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## Vice-Chancellor's Message

**Dear Student,**

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Welcome to Allama Iqbal Open University, the first distance education university in South Asia that provides cost effective education to 1.3 million students not only in Pakistan but also in Middle East. This university has the unique privilege of blurring temporal and spatial boundaries by providing education at the thresholds of the students. The university offers a diverse range of educational facilities, starting from basic literacy Programs to the PhD level. The courses are regularly revised to bring them at par with international standards. The university offers maximum number of specializations at postgraduate level through four faculties, i.e. Faculty of Arabic and Islamic Studies, Faculty of Education, Faculty of Sciences, and Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities.

The university has a huge network of faculty members, tutors, resource persons, specialists and experts who strive hard to ensure that the Programs offered by the university enable the students to become independent learners and critical thinkers. The university takes special measures to establish and strengthen research culture and prepare those individuals who can play an instrumental role in the process of progress and development of the country.

I welcome you to the postgraduate studies at AIOU and wish you a challenging yet successful journey ahead.



**Prof. Dr. Nasir Mahmood**  
**Vice Chancellor, AIOU**

**MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM TIME DURATION/SEMESTERS  
FOR THE COMPLETION OF FACE TO FACE PROGRAMME  
(From Spring 2021 Semester)**

<b>Sr. #</b>	<b>Degree Level</b>	<b>Minimum Duration</b>	<b>Maximum Duration</b>
1.	PhD	3 Years / 5 Semesters	8 Years*
2.	MS/MPhil/MSc (Hons)/MBA/COL MBA	2 Years / 4 Semesters	4 Years**
3.	MA/MSc (2 Years)	2 Years / 4 Semesters	4 Years
4.	BS (4 Years)	4 Years / 8 Semesters	6 Years
5.	Associate Degree (2 Years)	2 Years / 4 Semesters	4 Years
6.	Postgraduate Diploma (1 Year)	1 Year / 2 Semesters	2 Years
7.	Certificate (6 Months)	6 Months / 1 Semester	1 Year

\*&\*\* As per AIOU rules.

The policy of Re-Appear and Again Re-Appear is being dis-continued and the concerned students will have to re-register/enroll or re-admit in the failed course(s).

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- Register here through your Cell No. or Email and Login
- Fill the Admission Form and Submit
- Print Fee Voucher and deposited the fee
- For further information and query please visit website at:  
<http://support.aiou.edu.pk/> or following contact numbers 051-9572386

## **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 Spring and Autumn semesters. Under-graduate admissions are offered in both the semesters whereas postgraduates are offered once a year. The under-graduate students are given course books especially prepared by the university on self-instructional principles. However, at post graduate level students are encouraged for self study; therefore no text books are provided.

At present, the AIOU is offering programs from Matric to PhD level in diverse disciplines from four faculties. The AIOU is also offering four years under-graduate degrees in various disciplines.

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 standards 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 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 programs 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 programs. Improvement in qualification for a better life is a right of everyone and the faculty’s programs 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.

All the department (Agricultural Sciences, Biology & Environmental Sciences, Chemistry, Environmental Design, Health and Nutritional Sciences, Computer Sciences, Physics, Mathematics, Statistics & Engineering & Technology of

Faculty of Sciences are running a variety of postgraduate technical, scientific and professional programs successfully. The departments are equipped with computer lab 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.

Around 80 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 programs. 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 programs 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 programs 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 program in sciences in various disciplines comprising 124–140 credits. This four-year BS program 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.

## DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS

### **Introduction:**

The department's greatest resources are the people that fill its classrooms, labs, offices and state-of-the-art facilities. The undergraduate, graduate students and post-doctoral researchers at AIOU feature a complete range of opportunities to engage in world-class Physics forms from theoretical to experimental.

Faculty have established several research laboratories on campus, including Renewable Energy, Modeling and simulation, Nanotechnology, Materials Science

Several collaborations and projects are also being carried out by Physics' departmental faculty and graduate students outside, at centers of NCP, NILOP, PAEC, IST and other R&D organizations.

The department is executing interdisciplinary research with strong links to the fields of Astronomy, Biophysics, Chemistry and Cellular Biology.

Realizing the need of technology and scientific education in Pakistan the department of Physics at AIOU began in 1998 with technological needs in areas like Modeling & Simulation, Materials Science, Energy, Energy Efficiency, Climate, Energy for Sustainable Development, Renewable Energy, Hydrogen Energy, Environment, Astronomy, Nanotechnology, Plasma Physics, Medical Physics, Cosmology, Geophysics, Density Functional Theory (DFT), and Nuclear Physics. A major emphasis of current research activities are on promotion of Modeling & Simulation,

Materials Science , Renewable energy , Nanotechnology and related areas in which the department have led to innovations.

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

**Vision:**

The Department of Physics has large and diverse research programs. The faculty today is engaged in research that will contribute significantly to the development of human capacity, science and technology in Pakistan. Departmental research seeks to explore and explain fundamental questions that range understanding the origin of the universe, including String Theory, Cosmology and Astrophysics, to understand the visible world of colloids and the world of on an ever diminishing scale, from the mesoscale to the nanoscale, condensed matter and atomic , molecular and particle physics.

**Mission:**

The Department of Physics at AIOU has become 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 21<sup>st</sup> Century front-edge research facilities allows our graduates and 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 level of competence and professionalism in research and training while 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 can 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 Physics, Medical Physics, Lasers & Optics, Cosmology, Geo Physics, Density Functional Theory (DFT), Modeling & Simulation and Nuclear Physics.

**PhD Physics Program:**

**1. Duration of the Program:**

The minimum duration for the PhD program shall be six semesters (03 years) and maximum duration of the program shall be 10 semesters (05 years). Student will have to 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 Requirements for PhD Programs:**

i The PhD program shall be announced by the Director BASR as per admission calendar of AIUO.

ii The minimum entry requirement for admission to PhD program shall be MS/MPhil or equivalent degree with CGPA 3.0 out of 4.0 in semester system or 1st division in the Annual system with (60% marks)

iii Test equivalent to GAT/GRE subject in the area of specialization chosen at the PhD level must be cleared with a minimum of 60% marks prior to admission for the PhD program as per HEC requirements.

iv The university committee for the test at par with GRE (subject) consists of at least 3 PhD Faculty members in the subject area will conduct the test with intimation to QA Division HEC within one month of its constitution and the qualifying score for this will be 70%.

v The criteria for admission and weightage of its components e.g. academic qualifications, research professional experience, publications, interview shall be as follows:

i.	Academic Qualification + Research + Experience	40+5+5=50
ii.	Written Test (at per HEC/AIOU Policy	30
iii.	Interview	20
	Total	100

### **3. Admission Procedure:**

i. A candidate holding **MS/MPhil or equivalent** degree shall apply for admission through online portal (<https://aiou.edu.pk/oas-fresh-admission>).

- Register here through your Cell No. or Email and Login
- Fill the Admission Form completely and Submit
  
- Print Fee Voucher and deposited the fee in the designated banks or through Jazz Cash, Easy Paisa and Upaisa Mobile App/USSD String \*786#, Retailer Agent, Franchise and Branches of Mobilink, Telenor and Ubank.

For further information and query please visit website at: <http://support.aiou.edu.pk/> or following contact numbers 051-9575432

ii A candidate will become student of **PhD** program upon depositing the prescribed semester based fee for the 1st semester of course work. In case of failure to deposit the fee within the specified period, the admission shall automatically stand cancelled after the due date.

iii A student admitted to **PhD** programs and a specialization thereof, whichever applicable, shall not be allowed to change his/ her program or specialization. The student shall have to apply a fresh for admission to another program or specialization after discontinuation of the earlier program/specialization as and when next admission is announced.

### **4. Duration/Credit Hours and Medium of Instructions for PhD programs:**

1. The minimum duration of a PhD program shall be six semesters (three years) and maximum duration shall be ten semesters (five-years) and can be extended upto eight years if allowed by competent authority i.e. (Executive Council) on the recommendations of concerned Dean and supervisor.

- a) The PhD program will be of an 18 credit hours course work and the minimum period for completion of course work shall be two semesters (one year) and maximum four semesters (two years).
- b) There shall be a comprehensive examination at the end of second semester of the course work for a PhD program.
- c) Only those candidates who pass the comprehensive examination will be allowed to continue with their PhD research work and attend the synopsis workshop after depositing the required fee.
- d) The minimum period to complete the PhD thesis (36 credit hours) after confirmation of the candidature (date of meeting of BASR in which synopsis is approved) shall be 3 semesters.

2. The language of instructions, examination and thesis for disciplines will be according to the approved scheme of studies of each department.

### 5. Components of Course Instructions:

1. The number of compulsory face to face teaching hours shall be 48 for each course (3 credit hours).
2. The duration of synopsis orientation workshop shall be of two weeks.

### 6. Scheme of Studies:

Three compulsory courses (each of 3 credit hours) will be offered in the 1<sup>st</sup> semester and the remaining 3 optional courses will be opted by the students in the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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:**

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

#### **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.#	Course 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)
13	Climatology and Astronomy	9716	3(3+0)
14	Environmental Degradation and Sustainability	9717	3(3+0)

#### **3<sup>rd</sup> Semester — 6<sup>th</sup> Semester**

(Research) Thesis	9700	36
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## **7. Evaluation:**

### **a. Course Work Evaluation**

1. The evaluation of the 18 credit hours of PhD course work will be conducted by Controller of Examinations by appointing teachers (who taught the course in that particular semester) as Examiners recommended by the department concerned.
2. a) The distribution of marks of each 3 credit hours course work of PhD shall be as follows:

i) Continuous Assessment & Mid Term	50% (20+30)
ii) Final Examination	50%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>

b) Pass percentage in aggregate will be 70%. If a student cannot pass in continuous assessment/ assignments or fails to maintain the minimum mandatory class attendance of 70% in a course, he/she will be declared as fail.
3. The student will have a total of **two consecutive chances including first attempt to attend and pass each course.**

### **b. Comprehensive Examination**

1. The students completing the PhD course work shall be allowed to appear in Comprehensive Examination arranged and conducted by the department concerned as per rules of the HEC. The pass percentage in Comprehensive Examination shall be 70% however, no grades will be awarded to the candidate.

2. Each PhD candidate will be given a maximum of two chances to clear the Comprehensive Examination.
3. The department concerned will conduct a written examination (comprehensive exam) of four hours duration based upon its PhD level courses within 90 days of completion of coursework.

### **c. Thesis Evaluation**

1. On completion of **PhD** research, the student shall be required to submit 05 spiral bound copies of the thesis to the Supervisor.
2. The student will also submit an undertaking and a declaration, that the thesis he/she is submitting has not already been submitted or published and shall not in future be submitted by him/her for obtaining any degree from any other university or institution.
3. The thesis will be evaluated as per AIOU rules.
4. Viva-voce Exam will be conducted after the evaluation as per AIOU rules.
5. The PhD degree shall be awarded on completion of all requirements for the degree.
6. The student will submit five hard bound copies of the approved thesis along with the soft copy to the Chairperson/Director as per specifications of AIOU.

### **d. Research Paper during Research Period**

Every **PhD** student shall publish at least one research paper in HEC recognized Journal (acceptable for award of PhD degree) based on his/her research before the viva voce examination.

## 8. Fee Tariff PhD Physics

Item	Rates
Admission Fee (at the time 1 <sup>st</sup> semester)	Rs.2500/-
Registration Fee	Rs.2500/-
Course Fee (3 credit hours)	Rs.9000/-
Tuition Fee 3 credit hours Rs.9000 (9000 x 3 courses) = 27,000	Rs.27000/-
Technology Fee per semester	Rs.500/-
<b>Total Fee (First Semester)</b>	<b>Rs. 32,500/-</b>
Thesis Fee (in 3 <sup>rd</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> Semester)	Rs.108, 000/-
<b>Thesis Evaluation Fee</b> (at the time of submission of thesis)	<b>Rs.108,000/-</b>

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 Program.

## 9. 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 Program and

semester on the Challan Form attached. Please keep a photocopy of the form and paid fee slip for record.

## 10. 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.

## 11. 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 1<sup>st</sup> semester. Financial assistance will be considered from the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester.

## 12. Information Regarding Admission:

i. Announcement for admission will be made in the leading newspapers of the country.

**Note: Admission form complete in all respect must be submitted online on AIOU website.**

ii. Admission in PhD Physics will be granted against limited seats strictly on the basis of merit and as per criteria laid down by the Dept. The University reserves its right not to start this Program if a viable group of students is not formed.

## **MPhil Physics Program:**

### **1. Admissions Requirements for MPhil Programs**

1. The minimum entry requirements for admission to **MS/MPhil/ or equivalent** programs shall be minimum of 16 years of schooling or 4 years of education in the **relevant subject** after Higher Secondary School Certificate with at least second division or equivalent CGPA/GPA (124 credit hours from HEC recognized institution).
2. Passed a test equivalent to GRE/GAT general conducted by the department concerned with minimum of 60% cumulative marks or as further advised by HEC from time to time.
3. The criteria for admission and weightage of its components for **MS/MPhil/MSc (Hons)** e.g. **GAT General (NTS)**, academic qualifications, research/professional experience, publications, written subject test and interview shall be as follows:

iv.	Academic Qualification + Research + Experience	30+5+5=40
v.	Written Test (at per HEC/AIOU Policy)	40
vi.	Interview	20
	Total	100

### **2. Admission Procedure:**

1. A candidate holding **MS/MPhil or equivalent** degree shall apply for admission through online portal (<https://aiou.edu.pk/oas-fresh-admission>).
  - Register here through your Cell No. or Email and Login
  - Fill the Admission Form completely and Submit
  - Print Fee Voucher and deposited the fee in the designated banks or through Jazz Cash, Easy Paisa and Upaisa Mobile App/USSD String \*786#, Retailer Agent, Franchise and Branches of Mobilink, Telenor and Ubank.

For further information and query please visit website at: <http://support.aiou.edu.pk/> or following contact numbers 051-9572386.

2. A candidate seeking admission to **MPhil** program shall be admitted to the relevant program of minimum 24 credit hours course work as per requirement of HEC and 12 credit hours research thesis.
3. Admission to **MPhil** shall be processed and finalized by the Departmental Admission Committee (DAC) duly approved by the Vice-Chancellor.
4. The Director BASR shall issue letter to selected students and endorse a copy of the same to Department concerned.
5. A candidate will become student of **MPhil** program upon depositing the prescribed semester-based fee for the 1st

semester of course work for each program. In case of failure to deposit the fee within the specified period, the admission shall automatically stand cancelled after the due date.

6. A Student admitted to an **MPhil** program and a specialization thereof, whichever applicable, shall not be allowed to change his/ her program or specialization. The candidate shall have to apply for fresh admission to another program or specialization after discontinuation of the earlier program/specialization as and when next admission is announced.

**3. Duration, Credit Requirements, Research Project and Medium of Instructions for MS/MPhil and equivalent programs:**

1. The **minimum duration** of **MS/MPhil** program shall be 4 semesters (Two years) and maximum duration shall be 08 semesters (Four years).
  - a) The minimum period of the 24 credit hours course work for **MS/MPhil/ or equivalent** shall be two semesters (one year) and minimum period to complete 12 credit hours research thesis shall be two semesters (One year) after approval of the synopsis.
  - b) The minimum period to complete the research project shall be one semester.

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

**4. Components of Course Instructions**

1. The instructional modes shall include student and tutor face to face contact for approved prescribed period, teaching, video conferencing, e-mail, internet, telephone coaching on prescribed schedules, broadcast and non-broadcast audio visual programs etc.
2. The minimum number of compulsory face to face teaching hours shall be 48 for each course (3 credit hrs.)
3. The duration of synopsis orientation workshop shall be of two weeks in the beginning of 3<sup>rd</sup> semester.

**5. Course Work Evaluation:**

1. The evaluation of 24 credit hours course work of **MPhil** shall be conducted by the Controller of Examinations as per prevailing practice of the university.
2. The distribution of continuous assessment and final examination of each 3 credit hour course work shall be as follows:

i) Continuous Assessment & Mid Term	50% (20+30)
ii) Final Examinations	50%
Total	100%
3. Pass percentage in aggregate shall be 50%. If a student cannot pass in continuous assessment/ assignments or fail to maintain the minimum mandatory class attendance of 70% in a course, he/she will be declared as fail.

### 6. Thesis/Project Requirements

1. The student will be allowed to take a research topic after taking 24 credit hours courses and passing at least 12 credit hours including course on research methods/statistics. However, he/she will be allowed to submit the thesis only after passing all the courses.
2. A student must enroll and pay fee for 12 credit hours (6 credit hours in each of two semesters).

### 7. Scheme of Studies:

#### Semester-wise Course Offering:

Coursework during 1 <sup>st</sup> year or 1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	24 Credit Hours.
Thesis / Project / Dissertation during second year or 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> semester	12 Credit Hours.
Total credit hours required for Completion.	36 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

(Four courses will be offered in 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester depending on the needs and availability of the experts)

#### Semester 2 (Optional Courses)

S.#	Course Title	Code	Cr. Hrs
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 Solar Cells	1727	3(3+0)
14	Physics of Metals & Alloy	1728	3(3+0)
15	Non-Crystalline Materials	1729	3(3+0)
16	Renewable Energy Resources	1730	3(3+0)
17	Environmental Physics	7792	3(3+0)
18	Antenna Theory	7793	3(3+0)
19	E.M. Field Analysis	7794	3(3+0)
20	Microelectronics	7795	3(3+0)
21	High Frequency Electrodynamics	7796	3(3+0)
22	Quantum Information Theory	7797	3(3+0)
23	Electron Microscopy	7798	3(3+0)
24	Climatology	8771	3(3+0)
25	First-Principles Computation	8772	3(3+0)
26	Theory and Practice of DFT Calculations	8773	3(3+0)
27	Introduction to Nanoscience and Nanotechnology	8774	3(3+0)

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Semester & 4<sup>th</sup> Semester (Research)

	<b>Research Thesis</b>	1725	12(12+0)
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### 8. Fee Tariff for MPhil Physics

Item	Rates
Admission Fee (at the time 1 <sup>st</sup> semester)	Rs.1500/-
Registration Fee	Rs.1000/-
Course Fee (3 credit hours)	Rs.7200/-
Fee for 12 credit hours' theory work (7200 x 4= 28800)	Rs.28800/-
Technology Fee per semester	Rs.500/-
<b>Total Fee (First Semester)</b>	<b>Rs.31,800/-</b>
Research thesis fee (12 credit hours)	Rs.28800/-
<b>Thesis Evaluation Fee</b> (at the time of submission of thesis)	<b>Rs.28,800/-</b>

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 Program.

