

3. **Criteria for appearing in the Ph. D. Admission Test (PAT)-2020** are as follows:-

- I. Master's degree with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade 'B' in the UGC 7-point scale (or an equivalent grade in point scale wherever grading system is followed).
- II. A relaxation of 5% of marks, from 55% to 50%, or equivalent relaxation of grade, will be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/EBC/OBC/Differently-abled categories of candidates.
- III. A candidate shall be permitted to pursue research for the Ph.D. degree in the subject in which he/she holds Master's degree.

**Note: Appearing candidates are not eligible for Ph. D. Admission Test (PAT)-2020.**

4. **Exemptions from the written Test of Ph. D. Admission Test (PAT)-2020:**

- I. Candidates who have secured grants for research such as fellowship /scholarship /associate ship etc. by qualifying UGC NET/ CSIR NET/GATE/MHRD Scholarships/ Teacher Fellowship/DBT/ICMR/ICAR/DST-INSPIRE/CSSIR, ICHR etc.
- II. Assistant Professors, Associate Professor and Professor who has been appointed on substantive post and the UGC pay scale in the Teaching departments or the University or a constituent college of the University who have completed their probation successfully with an experience of at least two years of uninterrupted service would be considered under this category. Teachers appointed in self-financed courses will not be exempted from the Test.
- III. Non-teaching employee of the University, who are holding substantive appointment for more than five years and having at least 55% marks in Master's degree in the subject concerned and with at least two research papers published in any reputed refereed journal or journals identified by the UGC would be considered under this category.

**Note:- Candidates, who are exempted from the written test of Ph. D. Admission Test (PAT)-2020, have to submit their application online with the payment of the required fee.**

5. **Procedure for Ph. D. Admission Test (PAT)-2020.**

- I. Ph.D. Admission Test (PAT)-2020 is a written test comprising of two papers of 100 marks each.
- II. Paper-I (100 Marks)- shall comprise of objective/ multiple type questions form general and research aptitude.
- III. Paper-II (100 Marks)- subjective/objective type in the subject concerned based on the syllabus of Post-Graduate courses of Patliputra University.
- IV. Interview-(20 Marks)- It is mandatory for the applicants, who have qualified the written test and those exempted from the written test, to appear before the Interview Board.
- V. The minimum marks to qualify the written test will be as follows:
  - a) For General Candidates:- 50% of the aggregate marks
  - b) For Reserved Category Candidates:- 45% of the aggregate marks.

**Note:-** 1. The selection of the candidate will be on the basis of the marks obtained in the written test and the interview combined together.

2. Seats shall be allotted as per the availability of vacancies and against the reservation norms.