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PhD PROSPECTUS

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NET PhD Admission: February 2026

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Note: Any query related to the admission can be enquired through the above contact numbers and e-mails during office hours between 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM & 2:00 PM to 4:30 PM.

Important Dates

1	Start Date for receipt of Applications	25-02-2026
2	Last Date for receipt of soft copy of Applications through e-mail	10-03-2026
3	Last Date for receipt of Hard copy of Applications	15-03-2026
4	Publishing of eligible candidates list	25-03-2026
5	Interview dates	Will be intimated later
6	Declaration of final results and despatch of admission orders (tentative)	30-04-2026

This admission cycle will be repeated every 4 months in a calendar year (February-March, 2026; June-July, 2026; October-November, 2026). The relevant dates will be announced through the JIPMER website at the commencement of each cycle.

About JIPMER

Jawaharlal Institute of Postgraduate Medical Education and Research, Puducherry (JIPMER) has been under the Government of India since the year 1956, and is one of the leading medical institutions in India. Spread over a sprawling 195 Acre campus in an urban locale of Puducherry, JIPMER is 160 km from Chennai by road.

JIPMER has been declared as an “Institution of National Importance” by an Act of Parliament (JIPMER, Puducherry Act, 2008). A copy of the Act was Gazette notified on 14-7-2008 to enforce this Act. Previously, the Institute operated under the administrative control of the Directorate General of Health Services, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, New Delhi.

The research division is headed by the Dean (Research), assisted by four Associate Deans (research) and a research division, research staff, officer-in-charge of central research facility, officer-in-charge of Innovation, Incubation and Entrepreneurship cell, officer-in-charge of Central Animal Research Facility, and various scientific and regulatory research committees. The office provides intramural research grants to PhD, MD/MS, DM/MCH, and MSc students, and to faculty members. The office of the Dean (Research) also facilitates extramural grants applications, patent and copyright applications, and publications.

The Institution is now empowered to award Medical Degrees, Diplomas, etc., under clauses 23 & 24 of the JIPMER Act. Such Degrees / Diploma, etc., shall be deemed to be included in the schedules to the respective Acts governing Medical Council of India, Indian Nursing Council and Dental Council of India, entitling the holders to the same privileges as those attached to the equivalent awards from the recognized Universities of India.

JIPMER imparts Undergraduate (UG), Postgraduate (PG) and Super Specialty medical training through a working hospital (JIPMER Hospital) and a Nursing College. M.B.B.S., B.Sc., M.Sc., M.D., M.S, degree Courses are offered in various disciplines. Super Specialty departments of Cardiology, Neurology, Cardiothoracic Surgery, Neurosurgery, Urology, Plastic Surgery, Pediatric Surgery, Paediatric Critical Care, Neonatology, Clinical Immunology, Clinical Pharmacology, Nephrology, Medical Oncology, Endocrinology, Surgical Oncology and Surgical Gastroenterology also offer D.M./M.Ch. Courses. Full-time PhD Programs are available in various disciplines. Master of Public Health and Post Basic Diploma Courses in Nursing are other courses offered by JIPMER.

PhD Admission: February 2026 Session

PhD Streams in JIPMER

JIPMER currently offers admission to the PhD program through four different streams:

Full-time PhD

1. NET PhD: UGC/CSIR/ICMR/DBT fellowships.
2. Project PhD: through extramurally funded research projects
3. Institute PhD: intramural funding provided by JIPMER

Part-time PhD

4. ICMR-DHR PhD for In-service candidates

NET qualified candidates (Stream 1 above) are selected based on an interview; calls for NET qualified candidates will be issued periodically throughout the year.

The institute invites applications from NET qualified candidates for admission to the **Full-time Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) program** offered in 2026.

Candidates seeking admission for PhD must submit their applications in prescribed format to **The Dean (Research), JIPMER, Puducherry 605 006**. Eligible Candidates will be invited for a personal interview. The applicants are required to indicate their choice of research projects from the below listed concepts (PhD Topics) up to maximum of 3 in order of preference, in the relevant section of the Application format.

Approved PhD projects

The list of approved PhD projects are given in the table below. Candidates can select from these projects.

