



# Gurucharan University, Silchar

*A State University established by upgrading Gurucharan College under  
Assam Act No. LVII of 2023*

# PROSPECTUS

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**DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (Ph.D)**

**2026 - 27**



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## Message from the Desk of Vice Chancellor


*India has entered a significant phase of economic transformation with a clear national vision to achieve “Viksit Bharat” by 2047 during the Amrit Kaal. To achieve this goal it requires a strong emphasis on knowledge creation, innovation, and the development of highly skilled human resources. In this context, manpower planning and the enhancement of skills among the younger generation are essential. India’s demographic dividend offers a unique opportunity to accelerate national progress, and educational institutions must play a pivotal role in nurturing this potential.*



*Gurucharan University is committed to empowering the youth through quality higher education, advanced research, and skill development. The University places strong emphasis on enhancing employability and intellectual capacity by adopting a focused approach to capacity building within the framework of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. The historic NEP 2020 provides unprecedented opportunities to nurture young talents through a structured curriculum, multidisciplinary learning, innovative pedagogy, value-based education, and skill orientation.*

*The Ph.D. programme of Gurucharan University is designed to promote advanced research, critical thinking, and innovation across diverse disciplines. Through rigorous academic training, interdisciplinary engagement, and guidance from experienced faculty members, the University aims to cultivate scholars who can contribute meaningfully to scientific advancement, societal development, and national priorities. As a growing centre of academic excellence, Gurucharan University is committed to strengthening its research, and extension activities, aligning its mission with the framework of NEP 2020 and the national goal of building a knowledge-driven society. I warmly invite aspiring researchers and scholars to join the Ph.D. programme of Gurucharan University and become part of a vibrant academic community dedicated to discovery, innovation, and societal transformation.*

*I wish all applicants the very best in their academic journey.*

  
(Prof. Niranjana Roy)  
Vice Chancellor

## About Gurucharan University

**Gurucharan University, Silchar**, is a newly established State University created by upgrading the historic **Gurucharan College** under **Assam Act No. LVII of 2023**. The institution carries forward a rich academic legacy that began with the establishment of Gurucharan College on **15 July 1935**, which has long been recognised as one of the premier centres of higher education in the Barak Valley region of Assam. Over the decades, the institution has earned a distinguished reputation for academic excellence, intellectual growth, and its significant contribution to higher education in eastern India.

The establishment of the college was inspired by the farsighted vision of **Late Bishnu Charan Dey Purkayastha** of the Department of Education, Government of Assam. The initiative received generous support from **Late Kiran Sashi Nag**, the devoted wife of Late Guru Charan Nag, whose financial contribution in 1934 played a crucial role in founding the institution. In recognition of this contribution, the college was named **Gurucharan College**. The first Principal of the institution was **Late Arun Kumar Chanda**, a distinguished barrister-at-law, who played a key role in shaping its early academic development.

Initially, the college functioned in a bungalow at Rongpur on the bank of the **Barak River**. Due to riverbank erosion, the institution was temporarily shifted to the Silchar Normal School campus before acquiring its permanent campus at the present location. Over the years, the college expanded its academic programmes and infrastructure, gradually establishing itself as a prominent centre of learning in the region.

Historically, Gurucharan College was affiliated with **Calcutta University** and later with **Gauhati University**. With the establishment of **Assam University, Silchar, in 1994**, the college became affiliated with Assam University. The institution offers programmes in Arts, Science, Commerce and Business Administration and has introduced several career-oriented and value-added courses to enhance students' skills and employability.

The institution has received notable academic recognition, including **NAAC 'A' Grade accreditation with CGPA 3.11 in its second cycle** and the status of **College with Potential for Excellence (CPE)** by the University Grants Commission (UGC). The campus is equipped with modern facilities such as a well-stocked library with **INFLIBNET access**, a **Central Computer Laboratory**, **Bioinformatics Centre**, **Biotech Hub**, and an **Anthropological Museum**, along with hostels, playgrounds, health centre, auditorium, and other student support services.