### 9. How to Pay the Fee?

The admission in this program 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 Program and semester on the Challan Form attached. Please keep a photocopy of the form and paid fee slip for record

### 10. 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.

### 11. Hostel Facilities:

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

### 12. 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 1<sup>st</sup> semester. Financial assistance will be considered from the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester.

**Note: Admission form complete in all respect must be submitted online on AIOU website.**

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## DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS

### **Introduction:**

The Department of Statistics was established in 1988 in the faculty of Sciences, Allama Iqbal Open University. Since then, the faculty and students have shared a common goal of maturing the Department with sheer hard work and constant struggle. Statistical sciences have significant impact on our lives and are a key to discoveries and innovation. Over the time, with concerted efforts, the Department has grown to its full potential and is vigorously involved in participating towards global efforts of driving a new era of growth, development and productivity. Since, our world is becoming more quantitative and data-focused, job opportunities in statistics are plentiful and projected to increase worldwide. Therefore, the alumni of the department of statistics have been working in various government departments and private sector.

The vision of Department is to impart quality education that focuses on collaborative learning through innovative teaching and research methodologies. It aims to create an environment that enables students to effectively engage in making lasting contributions in diverse fields according to rapidly changing demands of not only the home country but the entire globe. The Department is determined to further develop a state of

the art model of learning and research, which will benefit the masses across the board.

### **Academic Programs**

Department of Statistics offers the following degree programs. All these programs are approved by Higher Education Commission, Islamabad.

- PhD Statistics
- MPhil Statistics
- BS (4 years) Statistics

All the courses and programs are designed to meet the challenging statistical needs in life sciences, information technology, social sciences and other allied disciplines. The course outlines of all level courses have been designed and updated recently after consulting syllabi of national and international universities. It helps to strengthen the statistical concepts and logical thinking among our students.

Presently, these degree programs are offered at main campus only. However, in near future, the Department also intends to offer degree programs at regional headquarters.

### **PhD Statistics**

#### **a) Introduction:**

To meet the challenging requirements of today's fast growing world, we are in desperate need of experts in the field of Statistics. By realizing the shortage of experts in Statistics, the Department of Statistics has planned to offer PhD in Statistics. The expert statisticians are not only needed in the area of education, but also in industry and research. The curriculum of

the Program is designed in such a way that both the coursework and the research components are covered thoroughly.

**b) Objectives:**

The main objectives of PhD Statistics Program are:

1. To enhance the qualification of those who could not continue their education after MPhil Statistics.
2. To provide opportunity for in-service persons to improve their qualification and get promotion in their respective departments.
3. To prepare quality teachers/researchers of Statistics at all levels or in equivalent positions in industry or government.

**c) Eligibility:**

The candidates must have MS/MPhil Statistics Degree with minimum 3.0 CGPA out of 4.0 (in semester system) or First Division with 60% marks (in annual system). Departmental Admission Committee will finalize the admissions after conducting the test and interview as per AIOU rules.

**d) Duration/Credit Hours and Medium of Instructions for PhD programs:**

1. The minimum duration of a PhD program shall be six semesters (three years) and maximum duration shall be ten semesters (five-years) and can be extended upto eight years if allowed by competent authority i.e. (Executive Council) on the recommendations of concerned Dean and supervisor.

- a) The PhD program will be of an 18 credit hours course work and the minimum period for completion of course work shall be two semesters (one year) and maximum four semesters (two years).
  - b) There shall be a comprehensive examination at the end of second semester of the course work for a PhD program.
  - c) Only those candidates who pass the comprehensive examination will be allowed to continue with their PhD research work and attend the synopsis workshop after depositing the required fee.
  - d) The minimum period to complete the PhD thesis (36 credit hours) after confirmation of the candidature (date of meeting of BASR in which synopsis is approved) shall be 3 semesters.
2. The language of instructions, examination and thesis for disciplines will be according to the approved scheme of studies of each department

**e) Scheme of Studies for PhD Statistics**

Semester	No. of Subject	Credit Hours	Total Credit Hours
1 <sup>st</sup>	3	3	9
2 <sup>nd</sup>	3	3	9
3 <sup>rd</sup> + 4 <sup>th</sup> + 5 <sup>th</sup> + 6 <sup>th</sup>	Thesis / Research Work		36
<b>Total Credit hours for PhD Statistics</b>			<b>54</b>

### List of Courses:

Sr. No.	Course Code	Course Title	Credit Hours
1	4761	Survival Analysis	3(3+0)
2	4763	Stochastic Processes	3(3+0)
3	4766	Response Surface Design	3(3+0)
4	4767	Recent Developments in Statistics	3(3+0)
5	4769	Advance Topics in Regression and Econometrics	3(3+0)
6	4770	Advance Topic in Statistical Inference	3(3+0)
7	9751	Actuarial Statistics	3(3+0)
8	9752	Statistical Theory for Extreme Events	3(3+0)
9	9753	Mixture Distributions	3(3+0)
10	9754	Applied Time Series Econometrics	3(3+0)
11	9755	Spatial Data Analysis	3(3+0)
12	9756	Generalized Logistic Regression	3(3+0)
13	9758	Multilevel Modeling	3(3+0)
14	9759	Mathematical Demography	3(3+0)
15	8000	Time Series Analysis and Forecasting	3(3+0)
16	8001	Applied Stochastic Models	3(3+0)
17	8002	Advanced Distribution Theory	3(3+0)
18	8003	Advanced Bayesian Inference	3(3+0)
19	8004	Generalized Linear Mixed Models	3(3+0)

The Department of Statistics will offer elective courses from the above list depending upon the availability of faculty.

### Fee Tariff for PhD Statistics

Item	Rates
Admission Fee (at the time 1 <sup>st</sup> semester)	Rs.2500/-
Registration Fee	Rs.2500/-
Course Fee (3 credit hours)	Rs.9000/-
Tuition Fee 3 credit hours Rs.9000 (9000 x 3 courses) = 27,000	Rs.27000/-
Technology Fee per semester	Rs.500/-
<b>Total Fee (First Semester)</b>	<b>Rs. 32,500/-</b>
Thesis Fee (in 3 <sup>rd</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> Semester)	Rs.108, 000/-
<b>Thesis Evaluation Fee</b> (at the time of submission of thesis)	<b>Rs.108,000/-</b>

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 Program.

### g) Instructional Methodology:

#### Face to Face teaching (Tutorials):

For each course, 45 hours face to face teaching support will be provided through workshops/weekend classes. The final

schedule of the lectures will be distributed to the students in consultation with the teachers (resource persons). The classes will be supplemented by the computers where required. 70% attendance in face to face teaching would be compulsory.

## **Evaluation:**

### **a. Course Work Evaluation**

1. The evaluation of the 18 credit hours of PhD course work will be conducted by Controller of Examinations by appointing teachers (who taught the course in that particular semester) as Examiners recommended by the department concerned.
2. a) The distribution of marks of each 3 credit hours course work of PhD shall be as follows:

i) Continuous Assessment & Mid Term	50% (20+30)
ii) Final Examination	50%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>

b) Pass percentage in aggregate will be 70%. If a student cannot pass in continuous assessment/ assignments or fails to maintain the minimum mandatory class attendance of 70% in a course, he/she will be declared as fail.
3. The student will have a total of **two consecutive chances including first attempt to attend and pass each course.**

**Note: If a student fails to achieve the required aggregate in any of the assessment component of a particular course he/she will have to re-enroll in that course.**

### **Comprehensive Examination:**

On completing the PhD coursework, the students shall be allowed to appear in Comprehensive Examination arranged and conducted by the Department as per rules of the Higher Education Commission (HEC). Only those candidates, who pass the comprehensive examination, will be allowed to attend the two-week synopsis workshop after depositing the required fee and continue with their PhD research work.

### **Thesis:**

The student will be required to submit a research proposal (synopsis) to the department during the Synopsis Orientation Workshop one month before the specified date for final submission of thesis for external evaluation, the student has to present his/her research work to the departmental committee.

### **Viva Voce:**

After the approval of the thesis by the external examiners from the advanced countries, the student has to appear before a viva-voce committee to defend his/her thesis.

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES (DAS)

### **Introduction:**

The Department of Agricultural Sciences (DAS) was established in 1975. Previously, the DAS was focusing on strengthening the ag. sector and rural communities through teaching & bridging social gaps. Now DAS is trying to transform conventional agriculture to more resilient and sustainable farming in the country. To achieve the set goals, DAS has already functioned with full capacity in providing bioproducts (biofertilizers & biopesticides), advisory services to grow vegetables and crops with resource efficient means, and shifted core degree courses from ODL mode to F2F mode.

State of the art labs equipped with the latest tools have been established in order to promote cutting edge technologies among farming communities after successful evaluation & verification. The DAS aims to impart skills and build capacity in agri. graduate to explore opportunities in private public entrepreneurship. The DAS has redefined his mission & vision in changing world scenarios. State of the art knowledge and trained manpower are the dire need of the hour to bring resilience in food systems & feed the population with safe and quality foods.

### **Programs:**

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

### **Program at Postgraduate Level**

#### 1. MPhil Agricultural Technology

Besides Postgraduate programs the Department also offers Higher Secondary School Certificate (HSSC), Secondary School Certificate (SSC) and STEP courses.

### **Future Program:**

The Department of Agricultural Sciences (DAS) intends to offer the following program in future:  
PhD Agricultural Technology

### **1. MPhil Agricultural Technology**

#### **a) Introduction:**

The main purpose of MPhil Agricultural Technology degree is to explore the high level of technical innovation currently being applied to agricultural production. The major challenges to sustainable agriculture in Pakistan are; unavailability of quality seed, declining soil health, fragile cropping systems, looming water crisis, environmental degradation owing to indiscriminate use of farm chemicals, post- harvest losses, minimal value addition and product differentiation, inadequate food storage and preservation, poor marketing system and low production of meat, poultry and eggs. Achieving sustainability in food production and food security continues to be a challenge in the developing world including Pakistan. Over the past two decades, global food production has increased largely because of advances in innovative agriculture technology. MPhil Agricultural Technology degree will provide students a solid foundation

in agricultural business practices, expanding their career options in agro-based industries. It can also be the first step in securing a more advance degree in the field of Agri-Tech. This degree will acquire popularity for two reasons. First, mass food production and mega-farming requires mastery of ever-more sophisticated scientific farm operations, postharvest techniques as well as meat, poultry and egg production. Second, to ensure food security and minimizing post-harvest losses in the country. Hence, this program will be offered to people who want to use their skills to address the problems of hunger and sustainable development in the country. In addition, sustainable agriculture (organic, ecological and environment friendly technologies) is of wide interest around the world. Global warming and related trends have led to an awareness of the need to preserve natural resources such as clean water and fertile soil around the world. This degree will give students the comprehensive technical knowledge to formulate minerals, chemical and bioproduct indigenous materials available on farm. The students will be able to select/identify material indigenously available on farm and have capacity to convert them into valuable products for enhancing crop productivity.

**b) Aims:**

MPhil Agricultural Technology is an entrepreneurship based degree. It will generate highly technical manpower who will be job producers not job seekers. Each course in this program is a complete entrepreneurship. After obtaining this degree, the students will be engaged in flower industry, seed industry, organic agriculture industry, food industry, milk meat and dairy industry.

**c). Objectives:**

- i. To generate, integrate, and apply knowledge to individuals pursuing a higher degree in agriculture technology.
- ii. To enable MPhil Agricultural Technology holders to work as the technical experts for progressive farmers, agro-based industries to increase products and improve quality of production.
- iii. The degree holders will play important roles in greater efficiencies and lower prices of agricultural produce, safer growing conditions and safer foods as well as reduced environmental and ecological impact.

**d) Admission Requirements:**

The candidates possessing B.Sc. (Hons.)/BS Agriculture, B.Sc. (Hons.)/BS Agriculture/Plant Biotechnology, B.Sc. (Hons.)/BS Animal Husbandry and B.Sc. (Hons.)/BS Food Technology degree with at least 2<sup>nd</sup> division or equivalent CGPA/GPA from national and international HEC recognized institutions will be eligible for admission in MPhil Agricultural Technology.

**e) Admission Procedure:**

The candidates will be required to qualify Entry Test (60% marks) arranged by Departmental Admission Committee (DAC) of AIOU followed by interview (Prescribed by HEC Admission Criteria). Selection of the candidates in MPhil Agricultural Technology will be made strictly on merit against a limited number of seats.

Only selected candidates will be informed about their admission.

**f) Duration:**

The minimum duration of MPhil Agricultural Technology will be 2 years (4 semesters), while maximum duration will be four years (8 semesters).

**g) Medium of Instructions:**

The medium of instructions will be English.

**h) Mode of Study:**

The mode of study will be face to face as per other programs of Faculty of Sciences.

**i) AIOU-Credits Required:**

MPhil Agricultural Technology program will be comprised of 24 credit hours of course work and 12 credit hours of Research and Thesis.

**j) Course Work Evaluation:**

The evaluation of 24 credit hours course work of MPhil Agricultural Technology will be conducted by the Faculty and Controller of Examinations as per prevailing practice of the University. The distribution of continuous assessment and final examination of each 3-credit hour course work shall be as follows:

Continuous Assessment/Assignment & Mid Term	50% (20 + 30)
Final Examination	50%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>

Pass percentage in aggregate shall be 50%. If a student cannot pass in continuous assessment/assignments or fail to maintain the minimum mandatory class attendance of 70% in a course, he/she will be declared as fail. The Department of Agricultural Sciences will ensure to complete the evaluation process towards the end of semester and will submit the results to the Controller of Examinations on the prescribed format as per University schedule for issuance of semester transcripts.

**k) Synopsis Orientation Classes:**

After successful completion of course work, students will have to attend mandatory synopsis orientation classes for two weeks. The synopsis orientation classes would provide extensive opportunity to prepare research project and get feedback from the fellow scholars and resource persons.

**l) Research and Thesis:**

After successful completion of course work (24 Credit Hours) and attending the synopsis orientation classes, the students will be required to carry out their research project under the supervision of HEC/AIOU approved

supervisors. They will have to submit a detailed research proposal in 3<sup>rd</sup> semester to the Department. After getting due approval, he/she will be able to embark on the task of research project.

**m) Viva Voce:**

After the evaluation of thesis by the external experts, the scholar will have to appear before a viva voice committee to defend his/her thesis.

**n) Change of Rules:**

Any amendment made by the University in MPhil/MS rules will be applicable to the students enrolled in the subsequent class of MPhil Agricultural Technology program.

**o) Courses of MPhil Agricultural Technology:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Semester**

Sr. No.	Code	Title of Course	Credit Hours
1	8751	Commercial Flower Production	3(2+1)
2	8752	Seed Production and Technology	3(2+1)
3	8753	Entrepreneurship in Agriculture	3(2+1)
4	8754	Digital Agriculture	3(2+1)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Semester**

1	8755	Plant Nutrition and Bioproduct Development	3(2+1)
2	8756	Value Added Agriculture	3(2+1)
3	8757	Animal Nutrition and Feed Technology	3(2+1)
4	8759	Experimental Statistics	3(3+0)

**3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Semester**

1	8760	Research Thesis	12
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**Fee Tariff for MPhil Agricultural Technology Programs:**

Sr. No.	Item	Rates
1	Registration fee (Once at the time of first admission)	Rs.1000/-
2	Admission fee (Once at the time of first admission)	Rs.1500/-
3	Technology fee (per semester)	Rs.500/-
4	Each course fee per 3 credit hour 7200 x 4= Rs.28,800/-	Rs.28,800/-
5	<b>Thesis fee:</b> (12Credit Hour course)+ Laboratory Charges (once in 3 <sup>rd</sup> Semester)	Rs.28,800/- + Rs. 50,000/-
<b>Total Fee in 3<sup>rd</sup> Semester</b>		<b>Rs.78,800/-</b>
6	<b>Thesis evaluation fee:</b> (at the time of submission of the thesis)	Rs.28,800/-
<b>Total Fee for 1<sup>st</sup> Semester</b>		<b>Rs.31,800/-</b>

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 program.

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

### **Introduction:**

The Department of Computer Science is an established department under the Faculty of Sciences. We had developed curricula of the academic programs at various levels to meet the national and international standards as defined by Higher Education Commission. The curricula include PhD (Computer Science), MS (Computer Science), BS (Computer Science) and Post Graduate Diploma (PGD) in Computer Science. Department is equipped with latest computers and hardware labs. We practice the multi-method teaching methodology i.e. face-to-face regular classes for BS (Computer Science) and MS (Computer Science). The online methodology is practiced for PGD (Computer Science) program. The facilities of Video/Audio Conferencing and e-classrooms are also in use for lectures/consultations in research-oriented degrees. Department is actively involved in research and development in the areas of Ubiquitous Computing, Big Data Analytics, Artificial Intelligence, Computer Networks and Information Security.

### **MS (Computer Science)**

The MS (Computer Science) program is being offered at the Department of Computer Science, Main Campus, Islamabad. It comprises of 24 credit hours of course work, followed by 12 credit hours of research work (Thesis). This amalgamation of course work and thesis are meant to add professionalism among

research scholars in the field of Computer Science. The AIOU uses the modern pedagogical methods for better learning of the students. Keeping in view of the technical requirements of the courses, the classes are mainly being held on face-to-face mode.

### **Program Objectives:**

The objectives of the program are to:

- 1) Facilitate students to acquire knowledge, techniques and skills necessary to become practitioners in the field of Computer Science
- 2) Guide students to acquire research skills to be able to think creatively and critically for solving non-trivial problems.
- 3) Facilitate students to develop efficient solutions for real life problems with the acquired computing knowledge.

### **Program Features:**

- 1) Regular classes at the main campus in the evening.
- 2) In-line with the Higher Education Commission recommendations.
- 3) Focused research areas
- 4) Support through Aagahi Learning Management System available.
- 5) Allied study materials being provided in soft form.

