BioInformatics National Certification (BINC) Examination

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Registration starts: 10 November 2012
Registration ends: 2 February 2013
Examination: 23–24 February 2013

Objective:
Jawaharlal Nehru University, on behalf of Department of Biotechnology (DBT), Government of India, will conduct the BioInformatics National Certification (BINC) examination. The objective of this examination is to identify bioinformatics professionals. This will help potential employers in recruitment of candidates having exceptionally good Bioinformatics skills.

Eligibility:
Graduates in any science, agriculture, veterinary, medicine, pharmacy, engineering and technology are eligible to appear for the examination. They need not have any formal training, diploma or certificate in bioinformatics.

Application and syllabus:
The online application can be filled from 10 November 2012 to 2 February 2013. Syllabus approved by National advisory committee is available online. It consists of five sections: Bioinformatics, Biology, Physical & Chemical Sciences, Mathematics & Statistics and IT.

Examination:
The examination fee is Rs 600 for candidates from Open category and Rs 450 for reserved category candidates (as per Government of India rule). The examination is scheduled on 23–24 February 2013. The paper I will be of objective type. The paper II will be of short answer type, while the paper III will be a computer-based practical. Research fellowships for all the successful candidates those who are interested and qualified in pursuing Ph.D. in India will be awarded. In addition 10 cash prizes for top ten successful candidates will be awarded.

Examination centers:
University of Pune, Pune; Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi; Calcutta University, Kolkata; Anna University, Chennai; Institute of Bioinformatics and Applied Biotechnology, Bangalore; University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad, and North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong and Assam agriculture University, Guahati.

Please visit the following website for detailed information and registration:

http://binc.scisjnu.ernet.in/