Sl. No.	Department	Name & Designation of the Guide	PhD Topic	Required qualification
1	Biochemistry	Dr H. Nandeesh	Gene expression of synaptic plasticity markers and their relation with cognition status and treatment response in schizophrenia spectrum disorders	MSc (Medical Biochemistry), MSc (Biochemistry)
2	Biochemistry	Dr. Medha R, Professor	Development of an algorithm for predicting cardiovascular complication in chronic kidney disease: A whole exome sequencing based approach	Postgraduate degree (MD/MSc/MTech or equivalent) in Medical Biochemistry, Biochemistry, Biotechnology or Bioinformatics from a recognized university
3	Biochemistry	Dr. Medha R, Professor	Development of an algorithm to predict steroid responsiveness in children with idiopathic nephrotic syndrome: A global proteomics profiling-based approach	Postgraduate degree (MD/MSc/MTech or equivalent) in Medical Biochemistry, Biochemistry, Biotechnology or Bioinformatics from a recognized university
4	Biochemistry	Dr. Medha R, Professor	Development of an algorithm to predict response to methotrexate in psoriasis: A global proteomics profiling-based approach	MD Biochemistry/ M.Sc. Biochemistry/ M.Sc. Medical Biochemistry
5	Biochemistry	Dr. Nivedita Nanda, Additional Professor	Differential expression and clinical significance of HSP70 in Gestational	1. MSc Medical Biochemistry 2. MSc Biotechnology 3. MSc Bioinformatics

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			Diabetes Mellitus severity: A translational study integrating human cohort and experimental rat models	
6	Biostatistics	Dr. Harichandrakumar K.T, Assistant Professor	Structural Equations modelling Health Related Quality of Life and Disability among the patients with chronic diseases	MSc Biostatistics OR MSc Statistics
7	Clinical Immunology	Dr. Christina Mary M, Assistant Professor	Unravelling the immunogenetic, cellular and gut dysbiosis signatures in First Degree Relatives of axial spondyloarthritis (axSpA) probands: Identifying preclinical mechanisms of axSpA	Essential Qualification: Master's degree (MSc/MTech) in Immunology, Molecular biology, Microbiology, Biotechnology, Human genetics or MBBS from any accredited Indian or Foreign University. Prior exposure to research in Clinical Immunology/Autoimmunity, with hands-on experience in Fluorescent Microscopy, Flow Cytometry, ELISA, Western Blot, Cell Culture, basic molecular biology techniques and fundamental biostatistical analysis
8	Clinical Immunology	Dr. Christina Mary M, Assistant Professor	Temporal Dynamics of Immune Cell Signatures in treatment -Naïve systemic Lupus Erythematosus and their role in predicting disease activity and treatment response	Preferred Qualification: Prior experience in high-content imaging and next-generation sequencing (library preparation and data analysis), will be preferred.

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9	Clinical Pharmacology	Dr. Sandhiya S, Additional Professor	Identification of candidate genes associated with lithium response in patients with early onset bipolar disorder	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medical Graduates:MD / DNB Pharmacology and Non-Medical Graduates: MPharm/ Pharm D/ MSc Pharmacology/ MSc Clinical Research/ MSc Clinical Trials/ MSc Biotechnology/ MSc in Life Sciences
10	Clinical Pharmacology	Dr. Sandhiya S, Additional Professor	Efficacy and safety of Curcumin and curcuminoids as an add-on therapy to R-CHOP in newly diagnosed patients with Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma (DLBCL): A randomized double blinded trial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medical Graduates:MD / DNB Pharmacology and Non-Medical Graduates: MPharm/ Pharm D/ MSc Pharmacology/ MSc Clinical Research/ MSc Clinical Trials/ MSc Biotechnology/ MSc in Life Sciences
11	Dermatology	Dr. Laxmisha Chandrashekar, Professor	Identification of therapeutic targets for lichen planus pigmentosus	MD (Dermatology)/ MSc. (or) MD (Biochemistry/ Pharmacology)/ Bioinformatics
12	Dermatology	Dr. Laxmisha Chandrashekar, Professor	Leveraging Machine Learning Algorithms to Predict Steroid-Induced Hyperglycemia	MD (Any medical speciality)/M.Sc. (Biochemistry/ Pharmacology/ Biotechnology)
13	Emergency Medicine and Trauma	Dr. Manu Ayyan, Associate Professor	Enhancing Resuscitation workflow efficiency using real-time ultra-wide technology tracking: A mixed-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MD/DNB Emergency Medicine, Anaesthesiology, General Medicine, Preventive and Social Medicine, Hospital administration MBBS

