



Presidency University
86/1, College Street, Kolkata - 700 073

Admission Notice
for Two – Year (four semesters) Master Degree Courses
(Open Quota)
(Session: 2026-2027)

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Online applications are invited from the interested candidates who have passed their 3years Bachelor degree (with Honours / Major) not before 2025 or appeared in 2026, or finished 3 years of a 4-yr Bachelor degree (with Honours / Major) for admission into following two-year (four semesters) full time Postgraduate Master of Science (MSc) Courses for the session 2026- 2027. Only completed online application will be considered. Application form will be available online from **23rd June, 2026 to 5th July, 2026** at <http://14.139.217.88/>. The application fee will be Rs 500/- per subject. Reservation policy will be followed as per Govt. rule. Incomplete application and application with invalid or wrong information is liable to be cancelled at any stage of admission.

The admission in Master degree courses for different categories will be based strictly on merit. The General Merit Rank (GMR) of individual candidate and General Merit List will be prepared based on the admission tests (details are given below) only.

1. Available Subjects:

Course offered by School of Astrophysics (1st campus)

- I. 2 year (4 semester) MSc in Astrophysics

Courses offered by Institute of Health Sciences (2nd campus)

- II. 2 year (4 semester) MSc in **Biotechnology**
- III. 2 year (4 semester) MSc in **Virology and Immunology**

2. Eligibility:

- a) There shall be no upper or lower age limit for admission.
- b) Candidates must have passed a Bachelor's Degree with Honours/Major from any recognised University/Institute in or after the year 2025.

c) Candidates who have appeared in the final semester examination of a Bachelor's Degree with Honours/Major from any recognised University/Institute in 2026 and are awaiting publication of their results are also eligible to apply, provided that their results are declared on or before 31st August, 2026.

d) The candidate must secure the minimum required percentage of marks/CGPA in major subjects (Major or core courses and DSE or Honours) as per the table mentioned below in the B.Sc. examination for admission.

PG Courses	Required Honours/ Major Subject	Minimum Required overall CGPA			
		General/UR/ EWS	SC/ST	OBC	PwD
Astrophysics	Physics or Astrophysics	-	-	-	-
Biotechnology/ Virology and Immunology	a) Undergraduate of any branch of Life Sciences (Core course/ Major/Hons.) or Biotechnology (Core course/Hon.) WITH Chemistry as one of the minor courses or GE subjects (for at least two semesters) or Chemistry as one of the core courses in the graduation level b) Undergraduate of Chemistry (Core course/ Major/Hons.)	6.5	4.875	5.85	5.70

e) Candidates must fulfil the following Academic criteria as given below:

2 year (4 semester) M.Sc. courses at the School of Astrophysics

The candidate must have successfully completed 3-years B.Sc. (Honours in the CBCS framework) or 3 years B.Sc. with a minimum of 120 credits/4-year B.Sc. with Honours or 4-year B.Sc. Honours with Research with a minimum of 160 credits from any recognized University (not before 2025). **The minimum credit for the major subject (Physics/Astrophysics) should be at least 50% of the total credit obtained after three or four years.**

2 year (4 semester) M.Sc. courses at the Institute of Health Sciences, Presidency University

Candidates can apply for the following paper for admission to the respective courses-
Biotechnology/Virology and Immunology*

* This combination will be considered as single choice for the application and entrance test. During counselling, the eligible candidates will be allowed to select only one M.Sc. course for their study.

Eligibility criteria for admission

- i) The candidate must have successfully completed 3-years B.Sc. (Honours) or 3 years B.Sc. with a minimum of 120 credits/4-year B.Sc. with Honours or 4-year B.Sc. Honours with Research with a minimum of 160 credits from any recognized University (not before 2025).
- ii) The candidate must secure the minimum required percentage of marks/CGPA in major subjects (Major or core courses or Honours) as per the below mentioned table in the B.Sc. examination for admission.

3. Procedure for submission of application Form

The application has to be made **ONLINE** only through the University website <https://presiuniv.ac.in/web/admission.php>.

Candidates need to have a **working mobile number** and an **email ID**. All future communications by the University will be sent to this mobile number and the email ID only.

