Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology of Jammu

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Online applications are invited from the eligible candidates for admission to Undergraduate/Postgraduate programmes through SKUAST-Jammu **Common Entrance Test 2025** for the academic year 2025-26.

(A) Eligibility Requirements for Admission to UG and PG Programmes

- Candidates having a Domicile certificate of Union Territories of J&K and Ladakh are eligible for seeking admission to all the undergraduate and post-graduate programmes.
- For admission to undergraduate programme in Biotechnology, candidates from outside Union Territories of J&K and Ladakh can also apply.
- The candidates hailing from states/ UTs other than Jammu and Kashmir & Ladakh can only seek admission under Non-Resident Indian (NRI)/NRI sponsored/OCI quota for B.V.Sc. & A.H., B.Sc. (Hons) Agriculture, B.Sc. (Hons) Horticulture and B. Tech. (Agriculture Engineering), B.Tech. Dairy Technology. However, self-Finance seats for postgraduate courses in Agriculture, Horticulture, Forestry, Sericulture, Basic Sciences. Fisheries, Agricultural Engineering admission shall be done under All India basis.
- PG programmes in Biotechnology and Microbiology shall be in self-finance mode on All India basis
- Candidates will have to ensure that they fulfil the eligibility criteria and qualification(s) prescribed for admission to the relevant programme by the University which is specified below:

Programme Eligibility (Undergraduate Programme)		
01	B.V.Sc. & A.H.	Candidates must have passed Higher Secondary Part II (12th or 10+2) or an equivalent examination with PCB subjects, besides English Having 50% marks in aggregate for OM, NRI/NRI- sponsored/OCI category and 40% for reserved categories.
02.	B.Sc. (Hons) Agriculture	Candidates must have passed 10+2 with PCB/PCM/PCBM or Agriculture from recognized

03.	B.Sc. (Hons.) Horticulture	board/examining body besides English.
04.	B. Tech. Dairy Technology	
05.	B. Tech. Biotechnology	Having 50% marks in aggregate for OM, NRI/NRI-sponsored / OCI category, and 40% for reserved categories.
06.	B. Tech. Agricultural Engineering	Candidates must have passed 10+2 or an equivalent examination from a recognized board/examining body with PCM or Agriculture besides English. Having 50% marks in aggregate for OM, NRI/NRI- sponsored/OCI category, and 40% for reserved categories.

P, C, B, and M are Physics, Chemistry, Biology and Mathematics, respectively

- **Candidate must be 17 years old on or before 31.12.2025.**
- Candidates who have appeared in Higher Secondary Part II (12th or 10+2) are also eligible to apply, provided they produce their Higher Secondary Part II (12th or 10+2) mark sheet issued by competent examining body at the time of counselling and fulfil all the above prescribed requirements to be eligible for admission.
- Note: The NRI/NRI- sponsored /OCI candidates shall submit copy of their qualifying examination i.e. 10+2 qualification certificate/marks sheet duly verified and certified by Indian Embassy/High Commission in the country of their residence, stating that such examination is equivalent to the University prescribed qualifying examination of Indian Boards/Universities.

(B) For Postgraduate programmes,

- **The candidate not below 19 years of age, as on 31-12-2025**, is eligible to appear in the examination. No relaxation is admissible regarding the minimum age limit.
- The candidate must have passed Bachelor degree examination securing Grade point average (OGPA) at least:
- ✓ **General category:**

  a) for Agriculture, Horticulture, Forestry and Agricultural Engineering: 6.00/10.00 on ten point scale, 3.00/4.00 on four point scale. In other cases

where grade points are not awarded and only marks are awarded, the candidate must have secured at least 60% marks.

b) for Basic sciences stream: 5.50/10.00 on ten point scale/ or at least 55% marks, where grade point is not awarded.

✓ **Reserved Categories:** 5.50/10.00 on ten point scale/ or at least 55% marks where grade point is not awarded.

• Candidate must have passed or due to appear at the final examination, and likely to get awarded the degree on or before the date of counselling date.

The subject wise eligibility requirements are given below:

(a) M.Sc. Agriculture#:

S.No	Programme / Discipline	Feeder Streams
1.	M.Sc. (Agri.) Agronomy	B.Sc. Agriculture/ B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture
2.	M.Sc. (Agri.) Genetics & Plant Breeding	B.Sc. Ag. / Horti. / Forestry or B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture / Horticulture/ Forestry /B. Tech. Biotechnology
3.	M.Sc. (Agri.) Agricultural Economics	B.Sc. Agriculture/ B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture / B.Sc. Horticulture /B.Sc. (Hons.)/Horticulture/B.Sc. Forestry
4.	M.Sc. (Agri.) Soil Science	
5.	M.Sc. (Agri.) Agricultural Extension Education	
6.	M.Sc. (Agri.) Entomology	B.Sc. Agriculture/ B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture /B.Sc. Horticulture/ B.Sc. (Hons.) Horticulture/ B.Sc. Life Sciences with Zoology
7.	M.Sc. (Agri.) Plant Pathology	B.Sc. Agriculture / B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture /B.Sc. Horticulture/ B.Sc. (Hons.) Horticulture/ B.Sc. Life Sciences with Botany
8.	M.Sc. (Agri.) Sericulture	B.Sc. Sericulture /B.Sc. Agriculture / B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture / B.Sc. Bio Sciences/ B.Sc. Forestry
9.	M.Sc. (Agri.) Seed Science & Technology	B.Sc. Agriculture/B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture/ B. Tech. Agriculture Engineering /B. Sc. Biotechnology
10.	M.Sc. (Agri.) Organic Farming	B.Sc. Agriculture/ B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture / B.Sc. Horticulture/ B.Sc. (Hons.) Horticulture

