



JP Narayan National Centre of Excellence in the Humanities IIT Indore

PhD Admission 2026-27

Applications are invited for the Ph.D. programme at JP Narayan National Centre of Excellence in the Humanities:

- (i) Digital Humanities, and
- (ii) Environmental Humanities



Important Dates

Last Date for Submission of Applications: **August 25, 2026**

Email communication to shortlisted candidates:

September 1, 2026

Interviews: **15 September, 2026** (Tentative date)



Programme Highlights

- The Centre supports scholars for various national and international conferences, workshops, fieldwork, etc.
- The Centre also has various schemes by the International Office to visit and work in globally renowned institutions.
- IIT Indore and the Centre have publications in highly-reputed refereed international journals. PhD scholars are encouraged to publish during the program.
- The Centre provides an open, friendly research environment with a world-class physical infrastructure equipped with the most recent databases, software, and research tools.

Eligibility

MPhil degree in a relevant discipline of Humanities and Social Sciences (HSS) (with first division as defined by the awarding Institute/ University) AND UGC-JRF in the relevant discipline of HSS

OR

Master's degree in a relevant specialization of HSS (with first division as defined by the awarding Institute/ University) AND UGC-JRF in HSS.

OR

Master's degree in any relevant research area of Digital Humanities and Environmental Humanities (with first division as defined by the awarding Institute/ University) AND UGC-JRF

Application Portal's Link

<https://academic.iiti.ac.in/phdadvt.php>

Note

Please send the recommendation letter directly to:
jpncentre@iiti.ac.in

No TA/DA will be provided to the applicants if called for the written test and (or) interview.

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About the Centre

Jaya Prakash Narayan National Centre of Excellence in the Humanities was established in October 2022 with the specific objective of facilitating and developing cutting-edge research projects and academic programmes in the areas of Digital and Environmental Humanities. The PhD Programme in Digital and Environmental Humanities offers an innovative and unique programme while also maintaining rigorous academic excellence. The primary objective of the programme is to train students in these interdisciplinary areas so they can either pursue career in research or acquire the necessary skills and knowledge to be absorbed in Museums, libraries, the publishing industry, think tanks, policy centres, corporate and legal firms. This interdisciplinary doctoral programme consciously incorporates a very high mix of theoretical knowledge and practical projects, experiments and hands-on experience with problem-solving challenges.

Research Interest of Faculty Members



1. Prof. Nirmala Menon

- <https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=4ohNq8gAAAAJ&hl=en>

Research Area- Digital Humanities- Publishing History Research & Bibliometric Studies, Augmented Reality & NLP Studies



2. Prof. Pritee Sharma

- [IRINS Profile – IIT Indore](#)
- [Social Sciences Lab, IIT Indore – Home Page](#)

Research Area- Environmental Humanities- Sustainability Studies, Environmental Justice, Environmental Rights, Policy and Governance, Water-Energy-Food Nexus

Guidelines

You MUST select an appropriate research area in the discipline you are applying to. There will be a written exam and/or interview. During the written exam, applicants will have to write a Statement of purpose explaining reasons for pursuing doctoral research. The Centre conducts a rigorous evaluation process and reserves the right to call a limited number of candidates for the written test and/or interview.



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