The transformation of Gurucharan College into **Gurucharan University** marks a significant milestone in its academic journey. As a State University, it aims to promote higher education, interdisciplinary learning, and advanced research in alignment with the principles of the **National Education Policy (NEP) 2020**. The introduction of the **Ph.D. Programme for the academic session 2026–27**, offered for the first time under the University framework, represents an important step toward strengthening research and innovation in the region.

Gurucharan University is located in **Silchar**, the headquarters of the Barak Valley region of Assam, a city known for its cultural heritage and scenic beauty. The region is also famous for its **lush tea estates**, which contribute significantly to the local economy.

With its proud legacy and renewed vision as a State University, **Gurucharan University** is committed to advancing knowledge, fostering research, and contributing to the educational and socio-economic development of the region and the nation.

### **Authorities of Gurucharan University**

The Gurucharan University Act, 2023 (Assam Act No. LVII of 2023) provides for several statutory authorities responsible for governing and administering the various functions of the University. These authorities ensure effective academic, administrative, and financial management of the University. The important statutory bodies of the University include the Court, Executive Council, Academic Council, Finance Committee, College Development Council, and other authorities constituted as per the provisions of the Act and the statutes of the University.

### **Objectives**

The objectives of **Gurucharan University**, as envisaged under the **Gurucharan University Act, 2023 (Assam Act No. LVII of 2023)** and its statutes, are centred on the advancement and dissemination of knowledge through quality teaching, research, and extension activities. The University seeks to provide comprehensive instructional and research facilities in various branches of learning and to promote academic excellence across diverse disciplines. It aims to offer integrated and interdisciplinary programmes in humanities, life, physical, mathematical and earth sciences, social sciences, commerce, business Administration and other allied fields in order to create a holistic academic environment that encourages intellectual growth and innovation.

The University is committed to fostering innovations in the teaching–learning process and promoting interdisciplinary studies and advanced research. By encouraging scholarly inquiry and academic collaboration, Gurucharan University strives to contribute meaningfully to the development of higher education and knowledge creation. Another important objective of the University is to educate and train skilled human resources who can actively contribute to the socio-economic development of the State of Assam and the Barak Valley region in particular.

In addition, the University seeks to play a significant role in improving the social, economic, intellectual, academic, and cultural conditions of society. Through its academic programmes, research initiatives, and community engagement, the University aspires to contribute to the overall progress and well-being of the people of the region and the nation.

### **Moto**

*Ātmadīpo Bhava'* implying self-reliance in the pursuit of truth and wisdom.

## **Innovation and Best Practice**

**Micro-teaching:** The University has introduced the micro-teaching method to enhance the quality of teaching and to strengthen the teaching–learning process.

**Incentive for Quality Publications:** The University encourages high-quality research by recognising outstanding publications of faculty members in reputed national and international journals with high impact factors. Selected publications are honoured with awards, certificates, and incentives on the Foundation Day of the University.

**Mentoring:** Faculty members actively mentor students, particularly those in the final semesters, guiding them in their academic progress, career planning, and research orientation.

**Students' Feedback:** The University places significant importance on students' feedback to improve the teaching–learning environment. Students are encouraged to provide their feedback through structured and online mechanisms to help enhance academic quality.

### **Hostel Facility:**

Gurucharan University provides limited residential facilities for students through well-maintained hostels located within the campus. The University has separate hostels for boys and girls, ensuring a safe and comfortable living environment for students coming from different parts of the region and the country.

Admission to the hostels is granted on the basis of merit and is regulated by a Hostel Committee constituted for this purpose. Students seeking hostel accommodation are required to apply separately. It may be noted that admission to the University does not automatically guarantee hostel accommodation.

The hostels operate under a set of rules and regulations designed to maintain discipline and ensure a conducive environment for academic pursuits. Students residing in the hostels are expected to adhere to these regulations, and any violation of the hostel rules may lead to disciplinary action as per University norms. The hostels remain closed during Summer and Puja vacations as per the University schedule.

