

Prospectus for Prak Shastri Programme 2026-27



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NATIONAL SANSKRIT UNIVERSITY, TIRUPATI
(A Central University Established by an Act of Parliament)
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2. Special Instruction to Students

1. All the students have to produce their own mobile number which is linked to their Aadhar Card and email ID. They have to follow these instructions strictly. They have to maintain their given cell numbers and email ID upto completion of the respective programmes.
2. All the communication regarding their program will be communicated/appeared on the National Sanskrit University website: <https://nsktu.ac.in> only.
3. NSU has already adopted the Samarth Online admission process. The students are instructed to maintain the same user credentials like user ID & Password throughout the programme. They are also instructed to note the other details of the programme issued from time to time and follow them strictly.
4. The students are further instructed to open a bank account in the Union Bank branch situated in the University campus within 15 days after the completion of the admission process.

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5. Schools and Departments

(Ref: Academic Ordinance No.17)

School of Vedavedanga

- 1) Department of Vedabhashyam
- 2) Department of Vyakarana
- 3) Department of Jyotisha and Vasthu
- 4) Department of Dharmasastra

School of Darsana

- 5) Department of Nyaya
- 6) Department of Sankhya Yoga
- 7) Department of Mimamsa
- 8) Department of Advaita Vedanta
- 9) Department of Visistadvaita Vedanta
- 10) Department of Dvaita Vedanta
- 11) Department of Agama
- 12) Department of Yoga Vijnana
- 13) Department of Sabdabodha Systems and Computational Linguistics
- 14) Centre for Shastra Parirakshana

School of Sahitya & Samskriti

- 15) Department of Sahitya
- 16) Department of Puranetihasa
- 17) Department of History
- 18) Department of Telugu
- 19) Department of Hindi
- 20) Department of English
- 21) Department of Research and Publications
- 22) Department of Performing Arts
- 23) Centre for Ancient Indian Knowledge Systems

School of Education

- 24) Department of Education
- 25) Department of Mathematics
- 26) Department of Computer Science
- 27) Department of Translation
- 28) Department of Physical Education
- 29) Centre for Sanskrit Promotion
- 30) Centre for Inservice Teacher Education

6. INTRODUCTION

National Sanskrit University, a Central University established by an Act of Parliament, is a premier institution in the field of higher learning in Sanskrit studies, Traditional Sastras and Sanskrit Teacher Education. It is funded by the Ministry of Education through UGC. The University has a long history in the service of Sanskrit education.

The institution was established at Tirupati (A.P.) in 1961 by the Govt. of India on the recommendations of the Sanskrit Commission (1957) as an autonomous body under the name of **Kendriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha, Tirupati society**. Dr. S. Radhakrishnan, the then Vice President of India laid the foundation stone of the Vidyapeetha on 4th January 1962. The basic objective of setting up the Vidyapeetha was to impart and improve Sanskrit Teacher Education, to accelerate the pace of higher Sanskrit learning and to combine the traditional Sanskrit education with modern scientific research.

Later, Kendriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha, Tirupati came under the administrative control of Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, an autonomous body under the Ministry of Education in April 1971. **In the year 1987, the Vidyapeetha was declared as a Deemed to be University by the Government of India**, considering its service to the cause of Sanskrit Education, its achievements in research and publications and the general progress it had made in the past 25 years. It was formally inaugurated by the then President of India Sri R. Venkatraman on 26th of August 1989. Considering its achievements and potential for research in Traditional Sastras, the University was given the status of **Centre of Excellence in Traditional Sastras** during the X , XI and XII Plans.

Keeping in view, achievements of the Vidyapeetha in the field of Sanskrit and Traditional Sastras, the Vidyapeetha is elevated as **National Sanskrit University** by the Govt. of India under Parliamentary act in the month of March, 2020 and the university is now functioning as National Sanskrit University from 30th April, 2020.

CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE IN TRADITIONAL SASTRAS

The University has achieved a rare honour of being recognised as a Centre of Excellence in Traditional Sastras by the UGC basing on its achievements, academic excellence earned in the field of teaching and research in Traditional Sastras and its potential for future development during IX plan. The same has been extended for the X, XI and XII plan periods also.

The University was listed under Graded Autonomy Category - I Deemed to be University by UGC in March, 2018.

The University has been attracting students from all over India and abroad and the programmes offered by it, cover a wide range of subjects *viz* Sanskrit language and literature, Traditional Sastras, Sanskrit Teacher Education and career oriented programmes too. A combination of Traditional Sastras with modern subjects like Mathematics, Computer Science, History etc., is offered at Shastri/B.A., B.Sc. (Comp.), B.Sc. in Yoga and Prak Shastri levels. A unique feature of the University is that the medium of instruction for imparting Traditional Sastras is Sanskrit.

Location

The University with a sprawling campus of 42 acres is located at the foot of the Tirumala Hills, the abode of Lord Sri Venkateswara (Balaji) near Alipiri. The University campus is adjacent to SVIMS (Sri Venkateswara Institute of Medical Sciences) and is at a distance of 4 k.m from the Railway Station and APSRTC Bus station. It can be approached through either the Reservoir Road or Balaji Colony.

