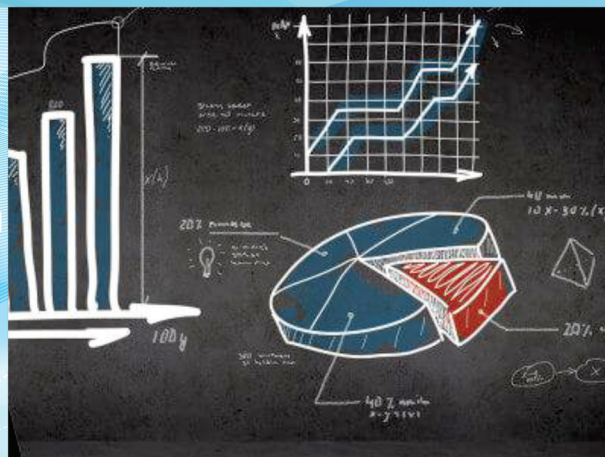


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Vice-Chancellor's Message

Dear Student,

السلام عليكم

Allama Iqbal Open University (AIOU) is one of the mega universities of the world and it occupies a unique position in the education sector of Pakistan. Because of its affordability and high quality distance and online academic programs. AIOU has now turned into the most favorite university of the country with high international of repute. The university made a landmark progress by ensuring access to quality education rural areas under-privileged students for the people of all ages particularly the females can now select and join the programs of their choice while sitting at their residence and along with continuing their jobs. After assessing the success of many degree programs in Pakistan, AIOU is now going to offer a ranges programs for the students in UAE, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Qatar, Bahrain, Oman, USA and many other countries currently. More than 1.3 million students are getting benefits from the high quality educational services of AIOU in all regions of the country through more than fifty regional offices of the university. It offers-suggests many undergraduate and Post Graduate programs at rural and remote areas providing an unparalleled opportunity to all the poor and deprived sections of the society at an affordable cost. The university has recently digitalized all its student-support services for facilitating its students on priority basis. This digitization of the system, it is hoped, will enable AIOU students to get all kinds of educational using their Learning Management system (LMS) portal support online.



Committed for your bright future

Prof. Dr. Zia-Ul-Qayyum
Vice Chancellor, AIOU

ALLAMA IQBAL OPEN UNIVERSITY

Allama Iqbal Open University, a mega university was established in 1974 under an Act of Parliament. The main campus of the university is situated in sector H-8, Islamabad. It was the second open university of the world and the first of its kind in Asia and Africa. The aim of establishing AIOU was to provide affordable and accessible education through distance learning at the door-steps to those people who could not continue their educational journey through formal system of education. The University (AIOU) operates on semester based system and admits students in Autumn and Spring semesters. Undergraduate admissions are offered in both the semesters whereas postgraduates are offered once a year. The enrolled students are given course books especially prepared by the university on self instructional principles. However, at post graduate level reprints of foreign books, allied material with university prepared study guides help students to polish their skills.

At present, the AIOU is offering programmes from Matric to PhD level in diverse disciplines from four

faculties. The university has established study centres across the country, where distance education students are provided necessary guidance by their respective tutors. Moreover, the university has established full time study centres, wherein the students of M Com, MBA (IT), MBA (Banking and Finance), BS (CS), etc. are being provided instructions, guidance and counselling through face-to-face mode of education.

Apart from curricular and extra-curricular activities during the academic year, the AIOU and its regional centres actively participate in the co-curricular activities by arranging educational and literary seminars, workshops and conferences, attended not only by the students and faculties of the university, but also by the renowned dignitaries and scholars. For the science students and research scholars, a science complex has been built where they use the latest equipment of international standard for experiments and research. To meet the present day challenges, internet facility is also available in the student's hostel and the Central Library where computers have been provided to enable students to access latest information available through open source databases.

FACULTY OF ARABIC AND ISLAMIC STUDIES

INTRODUCTION:

The Faculty of Arabic & Islamic Studies started its functions initially as Institute of Arabic and Islamic Studies comprising departments of Arabic and Islamic studies. Later on the Institute of Arabic and Islamic Studies was upgraded to the level of full fledged faculty in 1999 as required by AIOU Act 1974.

OBJECTIVES OF THE FACULTY

The Faculty was established:

1. To teach Islamic Studies from Matric to PhD levels as per contemporary requirements.
2. To teach Arabic language and literature from Matric to PhD levels as per contemporary needs.
3. To conduct advance research on the different aspects of Islamic Studies, Islamic Culture, Arabic Language, Literature and Civilization.
4. To protect Islamic Heritage with the help of modern research tools and techniques.
5. To play leading role in the interpretation of Islamic Teachings, according to the needs of contemporary Pakistani society.
6. To reconstruct Islamic Thought and defending Islam and Islamic identity of Pakistan at national and international forums.
7. To prepare Scholars of Islamic Studies who have grasp on the different issues of the Islamic Studies in general and command over the different areas of specialization

such as Quran, Tafseer, Hadith, Shariah & Law, Islamic thought, History, Culture, Civilization and Muslim languages particularly Arabic language.

8. To establish a cadre of specialists and professionals experts in different fields of Islamic Studies who can provide effective leadership in guiding and conducting quality research in the various disciplines of Islamic and Arabic Studies.
9. To provide opportunity of professional growth and development to the scholars of Islamic studies in general and in service personals in particular.
10. To develop linkage between different highly reputed institutions of Islamic learning in general and institutions of Muslim World in particular.
11. To create interfaith harmony and environment of dialogue between Islamic and other civilizations.

PROSPECTS OF THE FACULTY

1. Faculty is providing education of Arabic & Islamic Studies to large number of students.
2. The faculty has prepared a number of quality books on the different fields of Islamic Studies.
3. The faculty is able to produce high quality research work at MPhil and PhD levels with different specializations.
4. The faculty is regularly publishing its refereed quality research journal Muarf-e-Islami.
5. Some of the programmes of the Faculty are unique and not offered in any other Institutions of Pakistan except AIOU such as ATTC, BEd Arabic, MA & MPhil Islamic Studies with different specializations.
6. MPhil Islamic Studies is a leading programme of the faculty and it has gained good repute in scholarly circles of Pakistan.

PROGRAMMES OFFERED BY THE FACULTY OF ARABIC & ISLAMIC STUDIES

LIST OF THE PROGRAMMES

1. PhD Islamic Studies (General)
2. PhD Islamic Studies (with specialization in Quran & Tafseer)
3. MPhil Islamic Studies (General)
4. MPhil Islamic Studies (with specialization in Quran & Tafseer)
5. MPhil Arabic
6. MA Islamic Studies (General)
7. MA Islamic Studies with specialization in
 - i. Quran & Tafseer
 - ii. Hadith & Seerah
 - iii. Islamic Law & Jurisprudence
8. MA Arabic Language and Literature
9. Dars-e-Nizami Programme (Matric to BA)
 - Al Shahada al-Sanavia al-Aama
 - Al Shahada al-Sanavia al-Khasa
 - Al Shahada al-Aliya
10. BEd Arabic
11. Arabic Teachers Training Course (ATTC)
12. Al-Lisan-ul-Arabi
13. Various Courses of Islamic Studies from SSC to BA
14. Various Courses of Arabic from SSC to BA

DETAILS OF THE PROGRAMMES

a) MPhil ISLAMIC STUDIES (GENERAL) PROGRAMME

1. PROFILE OF THE PROGRAMME

The Department of Islamic Thought, History and Culture is offering MPhil Islamic studies. This programme started in 1987. This is the most important & significant programme offered by the Department of Islamic Thought, History and Culture, AIOU. This programme is reputed as one of the best programmes in public sector universities of Pakistan. The graduates with MPhil Islamic Studies degree from AIOU are serving on important academic & administrative post in the colleges & Universities of Pakistan as well in the foreign countries. Each year hundreds of candidates apply for admission and only few candidates are able to get admission who fulfill the requirements of the admission criteria. The MPhil students are required to complete specific coursework & research work under the supervision of highly qualified supervisors. This programme require 2 to 4 year's time for completion. The Department has the opportunity to hire the expertise of supervisors from almost all Pakistani public sector universities. The students complete coursework under the guidance of qualified tutors. This programme is designed to carry out research in different fields of Islamic Studies so that new dimensions of understanding of Islam can be explored. This programme provides to the scholars an opportunity of exercising independent critical judgment

through the research skills for the service of Islamic & Muslim communities.

2. AIMS & OBJECTIVES OF MPhil ISLAMIC STUDIES

The MPhil Islamic Studies is aimed to:

- Prepare scholars of research aptitude who can analyze facts in the light of Islamic research principles.
- Enhance the skills of research and create better understanding of Islam and contemporary challenges faced by the Muslim Ummah.
- Provide opportunity of learning the methods of use of basic Islamic sources for the purpose of Islamization of contemporary knowledge and laws.
- Prepare scholars who have grasp on Islamic Studies in general and command over the area of specialization in particular.
- Establish a cadre of specialists and professionals in different fields of Islamic Studies, who can conduct quality research in various disciplines of Islam. Provide opportunities of professional growth and development to scholars in general and in-service personnel in particular.

3. ELIGIBILITY FOR ADMISSION

Candidates having MA Islamic Studies or equivalent degree with minimum second division (in both MA Islamic Studies & BA) can apply for the admission in MPhil. However in case of a large number of applications, initial short listing of candidates will be made and *preference will be given to those candidates who have passed all degrees with first division or at least first division in MA Islamic Studies.*

- A significant weightage is given to the research thesis written for MA Islamic Studies.
- Expertise in Arabic language and Hifz-e-Quran is also considered as additional qualification.
- Intermediate and above teaching experience in any recognized college/institution is also given due weightage in admission criteria.
- Published research papers in approved research journals are also considered in admission criteria.
- **The graduates having HEC's approved degree of Al Shahdat Al-Alamia can also apply for admission but they must have BA from any recognized university along with Intermediate and SSC from any recognized Secondary and Intermediate Board.**

4. PROCEDURE FOR ADMISSION

The Admission in MPhil Islamic Studies is offered in Autumn Semester each year. The admission is announced in National and Regional newspapers each year. Prospectus and admission form can be downloaded from the university website. All applications are evaluated on the basis of

approved criteria. *A departmental test/subject test will be arranged for the eligible/short-listed candidates.* The admission is confirmed after passing the subject test/ interview & depositing admission fee.

5. DEPARTMENTAL TEST/ INTERVIEW:

The departmental Test for admission and Interview of eligible/short listed candidates will be held at AIOU Main Campus H-8, Islamabad. *The short-listed candidates/ criteria for short-listing alongwith schedule of written test/interview will be displayed at the website of AIOU (www.aiou.edu.pk) & facebook page of the department (www.facebook.com/Department-of-Islamic-Thought-History- Culture-AIOU) within 3 weeks after closing date of admissions. No. call letters will be sent to the candidates for Test/ Interview.*

6. IMPORTANT NOTICE:

1. The eligible candidates are required to bring along-with them all original educational documents/ degrees/ thesis/ research paper/ experience certificates (if any) for verification. Candidates are advised to provide attested copy of any of the testimonial that was not attached with the application form for verification/ identification.

2. Candidates will not be allowed to sit in the Written Test without showing I.D. Card. No TA/DA is admissible for Test & Interview.

7. SCHEME OF STUDIES:

| S. No. | Name of Programme | MPhil in Islamic Studies |
|--------|-----------------------|--|
| 1. | Duration | Course work: Two Semesters Research work/Thesis: Two Semesters |
| 2. | Credit | As per AIOU/HEC rules & Regulations |
| 3. | Medium of Instruction | (i) Urdu (ii) English (iii) Arabic |
| 4. | Research work | i) The research work must be distinct contribution to knowledge and afford evidence to originality, shown either by the discovery of new facts or by the exercise of independent critical judgment. ii) The student will be required to observe the guidelines regarding format, writing, referencing, paper and other related matters as approved in AIOU rules & regulations. |

8. DETAIL OF COURSES

| Semester | Sr. # | Course Title | Code | Cr. Hrs |
|---|-------|--|------|---------|
| 1st Semester | 1. | Basic Sources of Islamic Sciences & Thought | 6809 | 03 |
| | 2. | Principles & Methods of Research | 6806 | 03 |
| | 3. | Ijtehad History, Principles & Methods | 6807 | 03 |
| | 4. | Orientalism Critical Study | 6808 | 03 |
| 2nd Semester | 1. | Islamic Thought, History & Culture: Principles & Methodology | 6801 | 03 |
| | 2. | Islam and Modern Economic and Social Issues | 6810 | 03 |
| | 3. | New Dimensions of Research in Islamic Sciences | 6811 | 03 |
| | 4. | Principles, Methods of Islamic Fiqh & Objectives of Shari'ah | 6812 | 03 |
| 3rd & 4th Semester | 1. | Thesis | 6805 | 12 |

9. FEE STRUCTURE

The fee structure of MPhil Islamic Studies is as under:

| Sr. # | Nature of Fee | Amount | Description |
|-------|---|-------------------|--|
| 1 | Admission fee | Rs.1000/- | This fee will be paid with the fee of first semester |
| 2 | Registration fee | Rs.200/- | Once at the time of Admission |
| 3 | Tuition fee for 12 credit hours course. | Rs.13020/- | (Rs.3255/- per 3 credit hours) A Student can take 12 credit hrs in one semester |
| 4 | Technology Fee | Rs.135/- | Each semester |
| 5 | Total Fee for First Semester | Rs.14355/- | |
| 6 | Thesis Fee 12 Credits hours | Rs.20950/- | This fee is received in one installment |
| 7 | Thesis Evaluation Fee | Rs.5370/- | This fee will be paid at the time of submission of thesis |

10. HOW TO APPLY FOR ADMISSION

The candidates who are interested in admission should follow following directions:

1. Please read the prospectus carefully.
2. Fill in all columns of application form carefully and do not leave any column incomplete.
3. Affix your photo at the place provided for that purpose.
4. Attach following documents with the Application Form
 - i. Attested copy of I.D Card
 - ii. Attested copy of Domicile Certificate
 - iii. Attested copy of Matric (SSC) Certificate
 - iv. Attested copy of Intermediate (F.A) Certificate
 - v. Attested copy of BA Degree and result Cards
 - vi. Attested copy of MA Degree and result Cards
 - vii. Attested copy of Al-Shada Al-Almiya and result Cards (if any) along with equivalence Certificate by HEC.
 - ix. Attested copy of any proof of Arabic/English proficiency
 - x. Copy of Hifz Certificate (If any)
 - xi. Certificate of Research at MA Level (if any)
 - xii. Any other document you like to attach in support of your qualification
 - xiii. Copy of published research papers (if any)

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Note: Admission form complete in all respect must be sent on the following address:

Associate Director BASR
Board of Advance Studies, P.D Office Building,
AIOU, H-8, Islamabad

IMPORTANT NOTE:

Admission Forms should not be submitted in any bank etc. Forms submitted to any address other than the mentioned above will not be entertained.

b) PhD ISLAMIC STUDIES (MPhil BASED) PROGRAMME

1. PROFILE OF THE PROGRAMME

The Department of Hadith and Seerah has been offering PhD Islamic Studies since last eighteen years. At present the Department is offering MPhil based PhD programme. The PhD students are required to complete specific course work & research work under the supervision of a qualified supervisor. This programme requires 3 to 5 years time for completion. The Faculty has the opportunity to hire the expertise of supervisors from almost all Pakistani public sector universities. The students complete research work under local/national supervisors, however the degree is awarded after the evaluation of the thesis by three foreign experts from technologically advanced countries as per required Criteria of HEC. This programme is designed to

carry out research in different fields of Islamic Studies so that new aspects can be discovered & students can exercise independent critical judgment through the research skills for the service of Islamic & Muslim communities.

2. AIMS & OBJECTIVES OF PHD ISLAMIC STUDIES

The PhD Islamic Studies programme aims to:

- Prepare scholars who have grasp on Islamic Studies in general and command over the areas of specialization in particular.
- Establish a cadre of specialists and professionals in different fields of Islamic Studies who can provide effective leadership in guiding and conducting quality research in various disciplines of Islamic Studies.
- Provide opportunities of professional growth and development to scholars in general and in-service personnel in particular.

3. ELIGIBILITY FOR ADMISSION

- MPhil Islamic Studies or equivalent from any recognized university in first division or C.G.P.A 3.00.
- Departmental Test Interview by the PhD Admission Committee

4. PROCEDURE FOR ADMISSION

The Admission in PhD Programme is usually advertised in Autumn Semester each year, in almost all national and important regional newspapers. Prospectus and Admission Form can be downloaded from the university website. All applications will be evaluated on the basis of approved criteria. Short-listed candidates will be called for

Departmental test and interview. The admission will be confirmed after depositing approved admission fee.

