

## International Affairs

### Admission of Foreign Nationals 2021-22

#### Definition:

For the purposes of admission to the UoH, the term “Foreign National” implies any candidate holding a passport of a foreign country<sup>1</sup>. This category would include any Person of Indian Origin (PIO) or, Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) card holder who has a foreign country’s passport. NRI’s with Indian Passport are Indian Nationals and therefore, cannot be considered as International Students.

#### Number of seats:

As per UGC guidelines Foreign Nationals will be admitted maximum of 15% over and above the approved intake in a course, depending upon the availability of adequate infrastructure. All the available seats may not be filled in a particular year if the Admission Committee of the School/ Department/Centre does not recommend anyone or if a program has inadequate infrastructure. Foreign nationals seeking admission through ICCR or other governmental agencies may apply to the University in the prescribed form through the respective bodies.

#### Eligibility:

**Applications:** The University may consider admission of foreign nationals, “*in absentia*”, based on their desire “to be considered *in absentia*”<sup>2</sup> their admission under the 15% bracket for International Student, to any program is subject to the condition that they are found suitable for admission by the Admissions Committee of the Centre/Department/School.

**Academic qualification:** A prospective Foreign National has to fulfil the eligibility conditions, including the required qualifying degree and marks/grades, as prescribed for Indian students. These conditions can be found in the prospectus which is available on the University website ([www.uohyd.ac.in](http://www.uohyd.ac.in) or <http://acad.uohyd.ac.in>). In case a student’s parent University does not have a program which is prescribed as minimum eligibility condition, equivalent program may be considered. In this respect the Admission Committee’s decision is final.

Foreign Nationals whose qualifying degree is from India and who are resident in India at the time of application, in order to be considered for admission into any program/course should take some part of the entrance examination in the form of Interviews in the University as prescribed by the Centre/Department/School. See additional requirements for School of Computer and Information Sciences, Department of Biotechnology and Bioinformatics, check web link: <http://moodle.uohyd.ac.in/index.php/component/content/article/160-admissions/international-students/339>

**English proficiency:** Proof of English Proficiency is essential for a candidate who is not a graduate from a University located in an English-speaking country. College education should have had English language as a medium of instruction. Such a candidate has to provide one of the following two scores. The validity of the test should be two years from the date of examination.

- i. International English Language Testing System (IELTS)-Academic version- minimum score of 6.5 is required.
- ii. Test of English as Foreign Language (TOEFL)
  - Paper-based TOEFL: a minimum score of 560 is required
  - Computer based TOEFL: a minimum score of 220 is required
  - Internet-based TOEFL: a minimum score of 80 is required.

**Respective Admission committees can decide on the requirement of TOEFL/IELTS for Masters and Ph.D. admissions.**

Applications are also invited for admission into Ph.D. program offered by the University. Foreign nationals are exempted from entrance test. The selection criteria to admit an international Ph.D. student rests on the admission committee of the academic unit, which, after examining the application (received from ICCR, SII or self-supported candidates, OCI category candidates) may seek two recommendation letters, assess previous academic performance of the candidate, and, if required, interact with the applicant by an interview (video call); the unit may then identify a potential supervisor(s) and give the recommendation for the admission of the candidate. Foreign nationals may have to provide evidence of language competence suited to the academic unit they wish to join, and the admission committee can decide on this. Students will get a certificate under IoE after completion of course and will not get the UGC Regulations, 2016 certificate.

Applications should be accompanied by copies of relevant certificates, marks sheets, two letters of recommendation from teachers, proof of financial support, together with the English version of such copies duly attested, if they are in a different language. All foreign nationals seeking admission to the University will be required to produce a medical certificate of fitness from a recognized hospital in their country. Those offered admission may also be required to undergo a comprehensive medical examination as prescribed by the University.

**Deadline for receiving applications:**

Foreign Nationals may apply for admission any time during the year. However, the deadline for being considered for any academic year (which generally begins in mid-July) is April 15 of that year. The decision of Admissions Committee will be intimated to the candidates by May 31. For all other details of application form and admission, please visit [http://acad.uohyd.ac.in/downloads/FN\\_APPLICATION.PDF](http://acad.uohyd.ac.in/downloads/FN_APPLICATION.PDF)

**All completed application forms with relevant documents and enclosures can be sent by e-mail to [acadinfo@uohyd.ernet.in](mailto:acadinfo@uohyd.ernet.in) or [drae@uohyd.ac.in](mailto:drae@uohyd.ac.in) or [internationaluoh@gmail.com](mailto:internationaluoh@gmail.com) or by post to the Section officer (Academic Section), Office of Controller of Examinations, University of Hyderabad, P.O. Central University, Gachibowli, Hyderabad – 500 046, Telangana.**