Points to remember during form fill-up

1. Enter your own email address and phone number
2. Verify the data and selection of course(s) before final submission (Apply button). Data can be verified and modified several times. So, take your time to verify data before final submission. You can login any number of times to modify data. **After final submission, data / information cannot be modified, under any circumstances.**
3. **Wrong/incorrect data may lead to cancellation of application as well as admission. No fee will be refunded if the admission is cancelled due to wrong data/ information.**
4. Candidate must upload their (i) a recent and clear photo (ii) full signature and (iii) other relevant documents as per the requirement at the time of applying.
8. Do not put random/incorrect values in optional fields which are not applicable for you.
9. Any wrong information provided will lead to the cancellation of the candidature at any stage of admission process.
10. Application fee is to be paid to complete the application procedure.

Application fees: **Rs 500/-** Per Application

4. Procedure for Selection and Admission Test

Admission Test Score (ATS) will be considered for the preparation of General Merit Rank (GMR) for individual applicants.

Candidates who will satisfy the eligibility criteria as defined in section 2 and will Score more than 0 in the Admission Test will be considered during preparation of General Merit Lists for Applied subjects.

Guidelines for Admission Tests

Admission Test will be held on **July 18, 2026**.

Duration of each test will be two hours.

The tentative **schedule** for the admission test is as follows:

Day	Time (12 noon to 2 pm)	Number of Questions for Admission Tests	Venue
July 18, 2026	Astrophysics	25 Questions Multiple Choices Questions (MCQ) to be answered on OMR Sheets	Presidency University, 86/1 College Street, Kolkata 700073
July 18, 2026	Biotechnology	50 questions Multiple Choices Questions (MCQ) to be answered on OMR Sheets	
July 18, 2026	Virology and Immunology	<i>Same question paper will be used for Biotechnology and Virology & Immunology Admission Test to prepare a common Merit List.</i>	

- **The venue for the admission tests** will be 1st campus of Presidency University i.e. 86/1 College Street, Kolkata 700073.
- All candidates must report to this campus **at least one hour** before the commencement of the examination.
- **The question paper will be in English only.**
- **Questions will have one correct answer.**
- **Marking Scheme for Admission Test**
 - a) 2 Marks will be awarded for each correct answer.
 - b) 0.5 Marks will be deducted for each wrong answer.
 - c) No Marks will be awarded for non-attempted questions or wrong questions or questions declared invalid or ambiguous by the University.

5. Procedure for Preparation of General Merit List

Admission Test Score (ATS) will be considered for the preparation of General Merit Rank (GMR) for individual applicants for all subjects

Candidates who will satisfy the eligibility criteria and will score more than 0 in the Admission Test will be considered during preparation of General Merit Lists for all subjects.

Note:

Overall CGPA /The Aggregate Marks at Graduation level is to be calculated considering all courses of study in Graduation level including Compulsory Courses, Major/Honours Courses, GE/Pass courses. Overall CGPA is to be considered as equivalent to Aggregate Marks at Graduation level.

6. Tie-breaking methodology

- (a) In case of tie, the candidates will be judged considering their Aggregate Marks obtained in Graduation level/Overall CGPA at the first instance. The candidate obtaining more overall CGPA will have better rank.
- (b) If tie exists further by doing above exercises, all such candidates will be placed in the same rank and will be considered for admission with bunching effect.

7. Important dates:

Application start date	: 23 rd June, 2026
Payment start date	: 23 rd June, 2026
Application end date	: 5 th July, 2026(till 5 PM)
Payment last date	: 5 th July, 2026
Release of Admit Card	:14 th July, 2026
Date of Admission Test	:18 th July, 2026
Publication of Provisional General Merit list (tentative)	:28 th July, 2026 (after 5 pm)
Counselling for Selection cum Admission	:31 st July, 2026

8. Intake Capacity (Open Quota):*

Course-wise and category-wise availability of seats are given below.

Astrophysics: 18

Biotechnology: 30

Virology and Immunology: 20

* Reservation of seats will be applicable as per the extant order of the State Government. PwD (Person with Disability) seats are included in the total number of seats in respective courses and categories.

9. Reservation of Seats

The Reservation will be applicable as per the Govt. Order.

- Availability of reserve category seats shall be restricted to residents of West Bengal only.
- Candidates claiming such seats must submit relevant Certificate issued from either of the competent Authorities of Government of West Bengal.
- The certificate is to be produced at the time of reporting or as and when required by the university. If the certificate is then found to be invalid, the candidate will lose the opportunity of admission in reserve category.

