

ACADEMY OF SCIENTIFIC AND INNOVATIVE RESEARCH

Subject: Modification of Eligibility Condition to AcSIR Notification inviting application (dated March 03, 2022) for AcSIR – RMIT, Australia Joint Ph.D (Cotutelle) Program, 2022

The Director, AcSIR has approved modification of the Clause 3 of the Eligibility Criteria in consideration of the delays in conduct of Comprehensive Examination due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic:

The applicant should have successfully completed the AcSIR - PhD comprehensive examination with at least 2 consecutive semesters of Ph.D enrolment (as on May 10, 2022).

All other conditions of Eligibility would remain unchanged. Therefore, only the students in their 3rd, 4th, 5th or 6th semester of AcSIR-Ph.D enrolment would be eligible to apply (*i.e., Admission batch of August 2019, January 2020, August 2020 or January 2021*).

It may be noted that mere fulfilment of eligibility criteria does not ascertain any applicant for their selection in the program.

The last date for receipt of application has been extended to Monday, May 16, 2022.

The order is issued with approval of the Director, AcSIR.

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Notification for AcSIR – RMIT, Australia Joint (Cotutelle Ph.D) Program, 2022

Applications are invited from students currently enrolled for the Ph.D program of AcSIR at any of its Academic Centres/Associate Academic Centres for the AcSIR – RMIT, Australia, Joint PhD (Cotutelle) Program, 2022.

ABOUT THE FELLOWSHIP

The selected students have to undertake between 6 to 12 months of the Program at RMIT's Melbourne Campus. RMIT would provide scholarship to cover the full cost of tuition fee and a standard stipend at standard RMIT rates, for the duration of Candidates' attendance at RMIT. RMIT will also bear the expenses of the return air-fare by economy class, but such travel must be booked with the prior approval of RMIT.

The selected candidates have to bear the expenses for visa, accommodation & internal travel in Australia, health and travel insurance, and other incidental expenses.

ELIGIBILITY

- 1. The applicants, registered for Ph.D under AcSIR at its academic centres/associate academic centres and having a valid <u>National-Level Fellowships</u>, are ONLY eligible to apply. Applicants with permanent employment (including industry-sponsored) are not eligible to apply;
- 2. The following category of applicants would be exempted from the minimum eligibility condition of "having a valid <u>National-Level Fellowships</u>":
 - a) <u>Project Assistants</u> enrolled as Regular Students in AcSIR PhD program
 - b) Students enrolled in <u>PhD (Engineering Sciences)</u>.
- 3. The applicant should have successfully completed the AcSIR PhD comprehensive examination with at least 2 consecutive semesters of Ph.D enrolment (as on January 31, 2022). Applicants in their 3rd, 4th, 5th or 6th semester of AcSIR-Ph.D enrolment are only eligible to apply (*i.e., Admission batch of August 2019, January 2020, August 2020 or January 2021*).

HOW TO APPLY

The completed application form, both in hard & soft copy, should be submitted to the AcSIR Coordinator of the institute where the applicant is enrolled for Ph.D. The applicants must attach a one-page synopsis of their on-going Ph.D work with a tentative PhD thesis title, highlighting the objectives and the intended scope of PhD research work (in not more than 250 words) along with their application. Self-attested copies of all the academic information (degrees, marksheets, awards, etc) should be attached with the application.

The applications are to be emailed by the AcSIR Coordinator to the Associate Director (Student Affairs) (ad_studentaffairs@acsir.res.in) with a copy to the Senior Manager (arpita.acsir@acsir.res.in) latest by **April 06, 2022**.

The scope and extent of provisions are liable to change by AcSIR or RMIT.

Important Notes for Attention:

- 1. Mere eligibility is does not entitle any applicant for the induction in the program
- 2. Director, AcSIR may relax any condition of eligibility in any special case, situation or merit including any relevant inputs or opinion of concerned RMIT Officials.
- 3. Even if a candidate is selected under the program, final enrolment would be subject to the concurrence of concerned RMIT Officials.
- 4. Candidates enrolled in the joint Ph.D. program would have to comply the degree requirements of both RMIT as well as AcSIR as applicable and amended from time to time till the candidates completes the degree program.
- 5. It is advisable that candidates should have an IELTS with threshold Score thereof, as, besides other values, it could be helpful in many respects including convenience to get Visa for Australia
- 6. Enrolment and pursuance of the program would be completely provisional unless the candidate is issued the Visa and visits RMIT for the pursuance of the program.
- 7. Other standard and extant terms and conditions apply.



APPLICATION FORMAT FOR AcSIR (India) - RMIT (Australia) FELLOWSHIP

- 1. Name :
- 3. Date of Birth :
- 5. Address for Correspondence :
- 6. Email ID & Mobile No. :
- 7. AcSIR Academic Centre/Associate Academic Centre :
- 8. AcSIR Enrolment No :
- 9. Month & Year of Enrolment for PhD at AcSIR :
- **10. Research Fellowship availed & its Funding Agency** (please indicate rank in case of UGC/ CSIR JRF)
- **11. Faculty of Study of AcSIR, under which enrolled for PhD**: Biological Sciences/Chemical Sciences/Physical Sciences/Engineering Sciences/Mathematical & Information sciences (*Please check one*)

12. Details of the AcSIR Ph.D Courses completed :

Course code	Course Title	Grade obtained	Year of Passing

13. Date of the conduct of PhD Comprehensive examination:

14. Tentative Research Title of the Ph.D thesis :

Attach one-page synopsis of your Ph.D research work with tentative thesis title, highlighting the objectives and intended scope of research work (more than 250 words)

15. Educational Background (Bachelor's Degree onwards)

SI No.	Degree	Board/University	% of marks/ Grade	Major Subjects

- **16. SCI Publications, emanating out of your thesis research work, if any** (give complete bibliographic details):
- 17. Awards & achievements (only academic awards & achievements) :
- 18. Whether IELTS Cleared, if yes, then indicate the score :

19. Have you identified a potential Joint Supervisor at RMIT with whom you wish to pursue your research work : (Yes/No),

If yes, then indicate the name, designation, address and email of the Joint Supervisor at RMIT and attach his/her consent email/letter

20. Name, Faculty Designation and email ID of your AcSIR Supervisor

(Signature of the applicant)

21. Recommendation of the PhD Supervisor

(Signature of the PhD Supervisor)

22. Approval of the Institute Director

(Signature of the Director) With Stamp

Date :

To be verified and forwarded to AcSIR-HQ by the Institute's AcSIR Coordinator :

(Signature with Name)