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FOREWORD

The Allama Iqbal Open University, a Mega University, is a unique institution in many ways, providing educational facilities to masses aging nine to ninety. Being the distance educational institution of Pakistan, since its inception, has been serving the nation by producing a highly educated human capital. Taking a meagre start from an Elementary Arabic Course, the AIOU has now reached to the pinnacle-imparting education from grass roots level to Doctoral level in diverse disciplines.

Since every programme has a separate prospectus, therefore, it becomes impossible for the reader to find specific information about different programmes, like eligibility criteria, duration, mode of study, etc., at the same time. On many occasions these are not available on a single desk. To facilitate the students, faculty members and informatory staff at AIOU Main Campus and regions, the idea of compiling all such information in the shape of Mini Prospectus has been launched. The effort has been made to put basic information of all programmes of AIOU being launched presently in one booklet.

In the light of feed back received from different departments/faculties, necessary changes/amendments have been incorporated in this 2009 edition. From Autumn-2008 semester onwards, University has introduced credit hours scheme at Post Graduate level in place of Half & Full credit courses with an aim to bring AIOU degrees at par with the International standards. With this change, we have to make so many additions/deletions with regard to courses, credits, and fee etc. Although all possible efforts have been made to make this edition error free but there might be some mistakes and always provision remains stand for improvement. Research & Evaluation Centre would appreciate and warmly welcome the valuable suggestions/proposals/comments and free frank opinion from all sectors. These suggestions will be given due weightage in the next edition.

In the compilation of this Mini Prospectus, the name of Mr. Muhammad Mushtaq, Junior Research Officer needs special reference through whose exhaustive efforts this achievement could be made possible.

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INTRODUCTION

Allama Iqbal Open University was established in 1974 under an act of parliament with the nomenclature, the People's Open University. It was renamed as Allama Iqbal Open University in 1977 at the eve of the first centenary of the National poet and philosopher, Dr. Allama Muhammad Iqbal. AIOU is a unique open distance educational institution providing educational opportunities at a variety of levels, from pre-literacy to postgraduate levels. All these programmes have a wide variety of clusters and courses which are developed and launched by the four faculties of the university i.e., Faculty of Education, Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities, Faculty of Arabic and Islamic Studies & Faculty of Sciences. A brief summary of AIOU educational programmes is as under:

Ph.D. Programmes (M.Phil based)

Statistics, Urdu, Iqbal Studies, Pakistani Languages & Literature, Islamic Studies, Education.

MS/M.Phil leading to Ph.D Programmes.

Urdu, Pakistani Languages & Literature, Islamic Studies, Chemistry, Food & Nutrition, Computer Science, Statistics, Education.

M.Phil Programmes

Mass Communication, Iqbal Studies, Urdu, Pakistani Languages & Literature, Chemistry, Food & Nutrition, Economics, Statistics, Education.

M.Sc. (Hons) Programmes

Livestock Management, Agricultural Extension, Rural Development.

Master of Science (M.Sc.) Programmes

Mass Communication, Sociology, Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, Statistics, Environmental Design, Pakistan Studies, Economics, Gender & Women Studies, Community Health and Nutrition, Forestry Extension.

Master of Arts (M.A) Programmes

Teaching of English as Foreign Language (TEFL), MBA, Library & Information Sciences, Education, History, Urdu, Islamic Studies, Arabic.

Postgraduate Diplomas Programmes

TEFL, Gender & Women Studies, Mass Communication, EPM, Dietetics, Nutrition, Environmental Design, Computer Science, Youth in Development Work.



BS/B.Sc. Programmes

Computer Science, Microbiology, Chemistry, Vision Sciences.

Bachelor's Level Degree Programmes

Bachelor of Arts (B.A), Bachelor of Library & Information Sciences (BLIS), Bachelor of Commerce (B.Com), Bachelor of Mass Communication (BMC), Bachelor of Arts (Dars-e-Nizami), Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA).

Intermediate Level Programmes

HSSC (General), I.Com, F.A (Dars-e-Nizami), F.Sc. (Pre-Engineering), F.Sc. (Pre-Medical), F.Sc. (Family & Community Health), F.Sc. (Home Economics).

Matric Level Programmes

SSC (General), SSC (Health), SSC (Home Economics), SSC (Dars-e-Nizami).

Middle Level Certificate Programme

Teacher's Training Programmes

P.T.C, C.T, B.Ed (General), B.Ed (Arabic), ATTTC, M.Ed.

Undergraduate Level Diploma Programmes

Computer Graphics

Certificate Level Courses

Vocational; Agricultural Sciences, Al lisan ul Arabi, Arabic Bol Chaal, French Language, Technical, Librarianship, Computer Graphics, Selling of Home Made Products.

STEPS* Courses

Management Sciences, Social Sciences, Community Education, Hotel Services, Agriculture Sciences.

* Short Term Educational Programmes.



