

## **Frequently Asked Questions for Joint Doctoral Degrees with Partner Institutes:**

1. Can PMRF Fellows apply for funding under the JDP?  
No.
2. Is English Proficiency test required?
  - ▶ Alberta: It is waived.
  - ▶ Curtin and Melbourne: Letter from Fac. Mentor at IITKGP stating that all medium of instruction and examination is conducted in English. Therefore the English language requirement may be waived.
  - ▶ Wollongong: IELTS required
  - ▶ Manchester: Students need IELTS 6.5 English qualification as a minimum for application qualification. A TOEFL iBT score of 90 (with no less than 20 in each component) is also acceptable. This is a specific requirement for Manchester and will be required for a UK visa.
  - ▶ Auckland: No
3. Is there are fixed duration of stay at the Host University?
  - ▶ Yes, usually between 12 to 24 months. For Alberta duration is between 06-12 months.
4. How would the applications be routed?
  - ▶ All application materials will be routed from Department after all required signatures of supervisor, HoD, Deans to Office of International Relations.
5. Does Semester Ranks or CGPA matter?
  - ▶ Yes. High semester ranking will definitely give the candidate an edge while applications are being considered.
6. Are JDP's project based?
  - ▶ Not all. However Manchester JDP is.
7. Can HSS students apply for JDP with our Partner Institutes?
  - ▶ The OIR has not received any applications from HSS students in our JDPs. Interested candidates are encouraged to contact OIR, which can get in touch with the concerned Institution for response.
8. Can students from VGSOM apply for JDP with our Partner Institutes?
  - ▶ Application from VGSOM student has been received for Curtin.
  - ▶ Alberta: Not receiving Management Students at this time
  - ▶ As policies change over time, interested candidates are encouraged to contact OIR, which can get in touch with the concerned Institution for response.
9. How much weight does publications carry?
  - ▶ While publication is not an essential requirement for application, it however makes your application stronger.