### **Eligibility:**

A candidate is eligible to apply for MS (Computer Science) program having any of the following criteria from HEC recognized university/institute with minimum 60% marks in Annual System or 2.5 CGPA (on a scale of 4.0) or equivalent CGPA/GPA in Semester System\*.

- Master's degree in Computer Science/Information Technology/Software Engineering (16 years).
- Four years' bachelor degree in Computer Science/Information Technology/Software Engineering (16 years) with minimum 130 credit hours.

\* Conversion of Marks to CGPA will be done as per AIOU conversion formula (for those who studied in Semester system but CGPA were not applied in their university).

**Selection Criteria:**

Candidate must have to qualify Test (Subject) being conducted and/or recognized by Department of Computer Science and will attain 60% marks (minimum). The short listed candidates will be interviewed by the MS Admission Committee for merit based final selection as per university rules.

**Scheme of Studies:**

**Semester 1**

Course Title	Cr. Hours
Core-I	3
Core-II	3
Core-III	3
Elective-I	3

**Semester 2**

Course Title	Cr. Hours
Core-IV	3
Elective-II	3
Elective-III	3
Elective-IV	3

**Subtotal: 24 Credit Hours (Course work)**

**3<sup>rd</sup>& 4<sup>th</sup>Semester: Research Work**

Code	Title	Credit Hrs
5745	Thesis	12

**Total: 36 Credit Hours**

**MS Courses List (Core):**

Code	Course Title	Cr. Hours
5700	Theory of Computation	3 (3 + 0)
5701	Advanced Algorithm	3 (3 + 0)
5702	Distributed Systems	3 (3 + 0)
5703	Research Study	3 (3 + 0)
5730	Advanced Computer Architecture	3 (3 + 0)
7008	Theory of Programming Languages	3 (3 + 0)

**MS Courses List (Elective):**

The following is the list of elective courses for MS (CS) course work.

Code	Course Titles	Cr. Hours
7009	Big Data Analytics	3(3+0)
7024	Deep Learning	3(3+0)
7025	Data Visualization	3(3+0)
7026	Natural Language Processing	3(3+0)
7027	Tools and Techniques in Data Science	3(3+0)
7028	Applied Cryptography	3(3+0)
7029	Network Transfer Protocol	3(3+0)
7030	Integrated Services over Packet Network	3(3+0)
5704	Object-Oriented Software Engineering	3(3+0)
5705	Software Project Management	3(3+0)
5706	Software Quality Assurance	3(3+0)
5707	Software Engineering Laboratory	3(3+0)
5708	Advance Topics in Software Engineering	3(3+0)
5709	Advanced Computer Networks	3(3+0)
5715	Distributed Databases	3(3+0)
5716	Data Warehousing & Mining	3(3+0)
5717	Information System Security	3(3+0)
5718	Case Tools & Applications	3(3+0)
5719	Advance Topics in DBMS	3(3+0)

5736	E-Commerce Applications	3(3+0)
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**Conduct of Classes/Mode of Teaching:**

Classes will be conducted at the main campus, Islamabad.

**Assessment:**

**Course Work Assessment**

The following assessment criteria are applied to MS level course work:

Continuous Assessment During Study Period		Final
Assignments/Quizzes	Mid-Term/Presentation/Workshop	
20%	30%	50%

**Note:**

- The Mid-Term/Presentation/Workshop will be defined by the teacher department concerned.
- The pass percentage in each component (continuous assessment and final Examinations) is 50%.

**Research Work Assessment**

Each MS (CS) scholar shall submit thesis on completion of the research work under taken. The university will evaluate the thesis as per university rules. After the recommendation of the external evaluators, the scholar needs to defend his/her thesis before the viva voce committee. The M.Phil rules and regulations of the university will apply to MS (CS) scholars. Each scholar shall follow the prescribed process of the University for undertaking his/her research work.

### Synopsis Workshop

The Department will arrange a two-week synopsis orientation workshop helping students to identify their topic of research and develop the synopsis. Attendance in this workshop is mandatory. The resource person may deliver lectures on their research areas.

### Synopsis Approval

Synopsis will be approved by Departmental Synopsis Committee.

### Thesis Supervision

A supervisor will be allocated to student as per research expertise.

### Award of Degree:

On successful completion of the research thesis and other requirements, the MS (CS) degree will be awarded by the University.

### Fee Tariff for MS Computer Science

Item	Rates
Admission Fee (at the time of 1 <sup>st</sup> semester)	Rs.1500/-
Registration Fee	Rs.1000/-
Course Fee (3 credit hours)	Rs.7200/-
Fee for 12 credit hours' course work (7200 x 4= 28800)	Rs.28800/-
Technology Fee per semester	Rs.500/-

<b>Total Fee (First Semester)</b>	<b>Rs.31,800/-</b>
Research thesis fee (12 credit hours) Submitted in 3rd Semester	Rs.28800/-
<b>Thesis Evaluation Fee</b> (at the time of submission of thesis)	<b>Rs.28,800/-</b>

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 program.

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## DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

### **Introduction:**

The Department of Mathematics has been established in June 2014. In June 2014, the Department of Mathematics & Statistics has been bifurcated as two independent Departments. The newly established Department of Mathematics has been shifted from Research Complex, Science Block to Block No.07 and has started functioning over there. Presently the Department is offering courses of Mathematics at Secondary School Certificate (SSC), Higher Secondary School Certificate (HSSC) and Bachelor levels. The Department is running the following program:

- PhD Mathematics
- MPhil Mathematics
- BS/MSc Mathematics

PhD Mathematics and Phil Mathematics program have been designed after consulting syllabi of national and international universities. It will strengthen the mathematical concepts of the candidates and will enhance their logical thinking. These programs will also cater the needs of information technology and other sciences disciplines.

### **PhD Mathematics Program**

PhD Mathematics Program provides students an opportunity to become apprentice mathematicians. Graduates of this program can pursue careers in research and development sectors of

public and private institutions, the financial industry, data analytics industry and academia. The faculty at the Department works across a wide spectrum of Mathematical fields with research in Pure, as well as Applied Mathematics. Some examples of interests within Pure Mathematics are Algebraic Geometry, Algebraic Topology, Combinatorial Commutative Algebra, Functional Analysis, Fixed Point Theory, Operator Theory and Symmetries of Differential Equations, while those in Applied Mathematics include Computational Statistical Mechanics, Numerical Methods, Mathematical and Computational Biology, Stochastic Processes, Epidemiology and Cancer Kinetics.

### **Objectives:**

- Impart in depth knowledge and application of methodology to investigate original research problems through a systematic and focused approach
- Enable students to produce publishable research for journals and conferences of international repute
- Enable students to conduct independent research

### **Program Outcomes**

- Students will be able to exhibit specialized knowledge and ability to use appropriate research methodology in the relevant field of study
- Students will be able to conduct systematic and focused research

- Students will be able to publish research papers in journals and conferences of international repute
- Students will be able to conduct and supervise independent research and can produce knowledge

### Summary of the Program:

Total Credit Hours	54 Credit Hours	Course Work	18 Credit Hours
		Research Work	36 Credit Hours
Minimum Duration	06 Semesters (03 Years)		
Areas of Specialization	i. Pure Mathematics ii. Applied Mathematics		

### Evaluation:

#### a. Course Work Evaluation

1. The evaluation of the 18 credit hours of PhD course work will be conducted by Controller of Examinations by appointing teachers (who taught the course in that particular semester) as Examiners recommended by the department concerned.
2. a) The distribution of marks of each 3 credit hours course work of PhD shall be as follows:
 

i) Continuous Assessment & Mid Term	50% (20+30)
ii) Final Examination	50%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>

b) Pass percentage in aggregate will be 70%. If a student cannot pass in continuous assessment/ assignments or fails to maintain the minimum mandatory class attendance of 70% in a course, he/she will be declared as fail.

3. The student will have a total of **two consecutive chances including first attempt to attend and pass each course**

#### **Payment of Fee:**

Admission will be strictly on merit. **Only the selected candidates should deposit the fee after receiving the admission letter from Admission Department of AIOU.**

#### **Hostel Facility:**

The hostel facility is available for both the male and female students. Separate fee must be paid for attaining the hostel and this facility is subject to availability.

#### **Mode of Teaching:**

Each course will be of (3+0) credit hours. It is proposed to hold two workshops during the semester. There will be at least 45 hours face to face teaching for each course.

#### **Places of Offering:**

Main Campus AIOU, Islamabad only.

#### **Eligibility:**

Candidates having M. Phil/MS in Mathematics with minimum CGPA 3.00/4.00 from a HEC recognized university.

### **Admission Procedure:**

- i. A candidate holding **MS/MPhil or equivalent** degree shall apply for admission through online portal (<https://aiou.edu.pk/oas-fresh-admission>).
  - Register here through your Cell No. or Email and Login
  - Fill the Admission Form completely and Submit
  
  - Print Fee Voucher and deposited the fee in the designated banks or through Jazz Cash, Easy Paisa and Upaisa Mobile App/USSD String \*786#, Retailer Agent, Franchise and Branches of Mobilink, Telenor and Ubank.

For further information and query please visit website at: <http://support.aiou.edu.pk/> or following contact numbers 051-9572386

- ii A candidate will become student of **PhD** program upon depositing the prescribed semester based fee for the 1st semester of course work. In case of failure to deposit the fee within the specified period, the admission shall automatically stand cancelled after the due date.
- iii A student admitted to **PhD** programs and a specialization thereof, whichever applicable, shall not be allowed to change his/ her program or specialization. The student shall have to apply a fresh for admission to another program or specialization after discontinuation of the earlier program/specialization as and when next admission is announced.

### **Duration/Credit Hours and Medium of Instructions for PhD programs:**

1. The minimum duration of a PhD program shall be six semesters (three years) and maximum duration shall be ten semesters (five-years) and can be extended upto eight years if allowed by competent authority i.e. (Executive Council) on the recommendations of concerned Dean and supervisor.
  - a) The PhD program will be of an 18 credit hours course work and the minimum period for completion of course work shall be two semesters (one year) and maximum four semesters (two years).
  - b) There shall be a comprehensive examination at the end of second semester of the course work for a PhD program.
  - c) Only those candidates who pass the comprehensive examination will be allowed to continue with their PhD research work and attend the synopsis workshop after depositing the required fee.
  - d) The minimum period to complete the PhD thesis (36 credit hours) after confirmation of the candidature (date of meeting of BASR in which synopsis is approved) shall be 3 semesters.
2. The language of instructions, examination and thesis for disciplines will be according to the approved scheme of studies of each department

**Scheme of Studies: (Any six courses will be offered)**

**Semester-I&II**

Sr. No.	Course Code	Course Title	Credit Hours
1.	7737	Numerical Analysis of Spectral Methods	3(3+0)
2.	8807	Variational Inequalities and Applications	3(3+0)
3.	8810	Continuous-Time Finance	3(3+0)
4.	8809	Non-Newtonian Fluids	3(3+0)
5.	7751	Stochastic Differential Equations	3(3+0)
6.	8806	Numerical Methods for variational Inequalities	3(3+0)
7.	8808	Momentum and Thermal Boundary Layer Theory	3(3+0)
8.	8804	Knot Theory	3(3+0)
9.	7747	Theory of Semiring- II	3(3+0)
10.	7734	Theory of Semirings-I	3(3+0)
11.	8802	Algebraic Lie Theory	3(3+0)
12.	8803	Advanced Group Actions	3(3+0)
13.	7745	C* Algebra	3(3+0)
14.	7739	Banach Algebra	3(3+0)
15.	8801	Advanced Convex Analysis	3(3+0)
16.	8805	Mathematical Programming	3(3+0)

**Semester III-VI**

Comprehensive Examination + Proposal Submission + Research Work and Thesis Writing.

**Synopsis/Research Work:**

On the completion of 18 credit hours of course work, the successful students will appear in comprehensive and viva voce examinations. The students who scored 70 % in the comprehensive and viva voce examinations will embark upon research of 36 credit hours for four semesters. The department will hold two-weeks Synopsis Orientation Workshop (SOW) The purpose of the SOW is to guide the PhD scholars/researchers in finalizing their topics of Synopsis/Research. Participation in the SOW will be mandatory. Researchers are supposed to develop and present their synopsis before the Departmental Synopsis Committee. Finally, topic of synopsis/research will be forwarded to the concerned body for approval as per PhD rules and regulations of the university.

**How to Apply?**

Please apply online by visiting university website ([www.aiou.edu.pk](http://www.aiou.edu.pk)) and also upload all documents online. For queries contact with Department of Mathematics Block # 7, Room # 1, AIOU, Sector H-8, Islamabad.

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### Fee Tariff for PhD Mathematics

Item	Rates
Admission Fee (at the time of 1 <sup>st</sup> semester)	Rs.2500/-
Registration Fee	Rs.2500/-
Course Fee (3 credit hours)	Rs.9000/-
Fee for 9 credit hours' theory work (9000 x 3= 27000)	Rs.27000/-
Technology Fee per semester	Rs.500/-
<b>Total Fee (First Semester)</b>	<b>Rs.32,500/-</b>
Thesis fee (in 3 <sup>rd</sup> ,4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> semester)	Rs108000/-
<b>Thesis Evaluation Fee</b> (at the time of submission of thesis)	<b>Rs.108,000/-</b>

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 program.

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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 programs 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 programs in Pakistani Languages and Law. The Commonwealth-collaborated Masters programs 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 AIU's Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities has shown a lot of dynamism over the past few years. It has launched MPhil/PhD programs in Iqbaliat, Urdu, Mass Communication Economics, History and MS/PhD in Business Administration while preparations are being made to launch PhD Applied Linguistics and Pakistan Studies.

The Faculty of Social Sciences & Humanities also offers several bachelors' level programs in such professional areas like Bachelors in Library & Information Sciences (BLIS), BBA (4 years), BS-Commerce and Mass communication. Thousands of students comprising all demographic groups from all over the country, enroll each year in these bachelor's level programs.

The Faculty has expanded vitally and its programs have gained a high popularity as is clear from rapidly rising trend of enrolment during the past decade. During the period under report, the Faculty accorded high priority towards quality improvements and to modify its programs in accordance with the current challenges of 21<sup>st</sup> century.

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

## **DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS**

### **Introduction:**

The Department of Economics is one of the fourteen departments within the Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities at Allama Iqbal Open University. It was established in 1986 with few introductory courses at intermediate and bachelor level. The department has, over the years, established itself as a reputable academic department in the country for

higher studies and research in Economics. At present, the department offers MSc and MPhil programs in different field of economics. The department currently has well qualified teaching faculty possessing PhD degree from foreign as well as local well reputed institutions. Moreover, the department continuously collaborates with economists, academicians and researchers of other academic institution who could work as a student supervisor, resource person and part-time tutor.

**Objectives:**

The main objective of the department is to provide the students a broad based understanding of the subject, solid grasp on economic theory, analytical tools, applied economics and statistical techniques. Especially, MPhil program emphasizes advanced methods of theoretical quantitative analysis. The goal of the program is enable the students to pursue academically based research careers in economics and to equip them with other emerging changes in the field of economics.

**Programs:**

The main programs offered by the department are:

- MSc Economics
- MPhil Economics

**MPhil Economics**

**Introduction:**

Economics is a study to know how efficiently individuals and societies choose to use the scarce resources. Economics explains how humans and societies can achieve a high level of growth

and employment, price stability, an equitable distribution of income, reduction in pollution, economic freedom, sustainable development, macroeconomic stability and reduction in poverty. All these goals can be achieved if one could understand the theoretical concepts as well as their applications simultaneously. There is a positive correlation between volume of research and development of a society. By nature, research is the collection and use of data to test economic theories.

**Objectives:**

- To prepare professionals who have a grasp on the discipline in general and a command over the area of specialization in particular.
- To establish a cadre of specialists and professionals in the field of economics who could provide effective leadership in guiding and conducting high level research in various fields.
- To provide opportunities to the professionals regarding upgrading their knowledge, education and research capabilities.
- To enhance the proficiency of working teachers in the area of economics.

**1) Eligibility and Procedure of Admission:**

The candidates securing Second Class or equivalent CGPA in Master Degree or BS (4-Years) in Economics having 16 years of schooling or 4 years of education after HSSC from a recognized university will be eligible to apply for admission in MPhil Economics.

- There shall be a departmental admission committee responsible to finalize the admission.

- Preliminary selection of the candidates will be made strictly on the basis of merit/criteria laid down by the Department/ University.
- Subject based GRE test and interview will be essential for admission to this program conducted by the Department of Economics.
- Only selected candidates will be informed about their admission and for depositing the fee. Fee depositing procedure will be mentioned in the intimation letter.
- The prevailing University rules/regulations regarding MPhil enforced from time to time shall strictly be followed for the MPhil program in Economics.

**2) Duration of MPhil Program:**

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

**3) Medium of Instruction:**

The medium of instruction and examination is English.

**4) Scheme of Studies:**

The MPhil program will be of 36 credit hours in total: 24 credit hours course work and 12 credit hours of research work. Semester wise offering of courses will be as under:

**1<sup>st</sup> Semester**

Sr. No.	Course	Code	Credit Hours
1	Advanced Microeconomics	2700	3
2	Advanced Macroeconomics	2701	3
3	Development Economics	2704	3
4	International Trade Theory & Policy	2705	3

**2<sup>nd</sup> Semester**

Sr. No.	Course	Code	Credit Hours
1	Research Methods	2702	3
2	Applied Econometrics	2703	3
3	Environmental Economics	2706	3
4	Monetary Economics	2708	3

**3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Semester (Research Work)**

1.	Research Project / Thesis	2710	12
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**5) Instructional Methodology:**

The following methodology will be adopted for running the MPhil program in Economics.

**i) Study Material:**

The outline of courses along with the required reading material and assignments will be provided in the form of **soft copy** to the students.

**ii) Classes (Coursework):**

There is serial of mandatory classes in each semester during the course work. The number of compulsory face to face teaching hours shall be 48 for each 3-credit hour course.

**iii) Assessment System:**

Assessment system will be carried out as under:-

- Assignments (continuous assessment). Two assignments are compulsory for each 3 Credit Hours Course.
- Mid Term Examination during each semester and final Examinations at the end.
- For successful completion of each course the student will be required to qualify in each following components.

