

UGC NATIONAL ELIGIBILITY TEST (NET) FOR JUNIOR RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP AND ELIGIBILITY FOR LECTURESHIP (HUMANITIES)

The University Grants Commission (UGC) holds a national level Test for determining the eligibility of Indian National candidates for the award of Junior Research Fellowships (JRF) and for determining the eligibility for recruitment of Lecturers in Universities and Colleges in Humanities in 77 subjects, (including languages), Social Sciences, Computer Applications, Electronic Sciences etc. This Test is also applicable to Physical Education, Library Personnel and for Fellowships to the IITs.

The award may be made to candidates who qualify in this Test by the Universities/IITs as well as by and other national organisations in accordance with the procedure prescribed by them. Similarly, recruitment to the post of Lecturer may be made from among qualified candidates by Universities/Colleges as per their prescribed procedure.

Candidates appearing in this Test should clearly specify in the prescribed Application Form whether they are candidates for both, award of Junior Research Fellowship and eligibility for Lecturership or only for eligibility for Lecturership. Selection criteria are the same for both options. However, candidates qualified exclusively for eligibility for Lecturership will not be considered for Junior Research Fellowship.

The UGC Test for Junior Research Fellowship and eligibility for Lecturership is generally held twice a year, normally in June and December. All details about the Test and the actual dates are published in the Employment News and in the UGC's website <http://www.ugc.ac.in>, usually in February & August.

STATE LEVEL ELIGIBILITY TESTS (SLET)

Various States, accredited by the UGC., conduct the State Level Eligibility Tests (SLET) periodically for the same purpose. In most cases, the pattern and syllabi of NET and SLET examinations are reported to be the same.

Although our course material is primarily designed for the UGC NET, it will also provide adequate support for State Level Eligibility Tests.

Candidates qualifying for the award of Junior Research Fellowships will be eligible to receive UGC Fellowships under various schemes, subject to finding placement in the Universities/IITs.

Candidates who qualify for eligibility for Lectureship will be governed by the rules and regulations for recruitment of Lecturers of the concerned Universities/Colleges/State Governments etc.

Eligibility

1. Candidates who have secured at least 55% marks, (without rounding off) in the Master's Degree or equivalent examination in Humanities (including Languages) and Social Sciences, Computer Applications, Electronic Sciences etc. are eligible for this Test.
2. Candidates are advised to appear in the subject of their post-graduation only. Candidates whose post-graduation subject is not covered in the list of subjects announced by UGC, may appear in a related Subject.
3. A candidate who is appearing/has appeared at the qualifying Master's degree examination and whose result is still awaited or candidates whose examinations have been delayed may also apply for this national level test. However, such candidates will be considered eligible for Lectureship/Award of Fellowship and permitted to join the position only after they have passed the Master's Degree examination or equivalent with the required percentage. They must submit their relevant P.G. Mark Sheet within two years of the declaration of the result of the NET Examination, failing which they shall be treated as disqualified.

Age Limit

(a) For Junior Research Fellowship: Not more than 28 years as on 1st June/1st December of the year of examination (for the June/December Examinations respectively), with relaxation upto 5 years for candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC/PH/VH and women applicants. Relaxation will also be applicable to candidates with research/experience relevant, limited to the period spent on research/training in the related subject, subject to a maximum of 5 years, on production of a certificate from the appropriate authority. Three years age relaxation is also permissible to the candidates possessing L.L.M. Degree. The total relaxation on all the above grounds shall not exceed 5 years under any circumstances.

(b) For Lectureship: No upper Age Limit

Exemption for Eligibility for Lectureship

i) For M.Phil/Ph.D. Candidates: Candidates having a Ph.D Degree in the concerned subject in compliance of the UGC (minimum standards, and procedure for award of PhD Degree) Regulation 2009 are exempted from NET for Under Graduate and Post Graduate level teaching. Candidates having an M.Phil Degree in the concerned subject are exempted from NET for Under Graduate level teaching only. Candidates who have passed the UGC/CSIR JRF examination prior to 1989 are also exempted from appearing in NET.

ii) For SET Candidates: The candidates who have cleared the State Eligibility Test (SET), accredited by UGC for eligibility for Lectureship, held prior to 1st June 2002, are exempted from appearing in NET, being eligible to apply for Lectureship anywhere in India. For SETs held after 1st June 2002, qualified candidates shall be eligible to apply for the post of lecturer only in Universities/Colleges belonging to the State from where they have cleared their SET. All SET qualified candidates are also eligible to appear in NET.

Please always refer to the UGC Notification published prior to the examinations, for all details and for confirmation.