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			methods implementation study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • M.Sc. (Nursing) • M.Ed. Education Technology • M.Sc./M.E./M.Tech. in Biotechnology • MPH (Master of Public Health) • M.E./M.Tech. in Biomedical Engineering
14	Emergency Medicine and Trauma	Dr. Manu Ayyan, Associate Professor	Effectiveness of In situ simulation and human factors analysis to mitigate latent safety threats in the emergency department	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MD/DNB Emergency Medicine, Anaesthesiology, General Medicine, Preventive and Social Medicine, Hospital administration • MBBS • M.Sc. (Nursing) • M.Ed. Education Technology • MPH (Master of Public Health)
15	Endocrinology	Dr. Samim Ali Mondal, Assistant Professor	Effects of Hormone Replacement Therapy (HRT) on Metabolic dysfunction-associated liver disease (MASLD) Progression in PNPLA3 variant: A Longitudinal Study in Premature Menopausal Women	<p>Essential Qualification: Master's degree (MSc / MTech) in Life Sciences, Biotechnology, Biochemistry, Human Genetics, Zoology, or a closely related discipline.</p> <p>Preferred Qualification: Prior exposure to research on metabolic diseases and human genetics, with hands-on experience in basic molecular biology techniques and fundamental biostatistical analysis, will be preferred.</p>
16	Endocrinology	Dr. Sadishkumar Kamalanathan	Epigenetic signatures in Recurrent	Postgraduate degree in a relevant discipline from a recognised university, such as:

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			Gestational Diabetes Mellitus: DNA Methylation Profiling across Pilot and Validation cohorts with functional studies	<p>For Medical Graduates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · MD/DNB in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o General Medicine o Pediatrics <p>Or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · DM in Endocrinology <p>For Non-Medical Graduates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · MSc / MTech or equivalent in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Life Sciences / Biotechnology / Molecular Biology/Biochemistry, Human Genetics o Nutrition / Metabolic Sciences o Clinical Research o Allied disciplines relevant to metabolic disorders, or translational research
17	Medical Oncology	Dr. UPPUGUDNURI S Chakradhara Rao	TARgeting tissue specific PHase II drug metabolizing ENzymes to improve outcomes of cancer treatment and Overcome chemotherapy Drug Resistance (TARPHENOD-R)	<p>Essential Educational Qualification:</p> <p>Master's degree i.e. Medical MSc Pharmacology, M.Pharm Pharmacology. MSc / MTech/M.Pharm in Biotechnology, Biochemistry and Human Genetics. Age below 30 Years.</p> <p>Desirable Criteria:</p> <p>Candidates with Master's thesis work in the domain of oncology and pharmacology, one or two original research articles as first author, prior exposure to research in the domain of oncology and pharmacology, with hands-on experience in basic molecular biology techniques and fundamental biostatistical analysis, and enzyme kinetics.</p>

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				Candidates with GATE/ CSIR NET qualification are preferred.
18	Medical Oncology	Dr. Prasanth Ganesan, Professor	Psychological Prehabilitation and its effect on the Post-Traumatic growth and well-being among patients with Lung cancer and their caregivers	MSc Counseling Psychology/ MSc Applied Psychology/ MSc Clinical Psychology
19	Medical Oncology	Dr. Biswajit D, Professor	Understanding the methylation microbiome interaction and its association with immune resistance in gastric cancer for enhancing tumour response	MSc Biotechnology/ MSc Microbiology/ MSc Molecular Biology/ Genomics
20	Microbiology	Dr. Rakesh Singh, Professor	Microbiological profile, antifungal susceptibility pattern of Mucorales causing Rhino-orbital Cerebral Mucormycosis and observing serial Mucorales DNA level as a prognostic marker for treatment outcome	MD Microbiology or M.Sc. Microbiology/M.Sc. MLT- (Microbiology/Pathology)