BASIC ELIGIBILITY OF AIOU EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMES

S.No.	Programmes/Courses	Eligibility
1.	Ph.D. Programmes (M.Phil based) (Statistics, Urdu, Iqbal Studies, Pakistani Languages & Literature, Islamic Studies, Education)	Merit based admission; M.Phil or equivalent in relevant subject from any recognized university in first division or CGPA (3.0); Satisfactory score in International GRE or subject based GRE arranged by AIOU/NTS; Interview by the Ph.D. Admission Committee.
2.	MS/M.Phil leading to Ph.D. Programmes Urdu, Pakistani Languages & Literature, Islamic Studies, Chemistry, Food & Nutrition, Statistics, Education)	Merit based admission; Masters or equivalent in relevant subject from any recognized university with at least 2 nd division; At least 50% marks in International GRE or subject based GRE arranged by AIOU/NTS; Department may conduct subject based test or interview as per admission policy of AIOU for relevant subject.
3.	MS/M.Phil (Mass Communication, Iqbal Studies, Urdu, Pakistani Languages & Literature, Chemistry, Food & Nutrition, Economics, Statistics, Education)	Merit based admission; Masters or equivalent in relevant subject from any recognized university with at least 2 nd division; Satisfactory score in GRE/GAT by NTS as per HEC policy; Department may conduct subject based test or interview as per admission policy of AIOU for relevant subject.
4.	MS (Computer Science)	Merit based admission; Masters or 4 years Bachelor degree in Computer Science/Information Technology/ Software Engineering with minimum 60% marks; Satisfactory score in GRE (general) conducted by NTS; Interview conducted by admission committee.
5.	M.Sc. (Hons) Livestock Management	Merit based admission; DVM degree or B.Sc. (Hons) Animal Husbandry degree with at least 2 nd division (not less than 2.5 CGPA) Candidate have to qualify GAT being conducted by NTS



S.No.	Programmes/Courses	Eligibility
6.	M.Sc. (Hons) Agricultural Extension	Merit based admission; B.Sc. (Hons) Agriculture Extension degree with at least 2 nd division or B.Sc. (Hons) Agriculture, Rural Sociology, Animal Husbandry, DVM, B.Sc. Agricultural Engineering degree in 2 nd division are also eligible but have to pass deficiency courses if necessary; Candidate have to qualify GAT being conducted by NTS
7.	M.Sc. (Hons) Rural Development	Merit based admission; B.Sc. (Hons) Agriculture/ Animal Husbandry/Agricultural Engineering degree in 2 nd division or M.A/M.Sc. in Social Work/ Sociology/ Anthropology/ Forestry/ or DVM degree in 2 nd division or M.A/M.Sc. degree in 2 nd division in any subject with one year relevant field work experience in government, semi government or non government organization Candidate have to qualify GAT being conducted by NTS
8.	M.A/M.Sc (History, DNFE, Secondary Teacher Education, Gender & Women Studies, Pakistan Studies)	Candidates having bachelor degree with at least 2 nd division are eligible for admission. The eligible candidate are required to attach all relevant documents with admission form along with the requisite fee and submit it in the bank as per prescribed procedure.
9.	Master of Arts (M.A) (Library & Information Sciences, EPM, Special Education)	Merit based admission; Candidates having bachelor degree with at least 2 nd division are eligible for admission; Merit will be determined on the basis of previous qualification or as per criteria laid down by admission committee. After determination of merit, selected candidates will be required to submit their fees.
10.	Master of Arts (M.A) (Urdu, Islamic Studies, Arabic)	At least 2 nd division bachelor degree along with relevant subject; The eligible candidate are required to attach all relevant documents with admission form along with the requisite fee and submit it in the bank as per prescribed procedure.



S.No.	Programmes/Courses	Eligibility
11.	Master of Science (M.Sc.) (Statistics, Mathematics, Mass Communication, Sociology, Physics, Chemistry, Economics, Forestry Extension)	Merit based admission; Candidates having bachelor degree with at least 2 nd division along with relevant subject in their bachelor degree are eligible for admission; Merit will be determined on the basis of previous qualification or as per criteria laid down by admission committee. After determination of merit, selected candidate will be required to submit their fees. (Note: For M.Sc. Economics only 2 nd division in bachelor degree is required.
12.	Master of Science (M.Sc.) (Community Health & Nutrition)	Student completing 31 credit hours for either of the PGD in Dietetics or PGD in Nutrition are considered eligible to continue with M.Sc. Community Health & Nutrition programme.
13.	Master of Science (M.Sc.) (Environmental Design)	Merit based admission; B.E. Civil, Electrical, Mechanical Engineering, B. Arch, Town Planners/Interior designers, M.Sc. Home Economics, (Housing, Interior Design) with 2 nd division or Professional with 3 D design background and at least 3 years built environment experience with 2 nd division Bachelor degree are eligible for admission to M.Sc. Environmental Design; After determination of merit, selected candidate will be required to submit their fees. <i>Note:</i> B.Tech Civil and Architecture (Hons) are eligible for PGD Environmental Design (selection would be made on merit for limited seats).
14.	Master of Business Administration (MBA)	Merit based admission; Candidates having bachelor degree with at least 2 nd division are eligible for admission; After determination of merit, selected candidate will be required to submit their fees.