Scheme of Tests

UGC conducts the Test twice a year, in June/July and December.

The necessary information regarding syllabus for all three papers will be provided by the respective Test Centers, along with the admit cards. Syllabi are also available on the UGC website www.ugc.ac.in and in the libraries of all Indian Universities.

The detailed instructions for filling up the OMR sheets will be sent to the candidate along with the Admit Card.

The Test will consist of three papers. The three papers will be held in two separate sessions as detailed below:

Session	Paper	Marks	Duration
First	I	100	1 ^{1/4} Hours (09.30 am to 10.45 am)
First	II	100	1 ^{1/4} Hours (10.45 am to 12.00 Noon)
Second	III	200	2 ^{1/2} Hours (01.30 pm to 04.00 pm)

Paper I: Shall be of general nature, intended to assess the teaching/research aptitude of candidates. It will primarily be designed to test reasoning ability, comprehension, divergent thinking and general awareness. Sixty (60) multiple choice questions of two marks each will be given, out of which the candidate would be required to answer any fifty (50). Only the first fifty questions attempted by the candidate would be evaluated, if more than fifty questions are answered.

Note: A candidate who does not appear in Paper I will not be permitted to appear in Papers II or III.

Paper II: Shall consist of questions based on the subject selected by the candidate.

Each of these papers will consist of a Test Booklet containing the 50 compulsory objective questions of two marks each. The response of questions Paper I and Paper II should be done on the Optical Mark Reader (OMR) sheet provided along with the Test Booklet.

Negative Marking in Papers I & II: For each incorrect answer, 0.5 marks out of 2 marks shall be deducted.

Paper-III: Shall consist of only descriptive questions from the subject selected by the candidate. The candidate will be required to attempt questions in the space provided in the Test Booklet.

STRUCTURE OF PAPER III

Note: In Paper III, candidates have the option to answer either in Hindi or in English in all subjects except the languages where the candidate is required to write in the concerned language only. For Computer Sciences & Applications, Electronic Sciences and Environmental Sciences, the question papers will be only in English.

Paper III will be evaluated only for those candidates who secure the minimum qualifying marks in Papers I and II, as given below:

MINIMUM QUALIFYING MARKS

	Paper I	Paper II	(Paper I+Paper II)
General	40	40	100 (50%)
OBC/PH/VH	35	35	90 (45%)
SC/ST	35	35	80 (40%)

The minimum qualifying criteria for award of JRF are:

MINIMUM QUALIFYING MARKS

	Paper I	Paper II	(Paper I+Paper II)	Paper III
General	40	40	100 (50%)	100 (50%)
OBC/PH/VH	35	35	90 (45%)	90 (45%)
SC/ST	35	35	80 (40%)	80 (40%)

However, the final qualifying criteria for Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) and Eligibility for Lectureship shall be decided by UGC before the declaration of results.

The use of calculators and log tables is not permitted. Cellular phones, pagers, etc. are not allowed in the Examination Hall.

Section I: Essay writing - two questions with internal choice on general themes and contemporary, theoretical of disciplinary relevance may be given. The candidate is expected to write up to 500 words for each question of 20 marks (2 Q X 20 M = 40 Marks). In case the questions are based on electives, the choice should have questions from each elective; otherwise all choices should be of questions of general nature, common to all candidates. In the case of science subjects like Computer Science and Applications, Environmental Sciences, Electronic Sciences etc., two questions carrying 20 marks each may be given in place of essay type questions. The questions in this section should be numbered as 1 and 2.

Section II: Three extended, answer based questions to test the analytical ability of the candidate are to be asked on all major specializations / electives. Questions will be asked on all major specializations / electives and the candidates may be asked to choose one specialization / elective and answer the three questions. There is to be no internal choice. Each question will be answered in up to 300 words and shall carry 15 marks each (3 Q x 15 M = 45 Marks). Where there is no specialization / elective, 3 questions may be set across the syllabus. The questions in the section should be numbered from 3 to 5.

Section III: Nine questions may be asked across the syllabus. The questions will be definitional or seeking particular information and are to be answered in up to 50 words each. For science subjects, as mentioned in Section I, short numerical / computational problems may be considered. Each question will carry 10 marks (9 Q x 10 M = 90 Marks). There will be no internal choice. Questions in the section should be numbered from 6 to 14.

Section IV: Requires candidates to answer questions from a given text of around 200 – 300 words taken from the works of a known thinker / author. Five carefully considered specific questions will to be asked on the text, requiring an answer in up to 30 words each. This section carries 5 questions of 5 marks each (5 Q x 5 M = 25 Marks). In the case of science subjects, a theoretical / numerical problem may be set. These questions are meant to test critical thinking, ability to comprehend and apply knowledge. Questions in this section should be numbered 15 to 19.