#A 4 year (10+2+4) or 6 year (10+6) undergraduate degree in Agriculture shall be the essential requirement for admission to Master's degree in Agriculture. However, candidates who have completed a 3 year Bachelor's degree programme are eligible for admission only in Sericulture discipline in Faculty of Agriculture

(b) M.Sc. Molecular Biology & Biotechnology

(c) M.Tech Biotechnology

S.No	Programme / Discipline	Feeder Streams
1.	M.Sc. (Agri.) Molecular Biology & Biotechnology	Bachelor's degree in Biotechnology/ Agriculture / Life Sciences and Veterinary Sciences
	M.Tech. Biotechnology	Minimum 4-year undergraduate degree in: B. Tech. Biotechnology / B.Sc. Biotechnology / B.Sc.(Hons.) Biotechnology/B.Sc.(Hons.) Agriculture / B.Sc. (Hons.) Horticulture / B.Sc. (Hons.) Biology

(d) M.Sc. Horticulture

S.No	Programme / Discipline	Feeder Streams
1.	M.Sc. (Horti.) Floriculture & Landscaping	B.Sc. Agriculture/B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture/B.Sc. Horticulture /B.Sc. (Hons.) Horticulture/ B.Sc. Forestry
2.	M.Sc. (Horti.) Post Harvest Management	
3.	M.Sc. (Horti.) Fruit Science	
4.	M.Sc. (Horti.) Vegetable Sciences	

(e) M. Sc. Forestry

S.No	Programme / Discipline	Feeder Streams
1.	M.Sc. (Forestry) Silviculture and Agroforestry	B. Sc. Forestry/B. Sc (Hons) Forestry

(f) M. Tech. (Agricultural Engineering)

S.No	Programme / Discipline	Feeder Streams
1.	M. Tech. Farm Machinery & Power Engineering	B. Tech. (Agricultural Engineering)
2.	M. Tech. Soil & Water conservation Engineering	

(g) M.Sc. Basic Sciences:

S.No	Programme / Discipline	Feeder Streams
1.	M.Sc. (Agri.) Biochemistry	B.Sc. Agriculture /B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture /B.Sc. Horticulture /B.Sc. (Hons.) Horticulture/ B.Sc. Forestry /B.Sc. Bio-Sciences/Life Sciences with Chemistry/ Biochemistry
2.	M.Sc. (Agri.) Plant Physiology	B.Sc. Agriculture /B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture / Horticulture /Forestry / Life Sciences / Bio- sciences with Plant Physiology/ Botany
3.	M.Sc. (Agri.) Microbiology	B.Sc. Agriculture /B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture/Life Sciences /Biotechnology/Microbiology
4.	M.Sc. (Agri.) Agricultural Statistics	B.Sc. with one of subject as Statistics /Mathematics/Computer application / IT/ B.Sc. (Hons) Agriculture / B.Sc. (Hons) Horticulture/ B.Sc. (Forestry) / B.Tech. Biotechnology.

(h) Master of Fisheries Science:

S.No	Programme / Discipline	Feeder Streams
1.	M.F.Sc. Fisheries Resources Management	Bachelor of Fisheries Sciences.

Admission guidelines for SKUAST-J in-service candidates and in-service STATE Govt. Nominee:

- For admission of SKUAST-J In-Service Employees' and In-service UT Govt. nominee, only those applications with the prior permission from their employer shall be entertained. All Such candidates have to appear in SKUAST-J CET-2025. The admission to such candidates shall be granted only after the submission of the "permission letter of their employer" at the time of counselling.
- The admission of the In-service J&K UT Government nominees shall be made on the basis of SKUAST-CET-2025.

