



**POKHARA UNIVERSITY**  
**Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences**  
**Application Open for Doctoral Studies**  
**(Research Only Track)**  
**(Date of Application Announcement: 28 January 2026)**

**Areas of Studies**

- **Humanities**
- **Social Science**

**Number of Seats**

- Two
- Two

**Eligibility for Application**

An MPhil degree in a related area of studies with a CGPA of 3.30 in a scale of 4.00 grading system, or 60 per cent on an aggregate system of evaluation.

**Documents required to be submitted:**

- [i]Duly completed application form and bank voucher of Rs. 5,000/-  
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- [ii]Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- [iii]Self-attested copies of citizenship certificate, and academic certificates (transcript and character certificates)
- [iv]Statement of Purpose (SOP)
- [v]Research synopsis
- [vi]Portfolio of works
- [vii]Letters of recommendation from two referees
- [viii]No objection certificate from current employer
- [ix] Publications (Book, Research reports & Journal articles)

**Entrance procedures:**

- [i] Entrance test (120): The entrance test will be based on multiple-choice questions (MCQs) (Sections A, B and C) and analytical writing (Section D).
  - Section A: Quantitative, Logical and Critical Reasoning ( $30 \times 1 = 30$  marks)
  - Section B: Verbal Reasoning ( $15 \times 1 = 15$  marks)
  - Section C: Research Aptitude ( $15 \times 1 = 15$  marks)
  - Section D: Analytical Writing ( $3 \times 20 = 60$  marks)
    - Related to Research (20 marks)
    - Related to Academic Writing (20 marks)
    - Related to Development/Theoretical Perspective (20 marks)
- [ii] Interview and presentation (50 marks)
- [iv] Academic records and publications ( $10 + 20 = 30$  marks)

**Key dates:**

Last date for application form submission: **5 March 2026**

Written Entrance Test: **12 March 2026**

Personal Interview/Presentation: **12 March 2026**

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**Note:** Application form, check-list for document submission, templates for the statement of purpose, research synopsis, portfolio of work experience, recommendation letters, and no objection certificate can be downloaded from <https://pu.edu.np/academics/faculties/fhss/> or obtained from the Office of the Dean, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, Pokhara University.