Emblem

The motto on the emblem *tamaso ma jyotirgamaya* speaks of the vision and idealism for which the University was established. The emblem comprises a circle, a rectangular base, two lamps on either side, a bunch of palm leaf manuscripts, the petals of a lotus, each of which are of immense significance. Besides these, it includes the rays of the Sun which are considered to represent perennial sources of creative thoughts.

7. SALIENT FEATURES

i. Teaching and Learning Facilities

The University has introduced centres of learning such as Functional Sanskrit Centre, Computer Laboratory, Language Laboratory and ICT Resource Centre etc. The ICTRC exposes the staff and students to various programmes related to Computer learning. The Functional Sanskrit Centre plays a major role in preparing a comprehensive curriculum and in imparting training to the learners of functional Sanskrit. The multimedia language laboratory offers an opportunity to the students to learn Sanskrit and English through the use of software. These centres act as major resources for the learners. Learning becomes a **tapasya** at the lotus feet of Lord Venkateswara, the Lord of Seven Hills.

ii. UGC's Innovative Programmes

The University has been awarded with four innovative programmes - **(1) Master of Sanskrit in Sabdabodha Systems and Language Technology (2) P.G. Diploma in Yoga Therapy and Stress Management (3) Masters in Ancient Indian Management Techniques (4) P.G. Diploma in Comparative Aesthetics in global perspective.** With the approval of the UGC, the University has been offering a PG Course in Sabdabodha Systems and Language Technology, P.G. Diploma in Yoga Therapy and Stress Management. A full time two year Masters Programme in Ancient Indian Management Techniques has been running successfully since its inception in 2012. The University has also been conducting research and training programmes in the thrust areas of these programmes.

iii. Bridge Course and Training Programmes

The University has been conducting Bridge Courses to the students admitted into different programmes. Apart from conducting special training programmes and bridge courses, the University conducts remedial coaching in Traditional Sastras, spoken Sanskrit and spoken English also.

iv. Remedial, JRF-NET and Entry into Services Coaching Centre

The University has started Remedial, JRF-NET and “Entry into Services” coaching centres for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, OBC (non-creamy layer) and Minority students from the academic year 2007-2008 with the financial assistance from University Grants Commission. The students belonging to other categories and who are in need are also permitted to attend the coaching classes.

v. Career opportunities

The programmes in the University are designed and planned so as to offer job opportunities to students not only in Sanskrit institutions but also in other general universities and educational institutions such as Sainik schools, Kendriya Vidyalayas and Navodaya Vidyalayas all over India.

The University has been providing opportunities to its students to do some part-time jobs in the scheme of **‘Earn while you learn’**. The students of the University who have knowledge of working with computers and other technical skills are engaged in several research projects and other University programmes. It is also contemplated to provide more opportunities in the coming years to the students and Research Scholars of the University to earn for their maintenance while continuing their Regular (Face to Face Programmes) studies.

vi. Samskrita Vikasa Kendra

The Kendra organizes Regular (Face to Face Programmes) classes on Language skills (LSRW), Sanskrit Grammar, Amarkosa Varga, Kavya Varga etc., for Prak-Shastri & Shastri students. It also organizes Samskrita Sambhashana Sibirams for the benefit of the general public. Programmes commemorating Valmiki Jayanti, Kalidas Jayanti etc. are also organised.

vii. All India Sanskrit Students’ Talent Festival

All India Sanskrit Students’ Talent Festival All India Sanskrit Students’ Talent Festival is a unique festival undertaken by the University. It was organised for the first time in February 2007 and has since become a Regular (Face to Face Programmes) and annual event of the University. It is held for 4 days inviting participants from Sanskrit institutions all over India in order to bring to light the latent talents/skills in the students. Academic and Literary competitions are conducted in this competitions. The students of this University have the reputation of participating in this as well as other National Level Competitions and winning cash prizes, Gold/Silver/Bronze medals. The University also organises many other competitions and the students are awarded medals and cash prizes.

Ekalavya Kreedha Munch : To encourage Sanskrit learners in southern states of Sanskrit colleges, institutions, and universities, NSU is organizing the South Zone Sanskrit Students Sports Meet under EKALAVYA KREEDA MUNCH. The Department of Physical Education at National Sanskrit University, Tirupati, has always been at the forefront of promoting sports and physical activities. This event is one of the best platforms to showcase skills and exchange sports culture. The meet is held to promote and bring out students’ talents in various sports and games event

All India Sanskrit Students’ Talent Festival (Cultural events)

To encourage Sanskrit learners in Cultural activities the All Indian Sanskrit Students Competitions (Cultural) is organizing.

viii. Research and Publications

The Research and Publications Department of the University has published about 300 valuable publications on Veda, Vedanta, Agama, Jyotisha, Nyaya, Vyakarana, Sahitya, Education, Sanskrit-Science etc. Further textbooks and other reference books in English and other subjects and CD-ROM's like Sanskrit Learning CD for beginners, Granthalipi Bodhini and Vacaspatyam are also brought out. The University has been putting its best efforts in bringing out publications in the rich scientific knowledge hidden in Sanskrit literature through *SanskritaVijnanaVaibhavam Series*.

