About the Center for Research & Development
The Centre for Research & Development at Rai University offers an impressive range of doctoral degrees—the most advanced and prestigious degrees that any university can confer. Most of the doctoral programs at Rai University take full advantage of the region’s rich opportunities for research and practice.

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) Program @ Rai University, Ahmedabad

Areas of Research

- English Literature
- Library & Information Science
- Gandhian Studies
- Rural Studies
- Cultural Studies
- History
- Geography
- Economics
- Philosophy
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Political Science
- Social Work
- Public Administration
- Business Management
- Commerce
- Journalism & Mass Communication
- Computer Science
- Information Technology
- Operations Research
- Mathematics
- Statistics
- Primary Education
- Secondary Education
- Higher Education
- Adult & Continuing Education

General Eligibility Criteria and Selection Procedure

The eligibility for admission in the PhD program is 50% marks at the post-graduation level. Besides this, the following shall also be considered for admission in the PhD program.

(i) Candidates who fulfill the eligibility criteria and have qualified the entrance exam conducted by the university will be selected after submission of their research proposal before the Board of Research Studies.

(ii) Candidates who fulfill the eligibility criteria and also have five years of Work/Professional experience as validated by the respective Disciplines may be exempted from appearing in Entrance Examination. Such candidates will be invited to appear in an interview with the Board of Research Studies.

(iii) Candidates who fulfill the eligibility criteria and do not have five years work experience will appear in the Entrance Examination. Those who qualify the Entrance Examination will appear in the interview conducted by the Board of Research Studies.
Duration

The minimum and maximum duration of the PhD Programme are 2 years and 4 years respectively.

Steps to Research Degree

In this section, the important steps which doctoral students are expected to follow are listed. We assure that if you proceed along these steps you should be able to complete your doctoral work in a smooth and effective way. You are advised to keep checking on these steps as you pursue your research.

Steps before Registration

1. When a candidate aspires to do PhD at Rai University, Ahmedabad, he/she needs to look for Admission Advertisement on the University Website as well as leading dailies across the country.
2. The Information Brochure and Application Form will be placed on the University Website. The prospective candidate needs to download the Application Form and fill in the details. It is important for the prospective candidate to respond to each and every item contained in the Application Form. If there is inadequate or wrong information, his/her Application Form is likely to be rejected.
3. The candidate must ensure that the Application Fee, as indicated in the Advertisement, in the form of Demand Draft drawn in favor of “Rai University” payable at Ahmedabad is attached with his/her Application Form.
4. Copies of all documents testifying the information submitted in the Application are attached along with the Application Form.
5. Upon the receipt of the Application Form at Rai University, an initial scrutiny will be made to examine if all the essential conditions of eligibility are met and relevant documents are attached with the Application Fee.
6. The University will conduct the Entrance Examination on the date fixed for the purpose.
7. Candidates who are successful in the Entrance Examination will be duly informed and called for Personal Interview and Topic Selection with the Board of Research Studies – CRD, the same will be followed by provisional registration in the Ph. D Programme.