Competent Authorities of Govt of West Bengal for the issuance of SC/ST Certificate for candidates claiming under such reserve category of seats:

SC/ST Certificates are to be issued by any of the following authorities of Govt. of West Bengal:

- Sub-Divisional Officers for all districts except Kolkata

- (ii) District Welfare Officer, Kolkata & Ex-Officio Joint Director, B.C.W. in case of Kolkata Municipal Area (as defined in clause (9) of Section 2 of K.M.C Act, 1980

Competent Authorities of Govt of West Bengal for the issuance of OBC Certificate for candidates claiming under such reserve category of seats:

As per Notification vide No. 374(71)-TW/EC/MR-103/94 dated 27/7/1994, read with Memorandum No. 1204-SBCW/MR-67/10 dated 27/7/2015 issued by Backward Classes Welfare Department. Govt. of W.B., the Sub Divisional Officer of a Sub- Division in a District is the certificate issuing authority. In Kolkata such certificate is issued by such an officer as the State Government by notification authorizes. Accordingly, the District Welfare Officer, Kolkata and Ex-officio Joint Director, BCW has been notified to act as the certificate issuing authority in respect of Kolkata covering the jurisdiction of the Kolkata Municipal Corporation.

Reservation of seats for PwD candidates:

- a) According to Section 2(r) of the RPWD Act, 2016, “**persons with benchmark disabilities**” means a **person with not less than forty percent (40%) of a specified disability** where specified disability has not been defined in measurable terms and includes a person with disability where specified disability has been defined in measurable terms, as certified by the certifying authority.
- b) Accordingly, reservation in PwD seats will be available for the following types of disabilities, percentage of disability being not less than 40%.
- i.** Locomotor disability as specified in the Schedule of RPWD Act, 2016.
 - ii.** Visual impairment as specified in the Schedule of RPWD Act, 2016.
 - iii.** Hearing impairment as specified in the Schedule of RPWD Act, 2016.
 - iv.** Speech & language disability as specified in the Schedule of RPWD Act, 2016
 - v.** Intellectual disabilities as specified in the Schedule of RPWD Act, 2016
 - vi.** Mental illness.
 - vii.** Disabilities caused due to chronic neurological conditions and blood disorder.
 - viii.** Multiple disabilities including deaf blindness.
- c) PwD certificates are to be issued by any of the authorities as given in the Order No. 289-HF/O/PHP/IR-05/2017 dated 29.08.2018 by the Government of West Bengal, Health & Family Welfare Department (PHP Branch).

Important Notes:

- The reservation policy, as announced by the government from time to time are followed by the Presidency University.
- PwD certificates are to be issued by any of the authorities as given in the Order No. 289-HF/O/PHP/IR-05/2017 dated 29.08.2018 by the Government of West Bengal, Health & Family Welfare Department (PHP Branch).

Competent Authorities for issuance of Economically Weaker Section (EWS)

Certificate for WB domicile candidates claiming under such reserved category of seats and others:

As per Office Memorandum No. 325-PAR(AR)/3P-1/2019 dated 09th July 2019 issued by the Personnel & Administrative Reforms Department (Administrative Reforms Cell), Govt. of West Bengal read with Memorandum No. 959-BCW/MR-52/2019 dated 18th May 2023 issued by Backward Classes Welfare Department, Govt. of West Bengal, EWS Certificates are to be issued by any of the following authorities:

- a) District Magistrate/ Additional District Magistrate
- b) Sub-Divisional Officers
- c) District Welfare Officer, Kolkata and Ex-officio JD, BCW & TD in respect of Kolkata covering the jurisdiction of the Kolkata Municipal Corporation.

N.B. For eligibility and other details, please follow the Memorandums mentioned above.

Important Notes:

- a) Adherence to the time schedule is mandatory and not relaxable.
- b) Wrong data may lead to cancellation of Application at any stage and no fee will be refunded in such case.

If during verification any discrepancy is found regarding the Academic Score (determining the rank) or identity of the applicant, the candidature of the applicant shall be cancelled and there shall be no exception in this regard. In that case fees submitted for the provisional admission may also be forfeited by the University.

Notification is issued under the direction of competent authority.

Sd/-
Secretary, Faculty Councils
Presidency University