## FACULTY OF STUDIES AND DEPARTMENTS

### FACULTY OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

#### Department of Bengali

Sl.no.	Name	Designation	PhD intake
1	Dr Munmun Bhattacharjee	Associate Professor	02
2	Dr Anamika Chakraborty	Associate Professor	02
3	Dr Pranay Brahmachary	Associate Professor	02
4	Dr Uttam Paluya	Assistant Professor	02

#### Department of English

Sl.no.	Name	Designation	PhD intake
1.	Dr Panthapriyo Dhar	Associate Professor	02
2	Dr Vandana Thousen	Associate Professor	04
3	Dr Mehedi Hassan Choudhury	Associate Professor	04
4	Dr Arjun Choudhuri	Assistant Professor	04
5	Dr Srestha Kar	Assistant Professor	0
6	Ms Rimpi Sonowal	Assistant Professor	0

#### Department of Hindi

Sl.no.	Name	Designation	PhD intake
1	Dr Savita Singha	Associate Professor	04

#### Department of History

Sl.no.	Name	Designation	PhD intake
1.	Mr Rajang Narzary	Associate Professor	0
2.	Mr Abhijit Jaiswal	Assistant Professor	0
3.	Dr Nabanita Sharma	Assistant Professor	01

**Department of Manipuri**

Sl.no.	Name	Designation	PhD intake
1.	Dr Anju Devi	Associate Professor	03
2	Dr Kh Hemabati Devi	Associate Professor	03
3	Dr N. Bidyasagar Singha	Associate Professor	03
4	Dr M Ninghaiba Singha	Assistant Professor	02

**Department of Mass Communications**

Sl.no.	Name	Designation	PhD intake
1.	Dr Sandipa Das Sheel	Assistant Professor	04

**Department of Persian**

Sl.no.	Name	Designation	PhD intake
1.	Dr Sahin Ahmed Barbhuiya	Associate Professor	05
2.	Dr Begum Ayesha Sultana Laskar	Assistant Professor	03

**Department of Philosophy**

Sl.no.	Name	Designation	PhD intake
1.	Dr Bidyut Kanti Paul	Associate Professor	04
2.	Mr Bijon Behari Biswas	Associate Professor	0
3.	Dr Poulami Chakraborty	Assistant Professor	02

**Department of Political Science**

Sl.no.	Name	Designation	PhD intake
1.	Dr Swarupa Bhattacharjee	Associate Professor	04
2	Dr Sumita Bhattacharjee	Assistant Professor	04
3	Dr Vanlallien Pulamte	Assistant Professor	04
4	Dr Dipanwita Dey Purkayastha	Assistant Professor	02

**Department of Sanskrit**

Sl.no.	Name	Designation	PhD intake
1.	Mrs Reba Roy	Associate Professor	0
2.	Dr Sandhani Nath	Associate Professor	02
3.	Dr Keshab Luitel	Assistant professor	02

**FACULTY OF SCIENCES****Department of Anthropology**

Sl.no.	Name	Designation	PhD intake
1.	Dr Juri Borah	Assistant Professor	02
2.	Dr Jyoti Hazarika	Assistant Professor	02
3.	Dr John Basumatary	Assistant Professor	02
4.	Dr Bamonkiri Rongpi	Assistant Professor	02

**Department of Biotechnology**

Sl.no.	Name	Designation	PhD intake
1.	Dr Sagarika Mohanta	Assistant Professor	01
2.	Dr Soumitra Nath	Assistant Professor	02
3.	Dr Prasenjit Roy	Assistant Professor	02

**Department of Botany**

Sl.no.	Name	Designation	PhD intake
1.	Dr Madhumita Dey	Associate Professor	0
2.	Dr Ashim Das Astapati	Associate Professor	0
3.	Dr Mridul Mohan Das	Assistant Professor	02
4.	Mr Nirupam Malakar	Assistant Professor	0
5.	Dr Deepa Nath	Assistant Professor	03
6.	Ms Euniky L Kungate	Assistant Professor	0

