

The General Eligibility Criteria for Participation

(1) The full time bonafide student enrolled for UG / PG / M.Phil. / Ph.D. / D.Sc. / D.Lit. programme in the affiliated college / constituent college / recognized institute / academic department of the Representing University is eligible for the participation.

(2) The student enrolled in UG Diploma Programme of the affiliated college /constituent college / recognized institute / academic department of the Representing University which is of a minimum duration of 1 academic year and whose examination is conducted by the affiliated college / constituent college / recognized institute / academic department of the Representing University subsequent to passing of 12th Class / HSC Examination or equivalent Examination is also eligible to participate in the UG level.

(3) The student enrolled in PG Diploma Programme of the affiliated college /constituent college / recognized institute / academic department of the Representing University which is of a minimum duration of 1 academic year and whose examination is conducted by the affiliated college / constituent college / recognized institute / academic department of the Representing University subsequent to passing of graduation is also eligible to participate in the PG level.

(4) Student enrolled in correspondence course/programme of the affiliated college / constituent college / recognized institute / academic department of the Representing University is NOT eligible for the participation.

(5) Casual student, external student and student pursuing bridge course / programme in affiliated college / constituent college / recognized institute

/ academic department of the Representing University are NOT eligible for the participation.

(6) Student enrolled in distance education institute of the Representing University is NOT eligible for the participation.

(7) Student representing Open University shall be considered to be bonafide student of the same University and shall be eligible to participate provided he/she fulfils the eligibility criteria for levels.

(8) Student having provisional admission in affiliated college / constituent college / recognized institute / academic department of the Representing University is NOT eligible for the participation.

(9) Student can represent only that University where he/she is pursuing his/her degree / diploma.

(10) The student shall NOT be allowed to represent more than 1 University during single academic year.

(11) Student should have valid Identity Card and PRN No. / Registration No. of the Representing University from where he/she is pursuing his/her degree / diploma.

(12) Student migrating from other University can participate only when his/her admission is regularized, and he/she gets admitted as a bonafide student.

(13) **Student from any discipline can participate in any category to which his/her research project fits.**

(14) Any disqualification of a participant on the ground of given criteria may result in removal of the participant from the 'Aavishkar: Maharashtra State Inter-University Research Convention' to be held in the following three years including current year of the participation.

(15) Ethics of research must be delicately observed by the student and his/her mentor.

Eligibility Criteria for Levels

[1] The eligibility criteria for each level are as follows-

(A) Undergraduate Students (UG)

i) A full time bonafide student enrolled in UG programme of the affiliated college / constituent college / recognized institute / academic department of the Representing University is eligible for the participation.

ii) A student enrolled in UG Diploma Programme of the affiliated college / constituent college / recognized institute / academic department of the Representing University which is of a minimum duration of 1 academic year and whose examination is conducted by the affiliated college / constituent college / recognized institute / academic department of the Representing University subsequent to passing of 12th Class / HSC Examination or equivalent Examination is also eligible to participate in the UG level.

iii) The age of the student should not be more than **25 years** as on 30st September of the academic year in which the convention is being held.

(B) Post-Graduate Students (PG)

i) A full time bonafide student enrolled in PG programme of the affiliated college / constituent college / recognized institute / academic department of the Representing University is eligible for the participation.

ii) A student enrolled in PG Diploma Programme of the affiliated college / constituent college / recognized institute / academic department of the Representing University which is of a minimum duration of 1 academic year and whose examination is conducted by the affiliated college / constituent college / recognized institute / academic department of the

Representing University subsequent to passing of graduation is also eligible to participate in the PG level.

iii) The age of the student should not be more than **30 years** as on 30st September of the academic year in which the convention is being held.

(C) Post PG Students (PPG)

i) A student who has post graduate degree and is duly registered for M.Phil. / Ph.D. / D.Sc. / D.Litt. degree in the affiliated college / constituent college / recognized institute / academic department of the Representing University is eligible for the participation.

ii) A student pursuing Post-doctoral Research in the affiliated college / constituent college / recognized institute / academic department of the Representing University is not eligible for the participation.

iii) A student who has submitted their synopsis / thesis for his/her M.Phil. / Ph.D. / D.Sc. / D.Litt. degree and his/her viva-voce examination is awaited, is also eligible for the participation.

iv) A student who has successfully completed his/her viva-voce examination for his/her M.Phil. / Ph.D. / D.Sc. / D.Litt. degree is NOT eligible.

v) There is **no age limit** for the PPG students.

[2] Rules for Computing Years for UG and PG levels

a) Not more than 7 years have elapsed since a student passed the examination qualifying him/her for first admission to a UG degree or diploma course of the affiliated college / constituent college / recognized institute / academic department of the Representing University.

b) Further, students can participate for 1 year more than the normal length of the academic programme which he/she is following.

Explanation

The restriction of participation to a period of one year more than the length/duration of academic course means that students pursuing a three year degree programme (i.e. B.A, B.Sc., B.Com., etc.) can participate for four years, while a student pursuing four year programme (i.e. B.E., B.Tech., etc.) can participate for five years.

[3] Rules for Computing Years for PPG level

Not more than 5 years have elapsed since a student was admitted to the M.Phil. /Ph.D. programme of the affiliated college / constituent college / recognized institute / academic department of the Representing University.