SCHEME OF STUDIES

| Sr. No. | Name of Programme | PhD in Islamic Studies |
|---------|---|--|
| 1. | Duration | Maximum Five years |
| 2. | Medium of Instruction | (i) Urdu (ii) English (iii) Arabic |
| 3. | Coursework | 18 CH coursework |
| 4. | Research work | The thesis of PhD must be distinct contribution to knowledge and afford evidence to originality, shown either by the discovery of new facts or by the exercise of independent critical judgment. |
| 5. | Evaluation | As per amendments in AIOU rules & regulations, a PhD thesis is necessary to be sent for evaluation to three foreign experts from technological advanced countries. |
| 6. | Pre Requisite of viva voce of PhD Islamic Studies | Unconditional approval from at least two foreign experts. Publication of research paper in HEC recognized research journal. |
| 7. | Components of Coursework | 1. Assignments 2. Face to Face mode of teaching 3. Mid-Term Exam 4. Final Examination 5. Comprehensive Exam |

5. DETAILS OF COURSE WORK PhD

| Semester | Sr. # | Course Title | Code | Cr. Hrs |
|--|-------|---|------|---------|
| 1 st Semester | 1. | Applied Research in Islamic Studies | 6858 | 03 |
| | 2. | Principles & Methods of Interpretation | 6859 | 03 |
| | 3. | Muslim Thinkers & Critical Study of Their Thought | 6860 | 03 |
| 2 nd Semester | 1. | Islamic Epistemology & Islamization of Knowledge | 6851 | 03 |
| | 2. | Comparative Study of World Civilizations | 6861 | 03 |
| | 3. | Challenges to Contemporary Islamic Thought and Possible Solutions | 6862 | 03 |
| 3 rd & 4 th Semester | 1. | Thesis | 6870 | 36 |

6. FEE STRUCTURE

The fee structure of PhD Islamic Studies is as under:

| S. No. | Nature of Fee | Amount | Description |
|--------|------------------|-----------|--|
| 1 | Admission fee | Rs.2000/- | This fee will be paid with the fee of first semester |
| 2 | Registration fee | Rs.2000/- | Once at the time of Admission |

| | | | |
|----|--|-------------------|--|
| 3 | Tuition fee for 3 credit Hour Course | Rs.7745/- | A student can take three courses (3 credit hour course each) in one semester |
| 4 | Student I.D card | Rs.100/- | Once |
| 5 | Library | Rs.700/- | Per Semester |
| 6 | Caution Money | Rs.2000/- | Refundable |
| 7 | Technology Fee | 135/- | Per Semester |
| 8 | Total Fee for 1st Semester | Rs.30170/- | |
| 9 | PhD Thesis Evaluation Fee | Rs.34660/- | This fee will be submitted at the time of submission of PhD Thesis |
| 10 | Thesis Fee | Rs.30980/- | For 3 rd & 4 th Semester each |

7. HEC APPROVED SUPERVISOR IN THE FACULTY

Following Faculty Members are included in the HEC's list of approved supervisors for PhD Islamic Studies.

- Prof. Dr. Abdul Hameed Khan Abbasi**
Dean & Chairman Department of Quran & Tafseer, AIOU, Islamabad

2. Prof. Dr. Mohyuddin Hashimi

Chairman Department of Islamic Thought,
History and Culture, AIOU, Islamabad

8. HOW TO APPLY FOR ADMISSION

The candidates who are interested to get admission should follow the following directions:

1. Please read the prospectus carefully
2. Complete all columns of application form carefully and do not leave/skip any column incomplete.
3. Paste your photo at the place provided for that purpose.
4. Attach following documents with the application form
 - i. Attested copy of I.D Card
 - ii. Attested copy of Domicile Certificate
 - iii. Attested copy of SSC Certificate
 - iv. Attested copy of Intermediate (F.A) Certificate
 - v. Attested copy of BA Degree and Result Cards
 - vi. Attested copy of MA Degree and Result Cards
 - vii. Attested copy of MPhil Degree and Result Cards
 - viii. Attested copy of Shahadat ul Almia and result cards
 - ix. Attested copy of any proof of Arabic/English proficiency
 - x. Copy of Hifz Certificate (If any)
 - xi. Certificate of Research at MA Level (if any)
 - xii. Any other document you like to attach in support of your qualification

- xiii. Copy of published research papers (if any)

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Note: Admission form complete in all respects must be sent on the following address:

Associate Director BASR
Board of Advance Studies, P.D Office Building,
AIOU, H-8, Islamabad

DEPARTMENTS OF THE FACULTY OF ARABIC AND ISLAMIC STUDIES

The faculty of Arabic and Islamic Studies is divided into following academic departments:

1. Department of Quran and Tafseer
2. Department of Hadith and Hadith Science
3. Department of Islamic Thought, History and Culture
4. Department of Shariah & Law
5. Department of Arabic Language and Literature
6. Department of Seerah Studies
7. Department of Interfaith Studies

The detailed introduction of the each department of the faculty is as under:

1. DEPARTMENT OF QURAN AND TAFSEER

The Department of Quran and Tafseer was established in 1999 in the Faculty of Arabic and Islamic Studies to meet the educational needs of masses at various levels ranging from Matric to PhD focusing on research based programmes in the field of Quran and Tafseer. The Department started functioning with the appointment of Dr. Abdul Hameed Khan Abbasi as Assistant Professor from 10 February 2001. From then on, the Department is presenting many valuable course books and producing scholars in the field of Islamic Studies with specialization in Quran and Tafseer. At present, the Department has started MPhil & PhD programmes from Autumn, 2013 and is producing & selecting valuable books and allied material for these research programmes.

FACULTY MEMBERS

| Sr. No | Name of The Faculty Member | Designation | Qualification |
|--------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| 1. | Prof. Dr. Abdul Hameed Khan Abassi | Professor/ Chairman/ Dean | Post-Doc, Malaysia PhD Islamic Studies (Punjab) MPhil Islamic Studies MA Usooludin (MPhil Islamic Studies), IIU BA (Hons), Usooludin (MA Islamic Studies), IIU, Islamabad |
| 2. | Dr. Sana Ullah Hussain | Associate Professor | PhD Islamic Studies MPhil Islamic Studies MA Usooludin (MPhil Islamic Studies), IIU BA Honors Usooludin (MA Islamic Studies), IIU, Islamabad |
| 3. | Dr. Hafiz Muhammad Arshad Iqbal | Assistant Professor | PhD Islamic Studies MPhil Islamic Studies |
| 4. | Dr. Zafar Iqbal | Lecturer | PhD Islamic Studies MPhil Islamic Studies, |

VISION

To built Islamic Ummah streamlined with the message of Qur'an by presenting Qur'anic Sciences according to the teachings and vision of the holy Prophet Muhammad (SAW).

OBJECTIVES

1. To teach Quran & its Sciences.
2. To play active role in correct interpretation of Quran and its Sciences for the needs of society.
3. To prepare research scholars, equipped with all branches of Quranic Studies.
4. To develop linkage among different highly reputed national and International institutions of Quran and Tafseer.
5. To conduct advance research on different aspects of Quranic Sciences.
6. To prepare quality Textbooks and Study Guides in the field of Quran and Tafseer from matric to PhD level.
7. To organize national and international workshops/ seminars/ conferences about Quranic Sciences.

FUTURE PLANS

1. Planning to launch a Research Journal entitled "Quranic Studies".
2. Planning to start Non-credit course entitled "Quranic Arabic".

3. Planning to launch Post-doc in Quranic Sciences with collaboration of international institutions.

PROGRAMMES OFFERED BY THE DEPARTMENT

1. MA Islamic Studies with specialization in Qur'an & Tafseer
2. MPhil Islamic Studies with specialization in Qur'an & Tafseer
3. PhD Islamic Studies with specialization in Qur'an & Tafseer
4. BS Islamic Studies with specialization in Qur'an & Tafseer

PROFILE OF THE PROGRAMMES

a) MPhil ISLAMIC STUDIES WITH SPECIALIZATION IN QURAN & TAFSEER

The department of Qur'an & Tafseer is offering MPhil Islamic studies with specialization in Qur'an & Tafseer. This programme was started in Autumn 2013. The MPhil Islamic studies with specialization in Qur'an & Tafseer students are required to complete specific coursework & research work under the supervision of a highly qualified supervisor. This programme required 2 to 4 year's time for completion. The department has the opportunity to hire the expertise of supervisors from almost all Pakistani public sector universities. The students complete coursework with qualified tutors. This programme is designed to carry out research in different fields

of Quranic Studies so that new dimensions of understanding of Islam can be discovered with the guidance of Qur'an. This programme provides to the scholars an opportunity of exercising independent critical judgment through the research skills for the service of Islamic & Muslim communities.

2. AIMS & OBJECTIVES OF MPhil ISLAMIC STUDIES WITH SPECIALIZATION IN QUR'AN & TAFSEER

The MPhil Islamic Studies with specialization in Qur'an & Tafseer is aimed to:

- Enhance the skills of research and create better understanding of Islam and contemporary challenges faced by the Muslim Ummah.
- Provide opportunity of learning the methods of use of basic Islamic Sources for the purpose of Islamization of contemporary knowledge and laws.
- Prepare scholars who have grasp on Islamic studies in general and a command over the area of specialization in Qur'an & Tafseer.

3. ELIGIBILITY FOR ADMISSION

Candidates having MA Islamic Studies or equivalent degree with 1st division in MA Islamic Studies & at least 2nd division in BA can apply for the admission in MPhil. However, in case of a large number of applicants, initial short-listing of candidates will be made. Preference will be given to those candidates who have passed all degrees with first division.

- A significant weightage is given to the research thesis written for MA Islamic Studies.

- Expertise in Arabic language and Hifz-e-Quran is also considered as additional qualification.
- Intermediate and above teaching experience in any recognized college/institution is also given due weightage in admission criteria.
- Published research papers in approved research journals are also considered in admission criteria.
- **The graduates having HEC's approved Wafaq with the degree of Al Shahdat Al-Alamia can also apply for admission but they must have HEC equivalence certificate, BA from any recognized university or equivalence certificate from HEC & Intermediate and SSC from any recognized Secondary and Intermediate Board.**

4. PROCEDURE FOR ADMISSION

The Admission in MPhil Islamic Studies with specialization in Qur'an & Tafseer is offered in Autumn Semester each year. The admission is announced in National and Regional newspapers each year. Prospectus and Admission Form can be downloaded from the university website. All applications are evaluated on the basis of approved criteria. A departmental test/subject test will be arranged for the eligible short-listed candidates. The admission is confirmed after passing the subject test & depositing of admission fee.

5. DEPARTMENTAL TEST/ INTERVIEW:

The departmental Test for admission and Interview of eligible short-listed candidates will be held at AIOU Main Campus H-8, Islamabad.

The name of short-listed candidates along with schedule of written test/interview will be displayed at the website of AIOU (www.aiou.edu.pk) within 3 weeks after closing date of admissions.

6. IMPORTANT NOTICE:

1. No call letters by post will be sent to the candidates for Test/ Interview.
2. The eligible candidates are required to bring along-with them all original educational documents/ degrees/ thesis/research paper/ experience certificates (if any) for verification. Candidates are advised to provide attested copy of any of the testimonial that was not attached with the application form for verification/ identification.
3. Candidates will not be allowed to sit in the Written Test without showing I.D. Card. No TA/DA is admissible for Test & Interview.

7. SCHEME OF STUDIES:

| S. No. | Name of Programme | MPhil in Islamic Studies with Specialization in Qur'an & Tafseer |
|--------|-----------------------|---|
| 1. | Duration | Coursework: Two Semesters Research work/Thesis: Two Semesters |
| 2. | Credit Hours | Coursework 24 and Thesis 12 = 36 |
| 3. | Medium of Instruction | (i) Urdu (ii) English (iii) Arabic |
| 4. | Research work | ii) The research work must be distinct contribution to knowledge and afford evidence to originality, shown either by the discovery of new facts or by the exercise of independent critical judgment. iv) The student will be required to observe the guidelines regarding format, writing, referencing, paper and other related matters as approved in AIOU rules & regulations. |
| 5. | Workshops | i) One week workshop for each 3 credit hrs in each semester ii) Two week synopsis orientation workshop at the start of research work after the completion of course work. |

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| 6. | Course Work Components of MPhil Islamic Studies with Specialization in Qur'an & Tafseer | Sr. No. | Component | Weightage |
| | | 1. | Assignments | 20 % |
| | | 2. | Face to face mode of teaching in shape of workshops | 10 % |
| | | 3. | Final examination | 70 % |

8. DETAIL OF COURSES

| Semester | Sr. # | Course Title | Code | Credit Hrs | Components of course |
|--------------------------|-------|--|------|------------|---|
| 1 st Semester | 1. | Research Methodology & Scholarly Writing | 4735 | 03 | Each course includes following components 1. Two assignments 2. One Week workshop 3. Final Examination |
| | 2. | Ijtihad: Principles & Methods | 5791 | 03 | |
| | 3. | Islam & Orientalism | 5790 | 03 | |
| | 4. | Source of Islamic Sciences | 4736 | 03 | |

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| 2 nd Semester | 1. | Israeliyat & Tafseer | 4737 | 03 | -do- |
| | 2. | Methods of Mufasssereen | 4738 | 03 | |
| | 3. | Sources of Uloom-ul-Qur'an & Usul-i-Tafseer | 4739 | 03 | |
| | 4. | Study of Selected Quranic Subjects | 4740 | 03 | |
| 3 rd & 4 th Semester | 1. | Thesis | 725 | 12 | Two weeks Synopsis Orientation Workshop |

9. FEE STRUCTURE

The fee structure of MPhil Islamic Studies with specialization in Quran & Tafseer is as under:

| Sr. # | Nature of Fee | Amount | Description |
|-------|------------------|-----------|--|
| 1 | Admission fee | Rs.1000/- | This fee will be paid with the fee of first semester |
| 2 | Registration fee | Rs.200/- | Once at the time of Admission |

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| 3 | Tuition fee for 12 credit hours course. | Rs.13020/- | (Rs.3255/- per 3 credit hour) A Student can take 12 credit hrs in one semester |
| 4 | Technology Fee | Rs.135/- | Each semester |
| 5 | Total Fee for First Semester | Rs.14355/- | |
| 6 | Thesis Fee 12 Credits hours | Rs.20950/- | This fee is received in one installment |
| 7 | Thesis Evaluation Fee | Rs.5370/- | This fee will be paid at the time of submission of thesis |

10. HOW TO APPLY FOR ADMISSION

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- v. Attested copy of BA Degree and result Cards
- vi. Attested copy of MA Degree and result Cards
- vii. Attested copy of Al-Shada Al-Almiya and result Cards (if any) along with equivalence certificate by HEC.
- viii. Attested copy of any proof of Arabic /English proficiency
- ix. Copy of Hifz Certificate (if any)
- x. Certificate of Research at MA Level (if any)
- xi. Any other document you like to attach in support of your qualification
- xii. Copy of published research papers (if any)

Note: Admission form complete in all respect must be sent on the following address:

Associate Director
Directorate of Board of Advance Studies,
P.D. Office Building, AIOU, H-8, Islamabad

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Admission Forms should not be submitted in any bank etc. Forms submitted to any address other than the one mentioned above will not be entertained.

b) PHD ISLAMIC STUDIES (MPHIL BASED) WITH SPECIALIZATION IN QURAN & TAFSEER

1. AIMS & OBJECTIVES OF PHD ISLAMIC STUDIES (with Specialization in Quran & Tafseer)

The PhD Islamic Studies with Specialization in Quran & Tafseer aims to:

- Provide a focused study in Qur'an & Tafseer in order to prepare scholars in the field who have proficiency to handle contemporary challenges in the field.
- Provide such leaders to Muslim Ummah who have the capability to provide guidance in different professions in the light of Qur'anic Teachings.
- Provide opportunities of professional growth and development to scholars in the area.

2. ELIGIBILITY FOR ADMISSION

- Master degree in Islamic Studies with eighteen years of schooling (MS/MPhil in Islamic Studies) or equivalent from any recognized university in first division or CGPA 3.00 alongwith thesis.
- Departmental Test/Interview by the PhD Admission Committee

3. PROCEDURE FOR ADMISSION

The Admission in PhD Programme (with Specialization in Quran & Tafseer) is usually advertised in Autumn semester each year. The admission is announced in almost all national and important regional newspapers each year. Prospectus and Admission Form can be downloaded from the university website. All applications will be evaluated on the basis of approved criteria. Short-listed candidates will be called for Departmental test and interview. The admission will be confirmed after depositing of admission fee.

4. SCHEME OF STUDIES

| Sr.# | Name of Programme | PhD in Islamic Studies (with Specialization in Quran & Tafseer) |
|-------------|--------------------------|--|
| 1 | Duration | Maximum Five years |
| 2 | Medium of Instruction | (i) Urdu (ii) English (iii) Arabic |
| 3 | Course Work | 18 CH course work |
| 4 | Research work | The thesis of PhD must be distinct contribution to knowledge and afford evidence to originality, shown either by the discovery of new facts or by the exercise of independent critical judgment. |
| 5 | Workshop | (i) One week workshop for each 3 credit hrs course. ii) Two week synopsis workshop after completion of coursework & passing comprehensive exam. |

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| 6 | Evaluation | As per amendments in AIOU rules & regulations, a PhD thesis is necessary to be sent for evaluation to three foreign experts from technological advanced countries. |
| 7 | Pre Requisite of viva voce of PhD Islamic Studies | Unconditional approval from at least two foreign experts. Publication/Acceptance of research paper in HEC recognized research journal. |
| 8 | Components of Course work | 1. Assignments 2. Face to Face teaching in shape of workshop 3. Final Examination 4. Comprehensive Exam |

5. DETAILS OF COURSE WORK PhD

| Semester | Sr. # | Course Title | Course Code | Credit Hours |
|--------------------------|-------|--|-------------|--------------|
| 1 st Semester | 1 | Comparative Study of Tafseer Literature | 4730 | 03 |
| | 2 | Contemporary Trends in Tafseer | 6722 | 03 |
| | 3 | Quran & Science (A Research Study) | 4731 | 03 |
| 2 nd Semester | 4 | Applied Research in Ilm-Tafseer & Uloom-ul-Quran | 4732 | 03 |
| | 5 | Methodologies & Modes of Mufassereen | 4733 | 03 |

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| | 6 | Selected Textual Study of Uloom-ul-Quran & Usul-e-Tafseer | 4734 | 03 |
| 3 rd & 4 th Semester | 7 | Thesis | 4726 | 24 |

6. FEE STRUCTURE

The fee structure of PhD Islamic Studies (with Specialization in Quran & Tafseer) is as under:

| Sr. # | Nature of Fee | Amount | Description |
|-------|--|-------------------|--|
| 1 | Admission fee | Rs.2000/- | This fee will be paid with the fee of first semester |
| 2 | Registration fee | Rs.2000/- | Once at the time of Admission |
| 3 | Tuition fee for each 3 credit Hour Course | Rs.7745/- | A student can take three courses (3 credit hour course each) in one semester |
| 4 | Student I.D card | Rs.100/- | Once |
| 5 | Library | Rs.700/- | Per Semester |
| 6 | Caution Money | Rs.2000/- | Refundable |
| 7 | Technology Fee | Rs. 135/- | |
| 8 | Total Fee for 1st Semester | Rs.30170/- | |
| 7 | PhD Thesis Evaluation Fee | Rs.34660/- | This fee will be submitted at the time of submission of PhD Thesis |
| 8 | Thesis Fee | Rs. 30980/- | For 3 rd Semester |

7. HEC APPROVED SUPERVISORS IN THE FACULTY

Following Faculty Member are included in the HEC's list of approved supervisors for PhD Islamic Studies.