**Note: The policy of reappear and again reappear is discontinued and student will re-enroll in the course in case of failure.**

Assessment Component	Total Marks	Passing Marks	Weightage
Assignments	100	50	10 + 10 = 20%
Assignment / Class Presentation	100	50	
Mid-Term Examination	100	50	30%
Final Examination	100	50	50%
Total Marks			<b>100</b>
Aggregate Passing Marks			<b>50</b>

- To take final examination the student has to pass in continue assessment/assignments/mid-term and ensure 70% attendance in the classes.

**6) Synopsis Orientation Workshop (SOW):**

The Department will hold a Synopsis Orientation Workshop to identify the topic for students’ research and to develop the synopsis for their MPhil thesis. The synopsis will submitted to Board of Advance Studies and Research (BASR) for approval.

**7) 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 a mandatory workshop to discuss research proposals of the students.

**8) Viva-Voce:**

After evaluation of thesis, the student has to appear for viva-voce examination.

**9) Instructions for Thesis:**

Students will submit research proposal/synopsis to the Department of Economics 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 Economics Program will submit one research paper (accepted or published) in any conference or research journal as mandatory to their completion of their research degree as per HEC policy.

- 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 four years shall not be affected. (Detailed information in this regard can be obtained from the Department on request).
- Students will deposit fee in bank for thesis evaluation at the time of submitting the thesis to the Department.
- Students are advised to stay in contact with their respective supervisor and with the Department for research activities and submit their progress reports to the Department intermittently.
- 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 coursework).
- 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.

- The MPhil degree shall be awarded after the positive reports of external evaluators 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.

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 MPhil shall be cancelled and he/she shall be debarred forever from the admission to any program of the university. In case the plagiarism is proved, after the award of MPhil degree, he/she shall be debarred forever from admission to any program of the university and the degree shall be cancelled / withdrawn.

### **10) Fee Depositing Procedure**

Only on receipt of admission offer, the candidate would pay dues in accordance with the fee tariff as directed by the Department as under:

This program is merit based; therefore no fee/dues are required to be deposited until you receive the offer letter from the University.

### Fee Tariff for MPhil Economics

<b>Registration Fee:</b> (Payable once at the time of admission)	Rs.1000/-
<b>Admission Fee:</b> (Payable once at the time of admission)	Rs.1500/-
<b>Technology Fee:</b> (Per student per semester)	Rs.500/-
<b>Course Fee:</b> (per 3 credit hour course) Rs.7500 x 4 = Rs.30,000/-	Rs.30,000/-
<b>First Semester Fee:</b>	Rs.33,000/-
<b>Thesis Fee:</b>	Rs.30,000/-
<b>Thesis Evaluation Fee:</b>	Rs.30,000/-

### 11) How to Apply Online Admission

Candidates are required to create account online for admission and apply through university portal: [www.aiou.edu.pk](http://www.aiou.edu.pk)

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## DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCES

### **Introduction**

The Department of Library and Information Sciences was established in 1985 within the Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities. Besides PhD (Library and Information Sciences), the LIS Department is offering/running six more programs as follows:

1. Master of Library and Information Sciences (MLIS) ) (for continuing students only)
2. BS (4-year) in Library and Information Sciences (BS4-LIS)
3. Associate Degree in Library and Information Science (AD-LIS) for continuing students only
4. Bachelor of Library and Information Science (BLIS) (for continuing students only)
5. Certificate in Librarianship (CLS)
6. MPhil (Library and Information Sciences)

See more about the department, programs, faculty, and other information at <https://lis.aiou.edu.pk/>.

## **PhD Library and Information Sciences**

### **Objectives**

The main objective of launching PhD program is to contribute to the national and international Library and Information Sciences (LIS) literature through high quality research particularly focusing on current and future needs. Secondly, there is a high demand from information professionals across Pakistan to have this program at the AIOU platform through unconventional means of education. Thirdly, there is a high number of LIS professionals working in Islamabad and Rawalpindi who intend to enhance their professional qualifications and they find no such program offered by public or private universities in this region.

Other objectives include:

- To address the local issues in LIS and provide a viable solution through research.
- To enable LIS professionals to make informed decisions based on research.
- To promote evidenced-based LIS practice through the use of relevant research.
- To promote LIS research culture in Pakistan.
- To enrich Pakistani LIS research literature through quality research projects.
- To endeavor to create a new knowledge in LIS.
- To prepare LIS professionals for challenging leadership role.
- To meet the current demand of multidisciplinary research.
- To instill information literacy skills in research students.

- To improve academic writing skills of LIS research students.
- To improve soft skills of LIS research students.
- To provide a specialized manpower to the LIS job market.
- To promote information entrepreneurship by establishing industry-academia link ages through need-based research.

### **Scope of the Program and Job Market**

There is no such Program being offered by any university, public or private, in Islamabad, Rawalpindi, Khyber pakhtunkhwa and Baluchistan. Further, only a few public sector universities in Pakistan (University of the Punjab, University of Sargodha, Islamia University Bahawalpur, University of Karachi, and Sindh University) are offering this program in LIS with limited number of seats and annual pass-out. Moreover, no public sector university is offering this program in a flexible mode of study that could be affordable to on-job professionals who cannot leave their homes and jobs for a long time for conventional mode of study. There are a number of academic and top managerial positions vacant in public and private universities and government colleges in this discipline (LIS) owing to lack of specialized manpower having PhD qualifications. The fee package of some of the private universities offering this program is not affordable to many of the interested candidates. Therefore, the afore-mentioned circumstances demand this program to be offered at the AIOU platform.

### **Entry Requirements (Admission Criteria) and Number of Seats.**

PhD in LIS is a merit-based program. Any candidate having 18-year MS/MPhil with thesis degree in Library and Information Sciences or equivalent qualification from any HEC-recognized institution with at least 3.0/4.0 CGPA in semester system or first division (60% marks) in annual system can apply for admission. The number of seats will be limited based on merit as per AIOU/HEC policy. The admission merit will be determined as per AIOU rules/policy that in addition to other parameters also includes admission test with prescribed pass marks as per AIOU rules and interview. Interested candidates should apply as mentioned in advertisement published in leading national dailies, social media, and AIOU website <https://aiou.edu.pk/oas-fresh-admission>. No TA/DA or other expenses will be on the part of AIOU.

### **Duration of the Program**

The duration of this program is as per AIOU/HEC rules/ policy

### **PhD (LIS) Coursework**

There will be a two-semester PhD (LIS) coursework of 18 credit hours, consisting of six courses of three credit hours each. All these courses are compulsory. The semester-wise breakup of the courses is as under:

**1<sup>st</sup> Semester**

Sr.#	Course	Code	Credit Hours
1	Research Methods: Information, Systems, and Context	7831	03
2	Development of Library and Information Science in Pakistan	7832	03
3	Independent Study	7833	03

**2<sup>nd</sup> Semester**

1	Information: Perspectives, Needs, Seeking, and Use	7834	03
2	Leadership and Team Management	7835	03
3	Seminar in Advanced Research	7836	03

**3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Semester**

1	Research Thesis	7840	36
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**Note:** There shall also be a comprehensive examination after the successful completion of the coursework as per AIOU rules. Synopsis orientation workshop(s) shall be held as per AIOU rules.

**Research Proposal and Thesis**

(Third and subsequent semesters)

As per AIOU rules

**Mode of Study**

As per AIOU rules/policy.

**Medium of Study**

English language will be the medium of study. Students may not opt for any other language for any of the components of this program.

**Assessment/Evaluation of Students' Coursework**

Multiple criteria shall be adopted to assess students' coursework that may include any or all or combination of assignments, presentation, academic paper/essay/article/ synopsis, quiz, midterm and final exams or where specified otherwise (e.g. see outline of 7833 and 7836). Pass marks shall be as per AIOU rules.

### Fee Tariff for PhD LIS Program:

Item	Fee
Registration Fee	Rs.2500/-
Admission Fee	Rs.2500/-
Technology Fee	Rs.500/-
Tuition fee per Credit Hour Rs.7,500 = (Rs.2,500×9 credits hours of 4 courses)	Rs.22,500/-
Thesis Fee: (in four installments)	Rs.90,000/-
Thesis Evaluation Fee:	Rs.90,000/-
Total fee for 1 <sup>st</sup> Semester	Rs.28,000/-

Fee for subsequent semesters including thesis and thesis evaluation fee shall be informed at the time of admission/ event.

Note: The AIOU reserves the right to make any change(s) any time in this program partly or wholly without prior notice.

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## DEPARTMENT OF PAKISTAN STUDIES

### Introduction

The Department of Pakistan Studies was separated for its parent department, the Department of Social Sciences and Humanities, and was established as an independent Department in the Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities.. Since its inception, the department has developed and offered several courses of Pakistan Studies ranging from Matriculation (Secondary School Certificate) to PhD Level. The MSc Pakistan Studies program was first offered in 1985. Since then, it has produced a large number of graduates who are serving the nation in various capacities and bringing pride to the Department of Pakistan studies. Similarly, MPhil Pakistan Studies program was launch in 2016, so far the Department has produced number of MPhil scholars. It has been a long standing demand of our students holding MPhil degree to launch PhD Pakistan Studies program. Now the Department has started PhD Pakistan Studies with a view to cater the demand of the students particularly and the relevant people generally. The courses of the program are based on the latest revised scheme of studies of Higher Education Commission (HEC):

### PhD Pakistan Studies Program

#### 1. Objectives

The main objective of PhD Pakistan Studies program is to produce social scientists who can embark on the task of carrying out scientific research in the fields of Pakistan's history, politics, economics, society and culture. We hope, this approach will be helpful to

understand the complexities and problems associated with the socio-political and economic development of the country:

- The major objective of the program is to develop academic understanding of state and society of Pakistan with socio-economic, political and constitutional aspects. The local, regional and global political and economic dynamics and role of State of Pakistan in global political scenario.
- The program intends to inculcate the knowledge of modern trends and issues in social sciences research methods. The scholars will be trained to conduct research on Pakistan in line with the global research trends.
- Pakistan's national security and foreign policy in global political arena will be highlighted to promote geo-economic, geo-political and geo strategic potentials of Pakistan.
- The program intends to promote historical sense among the scholars regarding the Pakistan movement and role of leadership especially Jinnah with reference to modern historiographical trends.
- The scholars will be apprised about constitutional, administrative, and legal challenges to the polity of Pakistan.

#### 2. Eligibility & Procedure for Online Admission

A candidate holding **MS/MPhil or equivalent** degree shall apply for admission through online portal (<https://aiou.edu.pk/oas-fresh-admission>).

- Register here through your Cell No. or Email and Login
- Fill the Admission Form completely and Submit
- Print Fee Voucher and deposited the fee in the designated banks or through Jazz Cash, Easy Paisa and Upaisa

Mobile App/USSD String \*786#, Retailer Agent, Franchise and Branches of Mobilink, Telenor and Ubank.

For further information and query please visit website at: <http://support.aiou.edu.pk/> or following contact numbers 051-9576795

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

1. MS/MPhil/ in Pakistan Studies (18 years of education with research thesis) CGPA 3.0 out of 4.0 or 1<sup>st</sup> 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 supervision of the Departmental Admission Committee, Department of Pakistan Studies AIOU, Islamabad. The qualifying marks for the subject Test will be 70% as per AIOU policy.
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 program after depositing the prescribed fee (semester-wise) for the 1<sup>st</sup> semester of course work. In case of failure to deposit the fee as specified, the admission shall automatically be cancel after due date.
6. Admission of PhD scholar will be notified by the Director Admissions after the receipt of admission dues.

## **Duration of the Program**

### **Duration**

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

### **i-Course work**

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

### **ii-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).

### **3. Medium of Instruction**

The medium of instruction and examination will be English.

### **4. Scheme of Studies**

The PhD in Pakistan Studies Program will comprised of 18 credit hours course work and 36 credit hours of research work.

Semester wise offering of courses will be as under:

#### **1<sup>st</sup> Semester**

<b>Sr#</b>	<b>Course</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>
1	Research Methods in Social Sciences	8050	03
2	Constitutional Issues in Pakistan	8054	03
3	Folk Heritage in Pakistan	8052	03

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester

1	Jinnah in the light of New Historiography	8051	03
2	Issues in the Foreign Policy of Pakistan	8053	03
3	Local Self Government System in Pakistan	8056	03

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Semester

1	Synopsis Workshop (Compulsory) Dissertation	8058	36
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			<b>54</b>

## 5. Instructional Methodology

The following will be the instructional methodology of the PhD Program in Pakistan Studies.

- **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.

- **Classes**

- a) The instructional modes shall include student and tutor face to face contact for approved prescribed period/scheduled teaching classes, video conferencing, email, internet, telephone coaching on prescribed schedules, broadcast and non-broadcast audio visual program etc.
- b) The number of compulsory face to face teaching hours shall be 48 for each course (3 credit hours).

- **Student Counseling**

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

- **Comprehensive Examination**

- a) After successful completion of course work 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 70 percent; however, no grades will be awarded to the candidate.

- **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 course work). Participation of the students in Synopsis Orientation Workshop will be mandatory

- **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 passes the comprehensive examination.

### 7. Course Work Evaluation

The distribution of the marks of each 3 credit hours course work of PhD shall be as follows:

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|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| A. Continuous Assessment & Mid-Term | 50% (20+30) |
| B. Final Examination                | 50%         |
| <b>Total 100%</b>                   |             |

(Pass percentage in each component will be 70%)

### 8. Thesis Evaluation

- On completion of PhD research thesis the student will be required to submit five spiral bound copies of the thesis to the supervisor.
- 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.

### 9. 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.

### 10. Fee Structure

The fee structure of PhD Pakistan Studies is as under:

Sr. #	Nature of Fee	Amount	Description
1	Admission fee	Rs.2500/-	This fee will be paid with the fee of first semester
2	Registration fee	Rs.2500/-	Once at the time of Admission
3	Tuition fee for 9 credit hours course.	Rs.22500/-	(Rs.7500/- per 3 credit Hours)
4	Technology Fee	Rs.500/-	Each semester
5	Total Fee for First Semester	<b>Rs.28000/-</b>	
6	Thesis Fee 36 Credits hours	Rs.90000/-	For 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Semester
7	Thesis Evaluation Fee	Rs.90000 /-	This fee will be paid at the time of submission of thesis

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 program.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

### Introduction

The Department of History was established in 1995 as part of the Faculty of Social Sciences & Humanities. Since inception, the Department has been running academic programs at Intermediate, Graduate and Post-graduate level. MPhil History has been launched since Spring 2015. This aims to cater the needs of faculty members working at higher educational institutions and the general public.

### MPhil History Program

#### Objectives

- i. The major objective of the program is to inculcate the sense of History and Historiography through research on local, regional and international History.
- ii. The evolution stemming from British India (colonial India) will be highlighted through specialized study courses consisted of Muslim Arab and international political studies.
- iii. The endeavors of Muslim leaders during freedom struggle will be focused.

#### Duration

- The minimum period required for completing MPhil in History will be two years (four semesters) while maximum period will be four years (eight semesters).
- The minimum period for the completion of coursework (24 credit hours) shall be one year (two semesters). The minimum period for the completion of research work will be one year (two semesters).

- In case the student fails to complete the course/research work within the prescribed maximum period of (eight semesters) four years. She/he has to take a fresh admission in the program.

### Eligibility for Admission

The students are eligible to apply for admission to M Phil History with the following educational background:

- i. At least 2<sup>nd</sup> class Master Degree in History,
- ii. Candidates with published articles will be preferred.
- iii. All other rules and instructions applied by Allama Iqbal Open University from time to time.
- iv. Test and interview will be conducted by the Admission Committee, Department of History AIOU, Islamabad

### Medium of Instruction

The medium of instruction and examination is English.

### Scheme of Studies

The MPhil in History program will be of 36 credit hours in total: 24 credit hours coursework and 12 credit hours of research work. Semester wise offering of courses will be as under:

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Semester: Spring 2023

Sr. No.	Code	Course	Credit Hours
1	2731	British India (1857-1947)-I	03
2	2732	British India (1857-1947)-II	03
3	2733	Historiography	03
4	2734	Research Methodology	03

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester: Autumn 2023

Sr. No.	Code	Course	Credit Hours
1	2735	History of Modern World since 1945-I	03
2	2736	History of Modern World since 1945-II	03
3	2737	History of Pakistan (1947-88)-I	03
4	2738	History of Pakistan (1947-88)-II	03

### 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Semester (Research Work)

Sr. No.	Code	Course	Credit Hours
1	2739	Synopsis Workshop (compulsory) Research Work/Thesis	12

#### Synopsis Workshop (Compulsory)

After the completion of twenty-four credit hours of coursework a student will undertake research of 12 credit hours. After the receipt of admission list in the 3<sup>rd</sup> semester, the Department will hold two-week Synopsis Orientation Workshop for MPhil thesis to guide the researchers in finalizing their topics of research/ synopses. Participation in the Synopsis Orientation Workshop will be mandatory. Researchers are supposed to develop and present their synopses before the Departmental Synopsis Committee. Finally, topic of research/ synopsis will be forwarded to the concerned body for approval as per MPhil in History rules and regulations of the university. Hostel facility at the Main Campus,

AIOU Islamabad is available on payment for the students, if desired.

#### Admission Procedure

- There shall be a Departmental Admission Committee responsible to finalize the admission.
- Admission in MPhil History Program will be made once a year (i.e. Spring Semester). Applications will be invited through the daily newspapers/AIOU website.
- Preliminary selection of the candidates will be made strictly on the basis of merit/criteria laid down by the Department/ University.
- A subject based test and interview will be conducted for admission to this program.
- Only selected candidates will be informed about their admission and for depositing the fee. Fee depositing procedure will be mentioned in the intimation letter.
- The prevailing University rules/regulations regarding MPhil enforced from time to time shall strictly be followed for the MPhil History Program.

#### Important Note

Applications for admission in MPhil History shall be invited through newspaper/AIOU website ([www.aiou.edu.pk](http://www.aiou.edu.pk)) and the students are required to apply online for the admission.

#### Method of Instruction

The following methodology will be adopted for running the MPhil Program in History. The Department will provide outline of courses along with the required reading material and assignments to the students.