ix. Mahasvini (University Research Journal)

The University publishes a standard Research Journal, Mahasvini Bi-annually. Research papers of high academic value by reputed scholars and research students are published in Sanskrit and English languages.

x. Semushi (Newsletter)

The University Regularly (Face to Face Programmes) publishes bi-monthly Newsletter called "Semushi" which gives details of various programmes that are conducted on the campus including academic, cultural and extension activities.

xi. UGC Special Assistance Programme to Sahitya Department

The UGC sanctioned Rs.31.00 lakhs plus two Project Fellows to the Department of Sahitya of the University under its Special Assistance Programme (SAP) DRS-II. The Department of Sahitya of the University was selected for sanction of the SAP on the basis of its work, academic achievement and viable potential for further development. The essence and primary aim of this UGC scheme is a combination of teaching and research to encourage group research efforts in pursuit of excellence. The special assistance for the Department of Sahitya was sanctioned for a period of five years till 2018. The thrust area of Sahitya identified under this programme is "*Encyclopaedia of the technical terms in Sanskrit Poetics*".

xii. UGC Special Assistance Programme to Education Department

The UGC sanctioned Rs.29.50 lakh plus two project fellows to the Department of Education of this University under its Special Assistance Programme (SAP). The Department of Education of the University was selected for sanction of the SAP on the basis of its work, academic achievement and viable potential for further development. The essence and primary aim of this UGC scheme is a combination of teaching and research to encourage group research efforts in pursuit of excellence. The special assistance for the Department of Education was sanctioned for a period of five years till 2014. The thrust area of Education identified under this programme is "*Language development and Material Production*".

xiii. Sastra Pravesini

A series of books on various sastras under the title Sastra Pravesini are being published in simple standard Sanskrit for the benefit of beginners and admirers of Sanskrit. These books are being used as part of Syllabus various Sanskrit Institutions of India.

xiv. Yogavijnana Centre

The University has established *Yogavijnana Centre* with the assistance of UGC to provide an opportunity for the students, staff and general public for Yoga Education and Practice. The centre has introduced (1) One year P.G. Diploma in Yoga Vijnana evening programme and (2) One year P.G. Diploma in Yoga Therapy and Stress Management. Apart from these programmes, the University has introduced 'Yoga & Meditation' as one of the Elective subjects in Prak-Shastri and Shastri programmes. The Department of Yoga Vijnana was opened in 2018-19 and two academic programmes viz., B.Sc. in Yoga and M.Sc. in Yoga Therapy were introduced.

xv. Sanskrit Science Exhibition

The Sanskrit-Science Exhibition aims at highlighting the scientific wisdom preserved in Sanskrit literature. As part of this project, nearly 160 concepts on Ayurveda, Chemistry, Astronomy, Aeronautics, Geology, Physics, Botany, Mathematics, Meteorology, Metallurgy, Economics, Management, Gemmology and Acoustics have been prepared and exhibited in different places all over India besides the one organised at St. Petersburg, Russia, at the invitation of the International Centre of the Roerichs.

xvi. The Alphabet Gallery (Lipi Vikasa Pradarsini)

The gallery arranged in the University aims at tracing the origin, growth and development of the Indus alphabetic writing from 3000 B.C. to 1500 B.C. and further into Brahmi Script of 300 B.C. from which other Indian regional scripts had evolved. The early phase of this writing is illustrated with the help of inscribed Indus seals and seal impressions of Lothal displayed in the Alphabet Gallery. The methodology adopted in deciphering the Indus script is explained through charts.

xvii. Odisha Chair

The Government of Odisha established the Odisha Chair in the University with the seed grant of Rs. 50 lacs to undertake extensive research; to bring out publications of such research on Lord Jagannatha and to highlight the contributions made by Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu and the poet Sri Jayadeva to the cultural heritage of our country. The Chair was formally inaugurated by Justice Sri Ranganath Misra, Former Chief Justice of India and the then Chairman of Central Sanskrit Board, Government of India on 14-10-2000. The Silver Jubilee Celebrations of the Chair were grandly organized in February, 2024.

xviii. Parishadam

A noble and innovative concept has been introduced in N.S.University, wherein the teachers of the University participate in a monthly seminar and present their scholarly research findings. Every month, on a pre-decided day, teachers from each School present their talks in front of other teachers and students. This event has been welcomed by the teaching faculty and all the teachers take part in the program with great enthusiasm

xix. Gurukula system

In the light of NEP 2020 there is a dire need to protect the Indian tradition and culture and disseminate the same to the posterity. The system of oral transmission of knowledge (Gurukula Paddhathi) is a Unique Characteristic feature of Indian Culture. To impart the traditional knowledge system, Gurukula system of Sastra education is introduced in the fields of Nyaya and Advaita Vedanta philosophies in the University. Paramacharya Sastra Parirakshana Kendram was established as part of Gurukula system. Naimisha Gurukulam was constructed to replicate the milieu of ancient gurukula environs. It was inaugurated by Swami Bhadrash Das ji of BAPS. The foundation stone for Sankara Bhashya Mandapam was laid by Jagadguru Sankara Vijayendra Saraswati Swamiji, Sankaracharya of Kanchi Kamakoti Peetham. The Mandapam is intended to be the place of pious recitation of the works of Adi Sankaracharya.

