

K. J. Somaiya College of Engineering **Admission Manual**

Ph.D. Programme
Information Technology
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About Somaiya Vidyavihar University

On 26th August 2019, Somaiya Vidyavihar University has become a reality

A new milestone in a glorious ongoing journey established in 2019, Somaiya Vidyavihar University, Mumbai recognised by the University Grants Commission (UGC). Somaiya Vidyavihar, with over six decades of rich experience in building and managing educational institutes of great repute, is the sponsoring body. With over six decades of rich experience Somaiya Vidyavihar has become a self-financed Private University. Somaiya Vidyavihar University is the first private university in Mumbai vide the Maharashtra Self- Financed Universities (Establishment and Regulation) Act 2013. With this status, we now have the academic, administrative, and financial freedom, to achieve the dreams as imagined by our founders. We have a dream to build and support a world class institution, one that is proudly Indian, and excels in education, research and service. Somaiya Vidyavihar University will be a place where knowledge is preserved, disseminated, and new knowledge is created. It will be global in the reach of its ideas and universal in its service. Operational from 26th August 2019, Somaiya Vidyavihar University is a place where you can explore new possibilities, pursue your passion and above all, find yourself.

Our History

An all-round education must integrate Indian culture, values & morality into the curriculum.

In just five decades it has grown into a large educational complex with 34 institutions catering to diverse fields of education such as Humanities, Engineering, Education, Medicine, Management, Pure Sciences and Mass Communication, with more than 39000+ Candidates and 3000+ Faculties and staff on a throbbing 65 acre campus.

The Somaiya Vidyavihar Complex was founded in 1959 by late Shri K.J. Somaiya (1902-1999). Endowed with a sharp business acumen, a balanced perspective and a social bent of mind, Karamshibhai set up the Somaiya Trust in 1953 for furthering his dream of shaping young minds through quality education. For this purpose, he bought a large area of land at Ghatkopar, then considered to be distant, meagrely populated.

Our Vision

Our Founder, Padmabhushan Shri K. J. Somaiya founded Somaiya Vidyavihar on the 9th of September 1959. He later founded the Girivanvasi Pragati Mandal, The K J Somaiya Medical Trust, Girivanvasi Education Trust and sister institutions to make great citizens of India and the World. In the words of Swami Vivekananda, "We want that education by which character is formed, strength of mind is increased, and the intellect expanded, and by which one can stand on one's own feet." We have now grown into a multi-disciplinary and multi-campus education institution with over 1500 faculty, and 38, 000 candidates.

The Somaiya Vidyavihar University admitted 3000+ candidates in 100+ UG/PG/PhD/PG Diploma/Diploma/Certificate programmes in the very first year of establishment.

About Research Center

Department of Information Technology offers Doctoral programme where the research adheres to the rapid evolution of Information Technologies, which is a backbone of almost all business domains. This Ph.D. programme facilitates a productive research experience by binding information and society. This programme is intended for the candidates interested in a research career, teachers and industry professionals positioned in research and development organisations.

Ph.D. Programme in Information Technology includes various specialized research areas such as Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning, Big data processing and Analytics, Information / Cyber Security, Image Processing and Mining, Geographical Information Systems and Geospatial Data Analytics, Biomedical informatics, High-Performance Computing, Embedded Systems, IoT, AR-VR Technologies, Database technologies, Robotics and control systems etc. The department has proficient faculty to guide in the above-mentioned areas and department laboratories also possess essential infrastructural facilities required for the research activities.

Ph.D. Admission Eligibility for Somaiya Vidyavihar University (SVU): Minimum Qualifications for Admission

