



Office of International Relations
Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur
Kharagpur – 721 302



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Date: 17.11.2023

NOTE

Sub: Releasing Call for IITKGP-University of Manchester Joint Doctoral Program for student applications in January 2024

University of Manchester is one of our most valued partners and in the last few years we have made significant strides in developing the Joint Doctoral Program between our two Institutes. There have been 12 students who have been enrolled in the JDP since its inception in 2021-22 academic year (Flag 1).

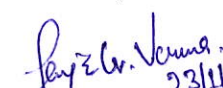
This year, it is being requested to allow students to apply in January 2024 against selected research project proposals that are expected to be received from joint IITKGP-Manchester supervisory teams in December, 2023. In this connection, as earlier approval was sought to create an ERP module to allow student to apply for the program when the call is released(Flag 2).

Requesting your kind approval for sending out the call for applications tentatively around 15th January 2024 (Calendar schedule enclosed).

Enclosures:

1. List of Students enrolled in the IITKGP-UManchester JDP starting 2021-22 academic year
2. Approval Note Ref: 1983/2023/OIR dated 14.09.2023 approval for creating an ERP module to allow student applications in January 2024
3. Calendar Schedule for IITKGP-Manchester Cohort 4


IR Executive


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For AY 2023-24 (Year 3) (Students started year 1 at IITKGP)

Sl#	Name of Student/Roll No.	D/S/C	Scholarship from Manchester	Scholarship amount/month at IITKGP	IITKGP Mentor	UMan Mentor
1.	Sangeeta 23AT9101	ATDC	Full	INR 31,000	Prof. Sunando Dasgupta	Prof. Radha Boya
2.	Vidushi Chaudhury 23MS9101	Material Science Centre	Full	INR 31,000	Prof. Prasana Kumar Sahoo	Prof. Patrick Parkinson
3.	Vipul Singh Rathaur 23GG9101	Geology & Geophysics	Full	INR 31,000	Prof. Anil Gupta	Dr. Neil Mitchell



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The Joint PhD Programme between IIT Kharagpur with **University of Manchester** launched in 2021 is a unique partnership between UniMan and IITKGP. Starting from defining the doctoral project, selection and admission of the student, to supervision, thesis work and evaluation, to the award of the degree, the entire process has been jointly administered. The Programme is open for IIT B.Tech or M.Tech/M.Sc. graduates and those from QS WUR 500 universities.

In the past three years, the Office of International Relations (OIR) has handled the application process. However, with continued success of the program, the volume of applications have increased over time and handling the bulk of applications is becoming a difficult task by the OIR. Therefore, in order to process the large number of applications in a systematic manner, while maintaining the strict timeline, an ERP module may kindly be developed to allow student applications in January 2024.

It is therefore being requested that a separate module be created on IITKGP ERP system that will handle the JDP Manchester applications.

With a request to help for item marked (A) so that we have a trial run well in advance to meet the time deadline marked in (B).
Thanks and regards,
Dr. Chakrabarty
15/9/2023.

IR Executive
14/09/23.

Executive Officer
14/9/23

Associate Dean AA&IR
15/9/2023.

Dean OR&AA
29/09/2023

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ERP Chairman

IITKGP-UManchester: Calendar Schedule for Cohort 4:2024

Date	Process	Action By
Early October 2023	Agree and circulate invitation for project summaries for supervisory teams	DC (IITKGP) & BR (UOM)
Monday 4th Dec, 2023	Deadline for submission of projects	Prospective project supervisory teams
Week commencing 11th Dec, 2023	Meeting of JAB for review and selection of projects	JAB meeting on 12 th /13 th /14 th preferably around 10 AM GMT (3:30 PM IST)
Monday 18th Dec, 2023	Selection of approved projects – limited to 20 – Communication to supervisory team	Joint Programme Board chaired by DC (IITKGP) & DP (UOM)
Week commencing 15th January, 2024	Websites updated and applications opened for candidates to apply for approved projects	Wednesday 17 th / Thursday 18 th Jan
Monday 4th March, 2024	Deadline for submission of applications to IITKGP and UOM	
Wednesday 13th March	Applications shared with supervisory teams	Folders created and shared with supervisors by KM
Wednesday 27th March (hard stop on Thursday 28th)	Deadline for supervisory teams to notify Joint Programme Board of their top two ranked candidates for each approved project	
Monday 8th April	Info on Top candidates shared with JAB	
Tuesday 9th April, 2024	Top ranked candidates screened for eligibility and invited for interview	<i>Meeting of JAB should be convened</i>
Wednesday 10th April, 2024	Information (applications, scoring and ranking information) shared with the Panel members	
Week commencing 15th April, 2024	Candidates interviewed, ranked and notified of outcomes.	16 th , 17 th and 18 th April (Tue-Thursday) 9:30am GMT/ 3:00 pm IST (3 hrs/day)
July 2024	Commencement of programme at IIT Kharagpur	