- 1. Prof. Dr. Abdul Hameed Khan Abbasi**
Dean of Faculty, Chairman Department of Quran & Tafseer AIOU, Islamabad
- 2. Prof. Dr. Mohyuddin Hashimi**
Chairman Department of Islamic Thought, History and Culture, AIOU, Islamabad

8. HOW TO APPLY FOR ADMISSION

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 - iv. Attested copy of Intermediate (F.A) Certificate
 - v. Attested copy of BA Degree and Result Cards
 - vi. Attested copy of MA Degree and Result Cards
 - vii. Attested copy of MPhil Degree and Result Cards

viii. Attested copy of Al-Shada Al-Aalmiya and result cards along with HEC Equivalence Certificate.

ix. Attested copy of any proof of Arabic/English proficiency

x. Copy of Hifz Certificate (if any)

xi. Certificate of Research at MA Level (if any)

xii. Any other document you like to attach in support of your qualification

xiii. Copy of published research papers (if any)

Note: Admission form complete in all respect must be sent on the following address:

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2. DEPARTMENT OF HADITH & HADITH SCIENCE

This department was established to provide advance studies and research in the field of Hadith and Seerah. PhD Islamic Studies programme is also offered by this department. The department is also coordinating Dars-e-Nizami programme from Matric to BA. The department is also offering courses of Hadith & Seerah specialization in MA Islamic Studies. A number of valuable books related to Hadith and Seerah have been produced by the department.

FACULTY MEMBERS

| Sr. # | Name of The Faculty Member | Designation | Qualification |
|-------|----------------------------|---------------------|---|
| 1 | Dr. Moeen Uddin Hashmi | Associate Professor | PhD Islamic Studies MPhil Islamic Studies (AIOU) Shahadat ul Almia MA Islamic Studies |
| 2 | Dr. Muhammad Shahid | Assistant Professor | PhD Islamic Studies (UOS) MPhil Islamic Studies (IUB) MA Islamic Studies (BZU) Shahadat ul Almia |
| 3 | Muhammad Rafiq Sadiq | Lecturer | MA Islamic Studies & Arabic BA (Hons) King Saud University, K.S.A, BEd College of Education K.S.A Rayadh, Shahadat ul Almia from Wafaq-ul-Madaris |

3. DEPARTMENT OF ISLAMIC THOUGHT, HISTORY AND CULTURE

This department was established to provide advance studies and research in the field of Islamic Thought, History and Culture. To achieve this goal the department is offering graduate and postgraduate level programmes. The coordination of MA Islamic Studies programme as well as the MPhil Islamic Studies is also placed in this department.

FACULTY MEMBERS

| Sr. No. | Name of The Faculty Member | Designation | Qualification |
|---------|-----------------------------|---------------------|--|
| 1 | Prof. Dr. Mohyuddin Hashimi | Professor/Chairman | PhD Islamic Studies MS/MPhil (USA) MPhil Islamic Studies (AIOU) MA Islamic Studies(Peshawar) Shahadat ul Almia University Intensive English (Howard USA) |
| 2 | Dr. Hafiz Muhammad Sajjad | Associate Professor | PhD Islamic Studies MPhil Islamic Studies(AIOU) MA Islamic Studies(Punjab) MA, Arabic, MEd |
| 3 | Dr. Ahmad Raza | Assistant Professor | PhD Islamic Studies MA Islamic Studies Shahadat ul Almia |
| 4 | Hafiz Tahir Islam Askari | Lecturer | PhD Islamic Studies (Continue) MPhil Islamic Studies MA Islamic Studies Shahadat ul Almia |

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| 5 | Dr. Ayesha Snober | Lecturer | PhD Islamic Studies MPhil Islamic Studies MA Islamic Studies MA Arabic Shahadat ul Almia |
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4. DEPARTMENT OF SHARI'AH & LAW

The department of Shariah & Law has been established to conduct advance research in the field of Shariah. To achieve this goal, the department is offering advance level graduate and post graduate programmes. The Department is offering specialization in Islamic Law in MA Islamic Studies.

FACULTY MEMBERS

| Sr. # | Name of the Faculty Member | Designation | Qualification |
|-------|-------------------------------|------------------------|---|
| 1 | Prof. Dr. Hafiz Ghulam Yousaf | Professor/ Chairman | PhD Islamic Studies(Karachi) MA Islamic Studies (Karachi) Shahadat ul Almia |

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| 2 | Dr. Hidayat Khan | Associate Professor | Post Doctorate (RUSI), London PhD Islamic Studies LLM Sharia and Law (IIU) LLB Honors in Sharia and Law (IIU) |
| 3 | Ms. Tahira Ifraq | Lecturer | Scholar PhD Sharia LLB (Hons) Sharia & Law LLM Sharia and Law |

5. DEPARTMENT OF ARABIC LANGUAGE & LITERATURE

This department of Arabic Language & Literature is one of the pioneer departments of the university. This department was established in 1974 as an initial part of Institute of Arabic and Islamic Studies. Later on this department started its functions as part of the faculty of Arabic and Islamic Studies in 1988. The nature of this department is unique and some programmes of Arabic such as ATTC and B.Ed Arabic are being offered only in Pakistan by this department. Matric to PhD level programmes are offered by the department.

The Department of Arabic has been able to revise its courses offered at MA level with the help of Experts in different disciplines of Arabic similarly ATTC, B.Ed (Arabic) and other courses in the subject are also up-dated accordingly with online Radio & T.V. facilities.

FACULTY MEMBERS

| Sr # | Name of The Faculty Member | Designation | Qualification |
|------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| 1. | Dr. Shahnaz Zaheer | Incharge/ Assistant Professor | PhD Arabic (Punjab University) Diploma in English Language, UK MA Arabic NUML Diploma in Distance Education IEC. London University (UK) |
| 2. | Dr. Abdul Majeed Baghdadi | Assistant Professor | PhD Arabic (B.Z.U) MPhil Arabic, MA Arabic, BEd Arabic, ATTC |
| 3. | Dr. Sami Ullah Zubairi | Assistant Professor | PhD Arabic PhD Islamic Studies MPhil Islamic Studies MA Arabic (Punjab University) MA Islamic Studies (IIU) MA Urdu, BEd, ATTC |
| 4. | Mr. Shakil Ahmad | Lecturer | MPhil Arabic MA Arabic |

LIST OF THE PROGRAMMES:

1. Lughat-ul-Quran
2. Al'Lisan Al'Arabi
3. Arabic Conversation
4. Arabic (Matric)
5. Arabic (Inter)

6. Arabic (BA)
7. MA (Arabic)
8. MPhil Arabic
9. BS Arabic (4 years)

Professional Courses:

1. Arabic Teachers Training Course (ATTC)

MPHIL ARABIC PROGRAMME

1. AIMS AND OBJECTIVES:

- Prepare scholars of research aptitude who can analyze facts in the light of research in Arabic.
- Enhance the skill of research and create better understanding of Islam and contemporary challenges faced by the Muslim Ummah especially in Arabic Language.
- Provide opportunity of learning the methods of use of basic Islamic Sources in Arabic for the purpose of Islamization of contemporary knowledge and laws.
- Prepare scholars who have a grasp of Arabic in general and command over the area of specialization in particular.
- Create good relations with Arabs through learning/ teaching of Arabic language & Literature.
- Establish a cadre of specialists and professionals in different fields of Arabic, who can conduct quality research in various disciplines of Arabic. Provide opportunities of professional growth and development to scholars in general and in-service personnel in particular.

2. ELIGIBILITY FOR ADMISSION

MA Arabic or equivalent with minimum 2nd division can apply for the admission in MPhil However, preference will be given to those candidates who have passed all degrees with first division in Arabic as elective subject.

- A significant weightage is given to the research thesis written for MA Arabic.
- Expertise in Arabic language and Hifz-e-Quran is also considered additional qualification.
- Intermediate and above teaching experience in any recognized college/institution is also given due weightage in admission criteria.
- Published research papers in approved research journals are also considered in admission criteria.
- The graduates of HEC's approved Wifaq with the degree of Shahadat ul Almia can also apply for admission but they must have BA from any recognized University & Intermediate and SSC from any recognized Secondary and Intermediate Board.
- Department Test (Subject based which consists on especially from MA Arabic text books of AIOU) & Interview.

3. SCHEME OF STUDIES

| Sr. No. | Name of Programme | MPhil in Arabic |
|---------|-------------------|--|
| 1. | Duration | Course work = two semesters (4+4 Courses of 3 C.Hrs each) = 24 C.Hrs Research Thesis: Two Semesters = 24 C.Hrs |

| 2. | Medium of instruction | Arabic | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------|--|--|------|-----------|------------|----|-------------|-----|----|--|-----|----|-------------------|-----|
| 3. | Research work/Thesis | 1) The research work must be distinct contribution to knowledge and afford evidence to originality, shown either by the discovery of new facts or by the exercise of independent critical judgment. 2) The student will be required to write the thesis in Arabic and observing the guidelines regarding format, writing, referencing, paper and other related matters as approved in AIOU rules & regulations. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4. | Workshops | i) One week workshop of each 3credit hours in each semesters ii) Two weeks synopsis orientation workshop at the start of research work after the completion of course work. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5. | Components of MPhil Arabic | <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>S. #</th> <th>Component</th> <th>Weight age</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1.</td> <td>Assignments</td> <td>20%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2.</td> <td>Face to face teaching in shape workshops</td> <td>10%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3.</td> <td>Final examination</td> <td>70%</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | S. # | Component | Weight age | 1. | Assignments | 20% | 2. | Face to face teaching in shape workshops | 10% | 3. | Final examination | 70% |
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4. DETAILS OF COURSE WORK

| Semester | S. No. | Course Title | Code | Credit Hours | Components of Course |
|--|--------|---|------|--------------|---|
| 1 st Semester | 1 | Principles of Research -I | 4713 | 03 | Each course includes the following components: a. Two assignments based on distance learning. b. Each 3 credit hours, One Week workshop c. Final Examination |
| | 2 | Principles of Research –II | 4714 | 03 | |
| | 3 | The Arabic Linguistics and Literature & its Sources-I | 4715 | 03 | |
| | 4 | The Arabic linguistics and Literature & its Sources –II | 4716 | 03 | |
| 2 nd Semester | 1 | Literary Study-I | 4717 | 03 | As in the 1 st Semester |
| | 2 | Literary Study-II | 4718 | 03 | |
| | 3 | Linguistic Studies-I | 4719 | 03 | |
| | 4 | Linguistic Studies-II | 4720 | 03 | |
| 3 rd & 4 th Semester | | Thesis | 4705 | 12 | Two Weeks Thesis Workshop |

5. RESEARCH WORK

After the successful completion of course work, the student will have to do research relating to Linguistics or Literature under supervision of the approved supervisor at university level possessing Ph.D Degree in Arabic. This research shall be completed at least within one year (equal to two semesters)

6. FEE STRUCTURE

The fee structure of MPhil Arabic is as under:

| Sr. # | Nature of Fee | Amount | Description |
|-------|---|-------------------|--|
| 1 | Admission fee | Rs.1000/- | This fee will be paid with the fee of first semester |
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FACULTY OF SCIENCES

Faculty of Sciences forms an integral part of the university. Since its establishment in 1982 with five teaching departments, it has undergone major development changes. It now comprises of nine teaching and research departments which are offering courses at the undergraduate and postgraduate levels to more than ten thousand students. The Faculty operates under the basic guidelines of the University Act and on “Education for All as Convenient” basis so that maximum students get benefit from its academic programmes and educational facilities. This principle has necessitated some structural changes in the non-formal mode, particularly at the postgraduate level, in the offering of theory courses and practical lab work. This conceptual adjustment has been quite successful and many in-service students are benefiting from postgraduate study programmes. Improvement in qualification for a better life is a right of everyone and the faculty’s programmes meet this challenge by offering opportunities to all. In particular a significant number of beneficiaries are those who cannot afford education in formal institutions due to a variety of reasons.

Realizing the importance of science education and the growing need of the Faculty of Sciences, the university has completed a building, the Research Complex, at a cost of Rs.35 million. The Research Complex now accommodates departments of Agricultural Sciences, Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Design, Health and Nutritional Sciences (ED, H & N Sciences) and Physics whereas other departments of

Science Faculty are located in Block 6 & 7. These departments are running a variety of postgraduate technical, scientific and professional programmes successfully. The Research Complex has also a computer lab with internet and on-line library facility for literature survey, seminar room, lecture hall and a library. In addition, there are many labs for practical work, teaching, research and instrumentation labs for analysis. The university is developing these labs through its own resources. The Faculty of Sciences is thankful to the vice-chancellor, for giving personal attention to the development of the Faculty of Sciences by providing generous amount of funds and valuable guidance.

Two model labs have also been developed in the Research Complex, with the assistance of the Higher Education Commission to meet the training needs of science teachers. This development is significant since under the new educational policy four-year BS programme has started in undergraduate educational institutions.

More than fifty highly qualified full-time faculty members are on the roll of the Faculty of Sciences. Their role in the planning, designing and development of different courses, to meet students’ needs is vital. Faculty members also engage in imparting and supervising of instructions so that high standards are maintained. In addition highly qualified and experienced professors are also engaged on contract or as part time instructors, for postgraduate study programmes. The University faculty is also offering academic positions under tenure track system to attract the best minds in

scientific and technological fields, as a full time employee of the university.

Research is an integral part of postgraduate study programmes leading to MSc, MPhil, and PhD degrees in Agricultural Sciences, Chemistry, Computer Sciences, Environmental Design, Health and Nutritional Sciences (EDH & N Sciences), Mathematics, Statistics and Physics. Rules and regulations for governing the postgraduate study programmes are those approved by the Higher Education Commission (HEC).

For MS and MPhil degree, 24 credit hours of course work and a minimum of one year of research work in a specialized area of the disciplines is required. A candidate for PhD degree has to take additional 18 credit hours of specialized courses in the field of research. The dissertation will comprise original research on a topic in the discipline and shall be evaluated by three foreign referees, who are expert in the field. At least one publication in international journal is also necessary before the degree is awarded.

The faculty has launched the four year BS programme in sciences (Chemistry, Microbiology) comprising 124–140 credits. This four-year BS programme is structured according to the recent policies of the Higher Education Commission for the improvement of standard of education to bring it at par with the international standards.

Under the dynamic and visionary leadership of the Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zia Ul-Qayyum, the faculty has already initiated many new PhD, MPhil, MSc and BS programmes, which will be launched in 2015-2016. Research is the basic

emphasis of the new leadership and the faculty has been strengthened by the induction of additional faculty members and providing truly academic atmosphere at campus. Moreover Matric-tech. programme has been initiated for the benefit of the masses.

DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY

The department of chemistry was established in March 1998. Its faculty consists of one Professor, four Associate Professors, one Assistant Professor, four Lecturers and two Research Associates. The department has most modern equipments/ instrumentation in its teaching and research labs in the Science Block at AIOU main campus. These equipments/ instrumentation include Thermal Analyzer, UV-Visible, Fluorescence and FTIR Spectrophotometers, GC-MS, HPLC, Atomic Absorption spectrometer and Electrochemical System etc.

The department has developed all the courses for undergraduate, graduate, postgraduate and PhD level in accordance with the guideline provided by the Higher Education Commission (HEC). These courses are reviewed from time to time through Committee of Courses to incorporate emerging modern trends in the subject. The Committee of Courses of the department has distinguished Professors and Scientists of the country as members besides departmental faculty. Department has also signed MOU with university of Rostock, Germany. By this MOU, our PhD students get opportunity to do research work in Germany. Moreover department has also signed MOU with University

of Kebangsaan Malaysia. This collaboration is very useful for our MPhil and PhD students.

At present, department of chemistry is offering and coordinating the following programmes:

1. Chemistry Courses for FSc Students
2. BS Chemistry
(Organic, Inorganic and Physical Chemistry Specialization)
3. MSc Chemistry
(Organic, Inorganic and Physical Chemistry Specialization)
4. MPhil Chemistry
5. PhD Chemistry
6. Diploma and Certificate in Forensic Science

In Autumn 2020 semester, department is offering MPhil & PhD programmes.

MPhil and PhD (Chemistry)

1. Introduction

The Department of Chemistry is offering MPhil and PhD programmes. Currently specialization is being offered in the field of Organic Chemistry. Later on, the specializations in other branches of Chemistry will be offered.

2. Objectives

The aim of this programme is to provide an opportunity to in-service personnels to get specialized in the field of chemistry and to improve the qualification of those who

could not continue their education through formal system. Maintaining the high standards of teaching and research, the department also wants to attract fresh students. The main objective is to uplift the standard of education and research specially in the field of chemistry in the country.