Subject to the conditions stipulated in the Regulations, the following candidate are eligible to seek admission to the Ph.D. Programme

i.	Master's degree or a professional degree declared equivalent to the Master's degree by the corresponding statutory regulatory body, with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent as per UGC regulations.
ii.	A person whose Master's dissertation has been evaluated and the viva-voce is pending may be admitted to the Ph.D. Programme but subject to completion of Master's degree before provisional admission to SVU Ph.D. Programmes.
iii.	Candidates possessing a Degree considered equivalent to Master's Degree of an Indian Institution, from a Foreign Educational Institution accredited by an Assessment and Accreditation Agency which is approved, recognized or authorized by an authority, established or incorporated under a law in its home country or any other statutory authority in that country for the purpose of assessing, accrediting or assuring quality and standards of educational institutions, shall be eligible for admission to Ph.D. Programme.
iv.	MUST have qualified the Ph.D. Entrance Examination and interview of SVU – mandatory eligibility criteria for all candidates.
v.	Candidates exempted from appearing for Ph.D. Entrance Examination of SVU MUST fill the application form as per the schedule displayed on website. The exempted candidates need not pay the application processing fee.
vi.	A No Objection Certificate (NOC) in prescribed format from the employer in case of those applying to Ph.D. Programme as a sponsored candidate and for all working Professional (Part time / Full time employment).

Eligibility at UG/PG Degree	
Branch of study at UG	Computer Science and Engineering, Computer Engineering, Information Technology, Computer Technology, Computer Science and Technology, Electrical Engineering, Electrical Engineering [Electrical and Power], Electrical Engineering [Electronics and Power], Electronics and Communication Engineering, Electronics and Telecommunication Engineering, Electronics Engineering, Electrical and Power Engineering, Computer Science, Electronics Technology, Electrical, Electronics and Power, Telecommunication Engineering, Information Technology / Computer Science, Computer Engineering and Application, Information Science and Engineering, Information Engineering, Information Science and Engineering, Information and Communication technology, Information Technology and Engineering
Branch of study at PG	Computer Science and Engineering, Computer Engineering, Information Technology, Computer Technology, Computer Science and Technology, Electronics and Communication Engineering, Electronics and Telecommunication Engineering, Electronics Engineering, Computer Science, Electronics Technology, Telecommunication Engineering, Information Technology / Computer Science, Computer Engineering and Application, Information Science and Engineering, Information Engineering, Information Science and Engineering, Information and Communication technology, Information Technology and Engineering, Allied Branches or Equivalent from recognized university or eligibility as per AICTE / UGC

Exemption Criteria for SVU Ph.D. Entrance Examination
<p>Qualified/Valid GATE Score in Computer Science & Information Technology OR Candidates who hold a JRF Fellowship with CSIR/UGC/ICAR/ ICMR and DBT examinations are exempted from appearing for Ph.D. entrance examination of SVU.</p>

Exemption Criteria for SVU Ph.D. Entrance Examination

However, the candidates who fulfil the above criteria MUST fill the application form as per the schedule displayed on the website.

Pattern and syllabus of SVU Ph.D. Entrance Examination

Subject of Entrance Examination: Computer Engineering

The SVU Ph.D. Entrance examination will be proctored/supervised close book examination

Paper-1 Qualitative Test – 40 marks (Subject Specific)

- a) Essay Writing – 20 marks
 - b) Comprehension – 20 marks
- (50% choice in selecting questions in paper 1)

Paper – 2 Subject Specific Test – 60 marks

- a) Multiple Choice Questions – 20 marks (Attempt 20 out of 30 questions)
- b) Subjective Questions – 40 marks (with 50% Choice)

Syllabus for Entrance Examination

Engineering and Discrete Mathematics and Probability: Linear algebra, Matrix algebra; Systems of Linear Equations; Eigen Values and Eigenvectors, Mean, median, mode, standard deviation, dispersion, skewness, Sets, Graphs, groups, Relations and Functions. Uniform, normal, exponential, Poisson and binomial distributions. Conditional probability and Bayes theorem, sampling and sampling methods.

Digital Logic, Computer Organization and Operating System: Boolean algebra. Number representations and computer arithmetic, Memory hierarchy: cache, main memory and secondary storage, I/O interface, Processes, threads, inter-process communication, concurrency, deadlock and synchronization, CPU scheduling. Memory management and virtual memory, File systems, Basics of High-Performance Computing.

Programming and Data Structures and Algorithms: Programming in C. Recursion. Arrays, stacks, queues, linked lists, trees, binary search trees, graphs, Searching, sorting, hashing, Algorithm space and time complexity, Algorithm design techniques: greedy, dynamic programming and divide-and-conquer.

Database Management: ER-model, EER –Model, Relational model, relational algebra, SQL, Integrity constraints, normalization forms, Transactions deadlock handling and concurrency control, indexing and hashing. object oriented, distributed, spatial, in-memory, mobile and NoSQL databases, Data Warehousing / Datalake design and analytics.

