

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

**(This Test is also applicable to Physical Education,
Library Personnel and for Fellowships to the IITs.)**

The University Grants Commission 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.

The award may be made to candidates who qualify in this Test by the Universities/I.I.Ts and other national organisations in accordance with the procedure prescribed by them. Similarly, recruitment to the Post of Lecturer may be made from among the qualified candidates by the 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 Lectureship. Selection criteria are the same for both the options. However, candidates qualified exclusively for eligibility for Lectureship will not be considered for Junior Research Fellowship. The UGC Test for Junior Research Fellowship and eligibility for Lectureship are 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 UGC's Website <http://www.ugc.ac.in>, usually in February & August.

STATE LEVEL ELIGIBILITY TESTS (SLET)

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

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

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 grace marks or 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 have 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 the subject related to the one they had at Post Graduation.
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 at least 55% marks. They must submit their relevant P.G. Mark Sheet within one year of the declaration of the result of NET Examination.

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 Examination 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 having research/training at the PG level, limited to the period spent on research/training in the related subject, subject to a maximum of 5 years, supported by a certificate from the appropriate authority. Three years relaxation in age 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.

Exemption for eligibility for Lectureship

i) For M.Phil/Ph.D. Candidates: Candidates having a Ph.D Degree in the concerned subject 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. The 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 from 1st June 2002 onwards, 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 confirmation.

Scheme of Examinations

UGC conducts the Test twice a year, in June/July and December. The Test consists of 3 papers.

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Paper I - will be of a general nature, intended to assess the teaching research aptitude of the candidates. It will primarily be designed to test reasoning ability, comprehension, divergent thinking and general awareness of the candidate.

Paper II - will be of 1 hour and 15 minutes with a maximum of 100 marks and correspond to the post-graduate level in the subject selected. Paper-II will consist of short questions based on the subject selected by the candidates. Each of these papers will consist of a Test Booklet containing 50 objective type questions.

Normally, each of the papers I and II will consist of a Test Booklet containing 50 objective type questions.

Paper III - will have four sections, in all containing 26 descriptive type questions both short and long, from the syllabus on the subject selected by the candidates. The paper will be of 2 hours and 30 minutes duration and will carry a maximum of 200 marks. Questions must be answered in the space provided in the answer booklet.

The response for each question must be marked on the answer sheet attached at the end of the booklet.

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

The candidate who does not appear in Paper I will not be permitted to appear in Paper II and Paper III. Further, Paper III will be evaluated only for those candidates who secure the minimum qualifying marks in Papers I and II as fixed by the Commission.

The necessary information regarding syllabus for all three papers will be provided by the respective Test Centres, along with the admit cards. Syllabi are also available on the UGC Website and in the Libraries of all Indian Universities.

Examination Fee

For General 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. Please note that a 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*, Srinagar**, 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. **With a Passport size photograph affixed, two copies of the application form,** along

with the Admission Card, Attendance Slip and D.D. should be sent to the respective **Test Centre** addressed to the Registrar of the University/ Institute where the candidate had opted to appear for the Test. **Applications addressed to the UGC office will be rejected.** On the envelope, it should be clearly specified that the application is for “UGC Test for Junior Research Fellowship and Eligibility for Lectureship, (Month and Year)”. eg., June 2008.

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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 16-22 September 2006.

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
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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, we shall try to supplement the study material to cover the change on syllabus to the extent practicable.

We currently offer support for the following subjects:

Name	Subject Code	Name	Subject Code
Economics	01	History	06
Commerce	08	English	30
Computer Science & Application (CSA)	87	(Starting with the December 2007 Exam)	

Paper I – common for all subjects. The test booklet will have 50 objective questions. Our study material for Paper I is revised and updated according to the new syllabus announced by UGC.

Paper II – includes topics designed to test the general understanding of the candidate in the subject. It will have 50 objective questions of multiple choice, matching, true/false and assertion-reason type.

Paper III – Designed to test the candidate's in-depth understanding of the subject. It consists now of four sections and 26 questions from Parts A and B, which cover topics similar to specialised courses as compulsory, optional or elective papers, in Universities.

Section I: It requires the candidates to write a critique of a given passage or stanza from a known thinker/writer. Five carefully considered specific questions are to be asked on the given passage, requiring an answer in upto 30 words. It shall carry $5 \times 5 = 25$ marks. In the case of science subjects, a theoretical problem will be set for the candidates to analyse. Five questions will be asked thereon. Questions in this section shall be numbered as 1-5.

