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The University School of Biotechnology (USBT) at Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University, offers BTech and MTech course in biotechnology under dual-degree program. In the year 2012-13, 12 students were admitted to the MTech and 58 to BTech classes respectively. The admission to the programs is done strictly on the basis of merit adjudged through an all India common entrance test. The school also has a research program leading to a PhD degree in biotechnology. At present, 4 students are pursuing research in the school under the guidance of the faculty members. The university has built GLP compliant labs in its new state-of-the-art 60-acre campus in Dwarka, to attract industrial funding.

The school prides in its 14 faculty members with expertise in diverse areas of modern biology and biotechnology including molecular biology, agricultural biotechnology, biomedical research, pharmaceutical biotechnology, environmental biotechnology and industrial biotechnology to name a few. The faculties also have collaborations with scientists in India and abroad, and as a result the school has a publication record of over 147 biotech related research papers in the international journals and six papers in the national journals in the last three years. The laboratories are equipped with the latest equipments costing over Rs 4 crore.

Total value of new government agencies undertaking sponsored projects commissioned between 2010 and 2012 is Rs 5.5 crore. The school has Rs 3 crore as extramural funds with projects running in collaboration with Department of Biotechnology, Department of Science and Technology, Defence Research and Development Organization, All India Council for Technical Education and University Grants Commission.