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21	Microbiology	Dr. Rahul Dhodapkar, Professor	Genomic determinants of Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) severity: A comprehensive analysis of host and viral factors	Masters degree in Virology/ Life Sciences/ Immunology/ Biotechnology/ Microbiology/ M.VSc. from any accredited Indian University
22	Obstetrics & Gynecology	Dr. Gowri Dorairajan, Professor	Midwife led intrapartum care in a tertiary care teaching hospital: experimental implementation research	MBBS/ MSc (Nursing/ life sciences)/ MPH. MD in Community Medicine
23	Obstetrics & Gynecology	Dr. Latha Chaturvedula, Professor (Sr. scale)	Comparison of Clinico-histopathological features and Molecular Characterization of Vascular Remodeling, Extracellular Matrix and Inflammatory Pathways among pregnant women with Placenta previa - With or without Adherent placenta - An analytical cohort study	MBBS or BDS with MPH

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24	Obstetrics & Gynecology	Dr. Haritha Sagili, Professor	Effect of treatment versus no treatment of Early Gestational Diabetes Mellitus (diagnosed by HAPO higher glycaemic cutoffs) on pregnancy outcomes and epigenetic / inflammatory markers - A Randomized controlled trial	Postgraduate degree in a relevant discipline from a recognized university, such as: For Medical Graduates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MD / MS / DNB in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Obstetrics & Gynecology/ Endocrinology/Community Medicine/Pediatrics/Allied clinical disciplines relevant to maternal-child health or metabolic research For Non-Medical Graduates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MSc / MPH / MPhil or equivalent in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Health / Epidemiology/Life Sciences / Biotechnology / Molecular Biology/Nutrition / Metabolic Sciences/Biostatistics/Clinical Research/Nursing/Allied disciplines relevant to maternal health, metabolic disorders, or translational research
25	Obstetrics & Gynecology	Dr. Anish Keepanasseril, Professor	Development and validation of a Model predicting Short and Long-term outcomes of Preeclampsia	MSc Statistics or Master's in Epidemiology
26	Obstetrics & Gynecology	Dr. Anish Keepanasseril, Professor	Understanding the Pharmacokinetics of Heparins in Pregnancy	MSc in Medical Laboratory Technology (MLT) or M.Sc Laboratory Technology in Haematology and Blood Transfusion

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27	Otorhinolaryngology	Dr. G. Sivaraman, Additional Professor	Neural encoding of speech envelope cues in early infancy: Differential effects of birth weight and Hyperbilirubinemia severity on Envelope-following responses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Postgraduate degree in Audiology (MASLP / M.Sc. Audiology / equivalent) OR Postgraduate degree in Speech & Hearing Sciences, with demonstrable exposure to auditory electrophysiology.
28	Pathology	Dr. Rajesh Nachiappa Ganesh, Professor	Evolution of Somatic mutation landscape in Metastatic Breast and High grade Serous Ovarian Cancer and its prognostic significance	MSc MLT Pathology / MSc MLT Microbiology / MSc Medical Biochemistry
29	Physiology	Dr. Rajalakshmi R, Additional Professor	Integrated Effects of a structured yoga module on Autonomic, Cognitive, Biochemical and Psychological Parameters in Mild to Moderate Depression: A sequential explanatory mixed-method Randomized Controlled Trial with Nested Molecular and Neurochemical Correlates	<p>1. Medical Qualification</p> <p>MD/MS/DM/M.Ch. from a recognised medical college (preferably in Physiology, Psychiatry, Community Medicine, Preventive & Social Medicine, General Medicine, or allied clinical disciplines), or</p> <p>Diplomate of National Board (DNB) in the relevant subject.</p> <p>2. Non-Medical Qualification</p> <p>MSc/MPhil in Physiology, Neuroscience, Psychology, Biomedical/Life Sciences, Allied Health Sciences from a UGC-recognised Indian University.</p>