Section II: Fifteen questions will be asked across the syllabus for Paper-III(A). The questions will be definitional or seeking particular information and are to be answered in up to 30 words each. Each question will carry 5 marks ($15 \times 5 = 75$ marks). There will be no internal choice. The questions in this section shall be numbered from 6 to 20.

Section III: Five extended answers based on analytical/evaluative questions will be asked on the major specializations/electives. Questions will be asked on all major specializations/electives and the candidates will be asked to choose one specialization/elective and answer the five questions from it. The questions will be set from the syllabus for Paper-III(B). There is to be no internal choice. Each question will be answered in up to 200 words and shall carry 12 marks ($5 \times 12 = 60$ marks). Where there is no specialization/elective, 5 questions will be set across the syllabus for Paper-III. The questions in this section shall be numbered from 21 to 25.

Section IV: Essay writing – One question with internal choice on general themes of contemporary, theoretical or disciplinary relevance will be given. The candidate should write up to 1000 words. The question shall be numbered as 26.

Serial no.	Question	Test of	Words	Marks
Section 1	Critique	Critical ability and ability to apply knowledge one possesses.	$30 \times 5 = 150$	$5 \times 5 = 25$
Section 2 Questions from III A	15 definitional specific answer questions	Ability of precise understanding and making exact statement.	$30 \times 15 = 450$	$15 \times 5 = 75$
Section 3 Questions from III B	5 analytical/ evaluative questions	Ability to reason and hold the argument over some length.	$200 \times 5 = 1000$	$5 \times 12 = 60$
Section 4	Essay	Ability to expound critically a theme at length with discrimination.	$1000 \times 1 = 1000$	$1 \times 40 = 40$
			2600 words	200 marks

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 only will be at a disadvantage; In order to mitigate such a situation, we will normally provide material for two Optionals/Electives to be indicated at the time of enrolment. Subsequent change in optionals will not be allowed.

The material will be divided into 8 sets.

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

Sets 2 to 8: Subject material for Papers II & III, of which one or more sets will be for Optionals/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 Section II (Earlier Paper IIIA): 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 (Earlier Paper IIIB): 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 Bretton-wood.
- 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 III (Earlier Paper IIIA): core group will have 10 units distributed over the topics given for Paper II.

Paper III Section III (Earlier Paper IIIB): 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 the three electives.

08: COMMERCE

The syllabus for **Paper II and Paper III Section II (Earlier Paper IIIA)** – 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 (Earlier Paper IIIB)** 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 (Earlier Paper IIIA): 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 (Earlier Paper IIIB): will have the following electives/optionals:

- I History of English language, English language teaching.
- II European literature from classical age to 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).

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, Towdown 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 (Earlier Paper III A): 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 (Earlier Part III B) (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/Optionals.

SUPPORT FOR PAPER I ONLY

In addition to our total support programme for select subjects (Economics, History, Commerce, English and Computer Science & application) covering all three Papers, we also offer a support programme for Paper I only which is common for all subjects. This programme has been introduced 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 in September 2004, and 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

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 August 2007/February 2008 for the June 2008 and December 2008 exams respectively. Subsequent sets will be sent at approximate monthly intervals. The complete material will be despatched by March 2008 for the June 2008 exam and September 2008 for the December 2008 Examination.

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 lessons 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 is **Rs.6500/-** + Rs.803/- Service Tax. Total: **Rs.7303/-**, payable in full upon enrolment.

The fee for Paper I only is **Rs.985/-** + Rs.122/- Service Tax. Total: **Rs.1107/-**, payable in full upon enrolment.

Procedure for Enrolment

The student should send us:

1. The completed Enrolment Form with a passport size photograph affixed with the Enrolment Form in the allotted space.
2. Two additional signed copies of the photograph.
3. The full Course fee

Fee Remittance: The fee for the course should be remitted either by Money Order or Demand Draft drawn in favour of **Brilliant Tutorials Pvt. Ltd.**, payable at Chennai.

*** Remittance by Money Order: The course for which the MO is being sent and the student's full postal address should be indicated in the coupon.

Late Enrolment: For those who enrol late, the study materials already despatched will be sent in one lot and the remaining sets on a monthly basis.

Fees once paid will not be refunded or adjusted under any circumstances.

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

- A copy of your application form
- D/D Number and Date (If Money Order, then MO Receipt Number and Date)
- Issuing Bank
- Mode of Despatch of application (Courier, Registered Post, Ordinary Post)
- Date of Despatch

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

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.