S.No.	Programmes/Courses	Eligibility
15.	M.Ed	At least 2 nd division bachelor degree along with 2 nd division B.Ed /B.S.Ed degree; The eligible candidate are required to attach all relevant documents with admission form along with the requisite fee and submit it in the bank as per prescribed procedure. Note: Admission to M.Ed Special Education is merit based.
16.	B.Ed	For male candidates: 1 st division (60% marks) in B.A/B.Com/BBA; For female candidates: 2 nd division (45% marks) in B.A/B.Com/BBA; or Both male & female candidates having B.Sc. degree with at least 2 nd division (45% marks); candidate belonging to areas of Balochistan, FATA, FANA & Azad Kashmir having 2 nd division (45% marks in graduation. (special relaxation for these areas)
17.	C.T	B.A/B.Sc. pass candidates or male candidates having 50% marks in F.A/F.Sc. ; females candidate having passing marks in F.A/F.Sc. ; male candidate belonging to Balochistan, FATA, FANA, Gilgit, Chitral or Azad Kashmir having passing marks in F.A/F.Sc. (special relaxation for these candidates).
18.	P.T.C	All candidates having F.A/F.Sc. qualification or more; matric pass male candidates having at least 60% marks or matric pass female candidate having at least 50% marks; candidates belonging to Balochistan, FATA, FANA & Azad Kashmir having 45% marks in matric are also eligible for admission (special relaxation for these areas).
19.	A.T.T.C	Fazil Arabi pass or intermediate with Arabic as an elective subject or matric with fazil dars-e-nizami plus course code 309 or shahada-tul-sanwia alkhasa/shahda-tul-aalia/ shahda-tul-aalmia.



20.	Bachelor	Passing marks in intermediate. However for BBA and BS(CS) at least 2 nd division (45% marks) in intermediate is required.
21.	Intermediate	Passing marks in matric. However for F.Sc. programmes matric in 2 nd division along with science subjects is required.
22.	Matric	Middle pass.

Title of Programme	Description of Programme
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Ph.D. (M.Phil Based)**Ph.D. (M.Phil Based)**

- i. Statistics
 - ii. Urdu
 - iii. Iqbal Studies
 - iv. Pakistani Languages & Literature
 - v. Islamic Studies
 - vi. Education
- Specializations
- DNFCE
 - EPM
 - Secondary Teacher Education
 - Special Education

Duration: 2 years (four semesters); Total Credit Hours: 42 (18 credit course work & 24 credit research work); Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutorial support, Course workshops & Assignments. Research work/Thesis: Compulsory

Fee schedule for Ph.D. Statistics: First semester fee= Rs. 19400/-, Total programme fee= Rs. 67000/- approximately.

Fee schedule for Ph.D. Urdu/Iqbal Studies/Pakistani Languages & Literature: First semester fee = Rs. 13330/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 37760/-

Fee schedule for Ph.D. Islamic Studies: First semester fee = Rs. 19060/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 49220/-

Fee schedule for Ph.D. Education: First semester fee = Rs. 10000/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 33400/-

**MS/M.Phil leading to Ph.D.**

- i. Urdu
 - ii. Pakistani Languages & Literature
 - iii. Islamic Studies
 - iv. Chemistry
 - v. Food & Nutrition
 - vi. Statistics
 - vii. Education
- Specializations
- DNFCE
 - EPM
 - Secondary Teacher Education
 - Special Education

Duration: 3 years (six semesters); Total Credit Hours: 48 (30 CH for MS/M.Phil and 18 CH for Ph.D.); Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutorial support, Course workshops, Assignments & Practical Work (where applicable). Research work/Thesis: Compulsory

Fee schedule for M.Phil leading to Ph.D. Urdu/Pakistani Languages & Literature: First semester fee= Rs. 13330/-, Total programme fee= Rs. 55760/- approximately.

Fee schedule for M.Phil leading to Islamic Studies: First semester fee = Rs. 19060/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 67220/-

Fee schedule for M.Phil leading to Ph.D. Chemistry/Food & Nutrition: First semester fee = Rs. 18840/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 126875/-

Fee schedule for M.Phil leading to Ph.D. Statistics: First semester fee = Rs. 19840/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 101840/-

Fee schedule for Ph.D. Education: First semester fee = Rs. 9000/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 49000/-

M.Phil

- i. Mass Communication
- ii. Iqbal Studies
- iii. Urdu
- iv. Pakistani Languages & Literature
- v. Chemistry
- vi. Food & Nutrition
- vii. Economics
- viii. Statistics

Duration: 2 years (four semesters); Total Credit Hours: 48 (24 credit course work & 24 credit research work); Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutorial support, Practicals/laboratory work (where applicable), Course workshops & Assignments. Research work/Thesis: Compulsory;

