

Programme Outcomes, Programme Specific Outcomes For PhD Programmes

Programme Name: Ph.D in Sociology.



Name of the Department
University of North Bengal
West Bengal, INDIA

Programme Outcomes

- PhD is the highest stage of higher study the Department of Sociology, North Bengal University, offers. The programme is offered in conformity with the generally conceived notion that the responsibility of a university is not only to disseminate knowledge and produce a trained and informed body of personnel or humans who would serve the society in different capacities, but also to engage in production of new knowledge. Society being living and dynamic there are always new dimensions which demand serious probing. There is a regional dimension to it as well; since the North Bengal University is located in a relatively backward and culturally diverse region there are always interesting, socially relevant and complex issues of research that the students of the university can explore at the level of research. The best among the students with Masters degree, and mostly with NET and SET, are carefully selected to take up research of theoretical and empirical relevance which result in publications in the form of books and articles. The PhD degrees help the students in career terms and the knowledge thus produced contributes to a better understanding the social issues. The students moving out with PhD degree provide leadership in the academic and social fields.

Programme Specific Outcomes

- Every year the Department admit a number of bright students for the programme and motivate them to pursue PhD with fellowships from various institutions and the university. The numbers of students taken depend on the vacancy created following the UGC guidelines. Almost 80 per cent of the students register for PhD programme, and most of them end up completing PhD. The Department has produced about 70 PhDs since its inception in 1976 and most of them now work in administration, schools, college and universities some have established themselves as scholars and writers of national repute.

In addition

1. Most of the scholars carry out research on issues involving North Bengal in the process creating knowledge about an area which is not very well known.
2. Ph.D. scholars contribute to the academic environment of the department when they participate in seminars or make presentations of their own research work.
3. A number of dedicated Ph.D. scholars in a department adds to its prestige and academic milieu.
4. Ph.D. programme of the department helps in making use of students with high academic credentials who very often due to various reasons would find it difficult to go outside the region to pursue their academic goals.

