Notice of admission to PhD program in Economics

The department of Economics at the Shiv Nadar University would like to announce that admissions into the PhD program in Economics are now open for the 2014-15 academic year.

The PhD program is expected to take five years to complete. The first two years involve course work and for the next three years the students are expected to work on their thesis. The department has a vibrant faculty with varied research interests offering the graduate students the option of working in a wide range of exciting fields. Please see the graduate prospectus of the department for more details.

The department offers an attractive financial support to all incoming students. Please see the department website (http://www.snu.edu.in/humanitiessocialsciences/humanities_social_sciences_economics.aspx) for more details.

Eligibility: Students who have or will have a masters or four year undergraduate degree (in any discipline) with at least 60% in aggregate by September 2014 may apply. Prior economics training is not required.

Admission Process:

1. The first step in the admission process is a written test held across six cities in India: NCR, Kolkata, Hyderabad, Chennai, Bengaluru and Mumbai. Candidates will be informed about the venue of the test at least a week before the exam date. The written test will be held on 25th May.

2. The test consists of two sections: Section 1 has questions that test comprehension and analytical ability. In Section 2, students have a choice between answering questions from undergraduate economics or undergraduate mathematics.

3. Shortlisted candidates will be called for an interview to be held at the Shiv Nadar University campus. The date for the interview is 2nd June. The department will reimburse candidates selected for interview with AC 3 Tier fare.

4. In addition the students need to provide reference letters from at least three referees.

5. Syllabus for entrance examination: (Only for Section II)

   **Section II A. Economics and Basic Mathematics**

   Permutations and Combinations, Functions, Limits, Continuity, Differential and Integral Calculus; Unconstrained and Constrained Optimization, Probability Theory, Sampling, Estimation, Inference and Hypothesis testing.

Section IIB. Undergraduate Mathematics:

Permutations and Combinations, Functions, Limits, Continuity, Differential and Integral Calculus, Ordinary and Partial Differential Equations, Linear Algebra, Unconstrained and Constrained Optimization, Probability Theory, Sampling, Estimation, Inference and Hypothesis testing

APPLICATION FEES: PhD applicants need to send a draft for INR 1000 in favour of “Shiv Nadar University” payable at New Delhi.

Download Application form

The last date for receiving applications deadline is 18th May, 2014.