3. Target Groups

MPhil and PhD Chemistry programmes are particularly designed for the following:

- i. College teachers who want to improve their qualification.
- ii. Scientists working in different laboratories and research organizations desirous of improving their knowledge and qualification.
- iii. Fresh students having special aptitude for research.

4. Eligibility

(a) MPhil Chemistry

A person holding MSc degree (at least 2nd division) in Chemistry is eligible to apply for admission in MPhil Programme. Admission will be entirely on merit and restricted to the number of seats available. The Department will conduct written test for admission.

(b) PhD Chemistry

Candidates holding MS/MPhil or equivalent in Chemistry with CGPA 3.0 in semester system and 1st division in annual system are eligible to apply for PhD Programme.

The Department will conduct written test for admission.

5. Admission Procedure

- i. The Prescribed Admission Form (duly filled) alongwith the attested copies of required documents be sent to Chairperson, Department of Chemistry.
- ii. Test and interview of the eligible candidates will be conducted by the Departmental Admission Committee and the merit will be determined on the basis of qualification, research, professional experience, test and interview, etc.
- iii. Selected candidates will be informed by the Directorate of Admission with the directions to deposit fee according to the schedule.

Since admission in MPhil and PhD programmes is strictly on merit, only selected candidates will be informed and asked to deposit the prescribed fee. **The fee should NOT be submitted before the confirmation of your admission.** In case of admission, if a candidate fails to deposit fee within prescribed period, it would be assumed that the student is not interested in getting admission. The department may invite a candidate in waiting list for admission against the vacant seat.

For clarification about academic matters please contact on the phone numbers given below:

051-9057754, 051-9250081

Note: Admission form complete in all respect must be sent on the following address:

Associate Director

Directorate of Board of Advance Studies,
P.D. Office Building, AIOU, H-8, Islamabad

6. Scheme of Studies

Scheme of Studies for MPhil Chemistry

- i. A student will have to complete total of 24 credit hours of course work in the first and second semesters.
- ii. In the third & fourth semesters, students are required to complete research work and thesis as per AIOU rules.
- iii. The minimum period to complete research thesis shall be two semesters.
- iv. The maximum period for the completion of MPhil Degree programme is four years (8 semesters) only.

Scheme of Studies for PhD Chemistry

- i. Initially, the student is required to complete 18 credit hours of PhD course work. After this period, he/she has to pass comprehensive Examination.
- ii. Besides completion of PhD coursework and other requirements, a candidate has to complete research work and thesis as per AIOU rules.
- iii. For PhD, the student has to complete all other formalities, prescribed by the Higher Education Commission.

**Description of MPhil Chemistry Theory Courses
Semesters: I & II**

| Course Code | Course Title | Credit Hours |
|-------------|--|--------------|
| 1700 | Medicinal Chemistry | 3 |
| 1745 | NMR Spectroscopy | 3 |
| 1746 | Advanced Heterocyclic Chemistry | 3 |
| 1751 | Advanced Organic Synthesis | 3 |
| 1752 | Advanced Stereochemistry | 3 |
| 1753 | Natural Products | 3 |
| 1754 | Reactive Intermediates in Organic Chemistry | 3 |
| 1755 | Organometallic Chemistry | 3 |
| 1759 | Structure Elucidation of Organic Compounds by Spectroscopy | 3 |
| 1761 | Organic Polymer Chemistry | 3 |
| 1763 | Chemistry of Primary Metabolites | 3 |
| 1770 | Plastic Materials | 3 |
| 1772 | Theoretical Background of Organic Lab. Techniques | 3 |
| 1773 | Organic Spectroscopy | 3 |
| 1774 | Homogeneous Catalysis | 3 |

Note: Any four courses from the table will be offered in the 1st semester, subject to the availability of experts. In 2nd semester any four courses from the remaining courses will be offered.

**Description of MPhil Chemistry Thesis
Semesters: III & IV**

| Course Code | Course Title | Credit Hours |
|-------------|------------------------|--------------|
| 1760 | Research Work & Thesis | 6 |
| 1760 | Research Work & Thesis | 6 |

Course Outlines (Semester I / II)

Organic Synthesis (1751)

One and two group C-X disconnections. Concept of donor and acceptor synthons. One and two group C-C disconnections and 1,2; 1,3; 1,4; 1,5; and 1,6 difunctionalized compounds. Synthesis of ring compounds. Synthesis of aromatic compounds. Aromatic heterocycles. Advanced reaction strategies.

Advanced Stereochemistry (1752)

Structure and symmetry. Configuration of cyclic molecules. Actual shape of six-membered rings. Stereochemistry and conformational analysis of substituted cyclohexanes, stereochemistry and conformational effects in small, common and medium rings, effect of heteroatoms on conformational equilibria. Fused rings, bicyclic and polycyclic rings systems, bridged rings. Determination of enantiomer and diastereomer composition by NMR, chromatographic, kinetic and isotope dilution methods.

Natural Products (1753)

Terpenoids, Alkaloids, Phenolics, Fatty Acids and their derivatives, Carbohydrates, Amino Acids and Peptides, Nucleosides, Nucleotides and Polynucleotides.

Reactive Intermediates in Organic Chemistry (1754)

Structure, stability, generation, reactions and detection of carbocations, carbanions radicals, carbenes, benzyne and related intermediates. Intermediates in oxidation reactions.

Organometallic Chemistry (1755)

Nature of bonding, σ and π complexes. Preparation of organometallic compounds. Application of organometallic compounds in organic chemistry for hydrogenation, isomerization, hydrosilylation, polymerization, hydro formylation, cyclisation, carboxylation, carbonylation, olefin metathesis, hydrocyanation etc.

Structure Elucidation of Organic Compounds by Spectroscopy (1759)

Ultraviolet Spectroscopy, Infrared Spectroscopy, Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy, Mass Spectrometry and their applications. Joint applications of UV, IR, NMR and MS for structure elucidation.

Organic Polymer Chemistry (1761)

Introduction to science of polymers. Steps Reaction (Condensation) Polymerization. Radical Chain (Addition) Polymerization. Ionic and Coordination Chain (Addition) Polymerization Copolymerization and polymerization conditions. Characterization of polymers. Measuring of molecular weight and size. Analysis and testing of polymers. Structure and properties of Crystalline Polymers.

Chemistry of Primary Metabolites (1763)

Amino Acids. Proteins. Purines and Pyrimidines. Deoxyribonucleic Acids. Ribonucleic Acids. Enzymatic Catalysis. Chemistry of Vitamins. Chemistry of Carbohydrates. Biochemical and analytical techniques.

Medicinal Chemistry (1700)

Physiochemical properties in relation to biological actions. Metabolic changes of drugs and related organic compounds. Antimalarials. Antibacterial antibiotics. Antineoplastic agents. Central nervous system depressants.

Plastic Materials (1770)

Introduction to plastic material. Micro and Macro viewpoint in plastics. Thermoplastic materials. Thermoset materials. Composite materials. Additives and their role in plastics. Degradation and the environment. Processing of plastic materials.

NMR Spectroscopy (1745)

Introduction to Nuclear Magnetic Resonance – (NMR), The NMR Spectrometer, Factors Influencing Chemical Shifts, Correlating Proton Chemical Shifts with Molecular Structure, Spin – Spin Coupling and Spin – Spin Splitting, Specialized Techniques in ^1H -NMR Spectroscopy, Dynamic NMR, Carbon – ^{13}C NMR Spectroscopy, Correlating Carbon – ^{13}C Chemical Shifts with Molecular Structure.

Advanced Heterocyclic Chemistry (1746)

Structures and Spectroscopic Properties of Aromatic Heterocycles, Chemistry of Nitrogen Containing Heterocyclic Compounds, Chemistry of Sulphur, Containing Heterocyclic Compounds, Chemistry of Oxygen Containing Heterocycles, Chemistry of Fused Ring Heterocyclic Compounds I, Chemistry of Fused Ring Heterocyclic Compounds II, Heterocycles Containing more than One Heteroatom, Heterocycles Containing more than Two Heteroatoms, Chemistry of Saturated and Partially Unsaturated Heterocyclic Compounds.

Theoretical Background of Organic Lab Techniques (1772)

Distillation, Crystallization, Chromatography I, Chromatography II, Statistical Treatment of Data, Extraction, Organic Reagents, Working with Laboratory Equipment, Disposal of Waste and Recycling.

Organic Spectroscopy (1773)

UV / Visible Spectroscopy Part I, UV / Visible Spectroscopy Part II, UV / Visible Spectroscopy Part III, Infrared Spectroscopy, Infrared and Raman Spectroscopy, Mass Spectrometry I, Mass Spectrometry II, Mass Spectrometry III, Mass Spectrometry IV.

Homogenous Catalysis (1774)

Introduction, Basic Chemical Concepts, Alkene Based Homogenous Reactions, Carbonylation, Hydroformylation,

Palladium catalysed Cross-coupling reactions, C-H Activation, Oxidation with dioxygen, Alkene metathesis.

**SEMESTER III & IV for MPhil Programme
Research and Thesis (1760)****Description of PhD Chemistry Theory Courses****Semesters: I & II**

| Course Code | Course Title | Credit Hours |
|-------------|--|--------------|
| 1756 | Organic Photochemistry | 3 |
| 1757 | Pericyclic Chemistry | 3 |
| 1758 | Reaction Mechanism | 3 |
| 1762 | Quantum Organic Chemistry | 3 |
| 1765 | Advanced Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) Spectroscopy | 3 |
| 1766 | Special Topics in Chemistry | 3 |
| 1767 | Mass Spectrometry | 3 |
| 1768 | Special Techniques in Organic Synthesis | 3 |
| 1769 | Theoretical Aspects of Spectroscopy | 3 |
| 1789 | Literature Review and Seminar | 3 |
| 1799 | Instrumental Methods of Analysis | 3 |

Note: Any three courses out of the above mentioned theory courses will be offered in I semester. In II semester any three courses from the remaining list will be offered, subject to the availability of experts.

Description of PhD Chemistry Research Work & Thesis

| Semester | Course Code | Course Title | Credit Hours |
|----------|-------------|------------------------|--------------|
| III | 1764 | Research Work & Thesis | 12 |
| IV | 1764 | Research Work & Thesis | 12 |
| V | 1764 | Research Work & Thesis | 12 |
| VI | 1764 | Research Work & Thesis | 12 |

7. Offering

At present this programme is being offered at the university main campus in Islamabad. In future, it will be opened for the entire country subject to the availability of laboratories and appropriate tutorial support.

8. Assessment

Continuous Assessment

Continuous assessment will be based on assignments and class tests. The pass percentage in assignments and class tests will be 50%. The weightage of this component in the final result will be 30%.

Final Examination

Final examination of 100 marks for each three credit theory course will be conducted at the end of semester. The pass percentage in final examination will be 50% and its weightage in the final result 70%.

The student will have to pass in each component independently to be declared successful in the course.

Assessment of Research Thesis

After the completion of course work the candidate will undertake a research thesis under the guidance of a supervisor. Both the research project and name of supervisor will be approved by the Board of Advanced Studies and Research (BASR), AIOU. PhD thesis will be evaluated by foreign professors. The research report must be supported by at least one publication in International Journal as per HEC rules.

9. Attendance

These programmes are based on face to face teaching and research work. At least 70 % attendance is compulsory to qualify for appearing in final examination.

10. Fee Structure:

MPhil Chemistry Programme:

Course Fee: Rs.6785/- (For each 3-credit theory course) = Rs. 27140

Registration Fee: 200/- at the time of first admission

Admission Fee: Rs.1000/- at the time off first enrollment.

Technology Fee: Rs. 135/-

Total Fee for First Semester: Rs. 28475/-

Research thesis fee (For 12 credit hours research)

Semester III: Rs.54375/-

Semester IV: Rs. 54375/-

If the thesis is not submitted by the end of 4th semester, extra fee will be charged on per semester basis.

Thesis evaluation fee will be charged as per AIOU rules.

***PhD Fee Structure**

| Item | Rates |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| Tuition Fee (for 09 credit hours) | Rs.7395/- per semester |
| Admission Fee | Rs.2500/- |
| Registration Fee (if not already) | Rs.2400/- |
| Library Fee | Rs.700/- per semester |
| Laboratory / Computer charges | Rs.2000/- per semester |
| Technology Fee | Rs.135/- |
| Student ID Card Fee | Rs.100/- |
| Library security | Rs.2500/- refundable |
| Caution money | Rs.2000/- refundable |
| Total Fee (First Semester) | Rs.19730/- |

Research Fee Rs.15220/- (per semester)

*Only applicable after confirmation of admission in PhD, by the university.

Thesis evaluation fee and any other charges will be as per AIOU rules.

The University reserves the right to change the fee tariff in the coming semesters. This can be done without any prior notice as deemed fit for the expected expenditure which is to be incurred on the semester based academic and operational activities of the programme.

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DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS

Introduction:

Realizing the need of technology and scientific education in Pakistan Department of Physics at AIOU began in 1998 with technological needs in areas like Energy, Energy Efficiency, Climate, Energy for Sustainable Development, Renewable energy, Hydrogen Energy, Environment, astronomy, nanotechnology, materials science, Plasma, Medical Physics, Cosmology, Geo Physics, Density Functional Theory (DFT), and nuclear fields. A major emphasis of current research activities are on promotion in renewable energy and related areas in which the Department have led to innovations.

The Department is presently running BS 4 years, MSc, MPhil & PhD degree programme with specialization in various disciplines. New fields of specialization and programme of studies are approved and be operational from the next academic year. Apart from capacity development activities Department of Physics has been involved in several international, national and regional research projects. Physics Department has developed research linkage with other National and International Universities and research organizations of repute to ensure two-way flow of knowledge.

Vision:

The Department of Physics carries out Physics and provides teaching and research programmes that will contribute significantly to the development of human capacity, science

and technology in Pakistan. Our vision is to see our graduates and postgraduates to be equipped with the fundamental knowledge of Physics, problem solving, life and communication skills. This will be achieved by reviewing and developing relevant academic programmes and research and research projects to address Pakistan technological needs in areas like Energy, Renewable energy, Hydrogen Energy, Environment, Astronomy, Nanotechnology, Materials science, Plasma, Medical Physics, Cosmology, Geo Physics, Density Functional Theory (DFT), and Nuclear Physics. Our vision is to be a locally and internationally recognized Physics Department that exposes its successes in public awareness campaign and through established knowledge dissemination channels.

Mission:

The Department of Physics at AIOU becomes a nationally and internationally recognized research and educational unit. Our faculty strives to push the boundaries of our understanding in a wide variety of fundamental and applied Physics areas while providing the best research opportunities for our majors. The blending of classroom learning with training in XXI Century front-edge research facilities allows our graduates post graduates to become successful researchers, teachers and applied scientists in nowadays-competitive marketplace. At the same time, we are fully committed, as the physics department of the major research

university in our border region, to contribute to the general public appreciation and respect for the scientific work and knowledge.

Core Values:

To perform the highest levels of competence and professionalism in research and training, acting with utmost honesty and integrity. Sensitivity to staff and student welfare while instituting measures that meet the need of all stakeholders. Advance knowledge and technologies generate, preserve and disseminate knowledge and be involved in the development of innovative products. Cherish academic freedom, nurture and reward talent. The Department aspires to be an effective agent of change and a model for the other Departments in the field of research so as to meet the grooming demands of the new millennium.

The focus on area of specialization in DOP at AIOU in on the following areas:

Energy, Energy Efficiency, Energy Conservation, Energy for Sustainable Development, Electric power system Management, Energy Economics and Planning Renewable energy, Hydrogen Energy, Environment, Climate change, Astronomy, Nanotechnology, Materials science, Plasma, Medical Physics, Laser and Optics, Cosmology, Geo Physics, Density Functional Theory (DFT), Modeling and Simulation and Nuclear fields.

PhD Physics Programme

1. Duration of the Programme:

The minimum duration for the Direct PhD programme shall be six semester (03 years) and maximum duration of the programme shall be ten semesters (05 years). Student will take complete coursework in first two semesters & then carry out research work in last four semesters. Students have to complete 18 credit hours coursework and 36 credit hours research work. Minimum period for the completion of course work shall be two semesters (one year) and maximum four semesters (two years).

2. Admissions Prerequisites:

This is for the information of all concerned, that the degrees awarded by the universities/Degree Awarding Institutions must meet the following minimum criteria for the recognition by the HEC.

- a) For admission into PhD, minimum **CGPA 3.0** (out of 4.0 in the semester system) or **First Division** (in the annual system) in MPhil Physics/MS/Equivalent degree is required.
- b) Admission will be made as per HEC criteria.
- c) All rules of BASR/AIOU/HEC regarding PhD will be applied.

- d) Qualifying **Departmental Test** and **Interview** is mandatory for PhD Admission.
- e) **Two reference letters, consent letter of supervisor** and **research proposal** is mandatory for admission.

3. Scheme of studies:

Three compulsory courses (each of 3 credit hours) will be offered in the 1st semester and the remaining 3 optional courses will be opted by the students in the 2nd semester from the list given below. Each course is of 03 credit hours. Any of the following optional courses of 03-credit hours will be offered according to the availability of qualified teachers and research facilities.