xx. Centre For Distance and Online Education - CDOE

The University established the Directorate of Distance Education in 2003. The CDOE has been offering courses from Prak Shastri to Acharya level and also Diploma and Certificate courses through distance mode. The courses offered by the CDOE are provisionally recognised by the Distance Education Bureau, UGC New Delhi. The CDOE conducts admissions separately for all the courses offered by it. A separate notification will be issued during April every year.

xxi.Information and Communication Technology Resource Centre

As an initiative to strengthen ICT awareness among the student community of the University, an ICT Resource Centre was established. This Centre is fully equipped to cater to the curriculum and computational learning needs of the University community and in-house software development and office automation .

xxi.Model Career Centre

A Model Career Centre at N.S.University has been established under the aegis of National Career Service Project of the Ministry of Labour and Employment, Govt. of India. The Directorate General of Employment and Training (DGE&T), Ministry of Labour and Employment (MoLE) is implementing the National Career Service (NCS) which aims to provide a variety of Government related services for the benefit of the students.

8. Co-Curricular Activities:

NSS: The students form part of the National Service Scheme to channelize their energies to perform selfless service to the society. The University has 7 units of which 3 are funded by NSS while the rest are funded by the University. Dr. Santosh Majhi is the Programme Coordinator of NSS.

Vagvardhini Parishad which forms part of the University engages itself in allowing students to take part in elocutions, debates, seminars, quiz etc., every weekend. It also organizes All India Sanskrit Students' Talent Festival every year.

Maxmuller English Club, a voluntary organisation run by the students themselves, under the guidance of the staff of the English Department, aims at developing the oratory and communicative skills in English of the students of the University.

Tulasidas Hindi Parishad, is an organisation to help students widen their knowledge in Hindi Language and Literature.

Annamacharya Sahitya Kalaparishad, offers scope for students to enrich their literary knowledge and improve their language skills in Telugu.

Vema Bhupala Kalaparishad, a cultural organisation involving students and Faculty members, conducts training programmes in performing arts, organises cultural events, thus bringing out the extracurricular talents of the students. It also prepares cultural teams for participation in Inter-University Youth festivals etc.

Extra Curricular Activities In addition to these, the students participate in many co-curricular activities including Music, Drama and other literary competitions conducted in other Universities also. Various medals are bagged by the students every year in Inter-University competitions in various academic, literary and cultural competitions.

9. Extension Activities :

- **Sanskrit Week Celebrations** Every year the University celebrates Sanskrit week in the month of *Sravana (August)* by organising various functions like *Kavi Goshthi*, *Antyakshari*, *Ashtavadhanam* etc. in a colourful manner for a week.
- **Spoken Sanskrit Classes** The University conducts *Sanskrit Sambhashana Sibirams* every year for the benefit of the public who are interested to learn Sanskrit language. Each *Sibiram* is for a period of 10 days to enable them to learn & speak in simple Sanskrit.
- **Abhimanyu Bala Kendram** : Schools in contemporary society, no doubt, have been teaching language and its skills but sans cultural and historical moorings which inculcate values. Further, the focus of schools has been to finish syllabus rather than enable language learning.

Abhimanyu Balakendram, the collaborative initiative of N.S. University and Samskrita Bharati, the brain child of the then Vice-Chancellor Prof.V.Muralidhara Sharma, is a solution to all the problems of language learning. Started for the benefit of future decision makers of the society - children, in the year 2017-18, Balakendram aims to provide Sanskrit language

learning without the pressure of homework or exams. And through games and activities in the home atmosphere. It also endeavours to inculcate values of life and culture among the impressionable children. Shlokas, songs, stories about various aspects of life history and culture are taught to the students making language learning a fun-filled activity.

Apart from the Abhimanyu Balakendram set up in the University Campus where 110 students are actively attending classes from 5-30 p.m to 7-30 pm on every Saturday and Sunday, 14 more kendrams were established in other Educational Institutions of Tirupati. More than 1600 students from various social, economic, cultural backgrounds have attended the Balakendrams and gained advantage of the creative Sanskrit language learning.

- **International Yoga Day Celebrations**

The University celebrates International Yoga Day by organizing Yoga Camps and programmes on 21st June every year. The students, staff and public are also involved actively in the celebrations.

- **Organizing Meetings of Traditional Scholars and Modern Scientists**

The University has become a common platform for interactions among traditional scholars and modern scientists. The interactions result in unravelling various scientific and technological concepts hidden in our ancient Sanskrit scriptures.

- **Mahamahopadhyaya Pattabhi Rama Sastri Vyakhyanamala**

Under a unique academic programme termed MahamahopadhyayaPattabhi Rama Sastri Vyakhyanamala, a series of extension lectures are arranged every year in memory of MahamahopadhyayaPattabhi Rama Sastri, the First Chancellor of the University. The lectures are arranged on various shastras during every academic year for the benefit of faculty and students of the University. Eminent and renowned scholars from different parts of the country are invited to deliver lectures on traditional sastras.

