



ADMISSION FOR Ph.D PROGRAMME (January 2012 Session)

IDRBT, the premier Institute of Banking Technology in the country, spearheads efforts in providing state-of-the-art technologies for the Banking and Financial Sector. The Institute interfaces Research and Development, Academics, Executive Training and Best Practices.

Consequent upon the recommendations of an Expert Committee headed by Dr. C. Rangarajan, Chairman, Prime Minister's Economic Advisory Council, IDRBT has initiated ambitious plans to scale up its research and academic activities.

The Institute has been offering a Ph.D programme in collaboration with the University of Hyderabad (A Central University) since 1999. The NAAC has awarded "A" Grade with a Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of 3.89 on 4.0 scale to the University.

IDRBT has been recently granted Associate Institution Status by the University of Hyderabad for undertaking research independently at IDRBT for the award of Ph.D. Degree in the areas of Computer Sciences and Information Technology.

IDRBT now invites application for its full-time Ph.D Programme in Computer Science and Information Technology [with focus on Banking Technology] for the session starting in January 2012. The eligibility criteria for the Ph.D programme is as under:

1. ESSENTIAL QUALIFICATIONS

Masters Degree in any Engineering / Technology; OR M.Phil in Mathematics or Statistics or Electronics; OR B.E. / B.Tech OR Master's Degree in Computer Applications / Mathematics / Statistics / Electronics / Information Systems / Internet Technology / Geo-Informatics / Bio-Informatics with a minimum of 60% marks in any of the above stated qualifications (a relaxation of 5% marks is provided to SC/ST candidates).

All educational qualifications must have been obtained from recognized universities/ institutions in India or abroad. If grades are awarded instead of marks, candidates should clearly indicate their numerical equivalent.

2. SPECIALISATION

Candidates should have a keen interest to carry out research in one of the following areas of Banking Technology:

- **Information Technology in Banking**
- **Electronic Payment and Settlement Systems**
- **Financial Networks and Applications**
- **Security Technologies for the Financial Sector**
- **Financial Information Systems & Business Intelligence**
- **Financial Inclusion Technologies**
- **Core Banking System**
- **Alternate Delivery Channels**
- **Open Source Technologies**
- **Information Security**
- **Closely Related Areas**

3. NO. OF SEATS

The Institute can admit upto Eight (8) Ph.D Scholars in a year and the reservation break-up, category-wise, is as follows:-

Category	No. of Seats
1. General	4
2. Other Backward Classes (OBC) (non creamy layer category)	2
3. Scheduled Caste (SC)	1
4. Scheduled Tribe (ST)	1
Total	8

The Ph.D programme is offered only on a full-time basis and accordingly only candidates who are interested to pursue the programme on full time basis at IDRBT, Hyderabad, need to apply. This criterion shall also apply to the candidates from the Indian Banking and Financial Sector.

4. RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

The selected Research Scholars would be paid a monthly stipend of Rs. 14,000/- per month during the first and second year and Rs.15,000/- per month during the subsequent years. The fellowship is normally tenable for three (3) years. **The Institute is in the process of revising the Research Fellowship and it is likely to be enhanced.**

5. ACCOMMODATION

The Institute would provide accommodation to the selected Research Scholars in the Institute's quarters at Begumpet, Hyderabad.

6. SELECTION PROCESS

The Selection Process for admission to the Ph.D programme would consist of:

- (i) A Written Examination **on December 19, 2011**
- (ii) Personal Interview (only for the candidates qualifying the written examination) on **December 20, 2011**

The applications received in response to this advertisement will be scrutinized and the candidates found suitable for the written examination will be intimated by **November 25, 2011**. **The written examination and personal interview would be conducted at IDRBT, Hyderabad.**

Accordingly, candidates found suitable and called for the selection process should make the travel arrangements in such a way that they can stay in Hyderabad for two days. Candidates will be provided lodging and boarding by IDRBT during the selection process.

7. APPLICATION FORM

Candidates interested to pursue the Ph.D Programme may apply in the **prescribed Application Form** [[click to download the application form](#)]. Incomplete applications/not in the prescribed format will be rejected and no correspondence in this regard will be entertained by the Institute.

Candidates belonging to SC/ST category should submit along with the application a scanned copy of the certificate of their caste / tribe from a Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tahsildar / Mandal Revenue Officer. Further, SC/ST candidates belonging to the state of Andhra Pradesh should submit an Integrated Community Certificate issued by the Competent Revenue Authority.

8. LAST DATE FOR RECEIPT OF APPLICATION

The filled-in application form may be sent so as to reach the Institute on or before **November 20, 2011** to “**The Director, IDRBT, Castle Hills, Road No.1, Masab Tank, Hyderabad – 500057**” by e-mail to phd2012@idrbt.ac.in. All applications / correspondence must necessarily be through the above-cited e-mail only.
