

Mahindra University, Hyderabad

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School of Design Innovation **Ph.D. Program Admission Notification** **(Academic Year 2024-25)**

(Started in August, 2024 with two times a year entry.)

Mahindra University, notified by the Government of Telangana vide Telangana Ordinance No. 1 of 2020 dated 20th May 2020, announces the launch of its 3rd Batch of Ph.D. admissions in the Semester starting in Aug 2024.

The Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree is acknowledged to be the highest university degree that is conferred on a doctoral student, who successfully defends her/his Ph.D. thesis in front of a panel of experts in the field appointed by the University. The journey involves research coursework, comprehensive examinations, and successful thesis defense, typically over 3 years.

The Mahindra Edge

Ph.D. students at Mahindra University will have exceptional opportunities for interdisciplinary research by working closely with faculty members who are at the forefront of their fields. Our School of Design Innovation encourages implementation-driven research, combining traditional and contemporary design approaches.

Specialized Areas for Ph.D. Admission at the School of Design Innovation:

Students may apply in the following research domains in **Design**:

- Design Innovation Pedagogy in all areas of Design
- Design Thinking
- Online Design Education
- Design for Sustainability
- Design for Empathy in HCI (Immersive Technologies, AI and Chatbots, Algorithmic Empathy, Social Media)
- Design for Entrepreneurship.

Eligibility

Minimum Qualification Required for Admission

Post-Graduate degree in Design, Architecture, Fine Arts, or related disciplines (M.Des, M.Arch, MFA, M.A.) or equivalent. Candidates with interdisciplinary backgrounds are welcome. One undergrad or post grad degree in design is preferred.

Additional weightage will be given to candidates who have passed UGC NET (JRF), SET, or other equivalent national exams.

Additional weightage for anyone who has published relevant research papers in SCOPUS indexed journals/conferences.

Ph.D. Entrance Process

1. All candidates must submit 2000 words (four Pages) document highlighting their research interest with references.
2. If shortlisted, they will be called for a written test and interview. Written test will be assessed for research writing capability.
 - **Test Date:**
 - **Location:** Mahindra University Campus

FEE STRUCTURE & Ph.D. ASSISTANTSHIP:

INR 50000/- PER ANNUM	INR 20000/- SECURITY DEPOSIT (ONE TIME PAYMENT)
Ph.D. Assistanship (for full time scholars) INR 30000/- PER MONTH* (plus Boarding & Lodging) <small>*8 hours/week TA duty is mandatory</small>	

Important Dates (* Subject to revision):

Last Date for submission of applications	6 th Jan, 2025
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Shortlisting of candidates for interview	10th Jan, 2025
Ph.D. Entrance Test / Interview	20th Jan, 2025
Announcement of Results	27th Jan, 2025
Commencement of the Spring 2025 Semester Teaching	3rd Feb, 2025

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