10. Mahamahopadhyaya Pattabhiraama Sastri Granthalaya (University Library)

The University Library is named after the first Chancellor, Mahamahopadhyaya Sri Pattabhiraama Sastri. It has a precious collection of about 1,29,178 books and more than 55360 manuscripts in different languages like Sanskrit, Telugu, Tamil, and different scripts such as Devanagari, Nandinagari, Tamil, Grantha, Telugu, Kannada, Tigalari and Malayalam. The library has the following sections viz. Circulation, Maintenance, Technical, Periodical, Manuscripts, Reference, Acquisition, Administration, INFLIBNET and Reprographic Service. Every year about 160 journals and periodicals are being subscribed. 380 titles of back volumes have been preserved.

The Library has become the member of INFLIB-NET by which it would be providing information and reference data about Sanskrit studies through net-working and also about national and

international Sanskrit scholars. Anyone can access books in the Library and collect required information through INFLIB-NET.

- **University Health Centre:**

The University has a well established Health Centre with 2 medical officers (one male & one female), 1 Nursing Officer , 1 health inspector, 1 pharmacist, 1 lab technician and 1 medical attendant. It provides comprehensive primary and emergency medical services to students, research scholars and staff. The doctors and other staff operate from 9 am to 5.30 p.m. on working days and are available for emergency services 24x7 on call. Most of the medicines required for OP treatment are dispensed at the health centre itself. There is a 24x7 ambulance facility in case of an emergency. Establishment of a computerised clinical laboratory to perform basic investigation of blood, urine, sputum & stool is on the anvil.

- **Canteen**

A canteen is an added facility on the campus. With the strength of staff and students growing every year, its presence and proximity provides them with timely refreshments and relaxation.

- **Sujalam**

The University has recently established R.O. System in its campus to provide pure water to the students, staff and faculty members.

- **Sewage Treatment Plant**

It has been successfully completed to bring into use recycled waste water and save precious water resources.

- **Bank**

Union Bank of India (R.S.Vidyapeetha Branch) has been established with an ATM facility in the Campus for the benefit of Staff, students and general public.

- **Post Office**

A Post Office has been established in the campus to cater to the needs of Staff, students and general public.

11. Physical Education

The University has a separate Department of Physical Education providing Regular training to the students in sports and games throughout the year. The students of the University have been participating in all the Inter-University and Intra University competitions held in sports and games.

12. Indoor Stadium with Gym:

The University has a well equipped and spacious Indoor stadium catering to the needs of the students. The latest and modern equipment such as treadmill etc., are the additional equipment available in the indoor stadium. This facility enables students to improve their physical fitness. Another special feature is the addition of a gymnasium with 16 pieces of equipment placed in a separate room in the indoor stadium. The women's hostel is also provided with a separate gymnasium, exclusively for women students.

13. Prof.S.B.Raghunathacharya Open Air Auditorium :

Named after one of the former Vice-Chancellors of the University, the University has an open air auditorium which caters to organizing events like Annual Day, Hostel Day, Convocation etc.

i. Pratibham :

With Open to Air stage and seating arrangements, Pratibham is the place to organize various co-curricular activities of the students.

ii.Seminar Halls:

The University has well- equipped Seminar halls with varying seating capacity for conducting a variety of academic programmes like Seminars and workshops, co-curricular and extracurricular activities.

iii.Play ground:

The University has a spacious play ground with provision for playing cricket, volleyball, football, kabadi, hockey etc. and also for conducting athletics

14.PROGRAMME OFFERED FOR ADMISSION THROUGH THE NOTIFICATION

Prak-Shastri (+2 programme)

It is a pre-Undergraduate Programme intended to lay the foundation for Sanskrit learning and enables the students to pursue Sastra study in an efficient manner.		
No. of Seats	Intake: 120 Seats+ 12 EWS Seats The reservation for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PWBD) will be provided on horizontal basis *Note:- Revised intake, if approved by the Academic Council for a particular year(s), is applicable.	
Duration	minimum Two years, maximum Four years	
Pattern	Annual	
Age	At least 15 years as on 15th August of respective year	
Eligibility	Pass in any one of the following examination equivalent to 10th: 1) S.S.C. / CBSE / equivalent NIOS programme, 2) Purva Madhyama of (a) Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan (CSU), New Delhi or (b) Sampurnananda Sanskrit University, Varanasi 3) Sanskrit Entrance Exam. of Govt. of AP / Telangana. 4) Veda Bhushan Certificate of Maharshi Sandipani Rashtriya Veda Vidya Pratishthan, Ujjain. 5) Any examination recognized as equivalent to X class. <i>Note:- Candidates who have studied Sanskrit as one of the subjects at SSC / X Class / those who completed Certificate Programme of Sanskrit offered by NSU / similar Sanskrit courses conducted by any other institutions are given preference in the admission.</i>	
Scheme of study	The Prak-Shastri Programme was newly grouped as 1. Y.T.C - Yoga, Traditional Shastras, Computers 2. M.T.C - Mathematics, Traditional Shastras, Computers, 3. H.T.C - History, Traditional Shastras, Computers	
	Courses	I Year
	I Language	English
	II Language	Sanskrit/Telugu / Hindi
	Course-1 (Shastra)	Traditional Sastra (Sanskrit)
	Course-2 (Conventional)	Mathematics 1A & 1B / Yoga & Meditation / History
	Course-3	Computers
Medium of instruction	Sanskrit (for Traditional subjects), English (for Modern subjects) & Concerned Languages for the Language	
Admissions under ParamacharyaGurukulam / Centre for Sastra Parirakshana	The students would be admitted into the programmes of the Gurukulam with a provision for lateral entry duly considering their first year of study from recognised institutions. The students shall be admitted into the seats / approved intake of the University available under the regular stream with all applicable rules of reservation.	