Important information for inviting online applications for SKUAST-J CET-2025 Undergraduate & Masters Programmes

Commencement of submission of online application forms	02/05/2025 from 10:00 am (Friday)
Last date for submission of online application forms	31/05/2025 at 12:00 mid-night (Saturday)
Last date for submission of online application forms with late fee	05/06/2025 at 12:00 mid-night (Thursday)
Opening of correction window for submitted Online applications forms	06/06/2025 from 10:00 a.m. (Friday) to 08/06/2025 at 12:00 mid-night (Sunday)
Date and time of Common Entrance Test CET • Undergraduate Programmes • Masters programmes	Shall be notified separately
Date of download of Admit card • Undergraduate programmes • Masters programmes	Shall be notified separately
Test Centre	Jammu

Application fee to be paid online (Non-refundable)

Undergraduate Programme	Application Fee	Application fee with late fee
OM /Reserved / Self Financing / Wards of SKUAST-J Employees/ In-Service Govt. Nominee categories	Rs. 2000/-	Rs. 3000/-
NRI* / NRI Sponsored /OCI* category	Rs. 8000/-	Rs. 10000/-
Post graduate Programmes	Rs. 2500/-	Rs. 3500

NRI*: Non-Resident Indian, OCI*: Overseas citizen of India

Counselling:

- Qualified candidates, as per merit, shall be called for counselling on a specified date and time for consideration of admission to various Undergraduate and Master's Programme. The counselling will continue till the last seat in each programme is filled-up. Merit list will be uploaded on the University website (***www.skuast.org***). The candidates are advised to see regularly the website of the University for counselling dates. No separate letter will be sent to the candidates. Counselling schedule will be notified in the newspapers and also will be available on the University website.

**Counselling: Venue of Counseling: SKUAST-Jammu, Main Campus Chatha
Counseling Process:**

➢ Qualified candidates, as per merit, shall be called for counseling on a specified date and time for consideration of admission.

➢ For admission to undergraduate programmes, there will be four rounds of counseling followed by a mop-up round, if required.

➢ For admission to postgraduate programmes, there will be three rounds of counseling followed by a mop-up round, if required.

➢ Upgradation will be permitted only in the 2nd , 3rd , and 4th rounds of counseling in case of admission to undergraduate programmes and 2nd and 3rd rounds of counseling in case of post-graduate programmes.

➢ Seats falling vacant on account of upgradations during a particular round of counseling shall not be filled in the same round of counseling.

➢ No up-gradation shall be permitted in the mop-up round.

➢ The merit list will be uploaded on the university website (www.skuast.org). The candidates are advised to regularly check the website of the University for counseling dates. No separate letter will be sent to the candidates. The counseling schedule will be notified in the newspapers as well as on the University website.

➢ The candidates who are called for counseling must pay an online counseling fee of Rs. 1000/- before appearing on the scheduled date of counseling.

➢ If the candidate does not participate in the 1st counseling, he/she can participate in the subsequent counseling as per the counseling schedule by online payment of Rs. 1500.

➢ The allotment of seats will be rank/merit wise, considering the choice/priority of programme filled up by the candidate while participating in the counseling.

➢ Those candidates who scored zero or negative marks in the SKUAST Jammu CET 2025 are not eligible to participate in counselling.

➢ De-reservation or seat conversion will be effected in the mop-up round.
The candidates shall be called for counseling and preliminary verification of certificates as per the rank obtained in CET. The category-wise cut-off rank for each counseling shall be notified separately and placed on the university website from time to time till the last counseling. The candidate is required to record his/her presence for counseling by signing on the designated register at the

counseling hall. The aspirants shall be called for the counseling with descending rank one after the other, and if a candidate called for counseling does not present him/herself before the committee, his/her claim for any seat shall be forfeited. In case the candidate reports after his name is called for counseling but within the stipulated time on the day of counseling, the seat offered to that candidate shall be out of the unallocated seats available at that point of time when he/she reports before the committee. A candidate reporting for counseling after 5.00 pm of the stipulated date shall not be allowed to mark their presence and shall not be entertained for counseling in any case. Accordingly, the candidates are advised to meet the deadline of cut-off time on the day of counseling(s).

The candidates who are called for counseling must pay an online counseling fee of Rs. 1000/- before appearing on the scheduled date of counseling. The details for depositing the online counseling fee and a payment link for the same shall be available on the university website (www.skuast.org).

Date of counselling:

Under Graduate Programmes	Shall be notified separately
Post graduate Programmes	

The information regarding eligibility, number of seats, general information, selection procedure, counselling for allotment of discipline, fee structure, syllabus for common entrance test, application forms and other conditions are spelled out in Information Brochure which is available on the University website: www.skuast.org.

Sd/-
Registrar

No: AUJ/Acad/F-03/25-26/ 698-722
Dated: 28 .04.2025

Copy for information to the:

➤ Principal Secretary to Government Agriculture Production Department, UT of J&K Govt. Civil Secretariat, Srinagar/Jammu.
➤ All officers of SKUAST-Jammu
➤ Director, Agriculture, Jammu.
➤ Director Horticulture, Jammu.
➤ Director Sheep/Animal Husbandry, Jammu.
➤ Controller of Examination, SKUAST-Jammu for necessary action please.
➤ Director Institute of Biotechnology, SKUAST-Jammu.
➤ Nodal officer, Data Centre, SKUAST-J for uploading on University website.
➤ SVC for kind information of Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor.

28/04/25
Asstt. Registrar (Acad.)