Sl. No.	Department	Name & Designation of the Guide	PhD Topic	Required qualification
				MPH (Master of Public Health) or related discipline with strong research exposure
30	Physiology	Dr. Pravati Pal, Professor (Sr. scale)	Effect of 6 months yoga therapy on cardiovascular function and micro-RNA profile in type-2 diabetic patients with cardiomyopathy	M.Sc. Physiology
31	Physiology	Dr. Saranya K, Additional Professor	Effect of 12 week adjuvant probiotic supplementation on gut-derived cardiovascular risk biomarkers and expression of micro RNAs (miRNA-21 & miRNA155) in women with polycystic ovary syndrome - a double-blinded randomized placebo-controlled trial	Candidate must possess a Postgraduate degree in a discipline allied to Physiology, such as: MD (Physiology)/ M.Sc. Medical Physiology Allied Health Science postgraduate degrees such as: Life Sciences/Biomedical Sciences/Reproductive Biology /Reproductive Sciences/Human Biology/Biochemistry/Molecular Biology/Nursing/Medical Laboratory technology/Other Allied Health Sciences
32	Preventive and social medicine	Dr. Mahalakshmy T, Additional Professor	Formative research and Technology-driven solutions to address children with specific learning difficulties in South India	MPH or MPhil/MSc Psycho-oncology

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33	Preventive and social medicine	Dr. Venkatachalam J, Additional Professor	DiSPEED-GDM Trial: Digital-Structured Postnatal Exercise Evaluation in women with Gestational Diabetes mellitus for glycemic control, Metabolic health and Psychological wellness at 2rd and 6th month of Postpartum - A community-based Randomized Controlled Trial	MD Community Medicine/Master of Public Health (MPH)/M.Sc (Public Health)
34	Preventive and Social Medicine	Dr Swaroop Kumar Sahu	Opportunities, Challenges and Status of Involvement of Non-governmental Organizations (NGOs) and/or Community-Based Organizations (CBOs) in various National Health Programs in Puducherry and TamilNadu - An Exploratory Mixed-Method Study	Masters in Public Health/ MD
35	Preventive and social medicine	Dr. Sonali Sarkar, Professor	Adaptation and validation of SENILE-C for assessment of neglect among	Masters in Public Health

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36	Preventive and social medicine	Dr. Palanivel C, Professor	Tuberculosis in pregnancy: Vulnerability, burden and treatment outcomes	<p>Medical Qualification:</p> <p>MD/MS/DM/MCh from a recognised medical college (specifically in Preventive and Social Medicine, Community Medicine, or General Medicine) or a Diplomate of the National Board (DNB) in the respective subject.</p> <p>All medical degrees must be registered with the National Medical Commission (NMC) / Medical Council of India (MCI).</p> <p>Non-Medical Qualification:</p> <p>Master of Public Health (MPH) from a UGC-recognised Indian University.</p>
37	Preventive and social medicine	Dr. Palanivel C, Professor	Environmental heat stress and work place interventions in selected occupational groups	<p>Medical Qualification:</p> <p>MD/MS/DM/MCh from a recognised medical college (specifically in Preventive and Social Medicine, Community Medicine, or General Medicine) or a Diplomate of the National Board (DNB) in the respective subject.</p> <p>All medical degrees must be registered with the National Medical Commission (NMC) / Medical Council of India (MCI).</p> <p>Non-Medical Qualification:</p> <p>Master of Public Health (MPH) from a UGC-recognised Indian University</p>
38	Psychiatry	Dr. Vikas Menon, Professor	Development and validation of a self-report medication	M.Sc or M Phil or other Masters Degree in Psychology

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			adherence tool for mental illness	M.Sc or M Phil or other Masters Degree in Social Work M.Sc or M Phil or other Masters Degree in Sociology M.Sc or other Masters Degree in mental health studies MPH or Masters in Community Health
39	Psychiatry	Dr. Balaji Bharadwaj, Additional Professor	Maternal depression, mother-infant bonding and infant developmental outcomes	(1) MD Psychiatry, or (2) MSc Clinical Psychology, or (3) MPH - with prior experience in psychiatry or mental health research
40	Transfusion Medicine	Dr. B. Abhishek, Additional Professor	Development and validation of a scoring tool for predicting the vasovagal reactions in blood donors	MBBS/ MPH/ M.Sc. in Nursing/Paramedical Sciences/MLT