**Department of Chemistry**

Sl.no.	Name	Designation	PhD intake
1.	Dr Krishna Chandra Das	Associate Professor	02
2.	Dr Jaydeep Paul	Associate Professor	02
3.	Dr Sarbasri Nath	Associate Professor	06
4.	Dr Subhash Debnath	Assistant Professor	02
5.	Dr Abhijit Nath	Associate Professor	04
6.	Dr Saurav Das	Assistant Professor	02

**Department of Computer Science**

Sl.no.	Name	Designation	PhD intake
1.	Dr O Mema Devi	Assistant Professor	02
2.	Dr Abhijit Paul	Assistant Professor	02
3.	Mr Wahid Mustafa Mazumder	Assistant Professor	0
4.	Mrs Deepanjali Paul	Assistant Professor	0

**Department of Environmental Science**

Sl.no.	Name	Designation	PhD intake
1.	Dr Sangeeta Dey	Assistant Professor	01
2.	Ms Maitrayee Bhattacharjee	Assistant Professor	0

**Department of Geology**

Sl.no.	Name	Designation	PhD intake
1.	Dr Ajanta Sharma	Associate Professor	0
2.	Mr Chandan Paul Choudhury	Associate Professor	0
3.	Mr Samarpan Nath	Assistant Professor	0
4.	Dr L Joy Chandra Singha	Associate Professor	04
5.	Dr Manabendra Nath	Assistant Professor	04

**Department of Mathematics**

Sl.no.	Name	Designation	PhD intake
1.	Dr Biplab Choudhuri	Associate Professor	02
2.	Ms Jayee nath	Associate Professor	0
3.	Mr Sudip Chandra Paul	Associate Professor	0
4.	Dr Debasish Sharma	Assistant Professor	02
5.	Ms. Bijoya Bardhan	Assistant Professor	0

**Department of Physics**

Sl.no.	Name	Designation	PhD intake
1.	Dr Indira Dey	Associate Professor	02
2.	Dr Rajarshi Krishna Nath	Assistant Professor	02

**Department of Statistics**

Sl.no.	Name	Designation	PhD intake
1.	Dr Santanu Choudhury	Associate Professor	02
2.	Dr Sankar Goswami	Assistant Professor	03

**Department of Zoology**

Sl.no.	Name	Designation	PhD intake
1.	Dr Nilendu Dhar	Associate Professor	03
2.	Dr Debipreeta Dutta	Associate Professor	03
3.	Mr Bijoy Brahma	Assistant Professor	0
4.	Ms Nazrana Sultana Begum	Assistant Professor	0
5.	Dr Swarnali Bhattacharjee	Assistant Professor	01
6.	Ms Chandramita Boro	Assistant Professor	0

## FACULTY OF COMMERCE AND MANAGEMENT STUDIES

### **Department of Commerce**

Sl.no.	Name	Designation	PhD intake
1.	Dr Sanjib Bhattacharjee	Associate Professor	02
2.	Mr Jaydeep Bhattacharyya	Associate Professor	0
3.	Dr Sharbani Dutta Dev Choudhury	Assistant Professor	02
4.	Dr Jogeshwar Barman	Associate Professor	04
5.	Mr Sayantan Guha Mazumder	Assistant Professor	0
6.	Dr Amrita Dutta	Assistant Professor	02

### **Department of Business Administration**

Sl.no.	Name	Designation	PhD intake
1.	Mr Rajdeep Purkayastha	Assistant Professor	0
2	Dr Deepraj Chakraborty	Assistant Professor	04
3	Ms Manisha Goswami	Assistant Professor	0

### **Admission Notification**

The admission notification, including details of the programmes offered, the last date for submission of online applications, the schedule of the Entrance Test, and other relevant information, will be published on the University website. All subsequent communications with applicants, including the list of candidates shortlisted for the entrance test and interview, will be made available on the University website.