### Assignments

Assignments are written exercises which students complete while being at their homes and places of work after studying their reading material and attending the classes 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 teachers who would return the same after marking as per AIOU policy and provide necessary academic guidance.

### Face to Face Contact Hours

MPhil History has been launched in the face to face mode (48 hours teaching for each 3 credit hours course). MPhil classes will be conducted by the Department before the final examination. The attendance of the students in the classes is mandatory. No relaxation on any ground shall be granted to the students in this regard. The classes are organized in order to provide the students proper guidance in course contents through intensive lectures, group discussion, etc. The schedule of classes, chalked out by the Department will be intimated to the students well in time. A student who fails in continuous assessment component is not eligible to reappear but will be allowed to reregister for the same course at its next offering by the university, as per the AIOU policy.

### Assessment

Assessment will be done as under:

1. Assignments (continuous assessment). Two assignments are compulsory for each 3 Credit Hours Course.
2. Midterm exam will be conducted during the Course work for each course by the Department

3. Final Examination (three hours written examination will take place at the end of the semester). The weightage of each component is as follows.
  - a. Assignments (continues assessment) 20%
  - b. Midterm 30%
  - c. Final Examination 50%
4. For successful completion of each course the student is required to qualify each component.
5. To take final examination the student has to pass in assignments and maintain 70% mandatory attendance in the classes.
6. The conditions to qualify evaluation component are given below:
  - i. A minimum of 50% passing marks in aggregate for (assignments + mid-term).
  - ii. A minimum of 50% passing marks in the final written examination.
  - iii. 70% mandatory attendance in the workshops.
  - iv. A minimum of 50% passing marks in the Midterm examination

### Fee Tariff for MPhil History

Item	Fee
<b>Registration Fee</b> (Payable once at the time of admission)	Rs.1000/-
<b>Admission Fee</b> (Payable once at the time of admission)	Rs.1500/-
<b>Technology Fee</b> (per student per semester)	Rs.500/-
<b>Course Fee:</b> Per 3 credit hour Rs.4200/- (4200 x 4)	Rs.16,800/-
<b>Thesis Fee:</b>	Rs.16,800/-
<b>Thesis Evaluation Fee:</b>	Rs.16,800/-
<b>Total Fee First Semester:</b>	<b>Rs.19,800/-</b>

**Note:**

This program is merit based; therefore, no fee/ dues should be deposited until you receive the offer letter from Admission Department of the University. For clarification about academic matters please contact on the following address:

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## 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 B.A. level, full program with thirty-six credit hours at M Phil level and PhD Iqbal Studies Program.

### Mphil Iqbal Studies

#### 1. Objectives

- i. Dissemination of Iqbal's teachings at a large scale for educated Community of Pakistan and other Muslim countries.
- ii. To strengthen the ideology of Pakistan and to achieve national integrity and unity according to the Islamic message of the Poet Philosopher Allama Muhammad Iqbal of Pakistan.

#### 2. Duration of MPhil Program

The minimum duration of M Phil Iqbal Studies is two years (4 Semesters) and the maximum duration shall be four years (8 Semesters).

#### 3. Eligibility for Admission

The students are eligible to apply for admission to MPhil Iqbal Studies if they have the following educational background:

- i. At least 2<sup>nd</sup> class Master Degree in Urdu/Persian/ Philosophy or other relative subject of social sciences.

- ii. In case of other relative subjects in social sciences, the student should have studied Urdu/Persian/Philosophy as an elective subject at B.A level or passed Iqbaliyat B.A level Course Code- 405 of AIU.
- iii. He/she should have published three articles on Iqbal in reputed national/international journals.
- iv. All other rules and instructions imposed by the Higher Education Commission will also be followed.
- v. Test and interview will be conducted by the Admission Committee.

#### 4. Medium of Instruction

The medium of instruction and examinations is English.

#### 5. Scheme of Studies

M Phil Iqbal Studies comprises twenty-four (24) credits hours of course work and twelve (12) credit hours of research work. The admission in M Phil is advertised once in a year in semester autumn. The detail of courses offered is given below:

#### 6. M Phil Courses:

##### First Semester — Spring 2023

Code	Course Title	Credit Hours
5751	Iqbal's Intellectual and Artistic Development-I	3
5752	Iqbal's Intellectual and Artistic Development-II	3
5753	Methods of Research-I	3
5754	Methods of Research-II	3

### Second Semester — Autumn 2023

5755	The Basic Thoughts and Ideas of Allama Iqbal-I	3
5756	The Basic Thoughts and Ideas of Allama Iqbal-II	3
5757	Study of Selected Text of Iqbal's Prose and Poetry-I	3
5758	Study of Selected Text of Iqbal's Prose and Poetry-II	3

### Third Semester

5759	Research Thesis	12
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### 7. Fee Tariff for MPhil Iqbal Studies:

<b>Admission fee</b> (At the time of first admission)	Rs.1500/-
<b>Registration fee</b> (At the time of 1st admission only)	Rs.1000/-
<b>Technology fee</b> (per student per semester)	Rs.500/-
<b>Course Fee</b> (Per 3 credit hours)	Rs.4200/-
<b>Thesis Fee</b>	Rs.16,800/-
<b>Thesis Evaluation Fee</b>	Rs.16,800
<b>Total Fee First Semester</b>	<b>Rs.19,800/-</b>

### 8. Assessment System

Under Continuous Assessment (Assignments), the students have to submit two Assignments for each 3-Credit Hours Course 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 (assignment + final examination) in each course. The ratio of weightage 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
Assignment – 1	100	50	20%
Assignment – 2	100	50	
Students will have to attend one week per course compulsory workshop at the end of semester (having 10 marks for each course) + Mid Term			30%
Final examination	100	50	50%
Aggregate Marks			<b>100</b>
Aggregate Passing Marks			<b>50</b>

Efforts have been made to ensure the accuracy of the information contained in the prospectus. The university would, however, not be responsible for any errors or omissions. The university reserves the right to introduce changes, without any prior notice, in the information given, including additions, withdrawal or restructuring of courses. Admission to the university is subject to the university's registration procedure.

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## DEPARTMENT OF MASS COMMUNICATION

### **Introduction**

The Department of Mass Communication was established in 1986 for fulfilling the educational needs of students, working journalists and media persons at various levels. The Department offered its specialized BA cluster program in Mass Communication in 1988. It was the first ever bachelor's level program in Mass Communication offered in the country. Students across the country are taking interest in the program

In 1997 the Department started its MSc Mass Communication Program. Keeping in view the trend of students in studying the phenomenon of Mass Communication, the Department launched advanced studies of MPhil in Mass Communication in 2000. The MPhil program imparts the knowledge of evolution and advances in mass communication theory and research, sociology of mass media, and the methods of behavioural research in social sciences.

The Department resumed offering of its PhD Program in semester Autumn 2014. The main objective of the program is to enable students to understand and explain the dynamics of the social phenomena of mass communication in Pakistani society, especially to enable them to independently investigate the contents, uses and effects of mass media in society.

In addition to the above degree programs, the Department also offers Post Graduates Diploma (PGD) and certificate courses in Journalism, such as Advertising and Public Relations in the University's Short Term Educational Programs (STEPS)

### **MPhil Mass Communication**

MPhil scheme in Mass Communication comprises twenty-four (24) credit hours of course work and twelve (12) credit hours of research thesis. The course work consists of Evolution of Mass Communication Research, Mass Media and Society (I & II), Foundations of Behavioural Research (I & II), Theories of Influence on Media Content and Media Effects and Advances in Theory and Research (I & II). This program will make students learn the social phenomena of Mass Communication and urge them to independently investigate the mass media effects on society

### **Duration**

The minimum duration of M Phil Mass Communication is two years (four semesters) and the maximum time period is four years (eight semesters) as per HEC policy.

### **Eligibility for Admission**

The minimum entry requirement for admission to MPhil program shall be Masters Degree in Mass Communication/ Media Studies with second division from any recognized University.

1. Merit will be determined by the Department of Mass Communication according to the approved criteria.
2. Only short-listed candidates will be called for test/interview.
3. The Department enrolls limited number of students to the program.
4. The Director BASR shall issue admission letter to the selected candidates for fee deposit.

### Medium of Instruction

The medium of instruction and examination is English.

### Scheme of Studies

There will be 24 credit hours course work and 12 credit hours of thesis. Details are given below:

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Semester: Spring 2023

Sr. No.	Code	Course	Credit Hours
1	6630	Evolution of Mass Communication Research	03
2	5761	Mass Media and Society-I	03
3	5762	Mass Media and Society-II	03
4	6632	Behavioural Research-I	03

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester: Autumn 2023

Sr. No.	Code	Course	Credit Hours
1	5763	Media Effects: Advances in Theory & Research-I	03
2	5764	Media Effects: Advances in Theory & Research-II	03
3	6634	Foundations of Behavioural Research-II	03
4	6635	Theories of Influence on Mass Media Content	03

### 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Semester (Research Work)

Sr. No.	Code	Course	Credit Hours
1	6636	Research Thesis	12

### Instructional Methodology

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

There is a series of mandatory classes in the beginning and end of each semester during the course work that provides an opportunity to the students to share their understanding of course content with fellow students. A special workshop is arranged during the third semester that requires students to develop and present draft proposals of thesis to the workshop participants.

#### iii. Assignments

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 reading, recommended by the Department. These Assignments are designed to enable them to relate their own ideas with the concepts covered in the required reading so as to facilitate the students in developing a thorough understanding of the subject.

**iv. Thesis**

A student is required to carry research work under the supervision of an advisor having PhD degree in the relevant field. There is an intensive workshop to discuss research proposals of the students

**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.

The distribution of continuous assessment and final examination of each 3 credit hours course work shall be as follows:

Assessment Component	Total Marks	Passing Marks	Weightage
Assignment-I	100	50	20%
Assignment-II	100	50	
Mid Term	100	50	30%
Final Examination	100	50	50%
Aggregate			50%

If a student cannot pass in continuous assessment/ assignments of final to maintain the minimum mandatory class attendance of 70% in a course, he/she will be declared as fail.

**Viva Voce**

After evaluation of the thesis student has to appear for viva-voce before the Viva-Voce Committee to defend his/her work.

**Instructions for Thesis**

**a. Registration in Thesis**

Students will submit research proposal/synopsis to the Chairman, Mass Communication Department according to the university’s approved criteria. The Departmental Research Project Committee will recommend the students’ research proposals/ synopses to the VC (AIU) for approval after thesis orientation workshop. The committee shall also recommend the name of supervisor for students’ research work.

- ◆ Thesis will be of 200 marks, (100 marks for evaluation of research work and 100 marks for oral examination.)
- ◆ 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 four 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.

b. Thesis Evaluation Fee

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

c. 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 defence 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.

d. *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).

e. **Research Candidacy**

The Department will hold synopsis orientation workshop to identify the topic of research. The synopsis shall be prepared in accordance with the guidelines/format approved by 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

**Fee Tariff for MPhil History**

Item	Fee
<b>Registration Fee</b> (Payable once at the time of admission)	Rs.1000/-
<b>Admission Fee</b> (Payable once at the time of admission)	Rs.1500/-
<b>Technology Fee</b> (per student per semester)	Rs.500/-
<b>Course Fee:</b> Per 3 credit hour Rs.4200/- (4200 x 4)	Rs.16,800/-
<b>Thesis Fee:</b>	Rs.16,800/-
<b>Thesis Evaluation Fee:</b>	Rs.16,800/-
<b>Total Fee First Semester:</b>	<b>Rs.19,800/-</b>

## **General Information**

Admission to MPhil Mass Communication 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 cannot 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 program. A student already enrolled to a program or a specialization of a program shall not be allowed to transfer his/her admission to another program.

Admission to courses for the spring semester and autumn semester are generally offered in the months of January and July 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

Students are advised to visit their portal on university website ([www.aiou.edu.pk](http://www.aiou.edu.pk)) frequently as all kind of required information is uploaded on portal.

### **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 Online Admission?**

Candidates are required to create account online for admission and apply online through university portal.

For clarification about academic matters please contact on the following address:

### **CHAIRMAN**

Department of Mass Communication  
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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### **a) Introduction:**

The Department of Commerce is one of the pioneer academic Departments of AIOU. The Department was established in 1975 and started offering, Industrial & Commercial Training Courses. Since 1987 Commerce Department started working with a full-fledged capacity to cater for the needs of a wide range of people interested in the Commerce field. Since its inception, thousands of a business graduates have got a business education. They are serving the nation in different capacities as part of the country's trained and productive work force. The Department of Commerce since its inception has been offering skill-oriented and professional courses to cater for the need of the industry for a professionally trained and productive workforce. As per the vision of the University, the Department has always strived to develop courses and programs in consultation with accreditation bodies and stakeholders. The Department has been offering an academic program from intermediate in commerce to master's in commerce for a long time. Recently the Department sought permission from Higher Education Commission (HEC) for offering MS Commerce and takes pride to offer from spring 2023.

### **b) MS Commerce**

The emerging global scenario necessitates that organizations look for capable professionals and researchers in commerce and be competent in responding to the changing market needs and requirements. This unique program emphasizes a qualitative and empirical approach to dealing with issues in both financial and non-financial sectors. This program concentrates on

contemporary issues in the field of insurance, trade, accounting and finance and the students will be able to analyze the problems and make rational and cost-effective decisions. This will be helpful to enhance the social sensitivity and sensibility of the students and facilitate them in strengthening their skills vis-a-vis commerce, industry, and trade nationally and internationally.

### **c) Program Objectives**

MS Commerce program aims to familiarize the students with recent trends and issues in the field of commerce and enable them to critically understand and interpret the business environment and its prevailing realities critically. This program is designed:

- i. To develop the understanding of students about the theoretical, technical, strategic, and practical aspects.
- ii. To familiarize students with the emerging issues.
- iii. To provide an overview of new and fast-growing areas in the field of commerce.
- iv. To develop the necessary skills for creating computer-based models for analyzing various decision problems emerging in today's financial world.

### **d) Entry Requirements**

The minimum entry requirements for admission to MS Commerce program shall be a minimum of 16 years of education in the discipline of Commerce/ Business or ACMA/CA/ACCA having an equivalence of 16 years of education from HEC as per Revised Postgraduate,

Regulations and Procedures relating to MS/MPhil or Equivalent Program at AIOU.

**e) Admission Procedure**

- i. A candidate seeking admission to MS Commerce program shall be admitted according to the admission procedure given in as per Revised Postgraduate, Regulations and Procedures relating to MS/MPhil or Equivalent Program at AIOU.
- ii. Candidates will be required to pass a test equivalent to GRE/GAT General conducted by the Department of Commerce.
- iii. After passing the test, the candidate will be called for an interview and only selected candidates will be informed
- iv. about their admission and to deposit the fee.

**f) Duration**

The minimum duration of the MS Commerce program shall be 4 semesters (2 years) and the maximum duration shall be 8 semesters (4 years) as per Revised Postgraduate, Regulations and Procedures relating to MS/MPhil or Equivalent Program at AIOU.

**g) Course Work Evaluation**

As per Revised Postgraduate, Regulations and Procedures relating to MS/MPhil or Equivalent Program at AIOU, the distribution of continuous assessment and final examination of each 3-credit hour course work shall be as follows:

- i. Continuous Assessment                      20%

- ii. Mid Term    30%
- iii. Final Examination                              50%

**Scheme of Studies- MS Commerce**

**Semester-I**

Sr. No	Course Title	Course Code	Credit Hours
1	Corporate Financial Reporting	7004	3
2	Advanced Research Methodology	8701	3
3	International Business & Finance( <i>Elective-I</i> )	8702	3
4	Issues in Taxation System ( <i>Elective-II</i> )	7000	3

**Semester-II**

1	Financial Markets and Institutions	7005	3
2	Applied Econometrics	2703	3
3	Investment and Securities Management( <i>Elective-III</i> )	8715	3
4	Risk Management and Insurance( <i>Elective-IV</i> )	8716	3

**Semester-III**

1	Research Thesis	7006	12
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Total Credit Hours: 36

**List of Elective Courses\***

Sr. No	Course Title	Course Code	Credit Hours
1	Issues in Taxation System	7000	3
2	Behavioral Finance	7001	3
3	Strategic Financial Management	7002	3
4	Financial Modeling	7003	3
5	International Trade Theory and Policy	2705	3
6	Investment and Securities Management	8715	3
7	International Business & Finance	8702	3
8	Risk Management and Insurance	8716	3

*Note: The Department will offer the elective courses based on the availability of resources.*

**h) Fee Structure for MS Commerce:**

Item	Fee
<b>Registration Fee</b> (Payable once at the time of admission)	Rs.1000/-
<b>Admission Fee</b> (Payable once at the time of admission)	Rs.1500/-
<b>Technology Fee</b> (per student per semester)	Rs.500/-
<b>Course Fee:</b> Per 3 credit hour Rs.7500/- (7500 x 4)	Rs.30,000/-
<b>Total Fee for First Semester:</b>	Rs.33,000/-

<b>Thesis Fee:</b> (in 3 <sup>rd</sup> Semester)	Rs.30,000/-
<b>Thesis Evaluation Fee:</b> ( at the time of submission of Thesis)	Rs.30,000/-

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## FACULTY OF EDUCATION

The origin of the Faculty of Education pre-dates the university itself. The National Institute of Education was established in 1973 under the Federal Ministry of Education. It became part of the university in June, 1975 as Institute of Education in the then Faculty of Social Sciences. The progressively extending functions of the institute brought the needs for structural change and in 1984 it got the status of Faculty of Education.

### DEPARTMENTS OF THE FACULTY

#### Faculty of Education Comprises of the following Six Departments:

1. Distance, Non-Formal and Continuing Education
2. Educational Planning, Policy Studies and Leadership
3. Early Childhood Education and Elementary Teacher Education
4. Secondary Teacher Education
5. Science Education
6. Special Education

#### Distance, Non Formal Education and Continuing Education

The department was established in 1984 and was later renamed as Distance, Non Formal and Continuing Education. This department offers PhD, MPhil, Masters and specialized

courses in B.Ed 1.5 program. The department also offers certificate courses in literacy and non-formal education.