Examination Fee

For General Category candidates the Test fee is **Rs. 450/-**; for Other Backward classes the fee is **Rs. 225/-**; for SC/ST/PH/VH candidates it is **Rs. 110/-**. The fee should be paid in the form of a single crossed Bank Draft with 6 months validity in favour of the **Secretary, University Grants Commission, New Delhi**, drawn on State Bank of India, Service Branch, New Delhi (code 7687 only). Fee once paid will not be refunded.

Candidates should refer to the UGC Notification for details or changes and the latest status regarding the examination procedure, centres or the syllabus.

Examination Centres

The UGC Test for Junior Research Fellowship/Eligibility for Lectureship will normally be held at the University Test Centres listed below. Candidates may register for the Test at the Centre most convenient to them. Change of Centre may not be allowed by UGC or the Test Centres.

Agartala, Agra, Ahmedabad, Aizawl, Ajmer, Aligarh, Allahabad, Amritsar, Aurangabad, Bangalore, Berhampur, Bhagalpur, Bhopal, Bhubaneswar, Burdwan, Chandigarh, Chennai, Coimbatore, Darjeeling, Delhi, Dharwad, Goa, Gorakhpur, Gulbarga, Guntur, Guwahati, Gwalior, Hyderabad, Imphal, Indore, Itanagar, Jabalpur, Jaipur, Jammu(Tawi), Jodhpur, Kanpur, Kochi, Kohima, Kolkata, Kozhikode, Kurukshetra, Lucknow, Madurai, Mangalore, Meerut, Mumbai, Nagpur, Patna, Port Blair, Pune, Raipur, Rajkot, Ranchi, Rewa, Sambalpur, Shillong, Shimla, Srinagar(*University of Kashmir*), Srinagar(*H.N.Babuguna Garhwal University*), Thiruvananthapuram, Tiruchirappalli, Tirupati, Udaipur, Vadodara, Varanasi, Vishakapatnam.

How to Apply

The advertisement appears in the Employment News and a few other newspapers about 3 months prior to the date of examination. Candidates seeking admission to the Test must apply in the prescribed application form in duplicate as given in the advertisement and follow all instructions for completing and sending in the application to the UGC office.

Candidates will be issued an Admission Card and other necessary information regarding syllabus and sample questions by the respective Test Centres.

The information given in this Prospectus is for general guidance only and is based on the Notification published by UGC in the Employment News of 10-16 April 2009.

It is the responsibility of the student to ensure compliance with all the eligibility criteria, the requirements and the formalities of the UGC (NET).

**BRILLIANT'S SUPPORT PROGRAMME
FOR
UGC – NET (HUMANITIES)
FOR
JUNIOR RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP &
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OUR STUDY MATERIAL

Our study material has been prepared by our Faculty, all experts in their respective fields. They follow in detail the syllabi announced by UGC for the preceding NET. If there is a change in the syllabus, thereafter, the study material will be suitably supplemented to cover the change in syllabus to the extent practicable.

We currently offer support for the following subjects:

Subject	Subject Code	Subject	Subject Code
Economic	01	History	06
Commerce	08	English	30
Computer Science & Application (CSA)	87	Geography	80

Electives/Optionals (Syllabus for Paper III - Section III)

If one or two questions in Paper III, Section III are difficult, a student who has prepared for only one Optional/Elective will be at a disadvantage: In order to mitigate such a situation, we will normally provide material for two Optional/Electives to be indicated at the time of enrolment. Subsequent change in optionals will not be allowed.

Set 1 : Subject material for Paper I (common to all subjects).

Sets 2 to 8 : Subject material for Papers II & III, of which one or more sets will be for Optional/Electives for Paper III, Section III.

01: ECONOMICS

Paper II: Topics covered are Micro and Macro Economic Analysis, Development and Planning, Public Finance, International Economics, Indian Economy and Statistical Methods.

Paper III: will be core group consisting of 10 units covering Theory of Demand, Keynesian and post-Keynesian approaches, development and growth, theories of taxation, monetary approach to balance of payments, components of money supply, industrial structure and economic growth, population and economic development, demography, agricultural economics and mathematical applications.

Paper III Section III: will consist of 5 electives:

- I Econometrics - Single Equation Linear Model
- II Theory of Consumer Behaviour.
- III World Trading System and the rise and fall of Brettonwood.
- IV Growth and productivity trends in Agriculture
- V Planning and Economic Development

We offer support only for electives II to V from which the student should indicate a choice of two electives. (We do not offer support for Econometrics I.)