Applicants are advised to regularly check the University website for updates, as no individual communication will be sent to candidates by post, telephone, e-mail, or any other means. Furthermore, queries regarding the status of applications will not be entertained during the admission process.

### **Eligibility and Admission Procedure**

The following candidates are eligible to seek admission to the Ph.D. programme:

The candidates who have completed:

- (a) (i) A 1-year/2-semester master's degree programme in the same and allied subjects after a 4-year/8-semester bachelor's degree programme or a 2-year/4-semester master's degree programme in the same and allied subjects after a 3-year bachelor's degree programme with at least 55% marks in

aggregate or its equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed.

Or

equivalent qualification from an international educational institution accredited by an assessment and accreditation agency which is recognized by an authority, established or incorporated under a law in the respective country or any other statutory authority in that country to accredit quality and standards of the educational institution.

(ii) A relaxation of 5% marks or its equivalent grade may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/Differently-abled, Economically Weaker Section (EWS) and other categories of candidates as per the direction of UGC from time to time.

(b) Candidates who have completed the M.Phil. degree in the same or allied subject according to UGC regulations with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed shall be eligible for admission to the Ph.D. programme.

(c) Candidates in service (permanent or temporary) must submit a No Objection Certificate (NOC) from their employer at the time of counselling.

(d) The reservation of seats will be as per the Government of Assam guidelines.

### **Admission Procedure:**

Candidates will be admitted to Ph.D programmes through an Entrance Test .

i) Candidates having qualified UGC-NET (LS)/ UGC-CSIR (LS)/ SLET/GATE/CEED after their PG, UGC-NET JRF/ UGC-CSIR JRF/ ICMR-JRF qualified candidates will be exempted from Gurucharn University-RET( Research Entrance Test)

ii) Candidates with M.Phil. degree as per UGC regulations will get coursework grade/percentage of marks as bonus. However they have to complete the Course on Research Publication and Ethics before submission of the thesis.

iii) Candidates will be selected through a two-stage process that is: (a) A Written Test conducted by the University to test the knowledge of research methodology (50%) and the relevant subject (50%). Qualifying marks for the test will be 50%. The test shall be conducted by the department to be notified in advance. (b) An interview, to be organised by the concerned department where the candidates are required to discuss their research interest/area through a presentation before a duly constituted DRC. (c) Provided that for the selection of candidates based on the entrance test conducted by the University, a weightage of 70 % for the entrance test and 30% for the performance in the interview/viva- voce shall be given.

iv) All candidates, including those exempted from the Entrance Test, must submit their applications and participate in the admission process within the stipulated time frame.

v) Candidates will be shortlisted for admission based on the number of available seats, departmental requirements, research interests of the applicants, and their performance in the interview. The University reserves the right not to fill vacant seats if suitable candidates are not found or if any administrative constraints arise. The University may also increase the number of seats if vacancies arise during the admission process.

vi) All selected research scholars must strictly follow the regulations of the Ph.D. programme 2026 of Gurucharan University. Attendance in the Ph.D. coursework is compulsory, and candidates with less than 75% attendance will not be permitted to appear in the coursework examination. Non-compliance with programme regulations may result in cancellation of admission. However, teachers and professionals may be exempted from attending classes. They will have to submit assignments on each course as per the direction of the concerned departments.

vii) Reservation of seats for different categories will be implemented in accordance with the applicable Government rules and regulations.

viii) Application Fee: General / OBC (Creamy Layer): ₹2900, OBC (NCL) / EWS: ₹2700, SC / ST / PWD: ₹2500. The payment must be made online through UPI, Debit Card, Credit Card, or Net Banking at the time of submitting the online application form.

### **Admission to Ph.D Programme Schedule**

Admission to the Ph.D programme of the University for the academic session 2025–26 shall be as per the following schedule.

