

# **INFORMATION ABOUT THE D.SC & D.Litt DEGREES OFFERED BY SVYASA, DEEMED TO BE UNIVERSITY**

## **1. INTRODUCTION**

SVYASA, Deemed to be University has been conferring D.Sc., D.Litt. honorary Degrees since 2004 by considering the exemplary contributions made by individuals to the field of Yoga and allied disciplines through research (D.Sc.) or by literature (D.Litt). Since inception in 2004, twenty six Honorary D.Sc and twenty five Hon. D.Litt have been awarded to distinguished people from all over the world. While the University authorities have resolved to continue the honorary Degrees based on repeated requests from academic community, it was proposed to invite applications from eligible candidates for conducting an independent study/project leading to submission of a thesis for considering the award of either D.Sc. or D.Litt. based on the contributions. Hence this amendment is brought out to the existing D.Sc. or D.Litt. notification.

The Doctor of Science (D.Sc.), Doctor of Letters (D. Litt.), Notification 2024 has come into effect from October after the approval of the Academic Council and the Executive Council of the SVYASA, Deemed to be University. The degree of D. Sc. / D. Litt. of SVYASA shall be conferred on the candidates who fulfill all the requirements as specified in the notification.

## **2. ELIGIBILITY**

Any candidate seeking admission to D. Sc./ D. Litt. program of the SVYASA, Deemed to be University, should have pursued outstanding research in the concerned discipline and obtained the minimum qualifications required for admission as mentioned below. The candidate must have obtained a Ph. D. or an equivalent degree from any other recognized university or from a reputed foreign university in the relevant discipline, at least 15 academic years prior to the date of applying and must have a Master's and a Bachelor's degree from any University,

OR

The candidate must have obtained a Ph. D. or an equivalent degree from SVYASA, Deemed to be University, in the concerned discipline, at least 15 academic years prior to the date of applying for the said degree, and must have a Master's and a Bachelor's degree from any University,

OR

The candidate must be a permanent faculty of this University, who has put in a minimum of 10 years of continuous service in that capacity, in SVYASA, Deemed to be University, prior to the date of application, and has obtained a Ph. D. or an equivalent degree from this or from any other recognized university or from a reputed foreign university in the related discipline.

### **3. APPLICATION PROCESS**

A candidate, who is seeking admission to D. Sc./ D. Litt. program and who is eligible for admission in accordance with Clause 2 of this Notification, shall apply to the Registrar by submitting the following details with Photostat copies of the document: His/her Bio-data/Resume giving the details of educational qualifications, fields of specialization, research experience, academic achievements, publications in peer reviewed Journals etc., along with a passport size photograph.

### **4. DOCUMENTS SUBMISSION**

Attested copies of certificates/testimonials in support of qualifications and experience, a certificate from two Academicians (who is neither a member of the Academic Council nor Executive Council of a University) where the candidate is working should also be attached to the effect that he/she is having good character and a proper person to be admitted to the said degree.

The last date for submission of the application form shall be 31st October in an academic year.

### **5. BROAD AREA OF THE THESIS**

The candidate should give a brief account of his/ her recent research work, in about 1000 words on the subject relevant to the discipline in which he/ she has applied for admission to D. Sc./ D. Litt. program, showing how far his/ her work is original and is contributory to the advancement of knowledge.

### **6. SUBMISSION OF THE THESIS**

A candidate, admitted to D. Sc./ D. Litt. program shall deliver a pre-submission seminar in the Division before the submission of the thesis, which shall be arranged by the PhD Coordinator.

The candidate, within two years from the date of his/ her admission, shall submit the thesis to the Director Research approved by the PDRAC.

