



NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ADVANCED STUDIES

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DOCTORAL PROGRAMME

The National Institute of Advanced Studies (NIAS) is one of the unique institutions in the country, conducting advanced research in multidisciplinary areas that bridge the gap between the natural and engineering sciences, social sciences, humanities and the arts. A limited number of research scholarships are available in the Institute for bright and committed postgraduate students interested in pursuing independent research across disciplines towards a doctoral degree.

AREAS OF SPECIALISATION

The specific areas of research in which students may be admitted for the year 2010-2011 are the following:

- Education
- National Security, Strategic Studies
- Animal Behavioural Ecology, Cognitive Ethology, Conservation Biology
- Energy and Environment
- Urban Studies
- Sociology / Social Anthropology*
- Indian Psychology & Philosophy
- Consciousness Studies
- Cognitive Science
- Bio-security
- Agro-ecology
- Art and Archaeology, Materials Heritage
- Philosophy of Science

Applicants may consult the NIAS website for information on faculty and their research interests (www.nias.res.in).

* Applications for Sociology are invited only under the Provincial Globalisation Programme:
<http://www.nias.res.in/researchgroups-sss-provincial-globalisation>.

ELIGIBILITY

The scholarships are open to those who have completed / are completing a Master's/M.Phil. degree in any relevant subject in natural sciences, engineering, mathematics, social sciences, humanities or the arts, and with a consistently proven academic record (minimum 55% marks). Some research and/or field experience in the concerned areas may be preferred, but is not essential. Candidates who have passed the NET/SET examinations or qualified for JRF/DST/CSIR/ICSSR fellowships will be preferred.

FELLOWSHIP

Candidates admitted to the NIAS Doctoral Programme will be entitled to fellowships, which will be available for a period of four years on a yearly renewable basis. The fellowship amount is fixed at Rs. 12,000/-per month for the first two years and Rs. 14,000/-per month for the third year, with an additional 30% per month as House Rent Allowance. *Limited hostel seats are available on campus.*

HOW TO APPLY

Applications should be made on plain paper, including a curriculum vitae, copies of mark sheets and degree certificates (to be verified at the time of interview) and a clear statement of purpose detailing the research interests of the candidate and explaining why she/he would like to join NIAS. Explicit mention must be made of the research areas for which the application is being sent. The candidate's email address, postal address and contact phone numbers (landline and cell) should be included in the application.

Applications should be sent (**preferably by email**) on or before **March 31, 2010**, to:

Head - Administration,
National Institute of Advanced Studies,
Indian Institute of Science Campus, Bangalore - 560 012, India
phdnias@nias.iisc.ernet.in; jnsandhya@gmail.com

For additional information, applicants may contact:
jnsandhya@gmail.com; admin@nias.iisc.ernet.in

SELECTION PROCEDURE

Short-listed candidates will be invited for a written test and an interview in May/June 2010. The dates will be informed later by email.