Computer Networks and Security: ISO/OSI reference model, TCP/IP model, LAN technologies, Wireless Networks Basics, Network and Information security: cryptography,

database security and Access control, Cyber-crime and Cyber security, basics of malware analysis, digital forensics.

Application development and Technologies:

Software development phases, Software testing methodology. Web application architecture, HTML/ XML, fundamental concepts for client side and server-side scripting. Cloud architecture and services, Wireless Sensor Network, IoT architecture and applications

Artificial Intelligence, Computer Vision and Big Data Analytics:

Machine learning algorithms: regression, clustering, classification. Association and correlation. Neural networks and Fuzzy systems.

Accuracy/error measures of these algorithms.

Image processing, analysis and interpretation. Big Data processing framework, Big data analytics and management. Data Visualization techniques.

Documents Required

1. UG Degree or equivalent Mark List
2. UG Degree certificate
3. PG Degree or equivalent Mark List
4. PG Degree or equivalent certificate
5. AADHAR card
6. Degree equivalence / eligibility certificate – wherever is applicable
7. Migration certificate
8. Two colour passport size Photograph
9. If appearing the PG degree examination – bonafide certificate
10. If employed, then No Objection from the employer – at the time of provisional admission

Sr. No.	Steps adapted for Ph.D. Programme
1	Advertisement on the University Website/ in Newspaper
2	Acceptance of the applications for Ph.D. entrance examination along with application processing fee
3	Display of list of eligible candidates for Ph.D. entrance examination and interview
4	Execution of Ph.D. entrance examination and interview for all PhD programmes
5	Display of list of eligible shortlisted candidates for provisional admission
6	Provisional admission and payment of fees in accounts/admin office of the colleges.
7	Orientation and beginning of the yearlong two semester course work

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8	Allotment of the guide at individual college level / department (within the first six months of provisional admission)
9	Appointment of Examiners and chairman from Research Committee
10	In the first year, first semester is course work, which includes teaching learning, continuous evaluation and ESE examination (Comprehensive examination). The second semester will have dedicated research activities, research proposal drafting & presentation and its evaluation.
11	Research proposal presentation (Qualifying examination)
12	Re-Examination for the semester I and II for unsuccessful candidates or for grade improvement
13	Issue of mark sheets for course work of semester I and II
14	Topic approval of the thesis work (after Qualifying course work examination)
15	Registration for Ph. D programme
16	Annual Progress Seminars (APS) every June/July and Intermediate Progress Seminar (IPS) every January/February of the academic year
17	Approval of examiners to present pre-synopsis in one of the APS and IPS
18	Presentation of pre-synopsis and its approval by the examiners
19	Submission of thesis
20	Sending the thesis to reviewers
21	Receipt of reviews about thesis from the reviewers
22	Final defence of the thesis
23	Submission of final corrected thesis after defence
24	Issue of provisional degree certificate
25	Issue of degree certificate
	The steps and the progress evaluation of Ph.D. students by the committee/examiners/experts will be as per the provisions of Ph.D. regulations

Full Time Regular Ph.D. Students

- The student is basically non-working full-time regular student
- The student will have to pay Rs.50,000 fee per year – fee waiver is given as compared to other than full time regular students
- They can use all the facilities available in the college /department /section/ laboratory during their tenure of Ph.D. programme
- They are expected to report the college/department/section/laboratory as an when authorities/HOD/Guide/Dean/Chairperson BOS will call
- Full time regular student is expected to take [teaching load as per NEP 2020](#) as allotted by the department/section during the academic term from time to time

About Course Work

The course work will be of one academic year (two semesters). It is expected that during the first semester the student will report the college/department/section/laboratory for attending the sessions as per Timetable. The student will have to complete total 14 credits (semester I) + 4 credits (semester II) = total 18 credits with CGPI as per the Ph.D. regulations to become eligible for the registration to Ph.D. programme.