Fee schedule for M.Phil Mass Communication/Iqbal Studies/Urdu/Pakistani Languages & Literature: First semester fee= Rs. 9000/-, Total programme fee= Rs. 32415/-

Fee schedule for M.Phil Chemistry/Food Nutrition: First semester fee = Rs. 18840/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 68480/-

Fee schedule for M.Phil Economics: First semester fee = Rs. 17600/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 66880/-

Fee schedule for M.Phil Statistics: First semester fee = Rs. 18400/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 67680/-



M.Sc. (Hons)

- i. Livestock Management
- ii. Agricultural Extension
- iii. Rural Development

Duration: 2 years (four semesters); Total Credit Hours: 48 (24 credit course work & 24 credit research work); Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutorial support, practicals/laboratory work, Course workshops & Assignments. Research work/Thesis: Compulsory; 3 CH course fee= Rs. 2175/-, Laboratory fee/workshop (where applicable) = 1665/-

Fee schedule for M.Sc.(Hons) Agriculture Extension & Rural Development: First semester fee= Rs. 9900/-, Total programme fee= Rs. 39315/-

Fee schedule for M.Sc. (Hons) Livestock Management: First semester fee = Rs. 10915/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 41980/-

MS (Computer Science)¹

Duration: 2 years (four semesters); Total Credit Hours: 36; Face to face/online classes; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Face to face teaching, online and Video/Tele conferencing support available, Multimedia courseware CDs; Research work/Thesis: Compulsory; Course fee without lab component= Rs. 4440/-, Course fee with lab component= Rs. 5535/-, First semester fee= Rs. 23660/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 85680/-

Master of Science (M.Sc.)

- i. Mass Communication

Duration: 2 years (four semesters); Total Credit Hours: 60; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Assignments & Course Workshops; Thesis: Optional; 3 CH course fee= Rs. 1300/-, Thesis fee= Rs. 5220/-, First semester fee= Rs. 8700/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 26945/-

1. Regular classes will be conducted at Main Campus, Islamabad in the evening.



- ii. Sociology
Duration: 2 years (four semesters); Total Credit Hours: 60; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Assignments & Course Workshops; Thesis: Optional; 3 CH course fee= Rs. 1300/-, Thesis fee= Rs. 5220/-, First semester fee= Rs. 7400/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 26945/-
- iii. Physics
Duration: 2 years (four semesters); Total Credit Hours: 64; Regular classes; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Face to face teaching & Practical work; Thesis: Non thesis programme; 3 CH course fee= Rs. 2730/, 4 CH course fee= Rs. 3640/-, First semester fee= Rs. 15460/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 59185/-
- iv. Chemistry²
Specialization:
i) Organic Chemistry
Duration: 2 years (four semesters); Total Credit Hours: 64; Regular classes; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Face to face teaching & Practical work; Specialization: Organic Chemistry; Thesis: Non thesis programme; 2 CH course fee= Rs. 2500/-, 3 CH course fee= Rs. 2730/, First semester fee= Rs. 22530/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 89070/-
- v. Mathematics
Duration: 2 years (four semesters); Total Credit Hours: 64; Regular classes on weekly basis (Friday, Saturday & Sunday); Methods of Instructions: Study material & Face to face teaching; Thesis: Non thesis programme; 3 CH course fee= Rs. 3550/-, 4 CH course fee= Rs. 4735/-, First semester fee= Rs. 20670/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 59185/-
- vi. Statistics
Duration: 2 years (four semesters); Total Credit Hours: 64; Regular classes on weekly basis (Friday, Saturday & Sunday); Methods of Instructions: Study material & Face to face teaching; Thesis: Non thesis programme; 3 CH course fee= Rs. 3550/-, 4 CH course fee= Rs. 4735/-, First semester fee= Rs. 20670/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 59185/-

2. Offering areas: Rawalpindi/Islamabad.



- vii. Environmental Design³ Duration: 2 years (four semesters); Total Credit Hours: 64; Combination of Distance learning & regular mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Face to face teaching & practicals/Field work; Thesis: Compulsory; 3 CH course fee= Rs. 2175/-, Thesis fee= Rs. 8700/-, First semester fee= Rs. 14595/-, Total programme fee=Rs.61880/-
- viii. Pakistan Studies Duration: 2 years (four semesters); Total Credit Hours: 60; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Assignments & Course Workshops; Thesis: Non thesis programme; 3 CH course fee= Rs. 1300/-, First semester fee= Rs. 7400/-, Total programme fee=Rs.26945/-
- ix. Economics Duration: 2 years (four semesters); Total Credit Hours: 60; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Assignments & Course Workshops; Thesis: Optional; 3 CH course fee= Rs. 1300/-, Thesis fee= Rs. 5220/-, First semester fee= Rs. 7400/-, Total programme fee=Rs.26945/-
- x. Gender & Women Studies Duration: 2 years (four semesters); Total Credit Hours: 60; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Assignments & Course Workshops; Thesis: Optional; 3 CH course fee= Rs. 1300/-, Thesis fee= Rs. 5220/-, First semester fee= Rs. 7400/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 26945/-
- xi. Community Health & Nutrition Duration: 2 years (four semesters); Total Credit Hours: 64; Combination of Distance learning & regular mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Face to face teaching in course workshops & Practicals; Thesis: Compulsory; 3 CH course fee= Rs. 2175/-, Fee for lab based practical for each 3 CH course=1665/-; Thesis fee= Rs. 8700/-, First semester fee= Rs. 15105/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 59400/-

