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ADMISSION NOTICE

Online Application Forms are invited for admission to the following courses under January 2027 Session of the Academic Year 2026-27:

Ph.D Courses* (under External Funding Category)		
Sl. No.	Name of the Course	Availability of guideship slots
1.	Ph.D. in Biophysics	4
2.	Ph.D. in Biostatistics	5
3.	Ph.D. in Child & Adolescent Psychiatry	3
4.	Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology	23
	Ph.D. in Cognitive Psychology and Experimental Neuroscience	
5.	Ph.D. in Clinical Psychopharmacology and Neurotoxicology	2
6.	Ph.D. in Epidemiology	7
	Ph.D. in Public Health	
7.	Ph.D. in Human Genetics	5
8.	Ph.D. in Integrative Medicine	2
9.	Ph.D. in Mental Health Education	2
10.	Ph.D. in Neuroanaesthesia and Neurocritical Care	8
11.	Ph.D. in Neurochemistry	5
12.	Ph.D. in Neuroimaging and Interventional Radiology	6
13.	Ph.D. in Neurology	17
14.	Ph.D. in Neurological Rehabilitation	3
15.	Ph.D. in Neuromicrobiology	0
16.	Ph.D. in Neuropathology	4
17.	Ph.D. in Neurophysiology	12
18.	Ph.D. in Neurovirology	3
19.	Ph.D. in Nursing	4
20.	Ph.D. in Psychiatric Social Work	19
21.	Ph.D. in Psychiatry	25
	Ph.D. in History of Psychiatry	
	Ph.D. in Mental Health Rehabilitation	
22.	Ph.D. in Psychosocial Support in Disaster Management	5
23.	Ph.D. in Speech Pathology & Audiology	10
24.	Ph.D. in Transfusion Medicine & Hematology	2

* External Funding Category includes applicants applying with Fellowship from External Funding Agencies, Foreign Nationals and permanent/tenured employees Sponsored/Deputed from various Government Institutions/Universities including candidates working under various projects at NIMHANS. For details regarding which categories under External Funding Category is applicable and requirements for admissions to the concerned course please refer to January 2027 Session Prospectus 2026-27. ***The no. of seats under external funding category may vary depending on the availability of research & other facilities and the faculty- scholar ratio of the respective department.***

POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP UNDER POST DM CATEGORY			
Sl. No.	Name of the Course	Total Seats	Seats under Institute Support Category
PDF in Neurology (Common Entrance Test)			
1.	Postdoctoral Fellowship in Epilepsy	01	01
2.	Postdoctoral Fellowship in Movement Disorders	01	01
3.	Postdoctoral Fellowship in Neuromuscular Disorder	01	01

Applicants are eligible to apply for a maximum of three courses only. The options may be indicated in the application form.

A. Minimum requirement for admission

For more details regarding the minimum requirement for admission for the above mentioned courses, kindly refer to the NIMHANS PG Prospectus 2026-27 (January 2027 Session).

B. Important Dates

Kindly refer to important dates with respect to admission process:

Schedule*	Dates
Date of Advertisement of Admission Notification	16 th October 2026
Start Date and End Date for Submission of Online Application Forms	16 th October 2026 to 15 th November 2026
Date of Conduct of Entrance Test at Bengaluru for Ph.D courses	12 th December, 2026
Date of Conduct of Entrance Test at Bengaluru for all PDF courses	13 th December, 2026
Date of Announcement of results for Ph.D. Courses and overall result of PDF courses	14 th December, 2026
Date of Interview for Ph.D. Courses	15 th December, 2026 & 16 th December, 2026
Date of Provisional Selection list for Ph.D. courses	23 rd December, 2026
Date of Announcement of Provisional Selection list for all other courses except Ph.D.	
Date of Admission & Date of course commencement	01 st January 2027

****Dates are tentative and may vary subject to approval from Competent Authority. Kindly visit NIMHANS website for updates.***

C. Instructions

For more details regarding the same, kindly refer to 'Online Application submission procedure', 'Enclosures to be uploaded in Online Application Form', 'Conduct of Entrance Test', 'Announcement of results and pre-admission formalities' and 'Admission / Joining and commencement of the course' in Prospectus 2026-27.

Entrance test will be conducted for January 2027 Session in Bengaluru city only.

D. Additional Information

1. Applicants are instructed to verify the Prospectus 2026-27 January 2027 Session and ensure that they are eligible under the concerned course, applying for. The application fee paid will not be refunded.
2. Applicants who are awaiting their results may also appear for the entrance test, subject to production of proof of having passed the examination on or before the date of admission to the course.
3. **The applicant must have completed the qualifying degree, along with the final semester/year result/provisional/confidential result on the date of admission, failing which the candidature will NOT be considered for admission.**
4. **In case any candidate/applicant/student is found to have supplied false information or a false certificate or is found to have withheld or concealed some information, he/she shall be debarred from continuing the course and shall face such appropriate action initiated against him/her by the Director of the Institute.**
5. Selected candidates should submit Transfer Certificate (from the College/Institute where the last eligible qualification is attained) and Migration Certificate (from the University to which the College/Institute is affiliated where the last eligible qualification is attained) at the time of admission.
6. **The candidate should complete the entire duration stipulated for the course. If a candidate joins late, he/ she should make good of the number of days lost due to late joining, after the completion of the course duration. The candidates in this extended period will not be provided with any financial emoluments/ stipendiary benefits from NIMHANS.**
7. Activation of JRF & SRF of candidates selected under external fellowship category joining Ph.D. Program at NIMHANS will be activated only after joining the course.
8. Deputed/Sponsored candidates have to upload a 'No Objection Certificate (NOC)' duly signed by their Employer/Parent department.
9. **The decision of the Director of the Institute shall be final in all matters of selection of candidates for admission to the various courses and no appeal shall be entertained on this subject.**
10. **All relevant communication regarding January 2027 Session entrance test will be notified in the official NIMHANS website from time to time. Any query regarding the same may be addressed to admissions@nimhans.net. No other mode of communication will be entertained.**
11. **The link to download the Admit cards for the entrance test will be available on the NIMHANS Website 2 weeks prior to the examination. Candidates are instructed to download and produce the hardcopy of the same on the day of entrance test.**
12. **Any dispute with regard to any matter referred to herein shall be subject to the jurisdiction of Bengaluru Courts only.**
13. **Online Application Form fee- Mode of Payment : Debit/Credit Cards through Online Application Form ONLY**

	For Ph.D. Programs and Postdoctoral Fellowship Courses
Indian National Applicants belonging to General / OBC / EWS Applicants and Foreign National Applicants	Rs.1,500/- per course
Indian National Applicants belonging to SC / ST Category	Rs.1,000/- per course
Indian National Applicants belonging to PwBD Category	No Application Fee

E. Fees for the Courses for Courses Offered

Please refer to in 'NIMHANS PG Prospectus 2026-27 January 2027 Session', for details.

F. Age Limit

- I. The age is calculated as on 01.01.2027 for January 2027 Session.
- II. The age limit for Ph.D. courses will be 40 years for External Fellowship Category/Funded by Research Projects of NIMHANS & 42 years for Sponsored /Deputed Candidates and Employees of the NIMHANS.
- III. Age is relaxable by a maximum of 5 years in the case of PwBD candidates (Please check PwBD block under reservation of seats section for more information).
- IV. The age limit for PDF courses will be 45 years.

G. Contact Information

In case of any enquiry kindly contact "admissions@nimhans.net" or '080-26995013' on any working days between 09:00 am to 04:30 pm.


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