



University of Mauritius

**DOCTORAL SCHOOL**

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## VISION

To be a School of Excellence committed to promoting novel and impactful postgraduate research

## MISSION

To provide a stimulating and conducive research environment, research capacity and a steadfast support to our UoM Doctoral Students

## GOALS:

- Timely processing of doctoral and post-doctoral applications
- Supporting services to prospective and current research students and supervisors
- Setting and review guidelines and regulations for postgraduate research education
- Engage in capacity building for the doctoral students as well as supervisors
- Create a stimulating, conducive and friendly research environment
- Provide an annual platform for research dissemination and feedback.
- Nurturing links with the private and public sector for collaborative research
- Promoting social events for the doctoral studies and developing a doctoral community

## The Doctoral School

The Doctoral School (DS) of the University of Mauritius has been operational in 2017 and is responsible to assist in the smooth running of Postgraduate research degree programmes namely, MPhil, MPhil/PhD, PhD and Postdoctoral programmes. It sets guidelines and regulations for research postgraduate education, and implement policies on admissions and academic progress. One of its main function is to process applications from students to read for postgraduate research degrees. Whilst Faculties monitor students' research progress, the Doctoral School provides a conducive ecosystem to accompany students during their doctoral research journey by conducting regular research seminars and workshops, coordinating attendance to research methods modules and other research forums, organising yearly doctoral colloquium thus aiming at building research capacity, providing transferable skills and grooming students to becoming good researchers. The School finally aims to bring the doctoral students together and to create a vibrant doctoral student community.

Research degrees are of different types, MPhil, MPhil/PhD, PhD, and are offered both on a full-time and part-time basis. The University further offers post-doctoral studies.

Students can undertake in-depth research studies in different sectors and areas including Agriculture, Engineering, Science, ICT, Business, Finance, Law, Humanities and Social Sciences among others. The DS and UoM particularly encourage students to embark on research related to the SDGs (<https://sdgs.un.org>).



The research study conducted will culminate in the form of a thesis which will contribute to knowledge (academic impact) and will have socio-economic impacts.

*For more information on existing research projects and list of potential supervisors and their research fields, refer to the DS website.*

### Core values

**Integrity**  
**Timeliness**  
**Autonomy**  
**Equity**  
**Team work**  
**Transparency**  
**Enthusiasm**



*Research Students' participation in the "University - Industry Collaborations" workshop*

## ■ Funding & Scholarships

MPhil/PhD students and Postdoctoral Fellows can apply for scholarship or avail of funding from the following institutions/schemes:

- Postgraduate Scholarships awarded by the University of Mauritius (UoM)
- MPhil/PhD Scholarship by the Higher Education Commission
- Postdoctoral Fellowship Scholarship offered by the Higher Education Commission
- Mauritius Research and Innovation Council (MRIC) scholarship
- The Government of Mauritius Africa Scholarship Scheme for citizens of member states of the African Union and African Commonwealth countries

## ■ International Students

The Doctoral School at the University of Mauritius is particularly attentive to prospective and registered international students and provides a range of facilities to such as:

- Assisting queries and providing relevant information on the MPhil/PhD Programme and the Postdoctoral Fellowship offered at the UoM;
- Coordinating students' requests for potential supervisor/s;
- Guiding students and Postdoctoral Fellows with their research proposal;
- Accompanying all doctoral students through their research journey at the UoM via capacity building workshops, training and short courses (among others).
- Dedicated Counselling

## Postdoctoral Fellowship

Post-doctoral fellows play an important role in academic research teams, both as contributing scientists and as mentors to graduate students. They are also a valuable resource for academia and the Industry. Post-doc is considered as a transition phase from a largely supervisor directed student at doctoral level to an independent researcher. The Post-Doctoral Fellowship (PDF) Scheme provides outstanding scientists with short-term fellowships – of 3 months to 1 year (with the possibility of renewing for an additional year) – at the University of Mauritius. The Scheme is open to national and international researchers who are at an early stage of their postdoctoral research career and who wish to further their research at the University of Mauritius.

<https://www.uom.ac.mu/index.php/study-at-uom/regulations/postdoctoral-fellowship-scheme>

*Application for doctoral and postdoctoral research are open all throughout the year.*

## Types of Research Degrees

Types of Research degrees	Mode of Study Full-time (FT)/ Part-time(PT)	Duration	
		Minimum	Maximum
MPhil Degree	FT	2 yrs	3 yrs
	PT	3 yrs	4 yrs
MPhil/PhD	FT (submission of MPhil Transfer Report 1 - 2½ yrs)	3 yrs	5 yrs
	PT (submission of MPhil Transfer Report 1½ - 3½ yrs)	3.5 yrs	7 yrs
PhD Degree	FT	2 yrs	4 yrs
	PT	3 yrs	5 yrs

## Eligibility Criteria & Application

Admission on Research Programmes	
MPhil & MPhil/PhD	At least a Second Class Honours degree in the relevant field or equivalent.
PhD	There are two categories of candidates for admission:  (i) Students who are already registered for an MPhil programme at the University of Mauritius may request an upgrade.  (ii) Students may already have an MPhil research degree or equivalent in the relevant field

### Steps for a Doctoral Programme

Identify your supervisor

Work out your Research Proposal

Submit your Application

Evaluation of the Research Proposal

Revision / Approval of Research Proposal

Registration

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