



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)
UGC-NET June 2026

S. No.	Chapter/ Para	FAQ	Answer
1.	Chapter - 1 Para - 1.1	What is NTA?	NTA is an autonomous testing organization established by the Ministry of Education, Government of India, for conducting fair, transparent and standardized examinations.
2.	Chapter - 1 Para - 1.1	Why does NTA conduct UGC-NET?	NTA conducts UGC-NET on behalf of UGC to determine eligibility for JRF, Assistant Professor and Ph.D. admission.
3.	Chapter - 1 Para - 1.2	What is the role of UGC?	UGC is responsible for coordination, determination and maintenance of standards in higher education institutions.
4.	Chapter - 1 Para - 1.2	Does UGC provide grants to universities?	Yes, UGC provides grants and monitors standards of teaching, examination and research.
5.	Chapter - 1 Para - 1.3	What are the categories under UGC-NET qualification?	There are three categories: (i) JRF and Assistant Professor, (ii) Assistant Professor and Ph.D. Admission, and (iii) Ph.D. Admission only.
6.	Chapter - 1 Para - 1.3	Can a candidate qualified under "Ph.D. Admission only" get JRF?	No, such candidates are eligible only for admission to Ph.D.
7.	Chapter - 1 Para - 1.3	What is the validity of UGC-NET marks for Ph.D. admission?	UGC-NET marks for Ph.D. admission are valid for one year from the date of declaration of result.
8.	Chapter - 2 Para - 2.1	In which mode will UGC-NET June 2026 be conducted?	The examination will be conducted in Computer Based Test (CBT) mode only.
9.	Chapter - 2 Para - 2.2	How many papers are there in UGC-NET?	There are two papers: Paper 1 and Paper 2.
10.	Chapter - 2 Para - 2.2	Is there any break between Paper 1 and Paper 2?	No, there is no break between the two papers.
11.	Chapter - 2 Para - 2.2	What is the duration of the examination?	The examination duration is 3 hours (180 minutes).
12.	Chapter - 2 Para - 2.2	How many questions are there in Paper 1?	Paper 1 contains 50 questions carrying 100 marks.
13.	Chapter - 2 Para - 2.2	How many questions are there in Paper 2?	Paper 2 contains 100 questions carrying 200 marks.
14.	Chapter - 2 Para - 2.4	In which languages will the question paper be available?	The question paper will be available in English and Hindi, except language papers.
15.	Chapter - 2 Para - 2.5	Is there negative marking in UGC-NET?	No, there is no negative marking.
16.	Chapter - 2 Para - 2.5	How many marks are awarded for each correct answer?	Each correct answer carries 2 marks.
17.	Chapter - 3 Para - 3.1	What are the minimum marks required in Master's Degree for General category candidates?	General category candidates must have at least 55% marks.

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18.	Chapter - 3 Para - 3.1	What are the minimum marks required for OBC-NCL/SC/ST/PwD/PwBD candidates?	Reserved category candidates must have at least 50% marks.
19.	Chapter - 3 Para - 3.1	Can final year Master's students apply for UGC-NET?	Yes, final year students whose results are awaited can apply provisionally.
20.	Chapter - 3 Para - 3.1	Candidates must complete Master's within	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 2 years (JRF/ Assistant Professor). ➤ 1 year (PhD only category).
21.	Chapter - 3 Para - 3.1	Can candidates with a four-year bachelor's degree apply?	Yes, candidates with a four-year bachelor's degree with at least 75% marks may apply for JRF and Ph.D. admission. Not eligible for Assistant Professor
22.	Chapter - 3 Para - 3.2	What is the validity of JRF award?	The JRF award is valid for three years from the date of issue of JRF Award Letter.
23.	Chapter - 3 Para - 3.4	What is the maximum age limit for JRF?	The maximum age limit is 30 years as on 01 June 2026.
24.	Chapter - 3 Para - 3.4	Is there any upper age limit for Assistant Professor?	No, there is no upper age limit for Assistant Professor.
25.	Chapter - 4 Para - 4.1	What is the reservation percentage for SC candidates?	SC candidates are entitled to 15% reservation.
26.	Chapter - 4 Para - 4.1	What is the reservation percentage for ST candidates?	ST candidates are entitled to 7.5% reservation.
27.	Chapter - 4 Para - 4.1	What is the reservation percentage for OBC-NCL candidates?	OBC-NCL candidates are entitled to 27% reservation.
28.	Chapter - 4 Para - 4.1	What is the reservation percentage for EWS candidates?	EWS candidates are entitled to 10% reservation.
29.	Chapter - 4 Para - 4.2	Who is considered a PwBD candidate?	A PwBD candidate is a person with benchmark disability of 40% or more.
30.	Chapter - 4 Para - 4.2	Can candidates bring their own scribe?	Yes, candidates may bring their own scribe, subject to prescribed conditions.
31.	Chapter - 4 Para - 4.2	How much compensatory time is given to eligible candidates?	Eligible candidates are given at least 20 minutes extra per hour of examination.
32.	Chapter - 5 Para - 5.1	In which mode can candidates apply for UGC-NET?	Candidates can apply only through online mode.