#### Educational Planning, Policy Studies and Leadership (EPPSL)

The department was established in 1976 was renamed as EPPSL in 2008. It offers programs in educational planning management and leadership. These programs are aimed at producing a managerial cadre of professionals for the educational institutions and organizations in the country. Programs of EPPSL include B.Ed, Postgraduate Diploma, MA (EPM), MPhil and PhD in Educational Planning and Management as well as online courses. The courses of these programs are in accordance with the field requirements of target personnel in the areas of educational planning, management and leadership.

#### Secondary Teacher Education

The Department of Teacher Education was established in 1985 and was bifurcated into Secondary and Elementary Teacher Education Departments in July 2003. Its programmes aim at imparting academic and professional knowledge and training to in-services and pre service teachers and scholars.

The programs/courses of this department comprise MA, MEd BEd (4 years) and BS Instructional Design and Technology as professional degree programs. The department also offers MPhil and PhD in Education, which are aimed to prepare highly skilled professionals and leaderships in the field of teacher education.

### **Early Childhood Education and Elementary Teacher Education**

The Department of Elementary Teacher Education was established in 2003. In April 2008, the name of Elementary Teacher Education Department was changed as Early Childhood Education and Elementary Teacher Education Department. The Department offers Associate Degree in Education, Post Graduate Diploma in ECE, BEd (1.5 year), BEd (2.5), BEd (4 years), MPhil and PhD program, it also offers “Education” as subject at Matric, Intermediate and Graduate level. The department is planning to launch, BS (ECCE) and Certificate of Entrepreneurship in ECCE. The department also plans to offer non-credit research courses and postgraduate diploma for teaching in higher education.

### **Science Education**

The Department of Science Education was established in 1988. The programs and courses of the department are mainly focused on education and training of mathematics and science teachers. Presently the department offers specialized courses in science education at undergraduate and postgraduate level. Specialized courses provide conceptual framework and insight into the teaching of science. The department offers BEd (4 year) BEd (2.5 year) and specialization of Science Education in BEd (1.5 year) and MEd. MPhil and PhD programs; in science education are also offered at the department.

### **Special Education**

The Department was established in 1985. The department imparts education and training to teachers for the special

children in four specializations namely visual impairment, hearing impairment, intellectual disabilities, physical disabilities and mental retardation with particular emphasis to facilitate inclusive education. Parents of the special children are also admitted to these programs. Present programs/courses of this department comprise B.Ed (4 years), MEd, MA, MPhil and PhD in the field of Special Education.

### **Programs of the Faculty**

The Faculty has developed and launched more than 300 courses (up to spring, 2022 Semester) in various disciplines from SSC to PhD level programs. It is now fully recognized by both the government of Pakistan and International agencies as the prime national provider of professional education and training at all levels.

#### **PhD with following specializations:**

- Distance and Non-Formal Education
- Elementary Teacher Education
- Teacher Education
- Science Education

#### **MPhil with following specializations:**

- Distance and Non Formal Education
- Elementary Teacher Education
- Teacher Education
- Educational Leadership and Management

**Masters with following specializations For Continue Students only:**

- MEd Distance and Non Formal Education
- MEd Science Education
- MEd Special Education
- MEd Teacher Education
- MA Distance and Non Formal Education
- MA Educational Planning and Management
- MA Teacher Education
- MA Special Education

**BEd/PGD/ADE/SSC/HSSC/BA Level Educational Programs**

- BEd (1.5 years, 2.5 years, 4 years)
- PGD Educational Planning and Management
- PGD Educational Leadership and Management
- PGD Early Childhood Education
- Courses of Education at SSC, HSSC and BA level
- Associate Degree in Education

**All Programs of Faculty of Education are recognized by HEC.**

**Program Goals**

MPhil in various specializations of education is designed to prepare scholars who have grasp of the discipline of education: establish a cadre of specialists and professionals in different fields of education who can provide effective leadership in

education and conducting high level research in various fields.

**Eligibility to Apply**

- Applicants with masters or another 16 years degree in the relevant area with at least CGPA 2.0 / 4.0 or second division are eligible to apply for the program.
- Admissions are given on the basis of criteria approved by HEC and statutory bodies of AIOU

**Admission Procedure for MPhil Program**

- i) Application and processing fee along with copies of credentials will be uploaded online. Applications are to be submitted separately if a candidate wants to apply in more than one program/specialization
- ii) Short listing is done on the basis of subject specific criteria as mentioned in the sections below.
- iii) Merit will be determined on the basis of educational qualification, experience, as well as score of subject test and interview conducted by the department.
- iv) Selected candidates will be intimated by the Directorate of Admission with the advice to deposit fee according to the schedule.

**Procedure of Studies for MPhil Education**

Maximum Load Per Semester:	12 Credit
Medium of Instruction:	English
Semester Duration:	16-18 weeks
Mode of Delivery:	Face to Face
Coursework:	24 Credit Hours
Thesis:	12 Credit Hours
Total Credit:	36 Credits

### **Study Materials**

The university will provide study materials in printed or electronic form to the enrolled students. For online course materials a log-in ID and password will be sent via SMS.

### **Classes**

For each course there will be a schedule for online weekly classes through AIOU's Learning Management System. Teachers will coordinate and instruct through the LMS. Attendance in the online classes is compulsory.

### **Assignments**

For each course student have to attempt two mandatory assignments. Assignments will be uploaded in typed form and checked for similarity. The students have to submit assignments as per schedule before or on time

### **Mid-Term Exam**

Midterm exams are conducted at the exam center. The midterm exams are held after completing at least 04 units of the course. Pass percentage of assignment + mid-term shall be 50% in aggregate.

### **Final Examination**

To appear in the final examination of each course, the students have to qualify the continuous assessment components (Assignments + Midterm). Passing marks are 50%

### **Research Thesis**

The student will be allowed to take research thesis after

successful completion of 12 credit hours course work including a compulsory course "Advance Course on Educational Research and Statistics" (3706). After an orientation workshop in the department students develop their research proposal under the supervision of a faculty member and present in front of a committee before the approval of BASR. One-year period is given for completion of thesis.

## **MPhil Elementary Teacher Education**

### **Eligibility:**

MA (Education), MEd/MSEd or BEd/BSEd (4 year) with at least 2nd Division. Admission will be granted on merit as per approved criteria of AIOU.

**Coursework:** 24 Credit Hours

**Thesis:** 12 Credit Hours

### **Semester-1**

**(12 Credit Hours)**

Sr. No.	Code	Courses	Credit Hours
1.	3751	Advanced Research Methods	3
2.	3752	Educational Leadership & Supervision	3
3.	3753	Curriculum & Instruction	3
4.	3754	Assessment & Evaluation in Education	3

### **Semester-2**

**(12 Credits Hours)**

**(Core courses 6 credits & Specialization Courses 6 Credits)**

1.	3755	Foundations of Education	3
2.	3756	Trends and Issues in Elementary Education	3

**Student can select any one cluster from below clusters:**

<b>Specialization Courses</b>			
Curriculum	3757	Curriculum Design	3
	3758	Curriculum Evaluation	3
Assessment	3759	Test & Scale Development	3
	3760	Assessment & Reporting of Student Learning	3
Educational Psychology	3761	Psychological Testing	3
	3762	Social Psychology	3
Educational Research	3763	Educational Statistics	3
	3764	Critiques in Educational Research	3
Educational Administration	3765	Organizational Theory & Behaviour in Education	3
	3766	Economics & Finance of Education	3

**3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Semester:**

Code	Course	Credits
3747	Research Thesis	12

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### **CHAIRMAN**

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## **MPhil Educational Leadership and Management (ELM)**

### **i. Eligibility**

- a) Applicants for MPhil (ELM) must possess BS (SLM/ELM) Degree at least with 2<sup>nd</sup> division. Students possessing MA ELM are also eligible to apply.
- b) Students having MA-EPM & MA Education (in any specialization other than ELM) must possess PGD ELM to apply.
- c) Students having MA in Management Sciences must also possess PGD ELM to apply.

### **ii. Program Structure**

MPhil Educational Leadership and Management (ELM) comprises 24 credit hours course work and 12 credit hours Research thesis.

**The detailed breakup of courses is as follows:**

#### **Semester-1**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Courses</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>
1.	3701	Trends and Issues in Education	3
2.	3702	Trends and Issues in EPM	3
3.	3706	Educational Research	3
4.	3748	Qualitative Research in Education	3

#### **Semester-2**

##### **b. Specialization**

**(12 Credit Hours)**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Courses</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>
1.	3734	Advance Course on Educational Management-I	3
2.	3735	Advance Course on Educational Management-II	3
3.	3749	Educational Leadership-I	3
4.	3750	Educational Leadership-II	3

#### **3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Semester**

4.	3779	Research Thesis	12
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## **MPhil Distance and Non-Formal Education**

### **i. Eligibility**

Applicants for MPhil Education (Distance and Non-Formal Education) must possess the following qualification:

MA Education (at least 2<sup>nd</sup> division) **OR**  
 MEd (at least 2<sup>nd</sup> division) **OR**  
 MEd (at least 2<sup>nd</sup> division) **OR**  
 BEd (4 Year) **OR**  
 BS Education

Admission will strictly be made on merit basis as per approved criteria.

### **ii. Program Structure**

MPhil Education with specialization in Distance, Non-Formal and Continuing Education program comprises 24 credits hours course work and 12 credit hours thesis for MPhil

### **Semester-1**

#### **a. Core Courses 12 Credit Hours**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Courses</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>
1.	3701	Trends and Issues in Education	3
2.	3703	Trends and Issues in Distance Education	3
3.	3706	Advanced Course on Educational Research and Statistics	3
4.	3748	Qualitative Research in Education	3

### **Semester-2**

Students can take any two clusters from the following:

#### **b. Specialization 12 Credit Hours**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Courses</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>
1.	3726	Non Formal Education-I	Cluster-A 3
	3727	Non Formal Education-II	
2.	3728	Adult Education -I	Cluster-B 3
	3729	Adult Education -II	
3.	3730	Educational Technology-I	Cluster-C 3
	3731	Educational Technology-II	
4.	3732	Distance Education-I	Cluster-D 3
	3733	Distance Education-II	

#### **3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Semester**

4.	3714	Research Thesis	12	4.
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## MPhil Teacher Education

### **i. Eligibility**

Applicant for MPhil Education in Teacher Education must possess a degree of MEd/MA Education or MEd/BSEd at least with 2<sup>nd</sup> division. Admission to MPhil Education (Teacher Education) will be granted on merit as per approved criteria.

### **ii. Program Structure**

MPhil Education specialization in Teacher Education program comprises 24 credit hours course work and 12 credit hours thesis.

## Semester-1

### **a. Core Courses 12 Credit Hours**

S. No.	Code	Courses	Credit Hours
1.	3701	Trends and Issues in Education	3
2.	3704	Trends and Issues in Teacher Education	3
3.	3748	Qualitative Research in Education	3
4.	3706	Advanced Course on Educational Research and Statistic	3

## Semester-2

### **b. Any two clusters from the following:**

S. No.	Code	Courses	Credit Hours
1.	3736	Advanced Approaches to Curriculum Development I	3
	3737	Advanced Approaches to Curriculum Development II	3
2.	3739	Teaching Strategies-I	3
	3740	Teaching Strategies-II	3
3.	3742	Measurement & Evaluation in Education-I	3
	3743	Measurement & Evaluation in Education-II	3

### **3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Semester**

4.	3713	Research Thesis	12
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## Fee Tariff (MPhil Education)

Details of dues for admission to program are as under:

Item	Fee
<b>Registration Fee</b> (Once, if not already registered with AIOU)	<b>Rs.1000/-</b>
<b>Admission Fee</b> (Once at the time of first semester)	<b>Rs.1500/-</b>
Per one credit hour Rs.1400/- 3 Credit Hours Course Rs.4200 x 4 = 16,800/-	<b>Rs.16,800/-</b>
Technology Fee + Postal Charges	<b>Rs.500/-</b>
<b>Thesis Fee:</b>	<b>Rs.16,800/-</b>
<b>Thesis Evaluation Fee:</b>	<b>Rs.16,800/-</b>
<b>Total Fee for 1<sup>st</sup> Semester</b>	<b>Rs.19,800/-</b>

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## **PhD Programs:** **Offered at Faculty of Education**

PhD in Education with following specializations:

- Elementary Teacher Education
- Secondary Teacher Education
- Distance & Non-Formal Education
- Science Education

**All Programs of Faculty of Education are recognized by HEC.**

### **PhD Admission Criteria**

- i. Applicants holding MS/MPhil or equivalent, in the relevant area, completed with minimum 30 credit hours of coursework and research thesis/ project; and achieved at least CGPA 3.0/4.0 or 1st Division will be eligible for applying in PhD program.
- ii. Application and processing fee along with copies of credentials will be uploaded online.
- iii. If a candidate wishes to apply in more than one specialization, he/she has to apply separately for each specialization/program. Short listing is done on the basis of subject specific criteria as mentioned in the sections below.
- iv. Merit will be determined on the basis of educational qualification, experience, as well as score of subject test and interview conducted by the department.

- v. Selected candidates will be intimated by the Directorate of Admission with the advice to deposit fee according to the schedule.

Admissions in PhD are merit based as per criterion approved by HEC and University Statutory bodies.

### **Procedure of Studies for PhD**

Maximum Load per Semester:	09 Credits
Medium of Instruction:	English
Semester Duration:	16-18 weeks
Mode of Delivery:	ODL/Online
Coursework:	18 Credit Hours
Thesis:	36 Credit Hours
Total Credit:	54 Credits

### **Study Materials**

The university will provide study materials in printed or electronic form to the enrolled students. For online course materials a log-in ID and password will be sent via SMS

### **Classes**

For each course there will be a schedule for online weekly classes through AIOU's Learning Management System. Teachers will coordinate and instruct through the LMS. Attendance in the online classes is compulsory.

### **Assignments**

For each course students have to attempt two mandatory assignments. Assignments will be uploaded in typed form and checked for similarity. Passing marks in each assignment are 70%. The students have to submit assignments as per schedule before or on time

### **Mid-Term Exam**

Midterm exams are conducted at the exam center. The midterm exams are held after completing at least 04 units of the course. Pass percentage of assignment + mid-term shall be 70% in aggregate.

### **Final Examination**

To appear in the final examination of each course, the students have to qualify the continuous assessment components (Assignments + Midterm) passing marks are 70%.

### **Comprehensive Exam**

At the end of the coursework a comprehensive exam is conducted. To appear in the comprehensive exam, the students have to pass all the courses with minimum of 70%.

### **Research Thesis**

The student will be allowed to take research thesis after successful completion of coursework and comprehensive exam. Thesis orientation workshop is held at the AIOU campus and then synopsis is to be presented and evaluated before the thesis work actually begins. Thesis submission is due within 18 months from the time of notification (it should not go beyond the maximum program duration, i.e. 5 years). Student has to attend advisory meetings and present twice in a seminar. At least one article is to be published before viva voce exam as per HEC approved policy.

## **PhD Elementary Teacher Education**

### **a. Core Courses**

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Title of Course</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>
1	4793	Preparing Critique in Educational Research	3
2	4802	Qualitative Research Methods	3
3	4803	Quantitative Research Design	3

### **b. Course Work**

#### **Core Course:**

4	4804	Elementary Teacher Education	3
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#### **(Specialization in any one Cluster-6 Credit Hour)**

<b>Cluster</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Title of Course</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>
Curriculum	4805	Curriculum change & Policy Analysis	3
	4806	Curriculum Integration	3
Educational Psychology	4807	Developmental Psychology	3
	4808	Constructivism in Education	3
Assessment	4809	Comparative Assessment	3
	4810	Large Scale Assessment in Education	3
Educational Research	4811	Survey Research	3
	4812	Experimental Research	3
Educational Administration	4813	Total Quality Management	3
	4814	Human Resource Management in Education	3

### **3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Semesters**

Code	Title of Course	Credit Hours
4815	Research Thesis	36

At least one article is to be published before viva voce exam as per HEC approved policy.

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### **PhD Teacher Education**

**PhD Course Work: 18 Credit Hours**

#### **Semester 1**

**Common Courses 9 Credit Hours**

Sr. No.	Code	Courses	Credit Hours
1.	4802	Qualitative Research Methods	3
2.	4792	Quantitative Research Methods in Education	3
3.	4793	Preparing Critique in Educational Research	3

### **Semester 2**

#### **Specialization Course**

Sr. No.	Code	Courses	Credit Hours
1.	4776	Contemporary Theories and Discourses in Education	3
2.	4777	Emerging Trends in Pedagogy	3

#### **Collateral Area Courses:**

**The students can opt any one from the following:**

1.	4782	Human Resources Management	3
2.	4783	Educational Leadership and Management	3

### **3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Semesters**

1.	4787	Research Thesis	36
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At least one article is to be published before viva voce exam as per HEC approved policy.

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## **PhD Science Education**

**PhD Course Work: 18 Credit Hours**

### **Semester 1**

**Common Courses**

**9 Credit Hours**

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Courses</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>
1.	4802	Qualitative Research Methods	3
2.	4792	Quantitative Research Methods in Education	3
3.	4793	Preparing Critique in Educational Research	3

### **Semester 2**

**Specialization Course**

1.	6779	Nature of Science in Science Education	3
2.	6777	Professional Development of Science Teacher	3

**Collateral Area Courses (any one from the following)**

1.	4782	Human Resources Management	3
2.	4783	Educational Leadership & Management	3

### **3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Semesters**

1.	4789	Research Thesis	36
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At least one article is to be published before viva voce exam as per HEC approved policy.

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## **PhD Distance and Non-Formal Education**

### **Semester-1**

#### **Common Courses 9 Credit Hours**

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Courses</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>
1.	4802	Qualitative Research Design	3
2.	4792	Quantitative Research Methods in Education	3
3.	4793	Preparing Critique in Educational Research	3

### **Semester-2**

#### **Specialization Courses:**

Student may take 02 specialization courses equal to 6 credit hours:

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Courses</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>
1.	4771	Adult and Lifelong Education	3
2.	4773	Human Resource Management in Distance Education	3
3	4774	Comparative Education	3

### **Collateral Area**

Each student will take 01 course from this area equivalent to 3 credit hours.