Approved Course offering:

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| Course work during first year or 1 st & 2 nd Semester | 18 Cr.Hrs |
| Thesis/ Dissertation during second year or 3 rd , 4 th 5 th & 6 th semester | 36 Cr.Hrs. |
| Total credit hours required for completion | 54 Cr.Hrs |

Semester 1 (Compulsory)

| S.# | Course Title | Code | Cr.Hrs |
|-----|------------------------------------|------|--------|
| 1 | Advanced Mathematical Physics | 9701 | 3(3+0) |
| 2 | Experimental Techniques in Physics | 9702 | 3(3+0) |
| 3 | Renewable Energy Resources | 9706 | 3(3+0) |

Semester 2 (Optional)

(Courses will be offered depending on the needs and availability of the experts, out of which the student will opt only three)

| S.# | Title | Code | Cr.Hrs |
|-----|--|------|--------|
| 1 | Advanced Semiconductor Physics | 9703 | 3(3+0) |
| 2 | Statistical Physics | 9704 | 3(3+0) |
| 3 | Environmental Physics | 9705 | 3(3+0) |
| 4 | Hydrogen Energy Technology | 9707 | 3(3+0) |
| 5 | Energy Audit and Thermal Energy Conservation | 9708 | 3(3+0) |
| 6 | Energy Resources & Technologies | 9709 | 3(3+0) |
| 7 | Research Methods & Techniques | 9710 | 3(3+0) |
| 8 | Magnetism & Magnetic Materials | 9711 | 3(3+0) |
| 9 | Particle Physics | 9712 | 3(3+0) |
| 10 | Medical Physics | 9713 | 3(3+0) |
| 11 | Material Science | 9714 | 3(3+0) |
| 12 | Nano Science & Nanotechnology | 9715 | 3(3+0) |

Semester 3(Research)

Thesis 9700 9+0

Semester 4(Research)

Thesis 9700 9+0

Semester 5(Research)

Thesis 9700 9+0

Semester 6(Research)

Thesis 9700 9+0

4. Method of Instruction:

Allama Iqbal Open University employs media mix as methodology of instruction in which printed material, CDs and face-to-face tutorial support are mixed in accordance with the requirement of the discipline and the level of the course. Medium of instruction for this programme is English. In view of special requirements of post-graduate studies in Physics the following methodology of instruction will be followed.

i) Study Material

The University will provide reprinted and compiled course books or CDs.

ii) Assignments

(Quiz/Test/Presentations/Assignments)

Assignments / Quiz / Presentation for each 03 credit hrs course will be given. Students will complete the tasks within the semester. The marks obtained in these assignments contribute to the final course result. For successful completion of the course it is imperative to obtain a minimum of 50% marks in each assignment. Students failing in the continuous assessment will not be eligible to appear in the final examination.

iii) Tutorial Support

Tutorial support will be provided in the form of lectures by resource persons at the Campus. A minimum of 48 hours of face-to-face teaching/guidance for each 03 credit hour course (AIOU Description), will be provided in these tutorials. Attendance in these sessions is compulsory. Students failing to attain 70% attendance will not be eligible to appear in the final examination. AIOU will not bear any cost regarding TA/DA or boarding/ lodging facilities during these classes.

iv) Final Examination/ Continuous Assessment

At the end of each semester, the University will arrange final three hours written examination in each course for the PhD programme. It is imperative to obtain 50% marks in the final examination to pass in each course. The roll number slips and other relevant information related to examination centre will be provided to the students before the exam.

The distribution of continuous assessment and final examination will be as follows:

Assessment:

The distribution of continuous assessment and final examination will be as follows:

| | |
|--|-----|
| Assignments Weightage (Quiz/ Test/Presentations/ Assignments) | 20% |
| Attendance | 10% |
| Final Examination | 70% |
| Aggregate | 50% |

v) Coursework:

Tutorial support will be provided in the form of lectures by resource persons at the campus. A minimum of 48 hours of face-to-face teaching for each three credit hours will be provided in these lectures. Attendance in these sessions is compulsory.

vi) Thesis (Research Work)

PhD students will carry out research work for two years at any relevant scientific institution located near to the residence or place of appointment under the supervision of a scientist of the concerned institution. The selection of the project and the supervisor will be at the discretion of AIOU and the institution where research is being carried out. Each student will submit quarterly report duly signed by the thesis supervisor on the research work performed to the coordinator.

ix) Comprehensive Examination:

The students completing the PhD coursework shall be allowed to appear in the comprehensive examination arranged and conducted by the concerned department as per rules of HEC. The pass percentage in comprehensive examination shall be 50%. No grade will be awarded to the student, only pass or fail will be reflected in the result Performa.

x) Synopsis Orientation Workshop:

Duration of synopsis orientation workshop shall be of two weeks. Synopsis of only those students will be presented in research proposal committee meeting for final approvals who have attended the synopsis orientation workshop.

xi) Research Paper during Research Period:

The student of PhD Physics Programme will present at least two presentations in Seminars during his research work in

the presence of external examiner, as mandatory to their completion of their research degree.

xii) Approval of Thesis:

On completion of research work, the student will have to submit thesis to the Department for evaluation and defense as per format of the University. Minimum period for completion the thesis after successful completion of course work will be two semesters (one year) for PhD Physics Programme. For experimental research work, the period to be spent for conducting experiments in the laboratory will be decided by the supervisor.

5. Grading:

The Grade for PhD Physics will be determined as follows:

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|---------|--------------|
| Grade-A | 80% or above |
| Grade-B | 65% to 79% |
| Grade-C | 50%to 64% |
| Fail | Below 50% |

6. Fee Tariff:

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|--|--------------------|
| Admission fee: (Once at first admission) | Rs.2500/- |
| Registration fee: (Once at the time of admission) | Rs.2400/- |
| Course fee: (for each 3 credit hours courses Rs.5810) | Rs.17430/- |
| Technology fee: (Per student per semester) | Rs. 135/- |
| Total Fee for 1st Semester : | Rs.22465/- |
| Thesis fee: per credit hrs (36 credit hours) | Rs.69,720/- |
| Thesis Evaluation fee: | Rs.23165/- |

7. How To Pay The Fee:

The admission in this programme is purely on merit basis. No fee is to be paid unless intimated by the university. The fee is to be deposited through Challan Form (only) in the specified branches of Banks in Main campus of AIOU Islamabad, on the day of admission. The candidate will write his name (in block letters) full address and MPhil Physics Programme and semester on the Challan Form attached. Please keep a photocopy of the form and paid fee slip for record.

8. Traveling & Boarding/Lodging Expenses :

The AIOU does not have lodging and boarding facilities at the moment except at main campus Islamabad. Hostel facility is available in the main campus. If required, students will have to arrange lodging and transport by themselves. AIOU will not bear any cost in this regard. The fee does not include charges for boarding lodging and transport. Hence the University does not have any liability in this regard.

9. Financial Assistance:

Limited financial assistance is available to deserving students who shall apply on the prescribed AIOU forms supported with justifiable documentary proofs available after

admission during the 1st semester. Financial assistance will be considered from the 2nd semester

10. Information Regarding Admission:

- i. Announcement for admission will be made in the leading newspapers of the country.
- ii. The prospectus including admission form can be downloaded from the university website. The candidates are required to send complete admission forms along with the attested copies of all educational certificates at the following address, before closing date mentioned in the advertisement.

Associate Director,
Directorate of Board of Advance Studies,
P.D. Office Building, AIOU H-8 Islamabad.

- iii. Only the prescribed printed admission forms will be entertained. Photocopy of the forms will not be accepted. Incomplete forms will not be entertained in any case.
- iv. Admission in PhD Physics will be granted against limited seats strictly on the basis of merit and as per criteria laid down by the deptt. The University reserves its right not to start this Programme if a viable group of students is not formed.

M. Phil Physics Programme:

1. Duration of the Programme:

| Degree | Duration | Revised Credit Hours | Division of Revised Credit Hrs. |
|---------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|--|
| MS/ M.Phil | 1.5 to 4 years | 30CH Minimum | Course:24 CH Thesis:06 CH |

After submitting the synopsis in the department, waiting period spent for approval of synopsis by the RPC and time consumed in thesis evaluation shall not be counted towards maximum period of M.Phil Programme.

The medium of instruction, examination and thesis for all disciplines will be according to the approved scheme of studies of each department .

2. Eligibility and Admission Criteria (for M.Sc. or Equivalent Students):

Candidates holding M. Sc. / equivalent Physics degree with at least second division are eligible to apply for admission. The admission will be made strictly on merit. Qualifying the **Departmental Test & Interviews** is mandatory for admission.

3. Scheme of Studies (for M.Sc. or Equivalent Students):

Semester-wise Course Offering:

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|--|-------------------------|
| Coursework during 1st year or 1st & 2nd Semester | 24 Credit Hours. |
| Thesis / Project / Dissertation during second year or 3rd or 4th semester | 06 Credit Hours. |
| Total credit hours required for completion. | 30 Credit Hours |

Semester I (Core Courses)

| S.#. | Course Title | Course Code | Credit Hours |
|-------------|----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1 | Mathematical Physics | 1701 | 3+0 |
| 2 | Electrodynamics | 1703 | 3+0 |
| 3 | Solid State Physics | 1722 | 3+0 |
| 4 | Research Methodology | 7791 | 3+0 |

Semester 2 (Optional Courses)

(Four courses will be offered depending on the needs and availability of the experts)

| S.#. | Course Title | Course Code | Credit Hours |
|------|----------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| 1 | Advanced Quantum Mechanics | 1702 | 3(3+0) |
| 2 | Computational Physics | 1704 | 3(3+0) |
| 3 | Atomic & Molecular Physics | 1705 | 3(3+0) |
| 4 | Laser Physics | 1710 | 3(3+0) |
| 5 | Quantum Optics | 1711 | 3(3+0) |
| 6 | Plasma Physics | 1712 | 3(3+0) |
| 7 | Nuclear Physics | 1716 | 3(3+0) |
| 8 | Experimental Techniques | 1718 | 3(3+0) |
| 9 | Semiconductor Physics | 1720 | 3(3+0) |
| 10 | Quantum Field Theory | 1721 | 3(3+0) |
| 11 | Crystallography | 1724 | 3(3+0) |
| 12 | Physics of Glasses | 1726 | 3(3+0) |
| 13 | Physics of Metals & Alloy | 1728 | 3(3+0) |
| 14 | Non-Crystalline Materials | 1729 | 3(3+0) |

| S.# | Course Title | Code | Cr.Hrs |
|-----|--------------------------------|------|--------|
| 15 | Renewable Energy Resources | 1730 | 3(3+0) |
| 16 | Environmental Physics | 7792 | 3(3+0) |
| 17 | Antenna Theory | 7793 | 3(3+0) |
| 18 | E.M. Field Analysis | 7794 | 3(3+0) |
| 19 | Microelectronics | 7795 | 3(3+0) |
| 20 | High Frequency Electrodynamics | 7796 | 3(3+0) |
| 21 | Quantum Information Theory | 7797 | 3(3+0) |
| 22 | Electron Microscopy | 7798 | 3(3+0) |

Semester 3 (Research)

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|---|---------------|------|-----|
| 1 | Thesis | 1725 | 3+0 |
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Semester 4 (Research)

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| 1 | Thesis | 1725 | 3+0 |
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(Quiz/Test/Presentations/Assignments)

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face-to-face teaching/guidance for each 03 credit hour course (AIOU Description) will be provided in these tutorials. Attendance in these sessions is compulsory. Students failing to attain 70% attendance will not be eligible to appear in the final examination. AIOU will not bear any cost regarding TA/DA or boarding/ lodging facilities during these classes.

iv) Thesis (Research Work)

M. Phil student will be required to perform research work for one year at Allama Iqbal Open University, Department of Physics. The selection of the project and the supervisor will be at the discretion of Department of Physics, AIOU. Each student will submit quarterly report duly signed by the thesis supervisor on the research work performed to the coordinator. The student of M.Phil Physics Programme will submit one research paper (accepted or published) in any conference or research journal and deliver at least one seminar during his research work in the presence of external examiner, as mandatory to their completion of their research degree.

v) Final Examination/ Continuous Assessment

At the end of each semester, the University will arrange final three hours written examination in each course for the M. Phil programme. It is imperative to obtain 50% marks in the final

examination to pass in each course. The roll number slips and other relevant information related to examination centres will be provided to the students before the examination.

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5. Grading:

The Grade for M. Phil Physics will be determined as follows:

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| <i>Grade-A</i> | <i>80% or above</i> |
| <i>Grade-B</i> | <i>65% to 79%</i> |
| <i>Grade-C</i> | <i>50%to 64%</i> |
| <i>Fail</i> | <i>Below 50%</i> |

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| Course fee: | Rs.23,240/-@Rs.5,810/-per 3 credit hour course (Four 03 credit hours courses) (Inclusive of CDs & students activity funds) |
| Registration fee: | Rs. 200/- (at the time of first admission) |
| Admission fee: | Rs.1000/- (at the time of first enrolment) |
| Technology Fee + Courier Charges: | Rs.135/- |
| Total fee | Rs.24,575/- |

6. How to Pay the Fee:

The admission in this programme is purely on merit basis. No fee is to be paid unless intimated by the university. The fee is to be deposited through Challan Form (only) in the specified branches of Banks in Main campus of AIOU Islamabad, on the day of admission. The candidate will write his name (in block letters) full address and M.Phil Physics Programme and semester on the Challan Form attached. Please keep a photocopy of the form and paid fee slip for record.

7. Traveling & Boarding/Lodging Expenses:

The AIOU does not have lodging and boarding facilities at the moment except at main campus Islamabad. If required, students will have to arrange lodging and transport by themselves. AIOU will not bear any cost in this regard. The fee does not include charges for boarding lodging and transport. Hence the University does not have any liability in this regard.

8. Hostel Facilities:

The student coming from other cities can avail the hostel facility on reasonable rates (other than fee)

9. Financial Assistance:

Limited financial assistance is available to deserving students who shall apply on the prescribed AIOU forms

supported with justifiable documentary proofs available after admission during the 1st semester. Financial assistance will be considered from the 2nd semester

For any kind of assistance, kindly contact on the following:

Prof. Dr. Syed Zafar Ilyas,
Chairman, Department of Physics,
Science Block, 1st Floor,
Allama Iqbal Open University, Sector - H-8, Islamabad.
Email: szilyas@aiou.edu.pk

Note: Admission form complete in all respect must be sent on the following address:

Associate Director
Directorate of Board of Advance Studies,
P.D. Office Building, AIOU, H-8, Islamabad

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES (DAS)

Introduction:

The Department of Agricultural Sciences (DAS) is making earnest efforts aiming at supplementing, supporting and re-enforcing extension services and offering agriculture related programmes at different levels.

Agriculture progress in most developing countries has mainly involved an increase in the production of staple crops, the introduction of industrial crops and development of livestock production.

At present, higher education in agriculture is imparted by four formal agricultural universities in Pakistan, which are not catering in-service personnel. AIOU conducted a survey to get an idea about the higher education in Agricultural Extension, Livestock Management, Forestry Extension & Rural Development and received a positive response from candidates who could not improve their qualification from formal Agricultural Universities for one or other reason and are now working in different governmental departments and NGOs.

Programmes:

The DAS offers the following programmes /courses at different level.

Programmes at Postgraduate Level

1. PhD Agricultural Extension
2. MSc (Hons) Agricultural Extension
3. MSc (Hons) Livestock Management
4. MSc (Hons) Rural Development
5. MSc Forestry Extension

Besides Postgraduate programmes the department also offers Higher Secondary School Certificate (HSSC), Secondary School Certificate (SSC) and Short Term Courses.

1. MSc (Hons) Agricultural Extension

a) Introduction:

Agriculture is the principal occupation and source of livelihood of great majority of rural population of the country and it is the basic and largest component of our economy in terms of production, employment and export earnings. For agricultural development in a country like Pakistan, strong linkages amongst institution human resource development and technology transfer are very important. The technology transfer being a continuous process cannot possibly take place in a vacuum. It needs to be done in a well-organized system of agricultural extension where role of the scientist, the extension agent, and the farmer are all too important. The scientist must develop better yielding varieties and breeds of crops and animals, the extension agent must, on his part, equip himself with better and effective methods to convince the farmer about the product's utilitarian importance. Once convinced, the farmer will certainly adopt innovations for his own economic betterment.

Allama Iqbal Open University being concerned with the educational part of the Agricultural Extension system has therefore decided to initiate master level courses in Agricultural Extension for enhancing the knowledge and skill of the extension agents/workers already working in the field.

MSc (Hons) Agricultural Extension Programme is designed for those Agriculture Graduates who are unable to continue

their studies after completing BSc (Hons) Agriculture, BSc Agriculture Engineering, BSc Animal Husbandry, D.V.M. from formal Agricultural Universities and are now working in different departments, organizations, and agencies and cannot enhance their education through formal system could benefit from AIOU offer.

b) Objectives:

Main objectives of the programme are:

1. To improve the level of knowledge and skills of the prospective students.
2. To provide skills for improving diffusion and adoption of innovations among the farming community.
3. To improve the ability and self-confidence of students of Agriculture Extension to critically analyze the Agriculture Extension service and technology transfer system with a view to identify difficulties, problems and issues in promoting applied research in farming systems research and extension.
4. To promote human resource development in agricultural extension and help to meet training needs of extension field staff and rural communities.

c) Eligibility:

Candidates possessing BSc (Hons) Agricultural Extension degree with 2nd division.

OR

Other related discipline like BSc (Hons) Agriculture, Rural Sociology, Animal Husbandry, DVM, BSc Agricultural Engineering Degree in second division are also eligible for admission in MSc (Hons) Agricultural Extension, but the

Admission Committee may define deficiency courses for them, if necessary.

d) Admission Procedure:

- (i) Candidates must have to qualify subject test being conducted by the Department.
- (ii) Selection of the candidates will be made strictly on the basis of merit, which will be determined by the departmental admission committee after scrutinizing the application of the students as per AIOU MPhil admission rules.
- (iii) There will be a departmental admission committee responsible to finalize the admission.
- (iv) For clarification about academic matters please contact on the following address:

CHAIRPERSON

Department of Agricultural Sciences
Allama Iqbal Open University, Sector H-8, Islamabad.