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33.	Chapter - 5 Para - 5.1	Can a candidate submit more than one application form?	No, only one application form is allowed.												
34.	Chapter - 5 Para - 5.2	What are the three steps to apply online?	The steps are registration, filling the application form with document upload, and payment of fee.												
35.	Chapter - 5 Para - 5.2	What are the size requirements for photograph and signature upload?	Photograph size should be 10 KB to 200 KB and signature size should be 10 KB to 50 KB.												
36.	Important Dates	What is the application period for UGC-NET June 2026?	The application process will be open from 29 April 2026 to 20 May 2026.												
37.	Fee Details	What is the application fee for UGC NET June 2026?	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2">Fee Payable for UGC NET June 2026</th> </tr> <tr> <th>Category</th> <th>Application Fee</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>General/Unreserved</td> <td>Rs. 1150/-</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Gen-EWS*/ OBC-NCL**</td> <td>Rs. 600/-</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Scheduled Caste (SC) / Scheduled Tribes (ST) / Person with Disability (PwD) / Persons with Benchmark Disability (PwBD)</td> <td>Rs. 325/-</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Third gender</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Applicable service/processing charges & GST over and above the Examination Fee, are to be Paid by the candidate to the concerned Bank/ Payment Gateway Integrator. For details, Appendix -I may be referred to</p>	Fee Payable for UGC NET June 2026		Category	Application Fee	General/Unreserved	Rs. 1150/-	Gen-EWS*/ OBC-NCL**	Rs. 600/-	Scheduled Caste (SC) / Scheduled Tribes (ST) / Person with Disability (PwD) / Persons with Benchmark Disability (PwBD)	Rs. 325/-	Third gender	
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38.	Fee Details	Can the application fee be refunded?	No, the fee once paid is non-refundable.												
39.	Chapter - 6 Para - 6.1	Will candidates be able to challenge the provisional answer key?	Yes, candidates can challenge the provisional answer key within the prescribed period.												
40.	Chapter - 6 Para - 6.2	Will recorded responses be displayed?	Yes, recorded responses will be displayed on the website within the prescribed period. Candidates are advised to download the response sheet for future reference, as No response sheet will be provided later.												
41.	Chapter - 6 Para - 6.3	In what form will the result be declared?	The result will be declared in percentile along with marks or normalized marks.												
42.	Chapter - 7 Para - 7.1	What actions are treated as unfair means?	Using someone else's photograph, tampering with admit cards, impersonation, or cheating are treated as unfair means.												
43.	Chapter - 7 Para - 7.2	What is the consequence of using unfair means?	The candidature may be cancelled, and legal action may also be taken.												
44.	Chapter - 8 Para - 8.1	Can candidates contact NTA for grievances?	Yes, candidates may contact NTA for grievances or clarification.												
45.	Chapter - 8 Para - 8.2	Does NTA accept documents through post or email?	No, candidates are not required to send any documents through post, fax, WhatsApp or email.												