06: HISTORY

Paper II will cover concepts, ideas and terms of Indian and World History, Ancient Indian History, Medieval Indian History and Modern Indian History and research.

Paper III Section II: core group will have 10 units distributed over the topics given for Paper II.

Paper III Section III: is for electives. The three electives are:

- I Ancient Indian History
- II Medieval Indian History and
- III Modern Indian History.

We offer support for all three electives.

08: COMMERCE

The syllabus for **Paper II and Paper III Section II – Core Group**, will be the same as that distributed in 10 units covering Business Environment, Financial and Management Accounting, Business Economics, Business Statistics and Data Processing, Business Management, Marketing Management, Financial Management, Human Resources Management, Banking and Financial Institution, and International Business.

The electives in **Paper III Section III** will be:

- I Accounting and Finance
- II Marketing
- III Human Resources Management
- IV International Business
- V Income-Tax Law and Tax Planning.

We offer support for electives I to IV only from which the student should indicate a choice of two electives. (We do not offer support for Income Tax Law and Tax Planning.)

30: ENGLISH

Paper II will cover all periods of British Literature from Chaucer to the Contemporary Period besides American and other non-British literatures, literary theory and criticism, rhetoric and prosody.

Paper III Section II: core group will have 10 units which will have coverage as in Paper II, excluding American and other non-British literatures but devoting one unit for literary comprehension with internal choice of a poetry stanza and prose passage.

Paper III Section III: will have the following electives/optionals:

- I History of English Language, English Language Teaching.
- II European Literature from Classical Age to the 20th Century.
- III Indian Writing in English and Indian Literature in English Translation.
- IV American and other non-British English Literature.
- V Literary Theory and Criticism.

We offer support for electives I, III and IV only from which the student should indicate a choice of two electives. (We do not offer support for II and V).

80. GEOGRAPHY

Paper II: Topics covered are Geomorphology, Climatology, oceanography, Geographic Thought, Population Geography, Economic Geography, Political Geography, Regional Planning, Geography of India, Cartography and Statistical Methods.

Paper III: Core/Elective will have 10 units distributed over the topics given for Paper II.

87. COMPUTER SCIENCE & APPLICATIONS (CSA)

Paper II:

(1) **Discrete Structures:** Computability, Graph, Groups
(2) **Computer Arithmetic:** Propositional (Boolean) Logic etc., Logic Families, Representation of Integers (3) **Programming in C and C++:** Programming in C, O-O Programming Concepts, C++ Programming
(4) **Relational Database Design and SQL:** E-R diagrams etc. SQLN
(5) **Data and File structures** (6) **Computer Networks:** Network fundamentals, Reference Models, Data Communication, Internetworking, Routing, Network Security (7): System Software and Compilers: Assembly language fundamentals etc., Text editors, Compilation and Interpretation, Context free grammars, Topdown parsers (8) **Operating Systems (with Case Study of Unix):** Memory Management, Concurrent Processing, Scheduling, UNIX: The Unix System, Filters and Commands, System Calls (like) (9) **Software Engineering:** System Development Life Cycle (SDLC), Software Metrics, Software Design, Coding and Testing (10) **Current Trends and Technologies:** Parallel Computing, Mobile Computing, E-Technologies, Electronic Payment Systems, Electronic Data Interchange (EDI), Digital Libraries and Data Warehousing, Software Agents, Broadband Tele-Communications, Geographical Information System (GIS), Data Warehousing, Data Mining, **Windows Programing** - Simple Applications, Advanced Windows.

Paper III Section II: Core Group will have 10 Units:

I. Combinational Circuit Design, Microprocessor architecture; **II.** Database Concepts, ER diagrams etc.; **III.** Display Systems etc. **IV.** Programming language concepts, paradigms and models. **V.** Analog and Digital Transmission etc. **VI.** Definition Simple and Composite structures etc. **VII.** Object, messages etc. **VIII.** Software development models etc. **IX.** Introduction, Memory management etc. **X.** Definitions, AI approach for solving problems, Automation Reasoning etc.

Paper III Section III (Elective/Optional)

- I Theory of Computation and Automata theory
- II Information theory and Data Compression
- III Operation Research
- IV Neural Networks and Fuzzy systems
- V Environment

We offer support for all the five electives.

SUPPORT FOR PAPER I ONLY

In addition to our total support programme for select subjects (Economics, History, Geography, Commerce, English and Computer Science & Applications covering all three Papers), we also offer a support programme for Paper I only which is common for all subjects. This is being offered to meet the needs of students appearing for subjects **other** than those currently offered by us.