Note: Admission form complete in all respect must be sent on the above address:

e) Scheme of Studies: Agricultural Extension Courses

| Sr. No. | Course Title | Code | Credit Hours |
|-------------------|---------------------------------|------|--------------|
| <i>Semester 1</i> | | | |
| 1 | Agriculture Extension Education | 795 | 3(3+0) |
| 2 | Extension Programme Development | 796 | 3(3+0) |
| 3 | Evaluation Research | 2525 | 3(3+0) |
| 4 | Agricultural Extension Systems | 2526 | 3(3+0) |

| Semester 2 | | | |
|-------------------|--|------|--------|
| 1 | Scientific and Technical Writing in Agriculture Extension | 2518 | 3(3+0) |
| 2 | Adult Learning & Rural Development | 799 | 3(3+0) |
| 3 | The Process and Strategies of Communication in Agriculture Extension | 2533 | 3(3+0) |
| 4 | Human Resource Development | 1793 | 3(3+0) |

| 3rd and 4th Semester | | | |
|---|---------------|----|-------|
| 1 | Thesis (2536) | 24 | Cr Hr |

Total 48 Credit Hours

f) Fee Tariff:

| Sr.# | Item | Rates |
|------------------|--|-------------------|
| 1. | Registration fee (Once at the time of first admission) | Rs.200/- |
| 2. | Admission fee (Once at the time of first admission) | Rs.1000/- |
| 3. | Technology fee (per semester) | Rs.135/- |
| 4. | Each Course fee per 3 credit hour | Rs.3460/- |
| 5. | Thesis fee (12+12 Credit Hour course) | Rs.27430 /- |
| 6. | Thesis evaluation fee (at the time of submission of the thesis) | Rs.5220/- |
| Total Fee | | Rs.15175/- |

Note: Only selected candidate will deposit the fee after receiving the intimation letter from the admission department.

g) Instructional Methodology:

Duration of Programme:

The minimum duration of MSc (Hons) Agricultural Extension Programmes shall be 4 semesters (two years) and maximum duration shall be 8 semesters (four years).

The minimum period of the 24 credit hours course work for MSc (Hons) Agricultural Extension shall be two semesters (one year).

In case the student fails to complete the course/research work within the prescribed maximum period, she/he has to take a fresh admission in the programme.

Workshop:

The student will have a total of two chances to attend and pass the workshop of the course concerned. Passing the workshop will be pre-requisite for appearing in the final examination of the course. In exceptional circumstances a special chance may be allowed by the Vice-Chancellor on the recommendation of the Chairman.

Thesis:

At the beginning of the third semester, a student will be required to submit research proposal (synopsis) to the Department. The synopsis will be prepared in accordance with the guidelines approved by the Board of Advanced Studies and Research (BASR). The Department will provide

guidelines for developing of synopsis in the synopsis orientation workshop.

Viva Voce:

If the thesis is approved by the external evaluators, student has to appear before viva voce committee to defend his/her thesis.

Important Note:

Rules, regulations framed, enhanced and changed from time to time by the authorities/bodies of the University will be applicable to all the students. The students will have to abide by all such rules and the regulations.

2. MSc (Hons) Rural Development

a) Introduction:

Despite the existence of large urban centers, Pakistan is still predominantly a rural society with approximately 70 percent of the population living in the rural areas. Rural development implies comprehensive and sustainable development for people and places in rural areas. It depends on several interrelated components including development appropriate production technology, dissemination of modern technology to the farming community, formulation of suitable policies for growth in the farm and rural non-farm economies, conservation and sustainable use of natural resources, and provision of infrastructure and social services. All countries in the world are subject to continual social and economic change, and the rural sectors of developing countries and countries in transition are pivotal in this process. It is recognized that in a context of increasing globalization and understanding of the underlying driving forces of this process and its consequences is critical.

Achieving rural development and responding to these global challenges will require trained professionals with a wide range of relevant expertise. These are needed to work in government agencies, non-governmental organization (NGOs) and in the private sector. Professionals are needed who can formulate appropriate policies, plans, design and implement development projects, disseminate appropriate technology and information to farmers and small-scale entrepreneurs and manage business and the efficient delivery of services in rural areas. Recognizing the growing needs and requirements for trained professionals in rural development AIOU has decided to initiate a Masters level programme in Rural Development. This programme provides graduates with an interdisciplinary base from which to approach the diverse issue involved in rural change. It is designed for students interested in pursuing careers that are interactive with the potential and problems associated with the rural sector. The programme is multidisciplinary in its course contents, and will provide an opportunity for in depth study of the key elements of rural development and relevant professional practice.

b) Objectives:

The programme gives students the opportunities to develop:

- A critical awareness of the social, economic and management issues underlying socio-economic change.
- Conceptual and analytical skills relevant to the social and economic dimensions of agriculture and related industries.
- A set of potential skills pertinent to working in the public private or NGO domains.
- The ability to change with, and influence, rational debates concerning the optimal direction of rural sector change.

- Sufficient knowledge and understanding of the major problems socio-cultural and economic conditions of rural areas in Pakistan.

c) Eligibility:

BSc (Hons) Agriculture/D.V.M./Animal Husbandry/ Agriculture Engineering degree in 2nd division or MA/MSc in Social Work/Sociology/Rural Sociology/Anthropology/ Forestry/ Forestry Extension/Developmental Studies/ Environmental Sciences/ Economics/HRD/NRM/Business Management degree with second division/ 2.5 CGPA.

d) Scheme of Studies:

| Sr. No. | Title of course | Code | Credit Hours |
|-------------------|--|------|--------------|
| Semester 1 | | | |
| 1. | Sustainable Rural Development | 1790 | 3(3+0) |
| 2. | Regenerating Agriculture | 1791 | 3(3+0) |
| 3. | Rural Poverty Alleviation | 1792 | 3(3+0) |
| 4. | Human Resource Development | 1793 | 3(3+0) |
| Semester 2 | | | |
| 1. | NGO Management | 1794 | 3(3+0) |
| 2. | Research for Development | 1795 | 3(3+0) |
| 3. | Natural Resources Management | 1796 | 3(3+0) |
| 4. | Managing Projects in Rural Development | 1797 | 3(3+0) |

Thesis in 3rd and 4th Semesters

e) Admission

- Selection of the candidates will be made strictly on the basis of merit, which will be determined by the departmental

admission committee after scrutinizing the application of the students as per AIOU M. Phil admission rules.

- Rules, regulations final, enhanced and changed from time to time by the authorities/bodies of the University will be applicable to all the students. The students will have to abide by all such rules and the regulations.
- For clarification about academic matters please contact on the following address:

CHAIRPERSON

Department of Agricultural Sciences
AIOU, H-8, Islamabad Ph: 051-9250064

Note: Admission form complete in all respect must be sent on the above address:

f) Fee Tariff: MSc (Hons) Rural Development

| Sr. # | Item | Rates |
|-------|--|-------------------|
| 1. | Admission fee (once at the time of admission) | Rs.1000/- |
| 2. | Registration fee (once at the time of admission) | Rs.200/- |
| 3. | Technology fee (per semester) | Rs.135/- |
| 4. | Course Fee (per 3 credit hour Course) | Rs.3460/- |
| 5. | Thesis Fee | Rs.27430/- |
| 5. | Thesis Evaluation fee | Rs.5220/- |
| | Total Fee for 1st Semester | Rs.15175/- |

Note: Only selected candidate will deposit the fee after securing the intimation letter from the admission department.

g) Instructional Methodology:

Workshop:

The student will have a total of two chances to attend and pass the workshop of the course concerned. Passing the workshop will be pre-requisite for appearing in the final examination of the course. In exceptional circumstances a special chance may be allowed by the Vice-Chancellor on the recommendation of the Chairman.

Duration of Programme:

The minimum duration of MSc (Hons) Rural Development shall be two years and maximum duration shall be four years. There will be two semesters in each year.

The minimum period of the 24 credit hours course work for MSc (Hons) Rural Development shall be two semesters (One Year).

At the beginning of the third semester, a student will be required to submit research proposal (synopsis) to the Department. The synopsis will be prepared in accordance with the guidelines approved by the Board of Advanced Studies and Research (BASR). The Department will provide guidelines for developing the research proposal in the synopsis orientation workshop.

Viva Voce:

If the thesis is approved by the external evaluators, student has to appear before viva voce committee to defend his/her thesis.

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FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES

First established in 1981 with five departments, the Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities has, over the years, flourished to become, by far, the largest Faculty of the University. It, today, consists of fourteen departments offering masters programmes in major areas of Social Sciences and Humanities like, Business Administration, Economics, Mass Communication, Sociology, Gender and Women Studies, Urdu, Library & Information Sciences, History, Pakistan Studies, and Teaching of English as a foreign Language (TEFL). Additionally, efforts are afoot to plan and launch post-graduate programmes in Pakistani Languages and Law. The Commonwealth-collaborated master's programmes in the areas of Business and Public Administration, which are specially tailored for the modern day busy executives, were launched in Spring 2002 semester.

In tune with the government's policy of promoting and strengthening a culture of higher education and research in the country, the AIOU's Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities has shown a lot of dynamism over the past few years. It has launched MPhil/PhD programmes in Iqbaliat, Urdu, Mass Communication, Pakistani Languages, Economics, History and Pakistan Studies, MS in Business Administration, while preparations are being made to launch PhD in Business Administration, Applied Linguistics and History.

The Faculty of Social Sciences & Humanities also offers several bachelors' level programmes in such professional areas like Bachelors in Library & Information Sciences (BLIS), BS-Business Administration, BS-Commerce and Mass Communication. Thousands of students comprising all demographic grounds from all over the country, enroll each year in these bachelor's level programmes.

The Faculty has expanded vitally and its programmes have gained a high popularity as is clear from rapidly rising trend of enrolment during the past decade. During the mentioned period, the Faculty accorded high priority towards quality improvement and modified its programmes in accordance with the current challenges of 21st century.

The Faculty proposed to launch Post-Graduate programmes in the disciplines of Political Science and International Relations, Psychology, Public Administration and Social Work.

DEPARTMENT OF IQBAL STUDIES

Introduction

The Department of Iqbal Studies was established in the university when it was renamed with Allama Iqbal's ascription. It is offering two courses at Intermediate, three courses at BA level, full programme with thirty-six credit hours at MPhil level and PhD Iqbal Studies Programme.

PhD IQBAL STUDIES

1. Eligibility for Admission

- M Phil Iqbal Studies from any recognized university in first division or CGPA (3.0).
- Test/Interview by the Ph D Admission Committee.

2. Admission Procedure

1. A candidate seeking admission to Ph.D degree programme shall apply to the Chairman, Department of Iqbal Studies, on the announcement of admission by the University.
2. A candidate already holding M Phil degree Iqbal Studies with CGPA 3.0 (or 60% marks) shall apply for admission in PhD on prescribed admission form to the Chairman of Department/Institute for his/her admission.
3. A candidate will become full time student of Ph.D programme after depositing the prescribed semester based fee for the 1st semester of course work for each programme. In case of failure to deposit the fee as per specified, the admission shall automatically be stand cancelled after due date. However, under real hardship cases, the Director Admission may extend the date of depositing fee for further two weeks.
4. Admission of M Phil based Ph.D programme will be notified by the Director (Admission) after the receipt of admission dues.

3. Scheme of Studies

| Sr. No. | Name of Programme | Ph.D in Iqbal Studies |
|---------|---------------------------|---|
| 1. | Duration | Three to Five years |
| 2. | Credit | As per AIOU Ph.D rules |
| 3. | Medium of Instruction | Urdu / English |
| 4. | Course Work | 18 credit hours of course work as required by HEC. |
| 5. | Research Work | The thesis of PhD must be a distinct contribution to knowledge and must offer evidence to originality, shown either by the discovery of new facts or by the exercise of independent critical judgment. |
| 6. | Workshop | As per AIOU rules for Ph.D |
| 7. | Evaluation | As per recent amendments of AIOU rules & regulations. In the light of HEC directives Ph.D thesis is necessary to be sent for evaluation to three foreign experts from technological advanced countries. |
| 8 | Components of Course Work | 1. Assignments 2. Face to Face teaching in shape of workshop 3. Final Examination 4. Mid Term Exam |

4. Details of Course Work of Iqbal Studies

1st Semester

| Sr. No. | Code | Course Title | Cr. Hrs. |
|---------|------|---|----------|
| 1. | 6701 | Iqbal's Urdu Poetry (Zarb-e-Kaleem, Armgan-e-Hijaz-I) | 03 |
| 2. | 6702 | Selected Persian Text of Iqbal | 03 |
| 3. | 6703 | Political Thoughts of Iqbal | 03 |

2nd Semester

| Sr. No. | Code | Course Title | Cr. Hrs. |
|---------|------|--|----------|
| 1. | 6704 | Religious Thoughts of Iqbal | 03 |
| 2. | 6705 | Lectures of Iqbal | 03 |
| 3. | 6706 | Research and Texts Editing with Reference of Iqbal | 03 |

3rd Semester

| Sr. No. | Code | Course Title | Cr. Hrs. |
|---------|------|--------------|----------|
| 1. | 700 | Thesis | – |

5. Fee Structure

| Nature of Fee | Amount |
|---|-------------------|
| Admission fee (This fee will be paid with the fee of first semester) | Rs.2000/- |
| Registration fee Once at the time of Admission | Rs.2000/- |
| Technology Fee | Rs.135/- |
| Tuition fee for 3 credit hours course (A student can take three courses of 3 credit hours in one semester) | Rs.3615/- |
| Student ID Card (once at the time of admission) | Rs.100/- |
| Library (Per Semester) | Rs.700/- |
| Caution Money (Refundable) | Rs.2000/- |
| Thesis Fee | Rs.28920/- |
| Ph D Thesis Evaluation Fee (This fee will be submitted at the time of submission of Ph D Thesis) | Rs.29980/- |
| Total Fee for 1st Semester | Rs.17780/- |

6. How to Apply for Admission

The candidates who are interested to get admission should follow the following directions:

1. Please read the prospectus carefully.
2. Complete all columns of Application form carefully and do not leave any column incomplete.
3. Paste your photo at the place provided for that purpose.
4. Attach following documents in duplicate with the Application form.

- (i) Attested copy of ID Card and Domicile Certificate
- (ii) Attested copy of SSC and HSSC Certificate.
- (iii) Attested copy of BA, MA Degree and Result Cards.
- (vi) Attested copy of MPhil Degree and Result Cards.
- (vii) Any other document you like to attach in support of your qualification.
- (ix) Copy of published research papers (if any)

7. How to Apply for Admission

Candidates are required to send complete admission forms along with attested copies of all educational degrees, certificates and marks sheet at the following address before the closing date.

Incomplete admission forms will not be accepted.

Associate Director

Directorate of Board of Advance Studies,
P.D. Office Building, AIOU, H-8, Islamabad

Faculty Members

| Name & Designation | Contact No. |
|--|----------------------------|
| Prof. Dr. Shahid Iqbal Kamran Chairman, Department of Iqbal Studies | 051-9250009 051-9057774 |
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DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

PhD in History

1. INTRODUCTION

The Department of History was established in 1995 as part of the Faculty of Social Sciences & Humanities. The Department of History occupies a prominent place in Allama Iqbal Open University. The aim of the Department is to uphold that position while offering broad range of courses at the undergraduate, graduate and post graduate level across Pakistan. M.Phil Programme in History was launched in 2015 that aims to provide rigorous training and preparation for doctoral studies. PhD Programme in History being as advance research degree, provides an opportunity for students to produce an original academic research in their area of interest. This programme aims to cater the needs of faculty members working at educational institutions and general public at large. The programme is structured on flexible instructional design that would enable scholars to faster critical understanding of the past, complete genuine research and be eligible for departmental promotions, in-service training, and research oriented jobs.

2. OBJECTIVES

- The major objective of the programme is to inculcate the sense of History and Historiography through research on local, regional and international History.

- The evolution in historical narrative stemming from historiography of Ancient Pakistan to British India (colonial India) from national politics to international recognition of its social, cultural and indigenous features will be highlighted through specialized study courses.
- The endeavors of Muslim leaders during freedom struggle will be focused.
- The courses on Modern world will be taught to cope up with the global situation around.
- The scholars will be trained in art of writing history by participating face to face in dissertation-writing workshops.

3. ELIGIBILITY & PROCEDURE FOR ADMISSION

A candidate seeking admission in PhD Programme shall apply by filling up a prescribed admission form and submit to the Chairperson, Department of History after admissions announcement by the Allama Iqbal Open University.

The minimum entry requirements for admission to PhD (History) are:

1. MS/MPhil in History (18 years of education with research thesis) CGPA 3.0 out of 4.0 or Ist division (60% marks) with thesis is required.
2. The criteria of admission will be based on merit. A written test and interview will be conducted under the auspice of the Departmental Admission Committee, Department of History AIOU, Islamabad. The qualifying marks for the subject Test will be 70%.

3. A Merit list will be determined by the department according to the approved criteria.
4. All other rules and instructions applied by Allama Iqbal Open University from time to time will be implied.
5. A candidate will act as full time student of PhD programme after depositing the prescribed fee (semester-wise) for the 1st semester of course work. In case of failure to deposit the fee as specified, the admission shall automatically be stand cancelled after due date. However, under real hardship cases, the Director of Admissions may extend the date of depositing fee further for two weeks.
6. Admission of PhD scholar will be notified by the Director Admissions after the receipt of admission dues.

4. DURATION OF THE PROGRAMME

Duration

The minimum duration of the PhD degree shall be six semesters (three years) and maximum duration shall be ten semesters (five years).

Coursework

The minimum period for completion of PhD coursework shall be two semesters (one year) and maximum of four semesters (two years) provided the maximum period of five years is not affected.

Thesis

The minimum period to complete PhD thesis after confirmation of candidature (date of meeting of BASR in which synopsis is approved) shall be three semesters. (Detailed information regarding thesis can be taken from the Department).

5. MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION

The medium of instruction and examination will be English.

6. SCHEME OF STUDIES

The PhD in History Programme will comprise of 30-credit hours in total: 18 credit hours course work and 12 credit hours of research work.

Semester wise offering of courses will be as under:

1st Semester

| S. No. | Course Title | Course Code | Credit Hours |
|--------|---|-------------|--------------|
| 1 | British India (1857-1947)-I (A Study of Primary Sources) | 7801 | 3 |
| 2 | Research Methodology (Theory and Methods) | 7802 | 3 |
| 3 | History of Modern World since 1945 (China/Central Asia/Eastern Europe) | 7803 | 3 |

2nd Semester

| S. No. | Course Title | Course Code | Credit Hours |
|--------|--|-------------|--------------|
| 1 | Historiography: (Modern Trends) | 7804 | 3 |
| 2 | British India(1857-1947)-II (A Study of Urban Politics) | 7805 | 3 |
| 3 | History of Pakistan (1947-88)-I (Governance, Political Culture and Democracy) | 7806 | 3 |

3rd Semester

| | | | |
|---------------------------|--|------|-----------|
| 1 | Synopsis Workshop (Compulsory) Dissertation | 7810 | 12 |
| Total Credit Hours | | | 30 |

7. INSTRUCTIONAL METHODOLOGY

The following methodology will be adopted for launching/ coordinating of the PhD Programme in History. The outlines of courses along with the required reading material and assignments will be provided to the students during workshops by the Department.

a) Assignments

Assignments are those written exercises which students complete while being at their homes and places of work after studying their reading material and attending the course workshop organized by the Department. These are designed in a way that students are able to relate their readings with their own objective judgments. The students will send two compulsory assignments for each 3 credit hours course to their tutors who will return the same after marking and providing necessary academic guidance.

b) Workshops

There is a series of mandatory workshops conducted by the Department at the beginning and ending of each semester, during coursework. Workshop component will be consisted of 48 hours dedicated for each course. (12 days' orientation workshop at the commencement of each semester and 12 days' final workshop will be held at the end of each semester before final examination).

Workshop would be arranged only at the main campus AIOU, Islamabad. Due to pandemic, online classes will be conducted as per HEC and AIOU policy. The participation of the students in the workshop is compulsory. No relaxation will be provided to the students. The workshops (classes) are organized in order to provide the students proper guidance in course contents through intensive lectures, group discussion, etc. The programme of the workshop is chalked out by the Department and intimated to the students well in time. Hostel facility at the Main Campus, AIOU Islamabad may be available on payment by the students, if desired. A student who fails in continuous assessment component is not eligible to reappear but will be allowed to re-register for the same course at its next offering by the university. Whereas for workshops that is compulsory component of assessment, two additional consecutive chances would be provided to students on the payment of Re-appear Workshop Fee with the permission of the Chairperson of the Department.

c) Student Counseling

Students counseling is provided regarding academic matters through telephone, email, etc. by concerned Faculty Member.

d) Synopsis Orientation Workshop

The department will hold a two-week Synopsis Orientation Workshop to identify the topics for students' research and develop the synopses for their PhD thesis.

The synopses will then be submitted to the Board of Advance Studies and Research (BASR) for approval.

Students shall submit detailed research proposals in the third semester (after the completion of coursework). Participation of the students in Synopsis Orientation Workshop will be mandatory.

e) Thesis

A student is required to carry out research work under a trained supervisor having PhD degree in the relevant field. Only those students will be given admission in thesis that successfully pass the comprehensive examination.

8. ASSESSMENT

The performance of scholars in PhD History would be evaluated as under:

i) Assignments

Each course carries maximum of 100 marks. There are two assignments for each 3 credit hours course. The passing marks in the assignment are 50/100.

Distribution of marks:

ii) Workshops

Students' activities in the workshop are thoroughly monitored and a weightage of 10% will be given to students according to their performance in the workshops.

iii) Mid Term Examination

There will also be a mid-term examination for each course during the coursework. The mid-term is usually held during the course workshops.

iv) Final Examination

At the end of each semester, final examination will be conducted by the University for each Course.

| Component | Weightage |
|-----------------|-----------|
| Assignment | 20% |
| Course Workshop | 10% |
| Mid Term | 20% |
| Final Exam | 50% |

v) Comprehensive Examination

- a) After successful completion of coursework the students will appear in comprehensive examination (written exams and viva voce).
- b) Each PhD candidate will be given maximum of two chances to clear the comprehensive examination.
- c) The passing percentage in comprehensive exam shall be 50 percent; however, no grades will be awarded to the candidate.

vi) Thesis Evaluation

- a) On completion of PhD research thesis the student will be required to submit five spiral bound copies of the thesis to the supervisor.
- b) Supervisor will send five spiral bound copies of the thesis to the Chairman with a signed certificate along with a duly filled in checklist provided by the University.

(vii) Public Defense

The PhD viva-voce will be an open defense. The topic, time and place of viva-voce will also be notified by Chairman of the Department on Notice Boards in the University as an invitation to all those who want to attend the viva-voce.

9. CANCELLATION OF ADMISSION

Admission of already admitted student or a new candidate may be cancelled in accordance with University's Regulation in the following circumstances:

- a) In case the candidate is found guilty of having forged any of his/her degree or relevant documents submitted to the University at the time of Admission in PhD programme.
- b) Disciplinary action against misbehavior/misconduct.
- c) Plagiarization
- d) If he/she fails in fulfillment of all the requirement to be qualified to obtain degree within the maximum time limit prescribed for the programme excluding the periods of deferment with the approval of the competent authority.

10. FEE DEPOSITING PROCEDURE

Only after issuance of receipt of admission offer, the candidate would pay dues in accordance with the fee tariff as directed by the Admission Office.

Note: No fee is required at the time of submission of the admission form.

Fee Structure

| Nature of Fee | Amount |
|---|--------------------|
| Admission Fee This fee will be paid with the fee of first semester | Rs. 2500/- |
| Registration Fee Once at the time of Admission | Rs. 2500/- |
| Tuition Fee for 3 credit hours course A student can take three courses of 3 credit hour in one semester (Rs. 3615 x 3 = 10845) | Rs. 10845/- |
| Student ID Card Once | Rs. 100/- |
| Library Fee Per Semester | Rs. 700/- |
| Technology Fee | Rs. 135/- |
| Caution Money Refundable | Rs. 2000/- |
| Total Fee for 1 st Semester | Rs. 18780/- |
| Thesis Fee | Rs.28920/- |
| PhD Thesis Evaluation Fee This Fee will be submitted at the time of Submission of PhD Thesis | Rs. 54075/- |

Note: Admission form complete in all respect may be sent on the following address:

Associate Director
Directorate of Board of Advance Studies,
P.D. Office Building, AIOU, H-8, Islamabad

Faculty Members:

For guidance, student may contact the following faculty members of the Department of History, Block -9, AIOU Main Campus, Sector H-8, Islamabad.

- 1. Dr. Samina Awan**
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Associate Professor
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- 3. Mr. Abdul Basit Mujahid (MPhil)**
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Department of English

The Department of English at Allama Iqbal Open University being one of the oldest in the country, was established in 1974 within the Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities. The Department currently offers three programmes, one-year Post Graduate Diploma (PGD) in Teaching of English as a Foreign Language (TEFL), two-year Master of Arts (MA) in Teaching of English as a Foreign Language (TEFL) and four-year BS degree programme in English. These programmes were respectively initiated in 1985, 1988 and 2019. It is a unique pride of the Department that it not only initiated specific courses for the training of English language teachers for the first time in the country but also introduced its prestigious one-year diploma TEFL and Dip TEIL-Teaching of English as an International Language in collaboration with the University Grants Commission (UGC) now HEC, Government of Pakistan in 1980s.

Based on a very realistic demand from the market and keeping in mind the popularity of higher degree programmes in English, now the Department has decided to offer the following two prestigious programmes from the next academic year (Autumn 2020):

1. MPhil in English (with specializations in Linguistics and English Literature)
2. PhD in Linguistics

The main objectives to launch this MPhil programme (with two specialized fields) are to contribute to the capacity

building of English language teaching (ELT) experts in the country and to explore and promote English literature through high quality research particularly focusing on current and future needs of the country. Secondly, there is a high demand for English professionals across Pakistan to serve in various fields (inter alia, federal and provincial management through CSS/PMS, at tertiary and higher educational institutions and in armed forces). Thirdly, ELT professionals from across the country have been demanding for the launch of this programme at the AIOU platform. In this regard, it is worth mentioning that there is a high number of ELT professionals working in the far flung areas of the country who intend to enhance their professional qualifications but they find hard to get enrolled due to very high fee structure for such programmes offered by public or private universities.

Other objectives include:

- To enhance the overall quality of ELT in the country by promoting the culture of research in the fields of ELT and English literature.
- To address local issues related to applied linguistics (e.g., ELT) and provide viable solutions through research.
- To enable ELT professionals and policy makers (related to languages and literature) to make informed decisions based on research.
- To promote evidence-based ELT practices through the use of relevant local and foreign research studies.

- To promote research culture (in general) and studies on Pakistani literature and regional languages (in particular) in the country.
- To endeavor to create new knowledge related to our regional languages and promote them nationally as well as internationally.
- To instill critical and analytical thinking in MPhil research students (in English).
- To improve soft skills of MPhil research students (in English).
- To provide a specialized manpower to the ELT and relevant job market.
- To explore English literature (written around the world) and promote literary taste among scholars.
- To promote skills such as translation and use it for the promotion of literature based activities in the country.

MPhil English

Currently, the Department plans to offer MPhil degree programme in English with the following two specializations from the next academic year (Autumn 2020):

1. English Literature
2. Applied Linguistics (English Language Teaching)

MPhil scheme in English comprises twenty-four (24) credit hours of course work and twelve (12) credit hours of thesis. The course work consists of one semester together (combined) for the both specializations one semester separately planned for stream-specific courses equaling to 36 credit hours in total. See Section 4 below for the details on scheme of studies.

1. Duration of MPhil English Programme

The minimum duration of MPhil English is two years (four semesters) and the maximum duration shall be four years (08 semesters) as per HEC/AIOU rules.

2. Eligibility for Admission

The minimum entry requirement for admission to MPhil English programme shall be Master Degree (MA) in English/Linguistics/Applied Linguistics/TEFL/TESOL/ELT (and other equivalent degree) with second division from any recognized University.

- i. Merit will be determined by the Department of English according to the approved criteria of the University.
- ii. Only short-listed candidates will be called for test/interview.
- iii. The Department enrolls limited number of students to the programme.
- iv. The Admission Department will inform the selected candidates for fee deposit.

3. Medium of Instruction

The medium of instruction and examination is English.

4. Scheme of Studies

Semester-wise course offering details of course work/research are given below:

1st Semester (Combined Semester)

| S. No. | Course Title | Course Codes | Credit Hours |
|--------|---|--------------|--------------|
| 1. | Critical Theories & Research Discourse Analysis | 2801 | 3 |
| 2. | Stylistics | 2802 | 3 |
| 3. | Current Issues in Pragmatics | 2803 | 3 |
| 4. | | 2804 | 3 |

2nd Semester (Stream-I Literature)

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|----|----------------------------------|------|---|
| 1. | Research Methods (core course) | 2816 | 3 |
| 2. | Shakespearean Studies | 2820 | 3 |
| 3. | Contemporary American Literature | 2824 | 3 |
| 4. | South Asian Literature | 2818 | 3 |

2nd Semester (Stream-II Linguistics)

| | | | |
|----|---------------------------------|------|---|
| 1. | Research Methods (core course) | 2805 | 3 |
| 2. | English Phonetics and Phonology | 2806 | 3 |
| 3. | Applied Linguistics | 2810 | 3 |
| 4. | Second Language Acquisition | 2811 | 3 |

3rd & 4th Semester

| | | | |
|----|--|---------------|----|
| 1. | Thesis (Literature)/ Thesis (Linguistics) | 2840/ 2830 | 12 |
|----|--|---------------|----|

5. Instructional Methodology

MPhil English programme is a regular face-to-face programme and the semester rules of HEC/AIOU will be applicable. The following will be the instructional methodology:

i. Study Material

The university provides study materials during the first two semesters of course work.

ii. Classes (Course-work)

A 3-Credit Hour course for each subject will be taught in main campus (Islamabad) within a period of 18-classes (weeks) including mid-term and final-term exams during each semester. Attendance in these sessions is compulsory. Students failing to attain 70% attendance will not be eligible to appear in the final examination.

iii. Assignments/Quizzes/Sessional Tests/Presentations

Each course carries a maximum of 100 marks. There are two assignments for each 3-credit hours course. Assignments are written by the students after studying the required readings, recommended by the Department. These assignments are designed to enable them to relate their own ideas with the concepts covered in the required readings so as to facilitate the students in developing a thorough understanding of the subject.

Assignments/Quiz/Sessional Test/Presentation for each 3-Credit Hour course will be given. Students will complete the

tasks within the semester. The marks obtained in these assignments contribute to the final course result. For successful completion of the course it is imperative to obtain a minimum of 50% marks in each assignment. Students failing in the continuous assessment will not be eligible to appear in the final examination.

iv. Thesis

A student is required to carry research work under the supervision of an advisor having PhD degree in the relevant field (as per relevant HEC/AIOU rules). There is an intensive workshop to discuss research proposals of the students.

6. Assessment System

Under Continuous Assessment (Assignments), a student has to submit Assignments to his/her tutor in the stipulated time mentioned in the assignment schedule. Passing marks of the assignments are 50 percent.

At the end of each semester, final examination will be conducted by the University for each Course. Students need 50 percent marks to pass the final examination; however, it is necessary for the students to obtain an aggregate of 50 percent (assignments + workshop + final examination) in each course. The ratio of marks of assignments, workshop and final examination is 20:10:70 respectively. The summary of assessment system is given below:

| Assessment Component | Total Marks | Passing Marks | Weightage |
|---|-------------|---------------|------------|
| Assignments | 100 | 50 | 20% |
| Class presentation | 100 | 50 | |
| Class performance and attendance: (students will have to attend 80%classes in order to appear in the final term examination) | | | 10% |
| Mid-Term Examination | 100 | 50 | 20% |
| Final-Term Examination | 100 | 50 | 50% |
| Total Marks | | | 100 |
| Aggregate Passing Marks | | | 50 |

7. Viva-Voce/Thesis Defense

After evaluation of the thesis student has to appear for viva-voce before the Research Project Committee (RPC) to defend his/her work.

8. Instructions for Thesis

i. Registration in Thesis

Students will submit research proposal/synopsis to the Chairman, English Department according to the university's approved criteria. The Departmental Research Project Committee will recommend the students' research proposals/synopses to the VC (AIOU) for approval as per procedure. The committee shall also recommend the name of supervisor for students' research work.

- ◆ The approval of the topic and the supervisor will be at the discretion of Department. Each student will submit quarterly report duly signed by the thesis supervisor on the research work. The student of MPhil English Programme will submit one research paper (accepted or published) in any conference or research journal as mandatory to their completion of their research degree.
- ◆ The minimum period to complete the thesis is one year and the maximum period shall be two years provided the condition of maximum duration of five years shall not be affected. (Detailed information in this regard can be obtained from the Department on request).
- ◆ Students are advised to keep closely in touch with their respective supervisor and also with the Department for research activities and submit their progress reports to the Department intermittently.

ii. Thesis Evaluation Fee

Students will deposit fee in bank for thesis evaluation at the time of submitting the thesis to the Department.

iii. Plagiarization

In case a thesis is found to be a plagiarized version of some other thesis, research work, text, etc. published or unpublished, the student's candidature for M Phil shall be cancelled and he/she shall be debarred forever from admission to any programme of the university. In case the plagiarism is proved, after the award of M Phil degree, the degree shall be cancelled/withdrawn.

The M Phil degree shall be awarded after the positive reports of external evaluators of the research report and the successful defense by the student in viva-voce. The Dean will forward the report of the Viva-Voce to the Controller of Examinations for notification and award of the degree.

iv. Format of Thesis

The students will be required to observe guidelines regarding format, writing, referencing, paper quality and other related matters. (Detailed information in this regard could be obtained from the Department on request or the information on format will be provided during the last semester of the course-work).

v. Research Candidacy

The Department will hold synopsis orientation workshop to help the students in topic selection and synopsis development. The synopsis shall be prepared in accordance with the guidelines/format approved by the BASR. The student shall submit a detailed research proposal in the third semester (after the completion of course work) and make a presentation before the Departmental Synopsis Committee.

Participation in the orientation workshop will be mandatory. The students shall be required to deposit the prescribed dues after approval of topic/symposia by the committee.

In case a student is not able to complete his/her research work during the minimum prescribed period of one year, he/she shall be required to pay fee equivalent to 3-credit

hours per semester till submission of thesis for evaluation within the maximum time limit.

9. Fee Tariff

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|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Registration Fee: | Rs.2400/- |
| Admission Fee: | Rs.2500/- |
| Technology Fee + Courier Charges: | Rs.150/- |
| Course Fee (3– Credit Hours): | Rs.5640/- |
| Thesis Fee: | Rs.22490/- |
| Thesis Evaluation Fee: | (As per university policy) |

Note:

This fee tariff is subject to change from time to time as per AIOU policy. Information in this regard can be had from the office of the Director Admissions, AIOU Islamabad.

10. General Information

- Photocopy of the admission form and incomplete form will not be entertained.
- Admission to MPhil English will be granted against limited seats strictly on the basis of merit and criteria as approved by the university. The university reserves the right not to start this programme if a viable group of students is not formed.
- Only the selected candidates will be informed about the result of the admission. On receipt of individual admission intimation, the student will deposit the

required fee according to the procedure as laid down by the university in the admission intimation letter.