**15.FEE STRUCTURE FOR ADMISSION INTO PRAK-SHASTRI PROGRAMME
2026-27**

Programmes offered	Admission Fee	Tuition Fee	Library Fee	Computer Fee	Sports fee	Tot. fee	Total fee (Indian) In Rs.	Total fee (foreign student)
Prak-Shastri	73/-	871/-	451/-	-	145/-	1540/-	1540/-	\$200

Note:

- All types of fee are to be remitted through online only.
- All candidates are advised to keep the record of all kinds of payments and forward a copy to academics@nsktu.org.
- The Fee structure doesn't include examination fees, which have to be paid as and when due separately.

16.How to apply :

Applications through online mode (Samarth Portal) shall only be accepted, as per the following schedule:

Commencement of online applications	00-00-2026 from 00:00 Hours
Last Date for online applications	00-00-000 upto 23.59 Hours
Application fee payable online	Rs.300/-
Link for online application	https://nsktuadmission.samarth.edu.in

For further guidance & support, please contact during working hours:

Programme details (Academic Section)	7382595500, 73825855005 academics@nsktu.org
Payment/Tech.Support (ICTRC/ERP Cell)	9440626555, erpcell@nsktu.org

Admissions into the programme are governed by

- NSU Admission Regulations 2022 and
 - Prak Shastri, UG, PG & Part-Time Programme Regulations 2022.

17.GENERAL RULES GOVERNING ADMISSION

1. The candidates seeking admission should submit the application on the Samarth Portal only.
2. The candidates must upload the required documents in support of their application for the programme, failing which the application will be summarily rejected.
At the time of admission, the candidates are required to submit the following documents
Copy of Provisional/pass certificate of the last qualifying examination.
Copy of Marks List obtained in each examination right from Matriculation / SSC / OSLC to the last qualifying examination.
Original Transfer certificate
Original Study certificate
Original Migration Certificate
Original Conduct certificate
Copy of Date of birth certificate
Copy of Aadhar Card
Copy of ABC (Academic Bank of Credits) ID, wherever applicable.
Copy of Caste Certificate for SC, ST and OBC Students.
Copy of Income Certificate for OBC valid for the year of admission.
Copy of Income Certificate for OBC valid for the year of admission.
Copy of EWS Certificate wherever applicable, valid for the year of admission
Such other documents required by the Academic Section.
3. Incomplete applications in any respect and those received after the due date will be rejected.
4. Students will be admitted to the University in accordance with the rules governing eligibility, merit, good conduct etc., as determined by the University from time to time and as per the rules existing on the date of actual admission after interview.
6. A relaxation of 5% of marks is allowed for SC/ST students in their qualifying examination. Admission will be confirmed after personal interview and/or the written test of candidates, as the case may be.
7. The name of the student will be removed from the rolls or he/she may be expelled, if he/she participates in illegal, anti-national activities, anti-social activities, strikes etc.
10. The University reserves the right to run or not to run any programme during the year depending on the number of applications received for a particular programme.

18. MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION, EXAMINATIONS & ATTENDANCE.

(a) Medium of Instruction

All Sastras in all programmes will be taught in Sanskrit medium only and the medium of examination will also be Sanskrit. For modern subjects the medium of instruction and examination will be English and for other languages, the respective language will be the medium of instruction and examination.

(b) Examinations :

The University follows the Annual system of examinations for the Prak-Shastri programme. The Annual examinations are generally held in March in the successive year.

Revaluation of answer scripts for the Prak Sasti Programmes is taken up by the Examination Section of N.S.University as per the comprehensive rules of examinations, 2019:

(c) Attendance:

75% of attendance is compulsory for all programmes.

(d) Dress Code :

The University has decided implement dress code for students on every Friday and on Special occasion like Independence Day, Republic Day, Talent Festival etc.,

S.No.	Programme	Dress Code	
		Boys	Girls
1	Prak Shastri	Dhothi & Kurta Color- White	Lehenga & half saree Sky blue color

19. RESERVATION OF SEATS :

Rule of reservation is applicable for admission into University programmes as per the existing norms of UGC/Government of India i.e. SC-15%, ST-7½%, OBC-27%, PwBD-5%; EWS – 10%, Ex-servicemen-5% as supernumerary seats.

10% of Seats are also allotted for International students as Supernumerary quota as per the norms of Government of India for all programmes of NSU.