Eligibility for Full-Time PhD

1. A candidate seeking admission to the course of study leading to the award of PhD degree must possess any one of the following qualifications:
 - a. **Medical qualification:** MBBS /MD/MS/DM/MCh from a recognized medical college or Diplomate of National Board of Examination (DNB/DrNB) in the particular subject as per the requirement of the project. The degree(s) should be registered with the MCI.
 - b. **Non-Medical Qualification:** Master's Degree (2/3-year course) from a UGC-recognized Indian University or equivalent in the subject as per the requirements of the project.
 - c. **Nursing Qualification:** M.Sc. degree in a nursing specialty (for College of Nursing). The degree(s) should have been registered with the INC.
2. Candidates should have at least 50% aggregate marks in the qualifying examination.
3. Candidates with Master's Degree through a distance-learning mode are NOT ELIGIBLE

Application fees

Category	Application fees
General (UR)/EWS	Rs.1,500 + Transaction Charges as applicable
OBC	Rs.1,500 + Transaction Charges as applicable
SC/ST	Rs.1,200 + Transaction Charges as applicable
PwD	Exempted from Application Fees

Application fee once paid will NOT be refunded under any circumstances.

Mode of Payment: Online

Payment Link:

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Application process and Selection of Candidates

Only candidates with JRF/SRF (or equivalent fellowship) are eligible to apply provided they satisfy the eligibility criteria given above (Page number 7-19).

All candidates should apply in the prescribed format enclosed. Each candidate can choose up to a maximum of 3 topics of their interest from the table provided above. The degree requirements for each subject/department are given in the table above. All eligible shortlisted candidates will be called to appear for a viva voce examination (online/offline) conducted by the PhD Admission Committee. The short-listed candidates will be given a chance to go through the concept proposals of projects they are interested in and contact the guides for seeking clarification, if needed.

Rank list will be drawn based on the performance in the viva voce examination. Those who score >50% marks in the exam will be selected and will be allotted topics keeping in mind, their choices in the order of their rank from within the subjects/departments they had opted for.

At the time of joining or during the PhD course period, the candidates should not be pursuing full-time or part-time course or holding any regular or contract job. Candidates working in a Government (Union/State/Autonomous) organization, if selected, should submit “No Objection Certificate” at the time of admission.

Applications of candidates who fail to fulfill the prescribed eligibility criteria will be rejected.

NOTE:

1. Any attempt on the part of the candidate to influence directly or indirectly the admission procedures will be viewed seriously and lead to disqualification of the application.
2. Every effort is made by JIPMER to communicate in time to the candidate regarding the examination, merit rank, counseling, etc. through website. In case the candidate does not notice the information, JIPMER shall not be held responsible for the same.
3. In the matter of selection/admission, the decision of the Director of JIPMER will be final.
4. All students admitted to the Course at JIPMER shall maintain good conduct, pay the requisite tuition fees and other charges by due dates, attend their classes/clinics regularly and abide by rules and regulations of the Institute. When the conduct and character of a student is not satisfactory or of suspicious nature, the Director reserves the right to make him/her vacate the hostel or to expel him/her from the Institute after due payment for damages caused by him/her.

ADMISSION FEES*:

S. No.	Description	Fee in Rs.
1	Admission Fees (One-time payment)	3,000
2	Caution deposit (At the time of admission, refundable)	3,000
3	Tuition Fees (Annual)	2,200
4	Learning Resource Fee (Annual)	6,000
5	Student Information details (Annual)	1,500
6	Identity Card (One time)	150
Total fees at admission		15,850
Annual fees from second year		9,700

*Subject to revision from time to time by Competent Authority.

Accommodation

In-campus accommodation facilities are limited, and there is no guarantee that PhD scholars will be provided accommodation. They will have to make their own arrangements to get a suitable accommodation outside the campus.

