



Indian Institute of Technology Indore

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

PhD ADMISSION

November 2025

Application Deadline

31 October 2025

Applications are invited from highly motivated students for admission to the PhD programme from candidates who have qualified UGC/CSIR-NET/JRF/PhD only/GATE or an equivalent examination

Faculty Members	Research Area
Economics	
Professor Ruchi Sharma	Economics of Innovation; International Economics; Industrial Organization
Dr. Kalandi C Pradhan	Development Economics, Sustainable Development, Applied Econometrics, Migration Studies, Labour Economics, Socio-Economic Impacts of Climate Change
Dr. Mohanasundari Thangavel	Agricultural and Resource (Forest, Food, Energy & Water) Policy, Climate change and Fire economics, AgriTech & Entrepreneurship
English	
Dr. Ananya Ghoshal	Modernist Literature, Indian Parallel Cinema, The Anthropocene, Disability Studies, and Performance Studies
Dr. Thapasya J. (Linguistics)	Sociolinguistics, Language Variations, Language and Identity, Cognitive Sociolinguistics
Psychology	
Prof. Sanjram Premjit Khanganba	Human Factors: Human-System Interaction, Automotive UX, HCI, User Cognition, Contracted/ Protracted Attention, Mental Model, Human Errors, Safety, Performance, Visuospatial Processing, Community System, Intervention, Behavioural Insights, Empirical Aesthetics
Dr. Kedarmal Verma	Cognitive Psychology, Experimental Psychology, Sleep & Cognition
History	
Dr. Shomik Dasgupta	Intellectual History of the Indian Freedom Movement, History of Modern Indian Political Thought, and History of Modern India
Sociology	
Dr. Akshaya Kumar	Film & Media Studies [Indian Media Economy], Cultural Studies, Platform Capitalism

Highlights

- Funding opportunities for various national and international conferences, workshops, fieldwork, and other academic activities
- [Various schemes](#) for exchange programmes to visit and work in globally renowned institutions
- Promotes publications in reputed journals
- Intellectually rich research friendly environment
- World-class infrastructure equipped with the most recent research tools

For more information about the programme and the eligibility criteria please visit:

<https://hss.iiti.ac.in/Academic Phd Admission.php>



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Important dates

- Application due date: **October 31, 2025**
- Intimation to shortlisted candidates: **November 04, 2025**
- Written exam & Interview: **November 14, 2025**

Guidelines

- You **MUST** select an appropriate research area in the discipline you are applying.
- There will be a written exam followed by an interview.
- During the written exam, applicants will have to write a Statement of Purpose explaining reasons for pursuing doctoral research at IIT I besides outlining scholarly interests.
- The School conducts a rigorous evaluation process and reserves the right to call a limited number of candidates for the written test and interview.

Note

- No TA/DA will be provided to the applicants if called for the written test and (or) interview
 - Please send the recommendation letter directly to: admission-hss@iiti.ac.in
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