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Courses</b>	<b>Credit Hours</b>
1.	4776	Discourse Analysis	3
2.	4777	Emerging Trends in Pedagogy	3
3.	4783	Educational Leadership & Management	3

### **3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Semesters**

1.	4786	Research Thesis	36
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Item	Fee
<b>Registration Fee</b> (Once at the time of first semester)	Rs.2500/-
<b>Admission Fee</b> (Once at the time of first semester)	Rs.2500/-
Technology Fee	Rs.500/-
Per one credit hour Rs.2500/- 3 Credit Hours course Rs.7500/- (3 course codes x Rs.7500/-)	Rs.22,500/-
<b>Total Fee for 1<sup>st</sup> Semester</b>	<b>Rs.28,000/-</b>
<b>Total Fee for 1<sup>st</sup> Semester of PhD ETE</b>	<b>Rs.35,500/-</b>
Research Thesis: (36 credit hours) in four installments	Rs.90,000/-
Thesis Evaluation Fee:	Rs.90,000/-

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## **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, Shari'sh & 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 programs 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 program 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 Programs**

1. PhD Islamic Studies (General)
2. PhD Islamic Studies (with specialization in Quran & Tafseer)
3. PhD Shari'ah
4. PhD Arabic
5. MPhil Islamic Studies (General)
6. MPhil Islamic Studies (with specialization in Quran & Tafseer)
7. MPhil Arabic
8. MA Islamic Studies (General)
9. MA Islamic Studies with specialization in
  - i. Quran & Tafseer
  - ii. Hadith & Seerah
  - iii. Islamic Law & Jurisprudence
10. MA Arabic Language and Literature
11. B.S Islamic Studies (General)
12. B.S Islamic Studies (with Specialization in Quran & Tafseer)
13. B.S Islamic Studies (with Specialization in Hadith)
14. B.S Islamic Studies (with Specialization in Seerat Studies)
15. B.S Islamic Studies (with Specialization in Shari'ah)
16. B.S Islamic Studies (with Specialization in Dars-e-Nizami)
17. B.S Islamic Studies (with Specialization in Interfaith Studies)
18. B.S Arabic
19. B.S Islamic Studies (International Studies)
20. B.S Islamic Finance
21. Dars-e-Nizami Program (Matric to BA)
  - Al Shahada al-Sanavia al-Aama
  - Al Shahada al-Sanavia al-Khasa
  - Al Shahada al-Aliya
22. Arabic Teachers Training Course (ATTC)
23. Al-Lisan-ul-Arabi

### **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 Shari'ah (Islamic Law and Jurisprudence)
5. Department of Arabic Language and Literature
6. Department of Seerah Studies
7. Department of Interfaith Studies

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

## DEPARTMENT OF QURAN AND TAFSEER

### **Introduction:**

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 programs in the field of Quran and Tafseer. 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 offering MPhil & PhD programs from Autumn, 2013 and is producing & selecting valuable books and allied material for these research programs.

### **Vision:**

To build 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.

### **Programs 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 Programs:**

#### **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 program 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 program required 2 to 4 year's time

for completion. The students complete coursework under the guidance of qualified faculty members. This program 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 program provides to the scholars an opportunity of exercising independent critical judgment through the research skills for the service of Islamic & Muslim communities.

### 1. Aims & Objectives of the Program

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.

### 2. Eligibility for Admission

Candidates having MA Islamic Studies or equivalent degree with at least second division in MA Islamic Studies & 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 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.
- 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 attached equivalence certificate (by name) from HEC.**

### 3. Procedure for Admission

- i. The Admission in MPhil Islamic Studies with specialization in Qur'an & Tafseer is offered in Spring Semester. A candidate shall apply for admission through online portal (<https://aiou.edu.pk/oas-fresh-admission>).
  - Register here through your Cell No. or Email and Login
  - Fill the Admission Form completely and Submit
  - Print Fee Voucher and deposited the fee in the designated banks or through Jazz Cash, Easy Paisa and Upaisa Mobile App/USSD String \*786#, Retailer Agent, Franchise and Branches of Mobilink, Telenor and Ubank.

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#### 4. 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 alongwith schedule of written test/interview will be displayed at the website of AIOU ([www.aiou.edu.pk](http://www.aiou.edu.pk) News section) as per mentioned schedule on advertisement.

#### 5. Important Notice (About Written Test):

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3. Remember, that if your mobile number has been converted to another network. SMS will not be received on it, so add those number in admission form which has not been converted to another network, otherwise you are responsible.
4. The eligible candidates for interview are required to bring along-with them all original educational documents/ degrees (with two sets attested copies)/ thesis/ research paper/experience certificates (if any) for verification during the Interview.

5. Candidates will not be allowed to sit in the Written Test without showing CNIC. No TA/DA is admissible for Test & Interview.

#### 6. Scheme of Studies:

S. No.	Name of Program	MPhil in Islamic Studies with Specialization in Qur'an & Tafseer
1.	Duration	Coursework: Two Semesters Research work/Thesis: Two Semesters
2.	Credit Hours	As per HEC/AIOU 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.
5.	Face to Face Classes	48 hours Face to Face class for each 3 credit hours course in each semester only held in Islamabad. (Face to Face Teaching Mode).

6.	Workshops	Two week synopsis orientation workshop at the start of research work after the completion of course work.	
7.	Components of Course Work	<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Component</b>
		1.	Continuous Assessment
		2.	Face to Face Teaching
		3.	Mid-Term Exam
		4.	Final examination

## 7. Detail of Courses:

### 1<sup>st</sup> Semester

Sr. #	Code	Course Title	Credit Hrs	Components of course
1.	4735	Research Methodology & Scholarly Writing	03	As per AIOU/ HEC Rules
2.	5791	Ijtihad: Principles & Methods	03	
3.	5790	Islam & Orientalism	03	
4.	4736	Source of Islamic Sciences	03	

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester

1.	4737	Israeliyat&Tafseer	03	-do-
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2.	4738	Methods of Mufasssereen	03	
3.	4739	Sources of Uloom-ul-Qur'an & Usul-i-Tafseer	03	
4.	4740	Study of Selected Quranic Subjects	03	

### 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Semester

1.	725	Thesis	12	Two weeks Synopsis Orientation Workshop
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## 8. Fee Structure

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

<b>Admission fee</b> (At the time of first admission)	Rs.1500/-
<b>Registration fee</b> (At the time of 1st admission only)	Rs.1000/-
<b>Technology fee</b> (per student per semester)	Rs.500/-
<b>Course Fee</b> (Per 3 credit hours) Rs.4200 x 4 = Rs.16,800/-	Rs.16,800/-
<b>Thesis Fee</b>	Rs.16,800/-
<b>Thesis Evaluation Fee</b> (at the time of submission of thesis)	Rs.16,800
<b>Total Fee First Semester</b>	<b>Rs.19,800/-</b>

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 with 70% marks or equivalent CGPA alongwith thesis as per AIOU policy.
- Departmental Test/Interview by the PhD Admission Committee

**3. Procedure for Admission**

i The Admission in PhD Program (with Specialization in Quran & Tafseer) is usually advertised in Spring semester. A candidate shall apply for admission through online portal (<https://aiou.edu.pk/oas-fresh-admission>).

- Register here through your Cell No. or Email and Login.
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ii A candidate will become student of **PhD** program upon depositing the prescribed semester based fee for the 1st semester of course work. In case of failure to deposit the fee within the specified period, the admission shall automatically stand cancelled after the due date.

iii A student admitted to **PhD** programs and a specialization thereof, whichever applicable, shall not be allowed to change his/ her program or specialization. The student shall have to apply a fresh for admission to another program or specialization after discontinuation of the earlier program/specialization as and when next admission is announced

**4. Departmental Test/ Interview:**

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The name of short-listed candidates alongwith schedule of written test/interview will be displayed at the website of AIOU ([www.aiou.edu.pk](http://www.aiou.edu.pk) News section) as per mentioned schedule on advertisement.

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4. The eligible candidates for interview are required to bring along-with them all original educational documents/ degrees (with two sets attested copies)/ thesis/ research paper/experience certificates (if any) for verification during the Interview.
5. Candidates will not be allowed to sit in the Written Test without showing CNIC. No TA/DA is admissible for Test & Interview.

**6. Scheme of Studies**

Sr. #	Name of Program	PhD in Islamic Studies (with Specialization in Quran & Tafseer)
1	Duration	Maximum five years (10 Semesters)
2	Medium of Instruction	(i) Urdu (ii) English (iii) Arabic

3	Course Work	18 credit hours 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	Face to Face	48 hrs Face to Face class for each 3 credit hrs course in each semester only held in Islamabad. (Face to Face Teaching Mode).
6	Workshop	Two week synopsis workshop after completion of coursework & passing comprehensive exam.
7	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.
9	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.
10	Components of Course work	1. Continuous Assessment 2. Face to face classes 3. Mid-Term exam 4. Final Exam 5. Comprehensive Exam

## 7. Details of Course Work for PhD

### 1<sup>st</sup> Semester

Sr. #	Course Code	Course Title	Credit Hours
1	4730	Comparative Study of Tafseer Literature	03
2	6722	Contemporary Trends in Tafseer	03
3	4731	Quran & Science (A Research Study)	03

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester

1	4732	Applied Research in Ilm-Tafseer & Uloom-ul-Quran	03
2	4733	Methodologies & Modes of Mufassareen	03
3	4734	Selected Textual Study of Uloom-ul-Quran & Usul-e-Tafseer	03

### 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Semesters

4726	Research Thesis	36
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## 8. Fee Structure

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

<b>Admission fee</b> (At the time of first admission)	Rs.2500/-
<b>Registration fee</b> (At the time of 1st admission only)	Rs.2500/-
<b>Technology fee</b> (per student per semester)	Rs.500/-
<b>Course Fee</b> (Per 3 credit hours) Rs.7500 x 3 = Rs.22,500/-	Rs.22,500/-

<b>Thesis Fee: (in four installments)</b>	Rs.90,000/-
<b>Thesis Evaluation Fee</b> (at the time of submission of thesis)	Rs.90,000/-
<b>Total Fee First Semester</b>	<b>Rs.28,000/-</b>

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 program.

**For any query / information during fill the online admission form please contact the following:**

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## DEPARTMENT OF SHARI'AH

### **Introduction:**

The department of Shari'ah was established to conduct advance research in the field of Islamic Law and Jurisprudence (Shari'ah). To achieve this goal, the department is offering graduate and post graduate programs. The Department is offering specialization in Islamic Law and Jurisprudence at BS, MA, MS and PhD level.

### **Programs Offered By the Department:**

1. MA Islamic Studies with Specialization in Islamic Law and Jurisprudence (*for continue students only*)
2. BS Islamic Studies with Specialization in Islamic Law and Jurisprudence
3. MS Shari'ah (Equal to MPhil)
4. PhD Shari'ah

### **Details of Department-Based Program:**

#### **a) MS Shari'ah Program:**

##### **1. Profile of the Program:**

The department of Shari'ah, F/O Arabic and Islamic Studies is offering MS Shari'ah Program.

This program has started in Autumn, 2014 semester. This is the most important & significant program offered by the Department of Shari'ah, Faculty of Arabic & Islamic Studies AIOU. The MS Shari'ah program is reputed as one of the best programs in public sector universities of Pakistan. This program has been designed to carry out research in different fields of Shari'ah in order to explore

new dimensions of understanding of Islam. It provides to the scholars an opportunity of exercising independent critical judgment through research skills to serve Islamic & Muslim communities.

The graduates of MS Shari'ah program from AIOU will serve on important academic & administrative post in the colleges & Universities of Pakistan as well as in the foreign countries.

MS Shari'ah program requires 2 to 4 years of time for completion. The students are required to complete specific course work & research work under the supervision of highly qualified teachers/supervisors.

##### **2. Aims & Objectives of MS Shari'ah:**

The MS Shari'ah is aimed:

- To prepare scholars who have grip over Islamic Studies in general and over Shari'ah in particular.
- To provide opportunities of professional growth and development to Shari'ah scholars.
- To establish a cadre of specialists and professionals in different fields of Shari'ah who can provide effective leadership in guiding and conducting quality research in various disciplines of Shari'ah.
- To prepare scholars of research aptitude who can analyze the facts in the light of Islamic research principles.
- To enhance the skills of research and create better understanding of Islam and contemporary challenges faced by the Muslim Ummah.
- To provide opportunity of learning the methods of use of basic Islamic Sources for the purpose of Islamization of contemporary knowledge and laws.

### 3. Eligibility for Admission:

#### a) M.A/BS Islamic Studies or equivalent degree

(With minimum 2<sup>nd</sup> division in both M.A/BS Islamic Studies & BA)

OR

**Shahada-tul-Aalmiya** (شهادة العالمية فى العلوم الاسلامية والعربية) (sixteen years education) from any institution recognized by the HEC. The Candidate must have Matric, FA from SSC and HSSC boards and BA from any University recognized by the HEC or equivalent.

**Note:** The candidate must have equivalence certificate of **Shahada-tul-Aalmiya** issued by the HEC.

نوٹ: طلبہ کی تعداد زیادہ ہونے کی صورت میں صرف فرسٹ ڈویژن والوں کو تحریری امتحان کے لئے بلا یا جائے گا۔

#### b) Preference will be given to those candidates who have:

- Passed all certificates/degrees with 1<sup>st</sup> division.
- MA Islamic Studies with specialization in Islamic Law and Jurisprudence in 1<sup>st</sup> division or equivalent.
- MA Islamic Studies with thesis topic related to Islamic Law and Jurisprudence or equivalent.
- Shahada-tul-Aalmiya** with MA Islamic Studies.
- Expertise in Arabic language and Hifz-e-Quran is also considered extra qualification.
- Teaching experience of intermediate or above levels from recognized college/institution is also given due weightage in admission criteria.
- Published research papers in approved research journals are also considered in admission criteria.

### 4. Procedure for Admission in MS Shari'ah:

The Admission in MPhil Islamic Studies with specialization in Qur'an & Tafseer is offered in Spring Semester. A candidate shall apply for admission through online portal (<https://aiou.edu.pk/oas-fresh-admission>).

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- Print Fee Voucher and deposited the fee in the designated banks or through Jazz Cash, Easy Paisa and Upaisa Mobile App/USSD String \*786#, Retailer Agent, Franchise and Branches of Mobilink, Telenor and Ubank.

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### 5. Departmental Test/ Interview:

- Test equivalent to GRE/GAT General and Interview for admission of short listed/eligible candidates will be arranged by the Department concerned at AIOU Main Campus H-8, Islamabad. Passing marks are 60%.
- The list of short listed candidates along with schedule of written test/interview will be displayed at the website of AIOU ([www.aiou.edu.pk](http://www.aiou.edu.pk)) (as per schedule in advertisement)
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5. Candidates will not be allowed to sit in the Written Test without showing CNIC. No TA/DA is admissible for Test & Interview.

#### 7. Scheme of Studies:

S. No.	Name of Program	MS Shari'ah
1.	Duration	1. Course work Two Semesters 2. Research work/Thesis Two Semesters
2	Level of Course	MS SHARI'AH (Post Graduate equal to M. Phil)
3	Credit	As per AIOU/HEC rules & Regulations
4	Medium of Instruction	(i) Urdu (ii) English (iii) Arabic

5	Research work	<p>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.</p> <p>ii) The student will be required to observe the guidelines regarding format, writing, referencing paper and other related matters as approved hrs in AIOU rules &amp; regulations.</p>
6	Workshops	<p>i) Minimum number of compulsory face to face teaching courses is 48 hours for each course of 03 credit hours.</p> <p>ii) Two weeks synopsis orientation workshop at the start of research work after the completion of course work.</p> <p>iii) Workshops will be conducted at AIOU main campus Islamabad. Therefore, Students all over the Pakistan would be required to attend workshops at Islamabad as organized by the Department Concerned.</p>
7	Exams	<p>All examinations will be held at main campus of AIOU, Islamabad</p> <p>نوٹ: تمام کلاسز، مڈ ٹرم اور فائنل امتحانات کا انعقاد صرف علامہ اقبال اوپن یونیورسٹی کے مین کیمپس اسلام آباد میں ہو گا۔</p>

8	Components MS Shari'ah Course Work	<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Component</b>	<b>Weightage</b>
		1.	Continuous Assessment & Mid Term	50 % (20+30)
		2.	Final examination	50 %

### 8. Detail of Courses:

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Semester

Sr. No.	Code	Course Title	Credit Hrs
1.	6780	Research Methodologies in Islamic Studies	03
2.	6781	Islamic Jurisprudence	03
3.	6782	An introduction to the basic Sources of Fiqh-e-Islami and UsululFiqh	03
4.	6783	Ethics of disagreement in Islami Fiqh	03

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester

1.	6784	Commercial Law of Islam and its applications	03
2.	6785	Study to Selected Ayaat and Ahadith related to Ahkam	03
3.	6786	Islamic Judicial System and International Law of Islam	03
4.	6787	Constitutional Law	03

### 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Semester

1.	6788	Research Thesis	12
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### 9. Fee Structure:

The fee structure of **MS Shari'ah** is as under:

<b>Admission fee</b> (At the time of first admission)	Rs.1500/-
<b>Registration fee</b> (At the time of 1st admission only)	Rs.1000/-
<b>Technology fee</b> (per student per semester)	Rs.500/-
<b>Course Fee</b> (Per 3 credit hours) Rs.4200 x 4 = Rs.16,800/-	Rs.16,800/-
<b>Thesis Fee</b>	Rs.16,800/-
<b>Thesis Evaluation Fee</b> (at the time of submission of thesis)	Rs.16,800
<b>Total Fee First Semester</b>	<b>Rs.19,800/-</b>

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 program.

## **b) Ph.D Shari'ah (M.Phil/MS Based) Program**

### **1. Profile of the Program:**

The Department of Shari'ah (Islamic Law and Jurisprudence) is offering Ph.D. Shari'ah. The PhD students are required to complete course work & research work under the supervision of a qualified supervisor. This program requires 3 to 5 years' time for completion. The students are completing research work under domestic supervisors however the degree is awarded after the evaluation of thesis by three foreign experts from technological advanced countries as required by HEC. This program has been designed to carry out research in different fields of Shari'ah in order to discover new aspects in the field & students can exercise independent critical judgment through the research skills.