Description of Hostel charges	Amount in INR
A. At admission/allotment (applicable for single, double, and triple sharing accommodations)	
1. Establishment Charges (per annum) (Non-refundable)	6,000
2. Hostel Caution Deposit (Refundable)	5,000
3. Hostel Mess Deposit (Refundable)	3,000
4. Room Rent (including Electricity charges) @500/- per month (for double accommodation). Single accommodation for the first-year students is subject to availability and if available, the student has to pay @ 750/- per month accordingly.	6,000 or 9,000
Total amount to be paid at entry/allotment	20,000 or 23,000
B. For subsequent years (Double or Triple sharing – Sharing Accommodation)	
o Establishment charges (per annum) (Non-refundable)	6,000
o Room Rent (incl. electricity charges) @ Rs.500/- per month	6,000
<i>Total amount to be paid (per annum)</i>	12,000
C. For subsequent years (Single rooms)	
1. Establishment charges (per annum) (Non-refundable)	6,000
2. Room Rent (inclusive of electricity charges) @ Rs.750/- per month	9,000
Total amount to be paid (per annum)	15,000

*The caution and mess deposits will be refunded at the time of vacating the hostel room, after deductions, if any.

Note: For the subsequent years, on completion of every year, Hostel fee payment is to be paid by the students as per JIPMER Hostel Manual.

Duration of the PhD Course

The candidates registered for PhD as full-time research scholars shall conduct research work for a minimum period of three (3) years from the date of provisional registration.

He/she shall attend the department for research on all working days, except for periods when he/she is allowed to visit other institutions/laboratories for activities connected with research for a period permitted by the concerned guide and competent authorities.

Maximum duration

The duration of the course and certification of research experience will be the time period from provisional registration to submission of the thesis. The maximum period of the course shall not exceed five years for full time candidates and six years for part-time candidates from the date of provisional registration. During this period, it is mandatory for the candidate to work in the department.

Extension beyond six years can only be granted by the competent authority, and only under extraordinary circumstances. The decision of the PhD Research Monitoring Committee (PhD RMC) will be final in this regard and the registration of candidates who are unable to complete their course within the above-stipulated period shall stand cancelled automatically. Such scholars shall no longer be eligible for any PhD in this Institute.

Leave and other rules

1. Only 30 days' leave is permitted each year.
2. Two conference leaves, not exceeding a total of ten (10) days, will be permitted in a year. The leave will be sanctioned if the scholar presents a paper from her/his thesis work.
3. If they wish to attend any other conference, they will have to avail leave from their sanctioned 30 days. Leave for undergoing training and attending workshops will be considered as given below (point 5).
4. The women candidates shall be entitled for maternity leave for 135 days (4.5 months) only as per existing rules.
5. In case the guide recommends a candidate for specific training or project related work outside JIPMER (within India or abroad), the leave shall be treated as on duty/study leave without any financial implications for JIPMER in this regard. This study leave shall not be for more than 6 months in the entire registration period. The proof of acceptance of the candidate for such training/work outside should be submitted and on return, the report of such training/work done shall be required to be submitted to the Dean (R), by the candidate through the guide.

Break of Study

PhD is a continuous program, and hence a break of study cannot be granted under any circumstances, including medical grounds. Students can leave the course mid-way only by

discontinuing the course and their names will be removed from the rolls of this institute. No correspondence in this regard will be entertained.

Penalty for Discontinuation of PhD

In the event a student discontinues the course for any reason within 12 months, he/she will be levied a fine of Rs. 25,000/-; between 12 to 24 months, he/she has to pay Rs. 50,000/- and between 24-36 months, the student has to pay Rs. 75,000/-.

Any category/situation that is not covered by the above or the PhD guidelines will be referred to the Dean (Research) and the Director. The Director's decision will be final in such matters.

Conversion of PhD course from full-time to part-time and vice-versa will not be allowed under normal circumstances.

Course-Related Information

DURATION OF THE COURSE:

The duration of the course shall extend from registration to submission of thesis. It shall be at least three years, and the maximum period of registration shall not exceed five years. Extension for a maximum period of up to 6 months beyond 5 years can be given on the recommendation of Dean (Research) and after final approval by the Director. A further final extension of up to six months (beyond 5½ years) can be given in highly exceptional circumstances (such as medical exigencies, natural calamities, etc.), only on the recommendation of Doctoral Research Committee and approval of the Director. Such extensions cannot be given retrospectively. For extension, the Chief guide of the PhD student shall give clear reason(s) for the delay to the Doctoral Research Committee and must present the case before Doctoral Research Committee. Failure to submit thesis within stipulated time period of maximum 5 years (5½ years in an extension of after prior approval or 6 years in exceptional circumstances) shall lead to cancellation of PhD registration of the candidate.