1. Special provision for admission of students

Sports Quota

- (a) 2% of seats in both the under-graduate and post-graduate programmes, shall be reserved for admission of outstanding players and sports persons, who have represented their Universities/Region/State, provided that they fulfill the minimum eligibility requirements prescribed for seeking admission to various programmes.
- (b) Relaxation to the extent of 5% of marks in the aggregate or in the subject, as the case may be, will be given to such candidates.

N.C.C.

- (a) Relaxation to the extent of 5% of marks in the aggregate or in one subject, as the case may be, will be given to NCC Cadets having the following NCC Certificates for admission to all programmes.
 - (i) “A” Certificate for admission to undergraduate programmes.
 - (ii) “B” or “C” Certificate for admission to a postgraduate programmes
- (b) Students admitted on the basis of NCC will have to continue in the NCC at least for one year.
- (c) The relaxation of marks on the basis of NCC Certificate shall be permissible only on the production of a certificate duly verified by the NCC Officer.

N.S.S. Volunteers

NSS volunteers who have attended two 10 days’ Special Camps and one National Integration Camp or Republic Day Camp may be provided a relaxation of 2% marks in the aggregate or in one subject as the case may be, for admission in both the under-graduate and post-graduate programmes.

Relaxation of marks given on the basis of NSS Certificates shall be permissible on the production of relevant Certificates.

Extracurricular activities

2% of seats in both the under-graduate and post-graduate programmes will be reserved for students with extra-curricular activities provided that they have participated in the National/Zonal level cultural/Literary competitions.

Earmarking of seats for the children of Indian workers in the Gulf and South Asia

In view of the instructions issued by UGC vide Lr.No.F.1-53/98(CPP-II) dated 02.04.2004, 5% of seats are earmarked for the children of Indian workers in the Gulf and South Asia out of the 15% superannuated seats for foreign students in University departments.

The reservation under special provision is to be operated on Horizontal basis, that means, if a candidate is selected under the special provision, he shall be adjusted against the category to which he belongs.

In case, if no eligible candidate is available in the special provision, then the same shall be filled up by the candidates of general category.

2. Other Reservations

As prescribed by the UGC/GOI from time to time.

SCHOLARSHIPS :

Scholarships will be awarded to students on the basis of their percentage of marks, merit obtained in the last qualifying examination. It will be given only for 10 months in a year subject to 75% attendance in each class every month. Scholarships will be awarded as per the NSU norms.

The sanction and payment of scholarships to the students will also depend on the conduct and discipline of the respective students. The University has the right to withdraw or disqualify any student for the scholarship at any point of time due to misbehaviour, indiscipline or involvement in unlawful, anti-social and other activities disturbing the general discipline and peaceful academic atmosphere in the University campus and Hostels.

1. All the students who have been admitted into various programmes of the University should open a Savings Bank Account with Union Bank of India, Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha Branch, Tirupati in order to have any transactions in connection with University.

2. The admitted students should remit their admission fee/examination fee pertaining to that programme through the samarth portal online link available in the students' dashboard.

Ragging :

Ragging is strictly prohibited on campus. If any incident of ragging comes to the notice of the authority, the student concerned shall be given opportunity to explain and if his/her explanation is not found satisfactory, the authority would expel him/her from the institution.

Cancellation of admission

University reserves the right to cancel the admission in the case of submission of fake documents, submission of incorrect information, impersonation, indiscipline, malpractice and such other grounds decided from time to time. Dean-Academic Affairs shall be the approving authority for the cancellation of admission.

Internal Complaints Committee [ICC]:

Being a premier Central University for Sanskrit studies, National Sanskrit University always gives adequate importance for creating a safe environment for girls and women to realize their full potential in education as well as in profession. The university has an Internal Complaints Committee in accordance with PoSH Act, 2013 and UGC Regulations [Prevention, Prohibition & Redressal of Sexual Harassment of Women employees and Students in Higher Educational Institutions] 2015. The committee in looks into gender sensitive issues and to enquire into complaints of sexual harassment of girl students and women employees to ensure a congenial learning and working environment for girls and women.

The committee is as follows:

1. Prof. N. Latha – Presiding Officer
2. Dr. Paramita Panda - Member
3. Dr . A. Suneetha – Member
4. Smt. M. Swaroopa - Member
5. Dr. P. Swetha – Member
6. Smt. Meera Raghavendra– External Member
7. Mr.Mayank Tripathi – Member
8. Ms.pratima Barik – Member
9. Ms. Gayathri M S – Member
10. Dr.G.Nagalakshmi – Member Secretary

20.HOSTELS

NO HOSTEL FACILITY IS AVAILABLE FOR ALL PRAK SHASTRI STUDENTS

This course will be run for day scholars only in the University campus

Hostel available Campus:

Hostel facility available at two campus

1. Navajeevan Blind relief centre at Tiruchanoor
2. Chittigudur

21. Rules for availing Medical facility during their stay in the university:

1. All the students of the University are entitled to utilise the Free Medical Service facility provided by the University.
2. Medical services are offered to all students only during the academic session. The University doctors will treat the sick students. However, medicines not available in the Health Centre and must be purchased by the students at their own cost.
3. The University will not take any responsibility if a student consults a physician other than the University doctor.
4. A student suffering from any chronic illness cannot be treated under this facility and he/she will be referred to a local government hospital for treatment.
5. The service offered is only medical counseling and no other liability rests on the University.
6. Any student found misusing the services shall not be allowed to avail the medical facility any further.

