

DURATION

The **minimum duration** of the programme is **two years**. However, the **maximum period allowed** for completing the programme is **five years**. **There is no provision of re-admission or extension in maximum duration in BEd. programme.**

MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION

The Bachelor of Education (B.Ed.) programme is offered in English and Hindi medium only

ELIGIBILITY

Candidates with:

- a) at least 50% percent marks either in the bachelor's degree and/or in the master's degree in Sciences/ Social Sciences/Commerce/Humanities. Bachelor's in Engineering or Technology with specialization in Science and Mathematics with 55% marks or any other qualification equivalent thereto,

and

- b) The following categories are eligible to be students of B.Ed. (ODL):
 - (i) Trained in-service teachers in elementary education.
 - (ii) Candidates who have completed a NCTE recognized teacher education programme through face-to-face mode.
- The reservation and relaxation of 5% marks in minimum eligibility will be provided to SC/ST/OBC (Non creamy layer)/PWD candidates as per the rules of the Central Government. EWS reservation as per the rules of Central Government.
- Reservation to Kashmiri Migrants and war widow candidates will be provided as per the University Rules.
- Masters' Degree awarded without a first degree is not accepted for purpose of Academic Studies in IGNOU.

Important Instructions

- a. **Only those candidates, whose results are declared and are otherwise qualified at the time of submitting the entrance form, are eligible to appear in the entrance test.** The applications of other candidates would not be considered, even though they appeared by suppression of facts and subsequently qualify in the entrance test, if they are not fulfilling the eligibility criteria at the time of submitting the application form for entrance test.
- b. **The students who have done their DELED programme simultaneously with their Graduation or Masters degree through whatever combination of modes, are not eligible for admission to IGNOU's B.Ed programme.** If a certain period of one programme coincides / overlaps with the other programme, it will be regarded as the "two programmes having been done simultaneously" and thus, will not be eligible for admission to IGNOU's B.Ed Programme.
- c. The candidates are also advised to carefully read the instructions given under 2.1 in particular about the Educational Qualifications awarded by the Private and other Universities on the matters related to territorial jurisdiction, duration of degree etc. and other rules before submitting the application form

- d. UGC has vide its letter F.No. 1-2/2009(CPP-II) dated August 2014 and Public Notice F.No. 1-6/2007 (CPP-II) dated 15.01.2016 clarified that UGC has not framed any policy / norms on pursuing two degrees / diplomas / certificates simultaneously either through regular / distance mode / part-time mode from the same university or different university. Further, UGC had also clarified that it does not endorse the idea of allowing the students to pursue two degrees simultaneously.
- e. Pursuant to the UGC's policy on simultaneously pursuing two academic courses on 13.04.2022, IGNOU had framed its comprehensive policy on pursuing two academic programmes simultaneously which was notified on 02.09.2022. The said notification is also available in public domain on IGNOU's website at the following link: <http://www.ignou.ac.in/userfiles/Dual%20degree%20notification.pdf>.
- f. IGNOU's notification dated - 02.09.2022 makes it clear that simultaneous admission/registration in two academic programmes will not be applicable for the programmes coming under the regulatory bodies like NCTE or AICTE.
- g. The applicants, who have completed one year of diploma through face to face mode and second year through ODL mode or vice-a-versa, will not be considered eligible for admission.
- h. If an applicant has not got his admission cancelled and has taken a gap year from graduation or post graduation to complete the Diploma (DELED), technically he/she simultaneously pursued the programmes and will not be considered for admission in IGNOU's B.Ed programme.
- i. **Both in-service and pre-service candidates fulfilling the eligibility criteria are eligible for admission.**
- j. **Trained Teacher:** As per NCTE, (Recognized Norms & Procedure) Regulations, 2014. Frequently Asked Questions on ODL Programmes (available at www.ncte-india.org/ncte_new/pdf/faq_odl.pdf), 'The trained teacher means a person who has completed NCTE recognized teacher education programme through face-to- face mode'.
- k. **In-service Teacher:** As per NCTE, (Recognized Norms & Procedure) Regulations, 2014. Frequently Asked Questions on ODL Programmes (available at www.ncte-india.org/ncte_new/pdf/faq_odl.pdf), 'An in-service teacher means who is employed as a teacher in elementary school or elementary stage of education'.
- l. Diploma in Elementary Education (DEIEd) Programme, Diploma in Primary Education (DPE) through Open and Distance Learning (ODL) or any other teacher education programme completed through ODL will not be considered as a teacher education programme for admission to B.Ed. (ODL). **NCTE has mandated completion of a teacher education programme through face-to-face mode only for admission to B.Ed. (ODL) Programme.**
- m. Along with other requisite certificates, a candidate should also submit Mark sheet and Certificate of completion of a teacher education programme through face-to-face mode duly recognized by NCTE.
- n. For consideration of OBC (Non-Creamy Layer), **ONLY the Central List will be considered.**
- o. At the time of counselling, the candidate needs to submit a certificate to provide facilities for Practical Work including the Internship as per the format given in Annexure 2.
- p. The candidates of reserved categories, if they qualify under the general merit list on the basis of their merit, **will not be considered in the list of reserved category at all.** They will be given admission as per the general merit list only.