LEAVE AND OTHER RULES:

Ph.D. students are entitled for leave up to 30 days every year. Any additional leave will be without pay and will lead to a commensurate extension of duration of PhD registration. However, such additional leave cannot exceed 3 months in the entire registration period of 5 years. Such prolonged absence shall lead to the registration being cancelled. Female candidates shall be entitled for maternity leave as per rules.

On the recommendation of the Chief Guide, a PhD student may be permitted to undergo specific training or do project-related work outside JIPMER (within India or abroad) for up to 6 months in the entire registration period. The proof of acceptance for such training/work outside should be submitted and prior approval taken. On return, the student will submit a report of such training/work done to the Dean (Research), through the Chief Guide.

BREAK OF STUDY PERIOD:

PhD is a continuous programme, and hence a **break of study cannot be granted under any circumstances**, including medical grounds. Students can leave the course mid-way only by discontinuing the course and their names will be removed from the roll of this institute. No Correspondence in this regard will be entertained under any circumstances.

CHANGE OF TOPIC:

Once chosen, change of topic is NOT permitted on any account.

CONDUCT AND DISCIPLINE:

PhD scholars shall conform to a high standard of discipline and shall conduct himself/herself, within and outside the precincts of the Institute, in a manner befitting the students of an Institution of National Importance. He/she shall have the seriousness of purpose and shall in every way, train himself to a life of earnest endeavor and co-operation. He/she shall follow strict ethical standards. He/she shall show due courtesy and consideration to the employees of the Institute and Hostels, to his/her fellow scholars/students, respect the wardens of the hostel and the guides/teachers of the Institute and pay due attention and courtesy to visitors and patients in the attached hospital divisions (JIPMER Hostel Rules and Regulations).

HONOUR CODE:

In order to promote ethical behavior, JIPMER requires every student to agree to abide by the Honour Code. At the time of admission, every student has to sign the Honour Code. Violations of this code are taken very seriously and may result in suspension or expulsion. The admission will be withheld if Honour Code applicable to Institute and Hospital related activities is not duly signed and submitted at the time of admission with a copy to the respective department.

RAGGING:

Ragging is banned in this Institute. If a student is found to have indulged in ragging in the past, or if it is noticed later that he/she has indulged in ragging, then he/she may be expelled from the Institute.

Supreme Court Rules regarding Ragging:

As per direction of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, the Government has banned ragging completely in any form inside and outside the campus and all the JIPMER authorities are determined not to allow any form of ragging. Whosoever directly or indirectly commits, participates in, abets, or instigates ragging within or outside JIPMER shall have an FIR lodged against him/her by the institution and he/she will be suspended or rusticated from the institution and shall also be liable to be fined which may extend to Rs. 10,000/-. In case the applicant for admission is found to have indulged in ragging in the past or if it is noticed later that he/she has indulged in ragging, admission can be refused, or he/she shall be expelled from the educational institution. The punishment may also include suspension from attending the classes withholding/ withdrawing fellowship/ scholarship and other financial benefits or withholding the result.

LEGAL JURISDICTION

- JIPMER reserves the right to make changes in the information provided in this Prospectus based on directives from competent authorities. This cannot be quoted for any sanction.
- Notwithstanding the information given in this Prospectus JIPMER, has the ultimate right to decide on any issue as per its Rules and Regulations.
- For any up-to-date information including changes in the deadlines, seat matrix, etc., JIPMER website at www.jipmer.edu.in may be checked from time to time.
- The disputes, if any, about counselling and admission process after the Entrance Examination, etc. will be subject to the legal jurisdiction of the Union Territory of Puducherry.

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25.02.2026


Dean (Research)
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Instructions to the candidates on how to apply

- The candidates are required to fill in the attached Application Proforma after remitting the **Application fee** through the payment link provided in Pg. No. 20.
- The **Payment transaction ID** should be provided under the '**payment details**' section of the Application proforma
- An advance soft copy of the filled-in Application should be e-mailed to research@jipmer.edu.in on or before **10.03.2026**
- Hard copy of the Application should reach on or before **15.03.2026** to

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