ACADEMY OF SCIENTIFIC AND INNOVATIVE RESEARCH (AcSIR), INDIA
&
THE UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA (UWA), AUSTRALIA

Notification for AcSIR, India–UWA, Australia Joint (Ph.D Cotutelle) Degree Program, 2024

Applications are invited for the **AcSIR, India–UWA, Australia, Joint PhD (Cotutelle) Program, 2024** from students currently enrolled for the Ph.D program of AcSIR at any of its Academic Centres/Associate Academic Centres. UWA, Australia is currently a world top 100 ranked university (QS World University Ranking 2023).

FELLOWSHIP AND OTHER FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The selected students, as a part of their AcSIR PhD program, will have to spend a maximum of 12 months at UWA's Perth Campus. UWA will provide a monthly fellowship and a full tuition-fee waiver for the duration of candidates' attendance at UWA. AcSIR will bear the cost of international return airfare by economy class (booked with the prior approval of AcSIR) and Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC).

MINIMUM ELIGIBILITY

1. Indian National.
2. Master's degree with a minimum of first-class or equivalent grade
3. Registered for Ph.D or in the PhD-part of Integrated Dual Degree Program IDDP- (M.Tech+Ph.D) in AcSIR, and who are in their 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th or 6th Semester of their AcSIR-Ph.D enrolment, have completed the comprehensive examination (as on the last date of this application deadline) i.e regular *PhD Admission batches- January 2023, August-2022, January-2022, August-2021 and January 2021* and IDDP admission batches- *January 2021, August-2020, January-2020, August-2019 and January 2019.*
4. AcSIR students employed on permanent positions (including industry-sponsored) or on temporary positions (including Project Assistants) at the time of application are not eligible to apply;
5. Applicant must meet the Postgraduate language requirements before enrolment in the program i.e. IELTS (International English Language Testing System) as proof of English language competency. Minimum overall band-score of 6.5 and with no individual band-score lower than 6.0*(although the students can apply but can get enrolled in this program, if selected, only after this eligibility criterion is met).* Additional information on Postgraduate language requirements is provided:
   Postgraduate research language requirements : The University of Western Australia (uwa.edu.au)

HOW TO APPLY

The completed AcSIR application form and UWA Expression of Interest (EoI) should be submitted to the AcSIR Coordinator of the institute where the applicant is enrolled for Ph.D. The applicants must attach a summary of proposed research (2 to 3 pages) with a tentative thesis title as per Section 6 of the UWA EOI and other relevant documents as mentioned in the UWA EoI.

The applications, complete in all respects, along with the comprehensive examination report are to be emailed by the AcSIR Coordinator to the admission.jdp@acsir.res.in with a copy to the Senior Manager (arpita.acsir@acsir.res.in) and latest by **February 16, 2024.**

Important points for the Applicants

1. Last date for receiving applications at AcSIR HQ is February 16, 2024.
2. The student will receive intimation directly from UWA about their selection.
3. The applicant **must not communicate** with any prospective supervisor/faculty at UWA. Failure to comply with this directive may result in disqualification. UWA Supervisors can be identified on **UWA's Research Repository** for filling in details of in the section 6 of the UWA EOI.
4. Applicants selected and enrolled in this joint Ph.D. program would have to comply with the academic requirements of both UWA as well as AcSIR, as applicable from time to time.
5. Director, AcSIR may relax any condition of eligibility in any special case, based on the merit/research or any relevant inputs from UWA.
6. Other standard and extant terms and conditions apply.