- Fee can neither be refunded once paid for admission nor can it be adjusted for any other programme. On payment of the registration fee, each student will be issued a registration number. The number must be quoted in all the future correspondence along with roll numbers, course(s) code numbers and semester. The students already having registration number need not to pay the registration fee. They should mention their registration number in the admission form.
- During the semester the address of any student will not be changed, however, in real hardship, change of address will be considered if it is supported by a justifiable plea.
- Rules, regulations framed, amended and changed from time to time by the authorities/bodies of the university will be applicable to all students. The students will have to abide by all such rules and regulations. These can be made available to students on demand.
- It is the responsibility of the admitted students to remain in continuous contact with the department regarding academic activities of the programme. A student already enrolled to a programme or a specialization of a programme shall not be allowed to transfer his/her admission to another programme.
- Admission to courses for the spring semester and autumn semester are generally offered in the months of February and August respectively. The continuing students are sent computerized admission forms.

However, if for any reason, the student does not get the said form, he/she may get general admission form from any regional office of the university and send it to Director Admission of the university within the due date along with due fee deposited through bank challan slip.

11. Fee Depositing Procedure

Only on receipt of admission offer, the candidate would pay dues in accordance with the fee tariff as directed by the Admission Office.

12. How to Apply for Admission?

Candidates for M Phil English are required to send complete admission forms along with attested copies of all educational degrees, certificates, and marks sheet at the following address before the closing date. Applicants who submit result card instead of degree/certificate will not be entertained. Incomplete admission forms will not be accepted.

Note: Admission form complete in all respect must be sent on the following address:

Associate Director

Directorate of Board of Advance Studies,
P.D. Office Building, AIOU, H-8, Islamabad

For further guidance, you may contact on the following numbers:

13. Faculty Members

| | | |
|----|---|-------------|
| 1 | Dr. Malik Ajmal Gulzar Chairman | 051-9057768 |
| 2 | Dr. Shamim Ali Assistant Professor | 051-9057764 |
| 3 | Dr. Saira Maqbool Assistant Professor | 051-9057765 |
| 4. | Dr. Muhammad Kamal Khan Assistant Professor | 051-9057656 |
| 5. | Dr. Rashida Imran Lecturer | 051-9057653 |
| 6. | Dr. Lubna Umar Lecturer | 051-9057763 |
| 7. | Office staff | 051-9057824 |

14. MPhil Programme Coordinator

For clarification about academic matters, please contact the following Programme Coordinator:

Dr. Muhammad Kamal Khan
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PhD in English (Linguistics)

Department of English has been working earnestly since long to offer a very prestigious PhD programme which may not only cater to the needs of professionals working in the field of ELT but can also offer a platform for future planners in the fields of syllabus designing, language planning, theoretical linguistics, cross-cultural communication and related areas. The Department is going to offer PhD in English (Linguistics) from Autumn 2020 with the following detail.

Eligibility Criteria and Admission Procedures

- i. Graduate holding MS/MPhil in the relevant area or equivalent with GPA 3.00/1st Division will be eligible for admission in PhD Programme.
- ii. GRE/GAT/Equivalent Departmental Test with 60% passing marks will be applicable. Test and interview will be conducted by the Department of English (as per HEC/AIOU rules).
- iii. Interested candidates will apply for admission on prescribed form to the Chairman of the Department.
- iv. Admission will be given strictly on merit and on approved criteria (as per HEC/AIOU rules).
- v. In-service candidates shall be required to submit their departmental No Objection Certificate (NoC) along with their admission application.
- vi. Admission of PhD will be notified by the Director Admissions after the receipt of admission dues.
- vii. Publication of research article(s) in HEC recognized journals will be given additional weightage in admission.

- viii. The Department grants admissions to a limited number of students purely on merit basis.
- vix. The minimum duration of the PhD degree shall be six semesters (three years) and maximum duration shall be ten semesters (five years) as per HEC/AIOU rules.
- x. Any other point not clarified here shall be dealt as per the relevant HEC/AIOU rules.

Admission Form can be downloaded from the university website or you can purchase copy of PhD prospectus for the current semester and fill the form. Candidates are required to send complete admission forms along with attested copies of all educational degrees, certificates and marks sheets at the Office of the Chairman, Department of English at AIOU Islamabad before the closing date. Incomplete admission forms will not be accepted. Admission test is expected to be held at the main campus of the university in Islamabad. Dates for test and interviews will be announced in the due course of time.

Scheme of Studies for PhD Linguistics

Course Work: 21 Credit Hours

1st Semester

| S. No. | Course Title | Course Codes | Credit Hours |
|--------|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1. | Language Learning Theories | 7851 | 3 |
| 2. | Language, Gender & Power | 7852 | 3 |
| 3. | Approaches in Sociolinguistics | 7853 | 3 |
| 4. | Critical Discourse Analysis | 7854 | 3 |

2nd Semester

| | | | |
|----|--|------|---|
| 1. | Research Methodology (Linguistic) | 7855 | 3 |
| 2. | Intercultural Pragmatics | 7860 | 3 |
| 3. | Advanced Theories in Phonetics & Phonology | 7861 | 3 |

Subsequent Semesters

| | | | |
|----|--------------|------|----|
| 1. | Dissertation | 7880 | 12 |
|----|--------------|------|----|

Other Requirements:

Comprehensive Examination (as per HEC rules)

Publication of research article as per approved policy of Higher Education Commission (as per HEC/AIOU rules)

Dissertation (12 Credit Hours and as per HEC rules)

Note: Admission form complete in all respect may be sent on the following address:

Associate Director

Directorate of Board of Advance Studies,
P.D. Office Building, AIOU, H-8, Islamabad

Instructional Methodology

The PhD programme shall be executed on regular basis and the instructional methodology shall be followed as per purely face-to-face basis. Other detail includes as the following:

Study Material

The Department will provide study materials during the first two semesters of course work. The relevant professors will share their outlines of the courses along with recommended

‘essential and extended’ reading list in the beginning of the semester.

Seminars and Workshops

There will be a series of mandatory workshops during the course work that provides an opportunity to the students to share their understanding of course content with fellow students. Similarly, special seminars and workshops will be arranged during the third and fourth semesters that require students and research scholars to develop and present their draft research proposals.

Dissertation

A student is required to carry research work under the supervision of an advisor having PhD degree in the relevant field (as per relevant HEC/AIOU rules). There will be intensive seminars and workshops to discuss research proposals of the students. The scholars shall be required to present and defend their research proposals in front of the PhD Examination Committee. Similarly, after the required evaluation of the thesis/dissertation by foreign and local experts (as per HEC/AIOU rules) a scholar has to appear for public defense before the committee/public to defend his/her research work.

Assessment System

Based on the principles of face-to-face regular degree programme, the Department shall follow the mechanism of continuous assessment as well as Mid-Term and Final-Term

exam papers. The summary of assessment system for each module (course) is given below:

| Assessment Component | Total Marks | Passing Marks | Weightage |
|---|-------------|---------------|------------|
| Assignments | 100 | 60 | 20% |
| Class presentation | 100 | 60 | |
| Class performance and attendance: (students will have to attend 80%classes in order to appear in the final term examination) | | | 10% |
| Mid-Term Examination | 100 | 60 | 20% |
| Final-Term Examination | 100 | 60 | 50% |
| Total Marks | | | 100 |
| Aggregate Passing Marks | | | 60 |

OR

As otherwise decided by the Department in light of the relevant HEC/AIOU rules for PhD Programme in English.

Attendance Policy

The Department will follow strict attendance policy for the class (course) work. The minimum requirement in order to appear in the Final-Term examination is 80% of the attendance.

Comprehensive Examination

The students completing the PhD course work shall be allowed to appear in the comprehensive examination arranged and conducted by the concerned department as per rules of HEC. The pass percentage in comprehensive examination shall be 60%. No grade will be awarded to the

student, only pass or fail will be reflected in the result Performa.

PhD Examination Committee

After the completion of evaluation of the thesis/dissertation by foreign and local scholars, a scholar has to appear for viva-voce/public defense before the PhD Examination Committee to defend his/her work as per HEC/AIOU respective examination rules for PhD.

Instructions for Thesis

Registration in Thesis/Dissertation

Students will submit research proposal/synopsis to the Chairman, English Department according to the university's approved criteria. The Departmental PhD Examination Committee will recommend the students' research proposals/synopses to the VC (AIOU) for approval after thesis orientation workshop. The committee shall also recommend the name of supervisor for students' research work.

- ◆ The minimum period to complete the thesis is one year and the maximum period shall be two years provided the condition of maximum duration of five years shall not be affected. (Detailed information in this regard can be obtained from the Department on request).
- ◆ Students are advised to keep closely in touch with their respective supervisor and also with the Department for research activities and submit their progress reports to the Department intermittently.

OR

As otherwise decided by the Department in light of the relevant HEC/AIOU rules for PhD Programme in English.

Thesis Evaluation Fee

Students will deposit the required fee in bank for thesis evaluation at the time of submitting the thesis to the Department.

Plagiarization

In case a thesis is found to be a plagiarized version of some other thesis, research work, text, etc. published or unpublished, the student's candidature for PhD shall be cancelled and he/she shall be debarred forever from admission to any programme of the university. In case the plagiarism is proved, after the award of PhD degree, the degree shall be cancelled/withdrawn. The HEC Plagiarism Policy and its SOPs shall be followed for any case found/reported.

The PhD degree shall be awarded after the positive reports of external evaluators of the research report and the successful defense by the student in viva-voce. The Dean will forward the report of the Viva-Voce to the Controller of Examinations for notification and award of the degree.

Format of Thesis

The students will be required to observe guidelines regarding format, writing, referencing, paper quality and other related matters. (Detailed information in this regard could be obtained from the Department on request or the information on format will be provided during the thesis orientation workshop).

Research Candidacy

The Department will hold synopsis orientation workshop to help the students in topic selection and synopsis

development. The synopsis shall be prepared in accordance with the guidelines/format approved by the BASR. The student shall submit a detailed research proposal in the third semester (after the completion of course work) and make a presentation before the Departmental Synopsis Committee.

Participation in the orientation workshop will be mandatory. The students shall be required to deposit the prescribed dues after approval of topic/symposia by the committee.

In case a student is not able to complete his/her research work during the minimum prescribed period of one year, he/she shall be required to pay fee equivalent to the credit hours involved per semester till submission of thesis for evaluation within the maximum time limit.

Fee Tariff

The present AIOU fee tariff shall be applied for PhD English programme. The fee tariff is subject to change from time to time as per university policy. Latest information in this regard can be had from the office of the Director Admissions, AIOU Islamabad.

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|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Registration Fee: | Rs.2400/- |
| Admission Fee: | Rs.2500/- |
| Technology Fee + Courier Charges: | Rs.150/- |
| Course Fee (3– Credit Hours): | Rs.5640/- |
| Thesis Fee: | Rs.22490/- |
| Thesis Evaluation Fee: | (As per university policy) |

General Information

- Photocopy of the admission form and incomplete form will not be entertained.
- Admission to PhD English (Linguistics) shall be granted against limited seats strictly on the basis of merit and criteria as approved by the university. The university reserves the right not to start this programme if a viable group of students is not formed.
- Only the selected candidates will be informed about the result of the admission. On receipt of individual admission intimation, the student will deposit the required fee according to the procedure as laid down by the university in the admission intimation letter.
- Fee can neither be refunded once paid for admission nor can it be adjusted for any other programme. On payment of the registration fee, each student will be issued a registration number. The number must be quoted in all the future correspondence along with roll numbers, course(s) code numbers and semester. The students already having registration number need not to pay the registration fee. They should mention their registration number in the admission form.
- Rules, regulations framed, amended and changed from time to time by the authorities/bodies of the university will be applicable to all students. The students will have to abide by all such rules and regulations. These can be made available to students on demand.
- It is the responsibility of the admitted students to remain in continuous contact with the department regarding academic activities of the programme. A student already enrolled to a programme or a specialization of a

programme shall not be allowed to transfer his/her admission to another programme.

Fee Depositing Procedure

Only on receipt of admission offer, the candidate would pay dues in accordance with the fee tariff as directed by the Admission Office.

How to Apply for Admission?

Candidates for PhD English are required to send complete admission forms along with attested copies of all educational degrees, certificates, and marks sheet at the following address before the closing date. Applicants who submit result card instead of degree/certificate will not be entertained. Incomplete admission forms will not be accepted.

Note: Admission form complete in all respect must be sent on the following address:

Associate Director

Directorate of Board of Advance Studies,
P.D. Office Building, AIOU, H-8, Islamabad

For clarification about academic matters, please contact on the following addresses:

Chairman/PhD Programme Coordinator

Dr. Malik Ajmal Gulzar

Department of English

Block No. 8, AIOU, Islamabad

Phone: 051-9250068, 051-9057268

Email: ajmal.gulzar@aiou.edu.pk

GENERAL INFORMATION

- i. The certificates/degrees of AIOU are equivalent to any other recognized Board/University.
- ii. A candidate is required to send complete admission form alongwith attested copies of all educational and experience certificates to Department as mentioned in the prospectus before or on the closing date.
- iii. If an applicant of post-graduate/research level programme does not receive any information regarding admission even after three months of submission of application, he/she should presume himself/ herself non-selected.
- iv. The student cannot change the specialization at post-graduate research level during the programme after once being admitted to a specific field.
- v. A course taken by any student cannot be changed during the semester
- vi. The address of a student will not be changed during the semester. However in real hardship cases change of courses will be allowed within fifteen days after receipt of books and deposit of prescribed fee.
- vii. Admission to courses for both the Spring and Autumn semesters are generally offered in the months of February and August, respectively, whereas examinations commenced in November and May respectively. The continuing students are sent computerized admission forms. However if for any reason, the student could not get the said form, he/she may purchase admission form from any Regional Office of the university or download from AIOU website *aiou.edu.pk.com* and send it to the university within due date.
- viii. Fee cannot be refunded once paid for admission nor can it be adjusted for any other programme.
- ix. On payment of the registration fee, each student will be issued a registration number. This number must be quoted in all the future correspondence alongwith the roll number, course(s), code number and semester.
- x. Study material shall be mailed to the students at their given address.
- xi. After receipt of the study package, students are usually intimated by the part time tutors appointed for each course for tutorial guidance, within fifteen days. If you do not get information about tutors, you are required to send your assignment by registered post to the concerned Regional Director, Assistant Regional Director without delay; you are also required to retain a photocopy of all your assignments.
- xii. Rules and regulations framed, amended and changed from time to time by the authorities, bodies of the university will be effective as deemed necessary. The

student will have to abide by all such rules and regulations from the date of their implementation.

- xiii. A student who fails in continuous assessment component is not eligible to reappear but will be allowed to re-register for the same course at its next offering semester by the university.
- xiv. It is the responsibility of the student to remain in touch with the department regarding the selected programme.
- xv. A student already enrolled to a programme or a specialization of a programme shall not be allowed to transfer or to get admission to another programme unless he/she formally postpones it till the completion of the new programme or withdraws from the previous programme.
- xvi. After completion of a programme successfully, a student has to apply to the Controller of Examinations for issuance of certificate/degree.
- xvii. The university reserves the right to change the contents of this prospectus without any prior notice as per university policy.
- xviii. The student must inform the Admission Department in writing within the period of 15 days after receipt of study material parcel, *If found any wrong/short material/ books which is not according to the admission form/ check list or mistake in name and address.* No

request for any change will be entertained after the stipulated period.

- xix. Check the books and tally with the course codes mentioned on the address label pasted on the registered packet. If there is any discrepancy, write immediately to Admission Department for correction/ supply of requisite books.
- xx. Admission forms incomplete in any respect will not be entertained and will be returned after close of semester to the students indicating the deficiency in clear terms with advise to request for refund of fee.
- xxi. Admission form received without prescribed fee or less fee or fee deposited after due date will not be considered.
- xxii. In case of discrepancies in the name of student/ Father's name of the student or difference in name mentioned in his/her other educational certificates, the name on the Matric certificate of the student will be considered as correct name. The Examination Department shall also issue certificate/ degree on the said name.
- xxiii. In case provision of forged documents for admission, not only the admission will be refused to the applicant but the fee deposited by him/her will also be forfeited. The university may proceed further in the matter.

REGULATIONS FOR REFUND OF ADMISSION FEE

Admission fee once deposited by the candidates/students in the university account will neither be refunded nor converted/adjusted as a matter of right. However fee paid by the candidates/students will be settled in the following cases:

- i) The candidates/ students who deposit the fee for a programme and later on change their mind to apply in another programme and communicate their decision in black and white to the admission section before dispatch of study material in such cases, fee will be refunded to them after deduction of 10% of the total amount deposited.
- ii) The candidates/students who discontinue the programme/ courses(s) after dispatch of books, neither their admission will be cancelled nor fee will be refunded to them.
- iii) The candidates/ students who are not allowed admission to a programme offered by the university due to less enrolment/ non formation of viable group/ non offering of courses, full fee will be refunded to them.
- iv) The candidates/ students who know that they are ineligible for admission to a programme, and even then they deposit the fee, in such cases, the fee will be refunded after the deduction of 5% as services charges from the total amount.
- v) The amount deposited by the candidates/ student in excess (more than the prescribed fee) will be refunded/ adjusted within a year.

vi) Cases of refund of admission fee will be processed after finalization/ completion of admission of the semester and only on the production of original Bank Challan/Receipt No. 3 & 4.

vii) If candidates/students deceive the university and get admission in two different programmes, simultaneously in a semester, admission will be cancelled in both the programmes and the fee deposited for both the programmes will be forfeited.

viii) **Applicant should ensure that the information provided in Admission Form is correct. If at any stage the information found false or the applicant was not eligible according to the admission criteria, the admission shall be cancelled and there will be no right to claim the degree.**

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