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46.	Chapter - 8 Para - 8.3	Can NTA share candidate data with institutions?	Yes, UGC/NTA may share candidate data with HEIs, PSUs and other organizations for admissions and recruitment.
47.	-	What is the website for the online application form, and what are the helpline number and email ID for UGC-NET June 2026?	Website: https://ugcnet.nta.nic.in/ The Helpline No. 011-40759000 E-mail: ugcnet@nta.ac.in
48.	-	Single Sign-On Service	Application form registration has been enabled through the single sign on service-Meri Pehchan of Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, for the convenience of the applicants.
49.	-	Will a candidate's candidature be affected if there is a mismatch in the name between the Class 10 Marksheet and the Aadhaar Card details?	No. A difference in the name between the Class 10 Marksheet and the Aadhaar Card will not affect the candidature for the UGC-NET June 2026 Examination.
50.	-	Is APAAR ID mandatory?	No.
51.	-	How to capture a live photograph?	For capturing Live Photograph, candidates should switch on their camera or connect their webcam to the device used for filling the Application Form. If your device does not support a webcam, QR code on the right can be scanned by the candidate using a mobile device/tablet etc. Candidates should ensure there is a light-colored background with proper lighting, and 80% face visibility (including ears, without a mask).
52.	-	If the live photograph does not match the photograph on the Aadhaar Card, will it lead to the cancellation of the application form?	All such mismatch cases will be reviewed by the NTA. In case of discrepancy, the candidate will be informed via email or text message.
53.	-	Is it mandatory to Upload the Category Certificate?	No, the Category Certificate is not required to be uploaded in the online Application Form of UGC-NET June 2026.
54.	-	Can a candidate provide friend's/relatives' email address or mobile number when registering for UGC-NET June 2026?	No, the applicants should use only their own valid and unique email address as all communications will be made on the registered e-mail ID or SMS.
55.	-	Can a candidate change or edit his/her mobile number or email address?	The candidate will NOT be able to change or edit the mobile number and email address in the online application form later as these particulars are fixed.
56.	-	Are candidates required to send/submit any document(s) including the Confirmation Page to NTA through Post/ Fax/ By Hand?	No, candidates are not required to send/submit any document(s) including the Confirmation Page to NTA through Post/Fax/WhatsApp/Email/by Hand.



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57.	-	If candidate has made any mistake(s) while registering / applying, can he/she make changes later in the Application Form?	The applicant can make changes in some fields only when NTA open the correction window. No corrections shall be allowed after the closure of correction window and all particulars entered by the candidate would be considered as final. Thus, candidates are advised to fill in their particulars carefully. NTA is not responsible for any mistakes made by candidates.
58.	-	Why is candidate asked in the correction window to pay additional fee after making corrections?	No additional fee is charged for making corrections in the details of application form, if there is no change in the Category or number of test papers chosen. As amount of exam fee depends on the Category to which a candidate belongs and number of test paper/s chosen, an additional fee may be applicable in certain cases. Please check the Information Bulletin for the amount of fee payable by different Categories.
59.	-	Is re-evaluation or re-checking allowed?	No. There is no provision for re-evaluation or re-checking
60.	-	Is there age relaxation? Applied for JRF	Yes, up to 5 years for SC/ST/OBC-NCL/PwD/Third Gender/Women candidates.
61.	-	Is there relaxation for research experience? Applied for JRF	Yes, up to 5 years (subject to conditions). For more information ready Chapter 3, Point 3.4 of Information Bulletin of UGC-NET June 2026 examination.
62.	-	Is there relaxation for candidates with LLM degree? Applied for JRF	Yes, 3 years of relaxation. For more information ready Chapter 3, Point 3.4 of Information Bulletin of UGC-NET June 2026 examination.
63.	-	Is there relaxation for candidates who have served in the armed forces? Applied for JRF	Yes, up to 5 years depending on service. For more information ready Chapter 3, Point 3.4 of Information Bulletin of UGC-NET June 2026 examination.
64.	-	Is there age limit for Assistant Professor/PhD?	No upper age limit.
65.	-	Is there any marks relaxation?	Yes, 5% relaxation is given to SC/ST/OBC-NCL/PwD/Third Gender candidates (from 55% to 50%).
66.	-	Where can candidates download the UGC-NET syllabus?	Syllabus for all NET Subjects can be downloaded from the UGC Official website: https://www.ugcnetonline.in/syllabus-new.php . The National Testing Agency will not provide the copy of syllabus to any candidate.