** and admission will be held on **09/12/2020**.
- 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 date of the admitted student and beginning of the classes will be announced later on.
- 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. Merit scholarships will be awarded based on departmental merit to all PhD students @ Tk 5,000/- (Five thousand) per month and considerable number of MS students @ Tk 2,000/- (Two thousand) per month in each Term. Besides Merit Scholarship, there is a provision for Graduate Research Assistantship (GRA) for the qualified Bangladeshi/ Foreign students pursuing PhD degree on competitive basis.


Deputy Registrar


Dean, Faculty of Graduate Studies