Fee Structure of Ph.D. Program

(This is common across disciplines, all categories of students)

Particulars	@Total Fees per annum (₹)	
	First Year	Second Year Onwards
Tuition Fee	30,000/-	30,000/-
Development Fee	10,000/-	10,000/-
Examination Fee	10,000/-	10,000/-
Caution money Deposit (Refundable)	1,000/-	-----
Library Deposit (Refundable)	2,000/-	-----
Total (₹)	53,000/-	50,000/-
@ If paid provisional admission fee then should be deducted from total fee		
Link for fees payment (Fees will be accepted via online payment gateway only and in no case, it can be paid using any other type of mode of payment and to any office/person)	https://myaccount.somaiya.edu/#/login	

Registration, Synopsis & Ph.D. Thesis Submission Fees

Particulars	Amount
Registration fees	5,000/-
Approval of Synopsis of Ph.D. Thesis Topic	5,000/-
Ph.D. Thesis Submission	10,000/-
Total	20,000/-

Note:

1. Registration fees to be paid by the Ph.D. scholars before submitting the application for Registration for Ph.D.
2. Synopsis & Ph.D. Thesis Submission fees to be paid by the Ph.D. scholars before submission of synopsis.

Payment of fees schedule for Provisional admission and subsequent years of Ph.D. Programme

Program Academic Year	Particulars	Amount in Rupees (₹)	Payment Schedule
First Year	Total fee	53,000/-	Within eight days from the date of receiving the offer letter
Second Year and Onwards	Total fee	50,000/-	Within first week from the commencement of the new Academic Year
Link for fees payment (Fees will be accepted via online payment only and in no case it can be paid using any other mode of payment and to any office/person)		https://myaccount.somaiya.edu/#/login	
Note: Students have to pay the full fees of the program per year till the submission of the thesis			

Guidelines to do fee payment in Online Mode

There is a provision of ONLINE PAYMENT of college fees for student's convenience 24x7 on or before scheduled due date. Student will get notification from institute in three ways.

- 1) SMS
- 2) Email
- 3) Notification on myaccount.somaiya.edu portal

In notification there will be a link to make the payment. Student just need to click on the link and follow below simple steps to make the payment.

STEP 1: Link will take you to myaccount.somaiya.edu portal. Use Somaiya SVV Net ID and password to login. Want to know more about myaccount.somaiya.edu click on https://somaiya.edu/media/pdf/SVVNetID_and_Email%20id.pdf

STEP 2: Login, select installments and click on **"Pay Now"**.

STEP 3: System will redirect to Online Payment Gateway. Fill the required information and follow payment options to complete the payment cycle.

STEP 4: After the successful payment, the payment receipt will be available at student's MyAccount portal

Admission Cancellation policy of Ph.D. programme

If the candidate has accepted the allotted seat by paying the fees and later chooses/decides to withdraw from the programme of study, then cancellation option is available at his/her MyAccount login.

The college shall follow the below system for deduction of fees against the cancellation request for the candidate.

Sr. No.	Point of time when application for admission cancellation is received by college	Applicable Deduction
1	15 days or more before the date of commencement of academic term	Rs 5,000/-
2	Less than 15 days before the date of commencement of academic term	10% of total fees
3	Less than 15 days from the date of commencement of academic term	20% of total fees
4	On or beyond 15th day but within six weeks from the date of commencement of academic term	50% of total fees
5	More than six weeks from the date of commencement of academic term	100% of total fees

Note:

- Total Fees for the program per year is Rs. 50,000/- for full time regular students
- Tentative date of commencement of every academic term will be announced on website.

Typical Sample example for further illustration to know about cancellation charges with reference to the date of commencement of term

Refer the below example for clarification of Ph.D. admission cancellation policy

Assume that the academic term commences from **15th July** of a particular academic year. Based on this assumption, following table illustrates important dates of cancellation policy:

Illustration:

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Sr. No.	Point of time when application for admission cancellation is received by college	Applicable Deduction
1	Cancellation on or before 30th June (up to 11.59pm)	Rs 5,000/-
2	Any time from 1st July to 14th July (up to 11.59pm)	10% of total fees
3	Any time from 15th July to 28th July (up to 11.59pm)	20% of total fees
4	Any time from 29th July to 25th August (up to 11.59pm)	50% of total fees
5	After 25th August	100% of total fees

Process of getting the documents submitted return

After verifications of documents, within 7 days, documents will be returned back to students.

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