



NIAS

National Institute of Advanced Studies

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Doctoral Programme

The National Institute of Advanced Studies (NIAS) is a unique Indian institution conducting multidisciplinary research in areas that bridge the gap between the natural and engineering sciences, social sciences, humanities and the arts. A limited number of research scholarships are available in the Institute for bright and committed postgraduate students interested in pursuing independent research across disciplines towards a doctoral degree. While NIAS is recognized as a centre for research by many universities, we are not a degree-granting institution. Students work at NIAS for their Ph.D. while they register with Manipal University or the University of Mysore. The rules and regulations of these universities are available on their websites.

We are admitting exceptional students interested in multidisciplinary research in the areas represented at NIAS, especially in the following areas for the year 2015–2016:

- Economics of Science and Technology
- Rainfed Agriculture; Plant Biosecurity
- Behavioural Ecology; Conservation Biology of Primates and Elephants
- Cognition in Lower Vertebrates; Environmental Decision-Making
- Prosimian Behaviour and Biology; Animal Studies; Human–Wildlife Conflict
- Sustainable Energy Options; Human Development and Policy
- Nuclear Energy Development; Integrated Energy Assessment
- Self, Mind and Consciousness: The Philosophy of Psychology
- Conflict Studies

Applicants may visit the NIAS website for information on faculty and their research interests (www.nias.res.in).

Eligibility

The scholarships are open to those who have completed/are completing a Master's/M.Phil. degree in any relevant subject in the natural sciences, engineering, mathematics, social sciences, humanities or the arts, and with a consistently proven academic record (minimum 55% marks). Some research and/or field experience in the concerned areas will be preferred. Candidates who have passed the NET/ SET examinations or qualified for JRF/ DST/CSIR/ICSSR/JEST fellowships are particularly encouraged to apply.

Fellowship

Candidates admitted to the NIAS Doctoral Programme will be entitled to fellowships, which will be available for a period of four years on a yearly renewable basis. The fellowship amount is currently fixed at Rs 16,000 per month for the first two years and Rs 18,000 per month from the third year, with an additional 30% per month as House Rent Allowance. Limited hostel seats are available on campus for women.

How to apply

Please download the application form (<http://www.nias.res.in/academics-doctoralprogramme-2015.php>) from our website and send (by post) a signed copy of the completed application to the following address:

The Head-Administration, National Institute of Advanced Studies, Indian Institute of Science Campus, Bengaluru 560 012, India

The deadline for receiving applications is **25 April 2015**. Candidates invited for an examination and interviews will need to bring their degree certificates, mark sheets and other certificates.

Selection Procedure

Short-listed candidates will be invited for a written test and interview in **June 2015**. The details will be informed later by e-mail.

For additional information, applicants may contact: jnsandhya@gmail.com, admin@nias.iisc.ernet.in