The candidate shall submit the thesis as per the following guidelines:

- Five copies of the thesis in hardbound form as per the format given in Annexure – B.
- The title page of the thesis shall contain a statement that the thesis has been submitted for the award of the concerned degree for which the candidate has been admitted.
- A soft copy in CD of the Extended Abstract of the thesis mentioned in Annexure – B.
- A declaration by the candidate that the thesis has not been submitted for any other degree or diploma to any institute or University in India or abroad as per the format given in Annexure – C.
- A certificate from the Advisor/ Head of the Division /Principal of the School and the Chairman of the HPC that the thesis has been submitted for the award of the concerned degree of the University, as per the format given in Annexure – D.
- The thesis shall be in English.

The work of the candidate shall comply with the following conditions to merit the award of the degree: It must be a substantial work making a distinct addition to learning in the concerned subject of the discipline. It must be original in the sense of opening up new fields of research, or of making a marked advancement on the results of previous investigations, or of giving a new interpretation of the facts already known. It must be a scholarly work of high quality. It must be the work partly published in reputed journals in the form of research papers and/ or published in the form of books/ monographs, chapter contribution to books/ monographs, etc., out of which at least two must be authored solely by the candidate. It must not be the work, which has been previously submitted for a degree or a diploma in this or in any other University in India or abroad.

## 7. EXAMINATION

- i. **Panel of Examiners:** While forwarding the thesis of the candidate to the Academic Section of the University, the Post Doctoral Research Advisory Committee (PDRAC) shall recommend a panel of examiners of three (two from India and two from abroad) experts in the concerned area of the work submitted.
- ii. **Board of Examiners:** On receipt of the panel of the examiners, the Academic Section shall forward the same to the Controller of Examinations, who in turn shall submit it to the Vice Chancellor for the appointment of the Board of Examiners from the panel. The Board of Examiners shall consist of two members, out of which one shall be from abroad.

## 8. AWARD OF THE DEGREE

- i. The reports of all the examiners shall be placed before the concerned PDRAC. If all the reports are unanimous, recommending the thesis to be accepted for the award of the degree, and if the PDRAC considers the case

- to be fit and proper, it shall recommend it to the Chairman for the award of the degree.
- ii. Even if one examiner recommends the rejection of the thesis, the thesis shall be rejected.
  - iii. If the thesis is rejected, the candidate shall not be allowed to apply again for admission within a period of 3 (three) years.
  - iv. After the Research Advisory Committee approves the thesis for the award of the degree, the candidate concerned may be given the examiners' reports for which he/ she shall apply separately.
  - v. The year of award of the degree shall be the year of submission of the thesis provided the thesis is accepted without revision. In case of revision, the year of award of the degree shall be the year of submission of the revised thesis.
  - vi. The degree certificate shall mention the title of the thesis and the name of the concerned Division/ School in which the candidate was admitted.
  - vii. The PhD Cell shall send one copy of the thesis duly approved for the award of the degree, for preserving in the library of the University and the other in the Division or Departmental library.

#### **9. DETAILS OF D. SC AND D. LITT ADMISSION PROCESS:**

**Step 1** - A candidate will submit online registration form at University website

**Step 2** - A candidate seeking admission to D. Sc/D. Litt. program of the University, must have satisfied the eligibility criteria mentioned in part no. 2.

**Step 3** – Candidate's Resume should be submitted giving the details of educational qualifications, fields of specialization, research experience, academic distinctions, etc., along with a passport size photograph.

**Step 4** - A brief account of Candidate's recent research work, in about 1000 words on the subject relevant to the discipline in which he/ she has applied for admission to D. Litt program, showing how far Candidate's work is original and is contributory to the advancement of knowledge.

**Step 5** - The Research Committee will scrutinize the applications of the candidates and recommend the eligible candidates for admission, to the Academic section of the University. It will also send the list of the names of the Advisors of the candidates to the Academic section for communicating to the concerned candidates.

**Step 6** - The Director of Research will issue the letter of admission to each candidate recommended by the Research Committee. Within fifteen days after the receipt of the letter of admission, the candidate shall pay the prescribed fee as per University website, and will get registered in the concerned Division by filling a registration form.