22. Parents' retiring room:

The University provides accommodation in the University campus to the parents/guardians of all the students visiting the University campus either at the time of admission or during their visits on any other occasion.

23. Office of International Students Affairs:

The Office of International Affairs helps foreigners visiting National Sanskrit University by offering institutional support, assisting during the period of adaptation to the University, giving information on possible problems, and ready to help in any other matter during their stay in the country.

The Office of International Affairs also acts as a link between visiting students or faculty and offers services such as:

- Information on location and services rendered in the various units of National Sanskrit University.
- Information on documents required for stay in India and the use of public services;
- Information on tourism and culture.

24. Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Programme (MMTC):

NEP 2020 emphasizes the creation of motivated, energized, and capable faculty. The Capacity building of teachers at all levels has been one of the major thrust areas in the field of higher education. Existing mechanisms for capacity building of faculty, i.e. UGC-HRDCs and PMMMNMTT centers have contributed immensely towards training faculty of Higher Education Institutions to provide more effective teaching. However, continuous Professional development of faculty in all disciplines is required in light of new and updated methods of pedagogy. Thus Malaviya Mission is proposed by restructuring/reframing of the existing Scheme/Mechanism of the Capacity Building/Training of Teacher/Faculty in D/o Higher Education. The Mission envisages Capacity-building training for the faculty and staff across higher educational institutions, in the light of NEP 2020 within two years through multiple training centers. The outcome of this capacity-building training will be the metamorphosis of higher education in terms of Indian values, teaching, research, publication, patents, and institutional development.

25. Centre for In-Service Teacher Education:

A "Centre for Inservice Teacher Education" focuses on providing ongoing professional development and training for teachers who are already working in the field, aiming to enhance their skills, knowledge, and effectiveness. These centers offer various programs and resources to help teachers stay updated with current educational practices, technologies, and research.

26. Counselling Cells :

Five counseling cells i.e. Agama, Yoga, Vasthu, Jyothisha and Karmakanda (Archakatva and Pourohitya) were established for all the students and public, The timings of the Counseling cells are as follows : 1.Morning (from 8:00 AM to 9:00 AM)- Karmakanda (Archakatva and Pourohitya) and Jyothisha 2.Evening (from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM)- Agama, Yoga and

27. Rajabhasha Cell :

A Rajbhasha Cell is a department within an organization, often a government institution, responsible for promoting and implementing the use of the official language (Hindi) in government work. It ensures compliance with the Official Language Act, 1963 and other relevant regulations. These cells conduct various activities like training, monitoring, and promoting Hindi language usage



20.HOSTELS

LIMITED HOSTEL FACILITY IS AVAILABLE FOR ALL ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES

The University has **LIMITED** hostel facilities separately for both boys and girls. In these Hostels, two separate messes with attached kitchens preparing and serving exclusively North Indian and South Indian cuisine are being maintained for the benefit of the students hailing from different parts of the country. Hostel facility will be provided as per the availability. Hostels will not be provided to the male/female students who are having the age above 25 years.

Men's Hostels

Seshachala, Vedachala, Neelachala, Garudachala and Venkatachala and Simhachala are the hostels for boys of all programmes.

Women's Hostels

Padmavathi Mahila Chhatravas, Vidyachala, Vakulachala cater to the accommodation needs of the girls.

General guidelines for obtaining hostel accommodation

No student can claim a room in the Hostel as a matter of right, nor can he/she continue to stay in a particular room all the time. The decision of the Warden/Deputy Warden in the allotment of the room is final.

- The newcomers should pay hostel establishment fee, caution deposit and 1 month advance mess bill at the time of admission into hostel without fail.
- The hostel accommodation will be provided on priority basis.

Subsidy Meals for students

The University is providing subsidies in the Mess to boards with the financial support of TTD.

Hostel & Mess Fee Structure:

Boys & Girls

Programme	Mess Establishment Charges - per Annum (Rs.)	Mess Charges for a period of 120 days (Rs)	Caution deposit	Total (Rs.)
Prak Shastri	1800	5400	2700	9900/-

Mess Fee/charges subjected to revision from time to time

Annapurna/Annadanam Scheme

Under this scheme the University has been providing subsidies in the Mess facility of borders with the financial support of TTD and other sources. The University has introduced the Annadanam

Scheme under which the University hostels have been provided Rice, Wheat flour etc., free of cost out of the donations received from old students, teachers, philanthropists etc. With the divine blessings of Sri Venkateswara, the Lord of the Seven Hills and the generous support of the authorities of T.T. Devasthanams, the University will continue the Annadanam Scheme on a permanent basis and provide board facilities to the students residing in the hostels at subsidised rates.

21. Hostel Fee :

- 1. Hostel & Mess Establishment Fees for Prak Shastri programme 2026-27 (non-refundable) :
Rs.1,800.00.**
- 2. Any other fee / refundable deposits as prescribed by the Hostel Office applicable.**
- 3. Periodical mess / boarding charges are payable by every hostiler as advised by the Hostel Office.**