3. Workshops shall be held only at Lahore, Karachi, Rawalpindi/Islamabad.



xii. Forestry Extension

Duration: 2 years (four semesters); Total Credit Hours: 60; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Assignments & Course Workshops; Thesis: Optional; 3 CH course fee= Rs. 2175/-, Workshop/Field visit fee: 1665 (where applicable); Thesis fee= Rs. 8700/-, First semester fee= Rs. 7400/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 26945/-

Master of Arts (M.A)

i. Teaching of English as Foreign Language (TEFL)

Duration: 1 years (Two semesters); Total Credit Hours: 30; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Assignments & Course Workshops; Thesis: Compulsory; 3 CH course fee= Rs. 1300/-, Thesis fee= Rs. 5220/-, Viva Voce fee: 1100/-, First semester fee= Rs. 6100/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 15035/-

ii. Business Administration (MBA)

- Marketing Management
- Human Resource Management
- Financial Management

Duration: 2 years (Four semesters); Total Credit Hours: 60; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Assignments, Course Workshops & Internship; 3 CH course fee= Rs. 1785/-, Viva Voce fee: 385/-, First semester fee= Rs. 9825/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 37030/-

- Banking & Finance

Duration: 2 years (Four semesters); Total Credit Hours: 60; Regular classes; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Face to face teaching at approved study centers, Assignments, Course Workshops & Internship; 3 CH course fee= Rs. 3555/-, Viva Voce fee: 385/-, First semester fee= Rs. 18675/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 72430/-

- Information Technology

Duration: 2 ½ years (Five semesters); Total Credit Hours: 72; Regular classes; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Face to face teaching at approved study centers, Assignments, Course Workshops, Internship & Software project; 3 CH course fee= Rs. 3555/-, For 3 CH computer course= 3330/-, Project fee=6630/-, Viva Voce fee: 385/-, First semester fee= Rs. 18450/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 85710/-



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- iii. Commonwealth Executive
- MBA
- MPA
Duration: 2 years (four semesters); Total Credit Hours: 90; Distance learning mode with enhanced face to face component through study centers; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Assignments & Course Workshops; 6 CH course fee= Rs. 6615/-, First semester fee= Rs. 27745/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 100555/-
- iv. Library & Information Sciences⁴
Duration: 2 years (four semesters); Total Credit Hours: 60; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Assignments, Course workshops & Internship; Thesis: Optional; 3 CH course fee= Rs. 1300/-, Thesis fee= Rs. 5220/-, Reference & toolkit = Rs. 1650/-, First semester fee= Rs. 9050/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 28595/-
- v. Education
Specializations
- DNFE
- EPM
- Secondary Teacher Education
- Special Education
Duration: 2 years (four semesters); Total Credit Hours: 60; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Assignments & Course workshops; Thesis: Optional; 3 CH course fee= Rs. 1300/-, Thesis fee= Rs. 5220/-, First semester fee= Rs. 8700/-, First semester fee for M.A EPM=Rs. 6100/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 26945/-
- vi. History
Duration: 2 years (four semesters); Total Credit Hours: 60; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Assignments & Course Workshops; Thesis: Optional; 3 CH course fee= Rs. 1300/-, Thesis fee= Rs. 5220/-, First semester fee= Rs. 7400/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 26945/-
- vii. Urdu
Duration: 2 years (four semesters); Total Credit Hours: 60; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Assignments & Course Workshops; Thesis: Optional; 3 CH course fee= Rs. 1300/-, Thesis fee= Rs. 5220/-, First semester fee= Rs. 6100/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 26945/-

4. Tutorial Classes and Workshop will be conducted at Main Campus Islamabad only.



- viii. Islamic Studies
Duration: 2 years (four semesters); Total Credit Hours: 60; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Assignments & Course Workshops; Thesis: Optional; 3 CH course fee= Rs. 1300/-, Thesis fee= Rs. 5220/-, First semester fee= Rs. 6100/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 26945/-
- ix. Arabic
Duration: 2 years (four semesters); Total Credit Hours: 60; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Assignments & Course Workshops; Thesis: Optional; 3 CH course fee= Rs. 1300/-, Thesis fee= Rs. 5220/-, First semester fee= Rs. 6100/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 26945/-

Master of Education (M.Ed)

Specialization:

