REGULATIONS OF

Doctor of Science (D.Lit.) Degree in

Ayurveda

Ordinance 2025



MAHAYOGI GURU GORAKHNATH AYUSH UNIVERSITY

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Regulations Governing the Doctor of Science (D.Lit.) Degree for Ayurveda

1. PREAMBLE:

The Doctor of Science (D.Lit.) is the highest post-doctoral degree of the Mahayogi Guru Gorakhnath AYUSH University, Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh. The University shall award (D.Lit.). Degree in the discipline of Ayurveda and other related areas of Ayurveda. The specific specific speciality or focused area also will be mentioned in the certificate identically within brackets.

A higher Post-Doctoral degree is awarded based on original, and independent research in a particular discipline that has made distinct contributions to the advancement of knowledge, as evidenced by research publications in reviewed journals (of international impact) or in the form of book(s) (international publishers of repute) and are recognized by peers. The research work of the candidate must have been characterized either by the discovery of facts or by a fresh approach towards interpretation of facts or theories or formulating a new theory/hypothesis and evince his capacity for original thinking, critical examinations, and sound judgment in the form of a thesis. The regulations framed are subject to modification from time to time by the Competent University Authorities.

2. ELIGIBILITY:

2.1 Eligibility for (D.Lit.). (Ayurveda)

A candidate who has been awarded Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree in the disciplines of Ayurveda and other related areas of Ayurveda specializations by any University or degree recognized equivalent thereto from relevant inter disciplinary sciences like Allopathy, Pharmacognosy, Pharmaceutics, Pharmacy, Botony, Zoology, Biotechnology, Chemistry, or any specialization relevant and having scope for research in Ayurveda and its upgradation and specialization of other Ayush systems of any other University may present his/her candidacy for the degree of Doctor of Science (D.Lit.).

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Post-Doctoral work for a minimum period of 3 years in Ayurveda and other Ayurveda specialization subjects that come under the scope of sciences and the candidate has obtained a MD/MS Ayurveda Degree and has earned a Ph.D. in the same field of specialization; has published 10 research papers in Scopus/ WoS indexed journals as first author or second author (in case of supervision) with high impact factor and has at least 3 recommendations/referrals of his/her research or contribution from nationally/internationally recognized experts in the concerned field and his/her work and effort have made distinct contributions to the society and candidate must have advancement of knowledge. The candidate must have obtained Ph.D. degree or equalent degree prior to the date of application.

Table 01: List of (D.Lit.). Ayurveda specializations:

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Sl. No	Name of (D.Lit.) Specialization
1.	Samhita and Siddhanta
2.	Rachana Sharira
3.	Kriya Sharira
4.	Dravyaguna Vijnana Dravyaguna Vijnana
5.	Rasashastra and BhaishajyaKalpana
6.	Roganidana – Vikritivijnana
7.	Agadatantra evum Vidhivaidyaka
8.	Swasthavritta and Yoga
9.	Panchakarma
10.	Kaya Chikitsa
11.	ShalyaTantra
12.	ShalakyaTantra
13	Kaumarabhritya
14.	Streeroga – PrasutiTantra
15.	Any other Focused area pertaining to
	Ayurveda for inter disciplinary
	candidates

3. Duration of (D.LIT.). Ayurveda - 2 Years

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4. ADMISSION & REGISTRATION:

- 4.1 A candidate satisfying the above eligibility criteria and who has obtained the Ph.D. degree from any University recognized by the University Grants Commission (UGC), may apply for registration as a candidate for the (D.Lit.). degree programme.
- 4.2 Bio-data with full particulars (academic and research), list of publications, books, policy documents, news paper articles, magazine articles or any significant contribution in research or Ayurvedea if any; details to be enclosed in the Bio-data.
- 4.3 The University shall notify for D. Sc. admission announcement on the University website.
- 4.4 Those that have applied and qualified in the eligibility shall have to appear before Committee for personal Interview/Viva- Voce (PI/VV) at the University, as per the scheduled and place specified by the University.
- 4.5 The interview/viva voce shall also consider the following aspects, viz. whether:
- The candidate possesses the competence for the proposed research;
- ii The research work can be suitably undertaken at the University/ Institution;
- iii The proposed area of research can contribute to new/additional knowledge;
- 4.6 At the time of counselling the candidates are expected to discuss their research interest/area/content.
- 4.7 Candidate who is applying for D. Sc. in multi/inter/intra disciplinary subjects has to appear counselling and submit proof of their highest credential in the research.
- 4.8 Those candidates who are applying from multi/inter/intra disciplinary subjects possessing degree equivalent to Ph.D. are eligible.
- 4.9 Those candidates from Abroad from multi/inter/intra disciplinary subjects possessing degree equivalent to Ph.D. are also eligible.
- 4.10 Number of Candidates: There shall not be more than eight scholars (D.Lit.) taken together at a time under a Professor and 10 scholars (D.Lit.) taken together at a time under a senior professor. This quota is applicable only for regular candidates (may be Indian or foreign nationals), however based on availability part time candidates having high reputation also may be filled.
- 4.11 The candidate shall be required to finalize and submit a brief research proposal of about 1000 words. containing the title, significance and scope of the topic, rationale, justification,

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national-international status. Theory and research methodology/ techniques involved, references bibliography, place of research etc.

4.12 Structure of fees for (D.Lit.). Programme: Rs. 65000 (Sixty five thousands) per year

5. SUBMISSION AND EXAMINATION OF THESIS:

- 5.1 The candidate shall submit his/her (D.Lit.). thesis after a minimum period of two years from the date of registration.
- 5.2 The submission of the thesis for (D.Lit.). shall be made in appropriate format in the Office of University. The standard of the proposed research should be commensurate with the higher doctoral degree.
- 5.3 Language of the thesis: The candidate should submit the thesis (D.Lit.). thesis in English except when, it is related to Sanskrit script, where the thesis may be by lingual

6. Evaluation of (D.Lit.). Thesis:

A panel of 8 established subject experts not below the rank of Professor, possessing good reputation in the concerned subject of (D.Lit.) (submitted thesis) and subject experts should have Ph.D. degree and experience or D.Sc / D.Lit. or any equalent post doctoral degree from interdisciplinary subjects of other universities outside the State/ abroad shall be submitted by the Mentor to the concerned Research Committee to be forwarded to the Vice Chancellor. The panel should consist of 8 Professors from India and from abroad. The Vice Chancellor shall select 3 reputed examiners from the list.

7. Open Viva Voce Examination.

7.1 The maximum time limit for conducting open Viva voce shall be 02 months from the date of receipt of favorable evalution reports from the examiners.

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7.2 The open Viva Voce shall be held on any working day of the university. In case the open Viva voce, the examiners is not in a position to travel to the university. An open Viva voce/defence with the participation of the external examiner, be arranged with the permission of Hon. Vice Chancellor.

8. AWARD OF THE DEGREE:

The candidate for (D.Lit.). shall be admitted to the respective degree of (D.Lit.). of the University by the recommendation of the Academic Council. The decision will be informed to the candidate.