

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

1. What is the Integrated B.S. (Research) – Ph.D. Programme?

This programme offers a structured research pathway that allows students to enter a B.S. (Research) track and, based on performance and eligibility, seamlessly transition into a Ph.D. programme.

2. Who can apply?

Applicants must have:

Candidates with a 3 yrs B.Sc. or having completed 120 credits in a Bachelors programme with minimum 55 % marks.

3. How are students selected?

Admission is through one of the following channels:

- JNCASR Entrance Examination
- Valid JAM score

Shortlisted candidates must also qualify in the interview.

4. What happens after admission?

- Students are admitted to the **B.S. (Research)** phase.
- A faculty mentor is assigned for B.S.(Research) project.
- The B.S. (Research) phase typically spans **one academic year** (two semesters)
- The programme includes coursework and a supervised research project.

5. What is the structure of the B.S. (Research) phase?

- Core Courses – 20 credits
- Seminar/Skill Development Course/minor courses – 8 credits
- Research Project – 12 credits

Total Credits: 40

Minimum requirement to pass:

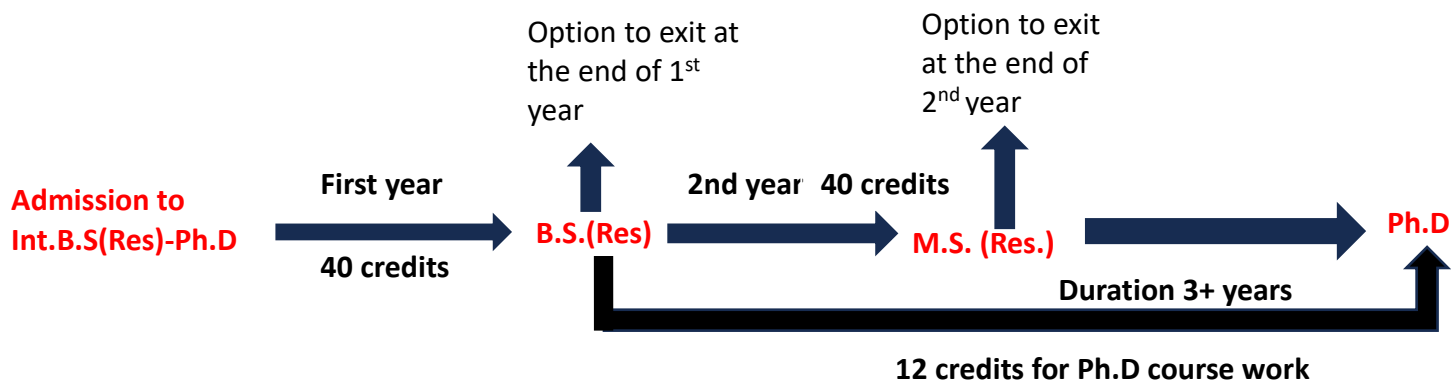
- Term Grade Point Average (TGPA) calculated at the end of every semester should be ≥ 5 ,
- Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) calculated at the end of two or more semesters should be ≥ 5 .

6. What is the minimum CGPA required for progression to the Ph.D. stage?

Students with **CGPA ≥ 7.5 in the 4 year program** (3 years B.Sc. + 1 year BS (Research)) are

eligible for consideration for PhD progression, subject to interview, qualifying national level fellowship exam, availability of fellowship and vacancy as per Centre's norms).

7. What is the academic pathway of a student enrolled in an Int. B.S. (Res.)- Ph.D. program ?



The detailed pathway is available at https://www.jncasr.ac.in/sites/default/files/users/user277/Flowchart-IBP_2005.pdf

Progression & Exit Pathways

CGPA at the end of B.Sc. + B.S. (Research)	Eligibility Status	Outcome
≥ 7.5	Eligible for consideration for PhD progression	May apply for PhD registration, subject to interview, national eligibility (if applicable), and availability of fellowship/centre vacancy
6.0 – 7.5	Not eligible for direct PhD progression. However Ph.D registration is possible on completion of M.S. (Research) degree.	Eligible to complete M.S. (Research) degree
Below 6.0	Does not meet progression requirement	May exit with applicable degree as per institutional norms

8. Can students exit after the B.S. (Research) phase?

Yes. Students may exit with:

- **B.S. (Research) degree** (on completion of requirements as per point 5), or
- **M.S. (Research) degree**, upon completion of required dissertation credits (40 credits) and total credit requirements.

9. Will any stipend/scholarship be provided during the B.S.(Research) phase?

No stipend/scholarship shall be provided during the B.S.(Research) phase. Only students continuing to the Ph.D programme shall receive suitable fellowship based on Centre's norms, during the Ph.D tenure.

10. How can students progress to the Ph.D.?

Progression to Ph.D. depends on:

- Academic performance (CGPA requirements),
- Qualifying national level fellowship examinations (e.g., CSIR-UGC-JRF/equivalent),
- Performance in the interview,
- Availability of vacancies and fellowships.

11. Is national eligibility (NET/GATE/CSIR) required for PhD registration?

- For **Ph.D. with full fellowship**, JRF of CSIR-UGC/ DBT/ICMR/INSPIRE is essential.
- In exceptional cases, a suitable Fellowship as per the Centre's norms may be offered based on merit and vacancy.

12. What is the minimum duration of the Ph.D.?

The minimum duration is **three years after Ph.D. registration**.

M.S. dissertation/research work cannot be counted toward the Ph.D. thesis for those continuing after M.S. (Research).

13. What fellowships are available?

Ph.D. registration may be supported through:

- National Fellowships (e.g., CSIR-UGC-JRF/equivalent, INSPIRE, etc.)
- Centre Fellowship (subject to norms)
- Project funding (if applicable)

14. What are the advantages of this programme?

- Early and structured research exposure
- Mentored academic progression
- Flexible exit options
- Multiple funding pathways
- Direct transition to Ph.D. for high-performing students

15. What is the fee structure?

Fees will be as per institutional norms for the B.S. (Research), M.S. (if applicable), and Ph.D. phases. Fee details applicable for each program is available under the respective degree program at <https://www.jncasr.ac.in/admission/degree-programmes>

15. Will hostel facility be provided

On-campus hostel accommodation shall be provided for a maximum period of one-year for B.S. (Research) tenure and shall continue if a student proceeds for Ph.D. enrollment. Hostel facility will be also provided for students exiting with an M.S. (Research) degree for a maximum period of one year.

Separate hostel facilities are available for male and female students.

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