- DNFE
- Science Education
- Secondary Teacher Education
- Special Education

Duration: 1 ½ years (three semesters); Total Credit Hours: 36; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Assignments & Course Workshops; Thesis: Optional; 3 CH course fee= Rs. 1300/-, Thesis fee= Rs. 5220/-, First semester fee= Rs. 6100/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 16530/-

Postgraduate Diplomas (PGD)

- i. TEFL
Duration: 1 year (two semesters); Total Credit Hours: 30; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Assignments & Course Workshops; 3 CH course fee= Rs. 1300/-, First semester fee= Rs. 6000/-, Total PGD fee=Rs. 13815/-
- ii. Gender & Women Studies
- iii. Mass Communication
- iv. EPM
- v. Dietetics
Duration: 1 year (two semesters); Total Credit Hours: 31; Combination of Distance learning & regular mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Face to face teaching & Practicals; Fee schedule for PGD Dietetics & Nutrition: First semester fee= Rs. 15005/-, Total PGD fee= Rs. 27560/-, Fee schedule for PGD Environmental Design: First semester fee= Rs. 14495/-, Total PGD fee= Rs. 29840/-
- vi. Nutrition
- vii. Environmental Design



viii. Computer Science

Duration: 1 year (two semesters); Total Credit Hours: 39; Online mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Online tutorial classes, Discussion forums, Assignments & Programme workshops; Each course fee= Rs. 2230/-, First semester fee= Rs. 12050/-, Total PGD fee=Rs. 23215/-

ix. Youth in Development Work

Duration: 1 ½ years (three semesters); Total Credit Hours: 48; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Assignments & Course Workshops; 3 CH course fee= Rs. 500/-, First semester fee= Rs. 3400/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 8930/-

Bachelor of Education (B.Ed)

- i. B.Ed (General)
- ii. B.Ed (Arabic)

Duration: 1 ½ years (three semesters); AIOU Credits: 06; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Assignments & Practical workshop; Workshop will be conducted at the end of programme; First semester fee= Rs. 3120/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 8235/-

Bachelor of Science (BS/B.Sc.)

i. Microbiology

Duration: 4 years (eight semesters); AIOU Credits: 133; Regular classes; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Face to face teaching at AIOU main campus Islamabad, Practicals & Course assignments; First semester fee= Rs. 11600/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 128035/-

ii. Chemistry

Duration: 4 years (eight semesters); AIOU Credits: 132; Regular classes; Specialization: Organic Chemistry; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Face to face teaching at AIOU main campus Islamabad, Practicals & Course assignments; First semester fee= Rs. 11050/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 137195/-



iii. Computer Science

Duration: 4 years (eight semesters); Total Credit Hours: 140; Regular classes; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Face to face teaching at selected approved study centers, & Course assignments; Minimum requirement for admission: Intermediate with at least 2nd division (45% marks); First semester fee= Rs. 11140/-, Per semester fee= Rs. 16665/- approximately, Total programme fee=Rs. 122755/-

iv. Vision Sciences

Duration: 3 year (six semesters); (Diploma phase included); Regular Classes; Offering Areas: Rawalpindi/Islamabad, Lahore & Karachi; Methods of Instructions: Study material & Face to face teaching, Practicals at Local Hospitals, One year internship; Minimum requirement for admission: Diploma in Vision Sciences; Fee for first semester= Rs. 10860/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 32746/-

Bachelor of Arts (B.A)

Specializations

- General Group
- Commerce
- Mass Communication
- Library & Information Sciences

Duration: 2 years (4 semesters); AIOU Credits: 08; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings & Assignments; Fee Details: FC=Rs. 420/-, HC=Rs. 275/-, First semester fee=Rs. 1700/-, Total programme fee: Rs. 4785/-

- Dars-e-Nizami

Duration: 2 years (4 semesters); AIOU Credits: 08; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings & Assignments; Fee Details: FC=Rs. 200/-, HC=Rs. 135/-, First semester fee=Rs. 770/-, Total programme fee: Rs. 1810/-

- Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA)

Duration: 2 years (4 semesters); Total Credit Hours: 60; Regular Classes; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Face to face teaching at approved study centers, Assignments & Internship training; Fee for first semester= Rs. 12215/-, Total programme fee= Rs. 47520/-

**Diploma (Undergraduate)**i. Computer Graphics⁵

Duration: 1 year (two semesters); Total Credit Hours: 32; Regular Classes; Methods of Instructions: Study material & Face to face teaching at approved study centers; Minimum requirement for admission: Intermediate; Fee for first semester= Rs. 11720/-, Total programme fee=Rs. 22855/-

Certificates

i. Librarianship

Duration: 6 months (one semester); AIOU Credits: 02; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings & Assignments; Minimum requirement for admission: Intermediate; Total programme fee=Rs. 1115/-

ii. French Online⁶

Duration: 6 months (one semester); Total Credit Hours: 03; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings Audio CD & Assignments; Minimum requirement for admission: Intermediate with at least 2nd division. (if 3rd division in intermediate then graduation or post graduation with at least 2nd division); Total programme fee=Rs. 2815/-

iii. Certificate of Teaching (C.T)

Duration: 1 year (two semesters); AIOU Credits: 05; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Assignments & Practical workshop; Workshop will be conducted at the end of programme; Total programme fee=Rs. 3410/-

iv. Primary Teaching Certificate (PTC)

Duration: 1 year (two semesters); AIOU Credits: 05; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Assignments & Practical workshop; Workshop will be conducted at the end of programme; Total programme fee=Rs. 2830/-

5. Only in selected cities. This program is offered yearly in Autumn semester only.

6. At present, the programme is being offered in seven cities, i.e., Islamabad, Rawalpindi, Peshawar, Lahore, Karachi, Faisalabad and Sialkot.



