

Agriculture and Forestry University

Directorate of Post Graduate Program

Rampur, Chitwan, Nepal

Application call for PhD admission

(Date: Mangsir 22, 2078 / December 8, 2021)

Agriculture and Forestry University, Directorate of Post Graduate Program announces the application call for PhD admission (PhD by Course and Research, and PhD by Research) for November, 2021 (Mangsir, 2078) session in different Departments. Applicants are requested to submit the PhD Admission Application Form that can be downloaded at http://afu.edu.np/sites/default/files/PhD_Admission_Applicantion_Form_AFU.pdf with details of the information required in the form, and other necessary documents. Incomplete forms will not be evaluated for admission.

Deadline date for application submission: Paush 28, 2078 / January 12, 2022 (4:00 PM)

Requirements and eligibility details:

PhD by Course and Research

An applicant must have M.Sc. degree in first division (in division scale) or with CGPA 3.25 (in 4.0 scale CGPA) in the related/relevant field. However, prerequisite courses may be required for eligibility based on M.Sc. degree obtained.

The applicant must have published at least one research article in the referred journal as a first author.

The applicant must have graduated from an institution where undergraduate and postgraduate teaching medium is English. However, special cases could be reviewed by the committee.

The applicant must submit confidential letters of recommendation from two referees who would be in a position to judge academic and research capabilities of the candidate to undertake the PhD study successfully. At least one of the letters must be from a university professor of the relevant subject.

The applicant must submit an acceptable concept research proposal for PhD dissertation.

The applicant must have assured research fund.

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PhD by Research

An applicant must have a minimum of continuous 5 years of experience in academic, research or development after M.Sc. degree in the related/relevant field. However, prerequisite courses may be required for eligibility based on M.Sc. degree obtained.

The candidate having first division (in division scale) or CGPA 3.25 (in 4.0 scale CGPA) must have published at least two research articles and candidate having second division (in division scale) or CGPA 2.75 (in 4.0 scale CGPA) must have published at least three research articles in the referred journal as a first author.

The candidate must have graduated from an institution where undergraduate and postgraduate teaching medium is English. However, special cases could be reviewed by the committee.

The applicant must submit confidential letters of recommendation from two referees who would be in a position to judge academic and research capabilities of the candidate to undertake the PhD study successfully. At least one of the letters must be from a university professor of the relevant subject.

The applicant must submit an acceptable concept research proposal for PhD dissertation.

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Method of application submission: By email to pgsc@afu.edu.np (scan copies), OR, to the Post Graduate Office (in person). In case of submission through email, original hard copies need to be submitted at the time of admission.

Documents to be submitted:

- 1. PhD Admission Application Form
- 2. Citizenship/Passport
- 3. Complete Academic Certificates and Transcripts (from bachelor degree)
- 4. Grade conversion certificate (if marks are mentioned in GRADE basis)
- 5. Equivalent certificates (for Degrees obtained from foreign countries)
- 6. Official Release Letter
- 7. Recommendation Letters (2, at least one from the University Professor)
- 8. Work Experience Letter
- 9. Concept Note of Proposed Study

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- 10. Letter of Sponsorship (Funded by sponsoring agencies, or, self-sponsoring)
- 11. Application fee (NR 1000) paid receipt/Bank voucher

Bank details:

A/C name: Agriculture and Forestry University, Central Office

A/C number: 08500106420831000001

Bank: Nepal Bank Limited

Branch: Rampur, Chitwan

Selection process: PhD committee will evaluate the documents and decide for the admission offer by Magh 7, 2078 (January 21, 2022). If the number of application exceeds than the number of seats available in each Department, PhD committee will set the criteria and select on competitive basis. Major advisor will be assigned by the PhD committee at the time of admission offer.

Deadline date for admission: Magh14, 2078 / January 28, 2022 (4:00 PM)

Date of semester commencement: Magh17, 2078 /January 31, 2022

Departments (available number of seats is shown in the bracket):

- 1. **Faculty of Agriculture:** Department of Agronomy (3), Department of Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness Management (5), Department of Rural Sociology and Development Studies (3), Department of Entomology (2), Department of Plant Pathology (2), Department of Horticulture (4), Department of Genetics and Plant Breeding (3), Department of Agricultural Extension (2), Center for Biotechnology (2), Department of Conservation Ecology (2), Department of Soil Science(2)
- 2. Faculty of Animal Science, Veterinary Science and Fisheries: Department of Veterinary Pathology (1), Department of Veterinary Microbiology and Parasitology (Microbiology 3), Department of Veterinary Surgery and Pharmacology (Pharmacology 1, and Surgery 1), Department of Theriogenology (2), Department of Aquaculture (2), Department of Animal Breeding and Biotechnology (2), Department of Animal Nutrition and Fodder Production (3)
- 3. Faculty of Forestry (3)

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