**Step 7** - A candidate, admitted to D.Sc./D.Litt program will deliver a pre-submission seminar in the Division before the submission of the thesis, which will be arranged by the Ph.D. Coordinator to appraise of the faculty and other research workers of the Division/School regarding Candidate's work.

**Step 8**- The candidate, within two years from the date of admission, shall submit the thesis to the Director Research approved by the concerned Research Committee, and duly forwarded by its Chairman.

**Annexure – A**

**FEES STRUCTURE FOR D.SC/D.LITT. PROGRAM**

Enrollment Fee	Rs. 50000
First Viva Fee For Registration	Rs. 50000
Thesis Submission and Evaluation	Rs. 50000
Open session Viva	Rs. 50000
Total	Rs. 200000

Note: Additional fees for foreign nationals and NRIs shall be US \$.7200\*

Only for the Employees who are not the alumni of this University.

**All the other details regarding DSc./D.Litt program is same as the PhD, Program of S-VYASA. (Please see URL: <https://svyasa.edu.in/phd-yoga/>)**

**Annexure – B**

## FORMAT OF THE THESIS

The following format may be normally adopted for the D.Sc./ D.Litt. thesis:

Cover page

Inner cover page

Declaration by the candidate as per the format given in Annexure – C, to the effect that the work has not been submitted for any other degree or diploma.

Certificate from the Advisor, Dean of the Division/ Coordinator of the School and Chairman of the PDRAC as per the format given in Annexure – D

Contents

An Extended Abstract of about 2000 words, describing the research work carried out during the last 5 (five) years (before the date of submission), on the subject relevant to the discipline in which the candidate has applied for the degree, explaining how far the work is original, exemplary and is contributive to the advancement of knowledge. It shall also summarize the relevance of the publications to the specific subject of the thesis being submitted.

Reprints of the published work by the candidate, in the relevant subject, in the form of research papers, Abstracts of books/monographs, chapter contribution to books/monographs/ citations of candidate's work by others.

List of publications

A personal profile of the candidate with photograph, not exceeding one page.

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**Annexure – C**  
**Declaration by the Candidate**

I, *[Full Name]*, hereby declare that the thesis entitled "*[Title of Thesis]*" submitted to S-VYASA, Deemed to the University, in partial fulfilment of the requirements for the award of the degree of D.Sc/D.Litt, is my original work.

I further declare that this work has not been submitted in part or full for any other degree or diploma at any other university or institution.

I have duly acknowledged all the sources of information that have been used in the preparation of this thesis.

Date: *[Date]*

Place: *[Place]*

Signature: *[Signature]*

Name: *[Full Name]*

Roll Number/ID: *[Roll Number/ID (If available)]*

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**Annexure – D**



## **Certificate**

This is to certify that the thesis entitled "*[Title of Your Thesis]*" submitted by *[Your Full Name]*, Roll Number/ID *[Your Roll Number/ID]*, to S-VYASA, Deemed to the University, in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the award of D.Sc/D.Litt, is a record of original research work carried out by the candidate under our supervision and guidance.

The work embodied in this thesis has been reviewed and evaluated by the undersigned and is found to be satisfactory and suitable for the award of the aforementioned degree.

We further certify that the work has not been submitted either in part or full for any other degree or diploma at any other university or institution.

The candidate has fulfilled all the requirements laid down by the university/institution for the submission of the dissertation/thesis.

### **Signature of the Advisor**

*[Name of the Advisor]*

Designation: *[Designation]*

Department: *[Department]*

Date: *[Date]*

### **Signature of the Dean of the Division/Coordinator of the School**

*[Name of the Dean/Coordinator]*

Designation: *[Designation]*

Division/School: *[Division/School Name]*

Date: *[Date]*

### **Signature of the Chairman of the Post Doctoral Research Advisory Committee (PDRAC)**

*[Name of the Chairman]*

Designation: *[Designation]*

Department: *[Department]*

Date: *[Date]*