- v. Arabic Teachers Training Course (ATTC)
Duration: 6 months (one semester); AIOU Credits: 01; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Assignments & Practical workshop; Workshop will be conducted at the end of semester; Total programme fee=Rs. 2100/-
- vi. Certificate in Computer Graphics
Duration: 6 months (one semester); Total Credit Hours: 16; Regular Classes; Methods of Instructions: Study material & Face to face teaching at approved study centers; Minimum requirement for admission: Intermediate; Total programme fee=Rs. 11720/-
- vii. Gender & Women Studies
Duration: 6 months (one semester); Total Credit Hours: 06; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Course workshops & Assignments; Minimum requirement for admission: Graduation with at least 2nd division; Total programme fee=Rs. 3400/-
- Higher Secondary School Certificate (HSSC)**
- Specializations
- General group
Duration: 2 years (4 semesters); AIOU Credits: 08; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings & Assignments; Fee Details: FC=Rs. 300/-, HC=Rs. 215/-, First semester fee=Rs. 1000/-, Total programme fee: Rs. 3235/-
 - Commerce
Duration: 2 years (4 semesters); AIOU Credits: 08; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings & Assignments; Fee Details: FC=Rs. 150/-, HC=Rs. 115/-, First semester fee=Rs. 700/-, Total programme fee: Rs. 1885/-
 - Dars-e-Nizami
Duration: 2 years (4 semesters); AIOU Credits: 08; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings & Assignments; Fee Details: FC=Rs. 150/-, HC=Rs. 115/-, First semester fee=Rs. 700/-, Total programme fee: Rs. 1885/-
 - Family & Community Health
Duration: 2 years (4 semesters); AIOU Credits: 08; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings, Practicals & Assignments; Minimum requirement for admission: SSC with at least 2nd division; First semester fee: For Family & Community Health=Rs. 2660/-, For Home Economics=Rs. 2660/-, Total programme fee: For Family & Community Health= Rs. 10535/-, For Home Economics= Rs. 20470/-
 - Home Economics



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- Pre-Engineering
- Pre-Medical

Duration: 2 years (4 semesters); AIOU Credits: 08; Regular classes (for science subjects only); Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance; Tutorial meetings, Practicals & Assignments; Minimum requirement for admission: SSC with science subjects with at least 2nd division; First semester fee: For Pre-Engineering=Rs. 5800/-, For Pre-Medical=Rs. 7120/-, Total programme fee: For Pre-Engineering= Rs. 16510/-, For Pre-Medical= Rs. 20470/-

Secondary School Certificate (SSC)

Specializations

- i. General group
- ii. Home Economics group
- iii. Health group

Duration: 2 years (4 semesters); AIOU Credits: 08; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings & Assignments; Fee: FC= Rs. 260/- , HC= Rs. 200/-, First semester fee: Rs. 920/- ; Total programme fee: Rs. 3085/- approximately.

- iv. Dars-e-Nizami

Duration: 2 years (4 semesters); AIOU Credits: 08; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings & Assignments; Fee: FC= Rs. 85/- , HC= Rs. 65/-, First semester fee: Rs. 570/- ; Total programme fee: Rs. 1260/- approximately.

Women Basic Education Programme (Pilot Launching)⁷

- Middle
- Primary Education

Duration: 3 months foundation courses plus 6 semesters; AIOU Credits: 12; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Tutor guidance & Tutorial meetings; Minimum requirement for admission: Primary level certificate. (Foundation courses are for those who don't have primary pass certificate and have left study in class 4th)

Duration: 3 years with 5 levels. Methods of Instructions: Study material, Modules & Flip charts; Minimum requirement for admission: Illiterate females of 10+ age.