Our study material for Paper I, follows the revised syllabus outlines announced by the UGC, is designed to cover Teaching Aptitude, Research Aptitude, Reading Comprehension, Communication, Reasoning (including Mathematical), Logical Reasoning Data Interpretation, Information & Communication Technology & People and Environment. The basics have been illustrated by numerous worked examples. They are further supported by the exercises and sample Test Papers.

The entire material - worked examples, exercises and sample Test Papers - is completely covered in one Set (Set 1), which will be despatched upon enrolment.

Model Test Papers

Three Model Test Papers with answers patterned on actual Test Papers will be sent to our postal students during the course. Students should answer the Test Papers on their own strictly under examination conditions without referring to the books or study materials. This will give them valuable practice for facing the final test with confidence.

Despatch of Study Material

Despatch will begin in June 2010/August 2010 for the December 2010 and June 2011 exams respectively. Subsequent sets will be sent at approximate monthly intervals. The complete material will be despatched and September 2010 for the December 2010 Examination and by March 2011 for the June 2011 exam.

Doubt Letter Scheme

A correspondence course ceases to be one, if the lines of communication between the teacher and the taught are not kept alive. We are eager to be of help to all our students. In the event of any doubt, the student should send us his questions in writing with his solutions/answers in the prescribed format, indicating where he could not proceed further and where he would like to have our guidance. It will be our Professors' endeavour to clear doubts on really relevant and difficult questions and genuine doubts that arise in the course of their preparation with our study material. It is, however, to be clearly understood that the Professors are not bound to respond to all doubts received, if in their judgement these are considered not relevant to the subject matter or adequate efforts have not been made by the student himself to find a solution. We reserve our right not to respond to any question without assigning any reasons. Doubts/Problems must be restricted to 5 per letter and must be within the examination syllabus. The source from which the problems have been taken must be specified.

This service will be available upto two months before the examination for which the student is enrolled with us.

Medium of Instruction

The course material is in the English medium and only students who can follow our material in English should apply for enrolment.

Enrolment

Students are advised to enrol early so that they have adequate time for study and revision of the course material.

FEES

The Fee for the full programme covering all three papers and including two electives in any one subject is **Rs. 8000/-** + Rs. 824/- Service Tax. Total: **Rs. 8824/-**, payable in full upon enrolment.

The Fee for Paper I only is **Rs. 1500/-** + Rs. 155/- Service Tax. Total: **Rs. 1655/-**, payable in full upon enrolment.

PROCEDURE FOR ENROLMENT

The student should send us:

1. The Enrolment Form, completed and signed on both sides, and with a passport size photograph pasted in the space provided.
2. Two additional signed copies of the photograph (preferably colour) with the Enrolment Form.

Note: Enrolment Forms without the three photographs will not be accepted.

3. Payment can be made by:
 - a. A crossed Demand Draft, drawn in favour of **Brilliant Tutorials Pvt. Ltd**, payable at **Chennai**.
 - or b. Money Order - please include the student's full postal address and course in the coupon.
 - or c. Net Banking / Online Credit Card / Bank Transfer (Bank Routing Details on Enrolment Form).

Log on to www.brilliant-tutorials.com and follow instructions for online enrolment.

- or d. Cash or Credit Card at any of our centres listed on the reverse of the Enrolment Form.

Personal cheques will not be accepted.

Note: When calling to enquire about the status of your application, please have the following information ready:

- A copy of your Enrolment Form
- D/D Number and Date **or** Money Order Receipt Number and Date
- Issuing Bank / Post Office
- For Net Banking, Online Credit Card or Online Bank Payment: Reference Number / Transaction Confirmation Number and Date
- Mode of Despatch of Application (Courier, Registered Post, Speed Post, Ordinary Post)
- Date of Despatch

Please wait at least 15 days after date of despatch before calling.

Note: It is imperative that all students enrolling in this course provide us with their email addresses and cell phone numbers and also check their email often. All communication for this course will be sent to our students by email.

REQUESTS FOR CHANGE OF ADDRESS, ETC.

Normally we do not accept any advice for stoppage of despatch of study material. Change of address, or, in exceptional cases, stoppage or resumption of despatch etc. will be implemented only if requested by a letter signed by the student. A photocopy of the Admit Card (with the photograph visible) must be enclosed with the letter. Telephone requests will not be honoured unless confirmed in writing.

This policy is designed to prevent fraud and to safeguard the interests of our genuine students

Please allow 15 days from the date of receipt, for implementation of the change.

All matters are subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts in Chennai only.