Sl. No.	Particulars	Date
1	Publication of Admission Notice by the Academic Registrar	18-03-2026
2	Online Registration for Admission	20-03-2026 to 26-03-2026
4	Scrutiny of online applications, documents verification & intimation to eligible applicants by the Departments.	26-3-2026 to 27-03-2026
5	Interview of shortlisted candidates / written test & interview for candidates belonging to subjects in which UGC-NET is not conducted	27-03-2026 to 28-03-2026
7	Declaration of provisional List	31-03-2026
8	Admission Fee payment by selected candidates.	Rs.25,200/- for Science Rs.18,900/- for Arts and Social sciences and Commerce
10.	Commencement of PhD Coursework & closure of admission.	06-04-2026

## Fees Structure

Time of Payment	Fees in Rupees
Admission Fee	Rs. 25, 200/- (for Science), 18,900/-(Arts and Commerce)
Semester Fee	Rs 21000 ( for Science) Rs. 15000/- ( For Arts, commerce and Management)
Thesis Evaluation Fee	Rs. 15000/-
Viva Voce Fee	Rs. 17000/-

## Library Facilities

The B. C. Gupta Memorial Central Library of erstwhile Gurucharan College was established in 1935 and began functioning in the same year. The library was named in honour of Late Baikuntha Chandra Gupta following a generous donation from his family for its development. Over the years, the library has grown into an important academic resource centre supporting teaching, learning and research activities. The library also celebrated its platinum jubilee along with the college.

### 1. Library Users

The library serves a large academic community including students, teachers and non-teaching staff members. It is also open to non-institutional users such as research scholars, academicians, retired teachers and local readers.

### 2. Library Staff

The library is managed by a team of staff members including the Librarian & Assistant Librarian, comprising sanctioned posts and non-sanctioned posts.

### 3. Library Hours

The library remains open from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM on working days.

### 4. Library System

The library follows an open access system that allows users to browse books directly from the stack area and issue them according to their requirements.

### 5. Library Holdings

The library possesses a rich collection including around 43,500 books, more than 1,99,500 e-books available through the ONOS & N-LIST programme, 46 print journals and magazines, over 6000 e-journals and seven newspapers.

### 6. Computerization and Automation

The library is equipped with a Local Area Network (LAN) consisting of a large number of computers with a central server. The entire catalogue of books is accessible through the Online Public Access Catalogue (OPAC). Library automation has been implemented using the SOUL software developed by the INFLIBNET Centre, Ahmedabad.

## **7. Major Library Sections**

- **Stack Section**

This section houses the main collection of textbooks used by students and teachers. With more than 39,500 volumes, users can freely access the shelves and select books through the open access system.

- **Reference Section**

The reference section contains rare and valuable books used by research scholars, faculty members and students for consultation. Nearly 4000 volumes are available as reference materials.

- **Manuscript Section**

Developed during 2004–05, this section was recognized as a Manuscript Resource Centre under the National Mission for Manuscripts, Ministry of Culture, Government of India. It supports manuscript survey, documentation and preservation activities across several districts of Assam. A Manuscript Conservation Centre was also established in 2010. Total Manuscript is 93.

- **Periodical Section**

This section houses nearly 40 periodicals including research journals, career magazines and popular publications.

- **Newspaper Section**

The library provides access to seven daily newspapers.

## **8. UGC-INFLIBNET Digital Library Consortium**

Through this programme supported by UGC and INFLIBNET Centre, users can access thousands of national and international academic periodicals.

## **9. ONOS Programme**

Through the ONOS facility, users can access more than 13,000 full text e-journals and 30 major international publishers are included using login credentials.

## **10. N.E. Block**

This section preserves micro literature and scholarly resources related to the North-Eastern region of India.

## **Research Collaboration**

Gurucharan University actively promotes collaborative research at national and international level with reputed academic institutions to strengthen interdisciplinary scientific research.

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