7. At present, these pilot programmes are being offered in Kharian (Rural Area) and Mand (Turbat) only.

**Functional /Non Credit
Certificate Courses**

- AlLisanul Arabi
- Arabic Bol Chaal

Duration: 6 months (one semester); AIOU Credits: Non credit courses; No prerequisite for admission; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Radio programmes (FM 91.6), Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings & Assignments; Total Fee for each course: Rs. 395/-

Technical Courses

- i. Electrical Wiring
- ii. Electrician
- iii. Auto Servicing
- iv. Auto Mechanics
- v. Basic Electronics
- vi. Radio Servicing
- vii. Repairing of Home Electrical Appliances
- viii. Maintenance of Electrical Appliances

Duration: 3 months for each course; AIOU Credits: One half credit; Methods of Instructions: Study material, TV programmes, Tutor guidance & Practical class on technical training centers ; Five hours class once in week; Minimum requirement for admission: Middle pass; Total fee for each course: Rs. 490/-

Agricultural Courses

- i. Dairy Husbandry
- ii. Farm income generating skills
- iii. Farm Machinery
- iv. Improved methods of oil seed Crops
- v. Jadeed Zarat
- vi. Improved methods of food Production
- vii. Plant protection
- viii. Poultry Farming
- ix. Home & Farm operation Management

Duration: 6 months for each course; AIOU Credits: One half credit (course home & farm operation management is full credit course); Methods of Instructions: Study material, TV programmes, Tutor guidance, Tutorial meetings & Assignments; Minimum requirement for admission: For poultry forming & home and farm operation management courses: Middle pass while for remaining courses: Matriculation; Total fee for each course: Rs. 380/-

**Vocational Courses**

- Selling of Home Made Products

Duration: 6 months; AIOU Credits: 01 credit; Distance learning mode; Methods of Instructions: Study material, Activity based practical work, Tutor guidance & Tutorial meeting; Total course fee: Rs. 255/-

Open Tech Courses**Level C:**

- i. Electrician
- ii. Plumber
- iii. Steel Fixer
- iv. Quantity Surveyor
- v. Civil Draftsman/Civil Surveyor
- vi. Welding (Electrical Welding)
- vii. Refrigeration & Air Conditioning

Level B:

- i. Welding (Electrical Welding)
- ii. Refrigeration & Air Conditioning

Duration: One semester (16 weeks); These courses are for those individuals who do not possess any certificate of proficiency in their respective field. Offering Areas: Rawalpindi, Islamabad, Kahuta, Haripur, Buray Wala, Kot Addu; Minimum requirement for admission: Literate: For admission to Level C courses 2 years experience in relevant field is required; For admission to Level B courses 3 years experience after Level C is required; Fee for each course of Level C: Rs. 3800/- Fee for each course of Level B: Rs. 6000/-; A student can take only one course at a time.

Short Term Educational Programmes (STEPS)

- i. Management Sciences
- ii. Social Sciences
- iii. Community Education
- iv. Agricultural Sciences
- v. Hotel Services

Duration: Minimum 3 months; Status: Non credit courses; No pre-requisite for admission; Apply anytime throughout the year; Methods of Instructions: Study Material & Assignments; Fee Schedule: Per course fee for Management Sciences: Rs. 594/-, Social Sciences: Rs. 484/-, Community Education: Rs. 347/-, Agricultural Sciences: Rs. 347/- & for Hotel Services: Rs. 897/-; Student may take one to six (1-6) courses at a Time.

**Overseas Educational Programmes**

- i. SSC (Matric)
- ii. HSSC (Intermediate)
- iii. Bachelor Degree
- iv. Elementary Arabic

Allama Iqbal Open University offers General Education Programs of Secondary School Certificate (Matric), Higher Secondary School Certificate (Intermediate), BA level and Elementary Arabic for the overseas Pakistanis in Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, UAE, Qatar, Oman, Kuwait and Bahrain. These programs are offered to meet educational needs of Pakistanis, while they are at work overseas. The Directorate of Students Advisory & Counseling Services is assigned the task of co-ordination of Overseas Students through Overseas Cell, Islamabad. The prerequisite for admission to these programmes and methods of instructions are same as mentioned already however the fee structure is as under:

SSC (Matric): Fee for each course= US \$ 50, Registration fee= US \$ 10.

HSSC (Intermediate): Fee for each course= US \$ 88, Registration fee= US \$ 10.

Bachelor Degree: Fee for each course= US \$ 110, Registration fee= US \$ 10.

Elementary Arabic: Fee for course= US \$ 55, Registration fee= US \$ 10.

Please note that there is no difference of fee in half/full credit course for any above programme



Key Points:

- * The Mini prospectus is only for information purpose. Errors and omissions are expected.
- * Sources used for information are prospectuses of respective programmes, concerned faculty/department, university website and AIOU academic programmes (spring & autumn 2009) published by Directorate of Academic Planning and Course Production, AIOU, Islamabad.
- * GRE/GAT type test is pre-requisite for admission to all M.Phil/MS and Ph.D. programmes of AIOU.
- * The University reserves the right to revise the fee structure as deemed or to add any fee considered appropriate any time during study period. All such changes will be applicable to all students.

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

PGD	:	Postgraduate Diploma
CH	:	Credit Hour
FC	:	Full Credit
HC	:	Half Credit
EPM	:	Educational Planning and Management
DNFE	:	Distance and Non-Formal Education
DNFCE	:	Distance, Non-Formal and Continuing Education
TEFL	:	Teaching of English as a Foreign Language