### **2. Aims & Objectives of PhD Shari'ah:**

The PhD Shari'ah is aimed:

- To prepare scholars who have a grasp of Islamic studies special in general and special command in the area of specialization that is Islamic law and Jurisprudence in particular.
- To provide opportunities of professional growth and development to Shari'ah scholars.
- To establish a cadre of specialists and professionals in different fields of Shari'ah who can provide effective leadership in guiding and conducting quality research in various disciplines of Islamic law and Jurisprudence.

## **3. Eligibility for Admission:**

- i. MPhil Islamic Studies/ MS Shari'ah/LLM Shari'ah or equivalent degree with at least 60% marks or equivalent CGPA or equivalent as per AIOU policy.
- ii. Passing the Written Test and interview conducted by the Department Concerned based on 70% passing marks.

## **4. Procedure for Admission in PhD Shari'ah:**

A candidate shall apply for admission through online portal (<https://aiou.edu.pk/oas-fresh-admission>).

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**5. Schedule of Departmental Test/ Interview:**

The departmental subject Test for admission and Interview of candidates (who fulfill the admission criteria for PhD Shari’ah as mentioned earlier will be held by the Department concerned at AIOU Main Campus H-8, Islamabad.

**6. Important Notice:**

- a) The eligible candidates are required to bring along-with them all original educational documents/degrees/ thesis/ research paper/ experience certificate/CNIC for verification. Candidates are advised to provide attested copy of any of the testimonial that was not attached with the application from positively for verification/ identification.
- b) The eligible candidates for Test/ Interview will be informed through displaying lists on web portal OR through SMS on mobile or email.
- c) No call letters will be issued to candidates about the test/interview, date/time.

**Scheme of Studies:**

Sr.#	Name of Programme	PhD in Shari’ah
1	Duration	Maximum five years (10 semesters)
2	Medium of Instruction	(i) Urdu (ii) English (iii) Arabic
3	Course Work	18 credit hours 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	Face to Face	48 hrs Face to Face classes for each 3 credit hours course in each semester. Classes will be held in Islamabad main campus (Face to Face teaching mode)
6	Workshop	Two week synopsis workshop after completion of coursework & passing comprehensive exam.
7	Evaluation	As per amendments in AIOU rules & regulations, a PhD thesis is necessary to be sent for evaluation to two foreign experts from technological advanced countries.

8	Pre Requisite of viva voce of PhD Shariah	Unconditional approval from at least two foreign experts. Publication of research paper in HEC recognized research journal.
9	Components of Course work	1. Continuous Assessment 2. Face to Face classes 3. Mid-Term exam 4. Final Exam 5. Comprehensive Exam

### Details of Course Work PhD

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Semester

Sr. No.	Code	Course Title	Credit Hrs
1.	6754	Introduction to the Objectives of Shari'ah and Fiqhi Maxims	03
2.	6755	Study to Selected Ayaat and Ahadith related to Ahkam	03
3.	6756	Fiqhi Schools of Thoughts and their Principles of Ijtihad	03

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester

Sr. No.	Code	Course Title	Credit Hrs
1.	6757	An introduction to the methodology of selected texts of Fiqh and Usul ul Fiqh	03
2.	6758	Contemporary issues in Islamic Fiqh and their solutions	03
3.	6759	Interpretation of Pakistani Constitution in the Context of Shari'ah	03

### 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Semester

1.	6760	Research Thesis	36
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### 8. Fee Structure:

The fee structure of PhD Sharia is as under:

<b>Admission fee</b> (At the time of first admission)	Rs.2500/-
<b>Registration fee</b> (At the time of 1st admission only)	Rs.2500/-
<b>Technology fee</b> (per student per semester)	Rs.500/-
<b>Course Fee</b> (Per 3 credit hours) Rs.7500 x 3 = Rs.22,500/-	Rs.22,500/-
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## DEPARTMENT OF ARABIC

### **Establishment:**

The Department of Arabic Language & Literature is one of the pioneer Departments of the Allama Iqbal Open University, Islamabad (AIOU). This came into being while AIOU was established in 1974.

### **Introduction:**

The Department of Arabic Language & Literature is the pioneer Department which was teaching by Radio & Television programs since 1975. Arabic Department & AIOU was introduced by Pakistani Masses by its very first effort & most popular Program named: العربي سهل. It was making its broadcasting & non broadcasting programs from 1975 to year 2000. Decades passed & presently it is running several programs i.e. MPhil in Arabic language and Literature, Masters in Arabic Language and Literature, Lughat-ul-Quraan, ATTC as well as Matric, Intermediate, Bachelors level Arabic Courses are introduced by the Department since 1974 While AIOU has credit of launching Arabic Teachers Training Program (ATTC) in 1984, which is the pioneer Program of Pakistan in Teaching Arabic Language. However, BS 4 years and other Arabic learning programs have also launched from last academic session. The courses of M.A Arabic were also designed before with an emphasis on Arabic language & literature, social and economic thoughts along with religious education. Research in Arabic language and Literature is a regular feature of the Department since 2012, MPhil program in Arabic language and Literature has also been started since 2012 to produce scholars and researchers in Arabic literature.

The department is offering a wide range of courses in Arabic language from Matric to M.A, ATTC, SHORT ARABIC Courses and MPhil Level.

### **Objectives:**

1. Promotion and Advanced Studies in Arabic Language & Literature
2. To be aware of the language and style of the Holy Quran.
3. Get acquainted with old Arabic poetry literature and modern poetry literature and its attributes.
4. To understand the Arabic alphabet & sound, to distinguish and pronounce all Arabic sound and write it accurately.
5. Be familiar with some of the differences between formal and spoken Arabic.

### **List of the Programs:**

1. PhD Arabic
2. M.Phil Arabic
3. M.A Arabic (for continue student)
4. BS Arabic
5. Arabic (BA)
6. Arabic (Inter-FA)
7. Arabic (Matric)

The department is offering short courses & detail of short courses is as under:

- Al Lisan Ur Arabi
- Arbi BolChal
- Lughatul Quran

### **Professional Courses:**

Arabic Teachers Training Course (ATTC)

## a) MPhil Arabic Program

### 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 weight-age is given to the research thesis written for MA Arabic.

- Intermediate and above teaching experience in any recognized college/institution is also given due weight-age 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 attached equivalent certificate (by name) from HEC.
- Department Test (Subject based which consists on especially from MA Arabic text books of AIOU) & Interview.

### 3. Detail of Courses for MPhil Arabic:

Semester	Sr. #	Course Title	Course Code	Cr. Hrs
1 <sup>st</sup> Semester	1.	اصول تحقيق I	4713	03
	2.	اصول تحقيق II	4714	03
	3.	مصادر اللغة والادب I	4715	03
	4.	مصادر اللغة والادب II	4716	03

Semester	Sr. #	Course Title	Course Code	Cr. Hrs
2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	1.	I الدراسات الأدبية	4717	03
	2.	II الدراسات الأدبية	4718	03
	3.	I الدراسات اللغوية	4719	03
	4.	II الدراسات اللغوية	4720	03
3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Semester	1.	Thesis	4705	12

#### 4. 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 PhD Degree in Arabic. This research shall be completed at least within one year (equal to two semesters)

- 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.
- 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.

#### 5. Fee Structure

The fee structure of MPhil Arabic is as under:

Sr. #	Nature of Fee	Amount	Description
1	Admission fee	Rs.1500/-	This fee will be paid with the fee of first semester
2	Registration fee	Rs.1000/-	Once at the time of Admission
3	Tuition fee for 12 credit hours course.	Rs.16800/-	(Rs.4200/- per 3 credit hours) A Student can take 12 credit hrs in one semester
4	Technology Fee	Rs.500/-	Each semester
5	Total Fee for First Semester	<b>Rs.19800/-</b>	
6	Thesis Fee 12 Credits hours	Rs.16800/-	3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Semester
7	Thesis Evaluation Fee	Rs.16800/-	This fee will be paid at the time of submission of thesis

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 program.

## **b) PhD Arabic (MPhil/MS Based) Program**

### **1. Profile of the Program**

The Department of Arabic is offering Ph.D. Arabic. The PhD students are required to complete course work & research work under the supervision of a qualified supervisor. This program requires 3 to 5 years' time for completion. The students are completing research work under domestic supervisors however the degree is awarded after the evaluation the thesis by three foreign experts from technological advanced countries as required by HEC. This program has been designed to carry out research in different fields of Arabic in order to discover new aspects in the field & students can exercise independent critical judgment through the research skills.

### **2. AIMS & OBJECTIVES OF PhD Arabic**

The PhD Arabic is aimed:

- To address local issues related to linguistics and provide viable solutions through research.
- To promote research culture (in general) in Arabic and in regional languages (in particular) in the country.
- To explore new knowledge related to linguistics and promote it nationally as well as internationally.
- To develop students' insight into the current and emerging trends in Arabic and to enable them to make an original contribution to research in the field of Arabic.
- To expand students' insight into different linguistic theories and to enhance their critical and analytical skills to identify different linguistic issues at global and regional level.

- To develop students' understanding regarding research methodologies to explore the crucial issues in different branches of Arabic.
- To develop student understanding of multiple perspectives of interface of language, media and discourse practices in society and to enable learners to incorporate technological features to facilitate research in Arabic.

### **3. Eligibility for Admission**

- i) M.Phil Arabic/ MS Arabic or equivalent degree with at least 60% marks or equivalent CGPA equivalent as per AIOU policy.
- ii) Passing the Written Test and interview conducted by the Department Concerned based on 70% passing marks.

### **4. Procedure for Admission in PhD Arabic**

A candidate shall apply for admission through online portal (<https://aiou.edu.pk/oas-fresh-admission>).

- Register here through your Cell No. or Email and Login.
  - Fill the Admission Form completely and Submit.
  - Print Fee Voucher and deposited the fee in the designated banks or through Jazz Cash, Easy Paisa and Upaisa Mobile App/USSD String \*786#, Retailer Agent, Franchise and Branches of Mobilink, Telenor and Ubank.
- For further information and query please visit website at: <http://support.aiou.edu.pk/> or following contact numbers 051-9573300

- ii A candidate will become student of **PhD** program upon depositing the prescribed semester based fee for the 1st

semester of course work. In case of failure to deposit the fee within the specified period, the admission shall automatically stand cancelled after the due date.

iii A student admitted to **PhD** programs and a specialization thereof, whichever applicable, shall not be allowed to change his/ her program or specialization. The student shall have to apply a fresh for admission to another program or specialization after discontinuation of the earlier program/specialization as and when next admission is announced.

### 5. Schedule of Departmental Test/ Interview:

The departmental subject Test for admission and Interview of candidates (who fulfill the admission criteria for PhD Arabic as mentioned earlier will be held by the Department concerned at AIOU Main Campus H-8, Islamabad.

### 6. Important Notice:

The eligible candidates are required to bring along-with them all original educational documents/degrees/thesis/research paper/experience certificate/CNIC for verification. Candidates are advised to provide attested copy of any of the testimonial that was not attached with the application from positively for verification/identification.

**The eligible candidates for Test/ Interview will be informed through displaying lists on web portal through SMS on mobile or email.**

### 7. Scheme of Studies:

Sr. #	Name of Activity	PhD in Arabic
1.	Duration	Maximum five years (10 semesters)

2.	Medium of Instruction	Arabic
3.	Course Work	18 credit hours 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 judgement.
5.	Face to Face	48 hrs Face to Face class for each 3 credit hrs course in each semester. Classes will be held in Islamabad main campus (Face to Face teaching mode)
6.	Workshop	Two week synopsis workshop after completion of coursework & passing comprehensive exam.
7.	Evaluation	As per amendments in AIOU rules & regulations, a PhD thesis is necessary to sent for evaluation to three foreign experts from technological advanced countries.
8.	Pre Requisite of viva voce of PhD Arabic	Unconditional approval from at least two foreign experts. Publication of research paper in HEC recognized research journal.
9.	Components of Course work	1. Continuous Assessment 2. Face to Face classes 3. Mid-Term exam 4. Final Exam 5. Comprehensive Exam

Any query / information during fill the online admission form please contact the following:

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### Detail of Courses for PhD Arabic:

Semester	Sr. #	Course Title	Course Code	Cr. Hrs
1 <sup>st</sup> Semester	1.	الدراسات البلاغية الأسلوبية	6880	03
	2.	اللسانيات	6881	03
	3.	قاعة البحث	6882	03
2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	1.	اتجاهات النقد الأدبي ومناهجه	6883	03
	2.	فنون الأدب	6884	03
	3.	الأدب المقارن	6885	03
3 <sup>rd</sup> – 6 <sup>th</sup> Semester	1.	Research Thesis		36

### Fee Structure for PhD Arabic:

<b>Admission fee</b> (At the time of first admission)	Rs.2500/-
<b>Registration fee</b> (At the time of 1st admission only)	Rs.2500/-
<b>Technology fee</b> (per student per semester)	Rs.500/-
<b>Course Fee</b> (Per 3 credit hours) Rs.7500 x 3 = Rs.22,500/-	Rs.22,500/-
<b>Thesis Fee: (in four installments)</b>	Rs.90,000/-
<b>Thesis Evaluation Fee</b> (at the time of submission of thesis)	Rs.90,000/-
<b>Total Fee First Semester</b>	<b>Rs.28,000/-</b>

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 program.

### FACULTY MEMBERS

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## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

1. The certificates/degrees of AIOU are equivalent to any other recognized Board/University.
2. If an applicant of post-graduate/research level program does not receive any information regarding admission within ten days after appear the test of admission, he/she should presume non-selected.
3. A course taken by any student cannot be change during the semester.
4. **Admission to courses for both the Spring and Autumn semesters are generally offered in the months of January and July each year respectively. Examinations will be commenced in May and November respectively. The continuing students will Enroll online on AIOU website and deposit fee within due date.**
5. Fee shall not be refunded once paid for admission nor will it be adjusted for any other program.
6. On payment of the registration fee, each student will be issued a registration number. This number must be quoted in all the future correspondence, course(s), code numbers and semester.
7. Study material shall be available on university website.
8. Rules and regulations framed, enhanced 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 its implementation.
9. 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.
10. It is the responsibility of the student to remain in touch with the department regarding the selected program.
11. A student already admitted to a program or a specialization of a program shall not be allowed to transfer or to get admission to another program unless he/she formally postpones it till the completion of the new program or withdraws from the previous program.
12. After completion of a program successfully, a student has to apply to Controller of Examinations for issuance of certificate/degree.
13. The university reserves the right to change the contents of this prospectus without any prior notice as per university policy.
14. 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 shall be considered as correct name. The Examination Department shall also issue certificate/ degree on the said name.
15. 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 as deemed appropriate.
16. The Candidates having GRE (Subject) conducted by ETS with minimum of 70 percentile score or an

equivalent as per HEC policy be considered for admission in PhD programs, and shall not have to appear in the departmental admission test conducted by the university.

17. The Candidates having GRE (General) conducted by AIOU (DAC) with minimum of 60 percentile score or an equivalent as per HEC policy be considered for admission in MS/M.Phil/Equivalent programs, and shall not have to appear in the departmental admission test conducted by the university.

### **PROCEDURE FOR DEPOSITING FEE**

- Applicants will deposit admission processing fee (Rs.500) in designated banks or through Telcos.
- Eligible candidates for (**Merit Based Programs**) are required to deposit admission fee in any branch of the following banks:
  1. First Women Bank Limited (FWBL)
  2. Allied Bank Limited (ABL)
  3. Muslim Commercial Bank (MCB)
  4. United Bank Limited (UBL)
- Fee can also be Deposited through Jazz Cash, Easy Paisa and Upaisa Mobile App/USSD String \*786#, Retailer Agent, Franchise and Branches of Mobilink, Telenor and Ubank. For more detail please visit university website.

The Banks/Mobile App/Retailer Agents/Franchise/Branches will provide Transaction ID of deposited fee.

### **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 presented to the University for Admission to MPhil/PhD program.
- (b) Disciplinary action against misbehavior/misconduct.
- (c) Plagiarization
- (d) If he/she fails in fulfilling all the requirement of qualifying for the degree within the maximum time limit prescribed for the program excluding the periods of deferment with the approval of the competent authority.

**Note:** Beware that University has not authorized any person or private institute to collect payment/forms. All the students are instructed to deposit fee by themselves in designated bank branches. In case of any discrepancy in admission fee/admission form the University will not be responsible and the student will have to face the consequences.

## علامہ اقبال اوپن یونیورسٹی کا تعارف

(کیمسٹری)، بی ایس (مائیکروبیالوجی) اور کئی پوسٹ گریجویٹ پروگراموں میں طلبہ کو بالمشافہ رہنمائی مہیا کی جاتی ہے۔ علامہ اقبال اوپن یونیورسٹی چار سالہ انڈرگریجویٹ ڈگری پروگرام پیش کر رہی ہے۔

علاوہ ازیں علامہ اقبال اوپن یونیورسٹی اور اس کے جملہ علاقائی دفاتر تعلیمی سال کے دوران میں نصابی اور تعلیمی سرگرمیوں کے ساتھ ساتھ ہم نصابی سرگرمیوں میں بھی بڑھ چڑھ کر حصہ لیتے ہیں اور مختلف نوعیت کی علمی، ادبی اور قومی تقریبات کے انعقاد کا اہتمام کیا جاتا ہے۔ جن میں ہمارے طلبہ و اساتذہ کے ساتھ ساتھ علاقے کے معزز و سرکردہ اراکین اور صاحبان علم و دانش شرکت کرتے ہیں۔ سائنس کے طلبہ کے لیے ”یونیورسٹی سائنس کمپلیکس“ کا قیام عمل میں لایا گیا ہے۔ جس میں سائنس کے تمام شعبہ جات کے ریسرچ اسکالرز کے لیے بین الاقوامی معیار کی حامل جدید سائنسی تجربہ گاہوں کی سہولیات فراہم کی گئی ہیں۔ موجودہ دور کے تقاضوں کو پورا کرنے کے لیے یونیورسٹی مرکزی لائبریری اور سٹوڈنٹس ہاسٹل میں انٹرنیٹ لیب کی سہولت بھی فراہم کی گئی ہے جہاں اس مقصد کے حصول کے لیے کمپیوٹرز مہیا کر دیے گئے ہیں تاکہ یونیورسٹی کے اساتذہ و طلبہ اپنی علمی و تحقیقی کاوشوں کو جدید عصری تقاضوں سے ہم آہنگ کر سکیں۔

علامہ اقبال اوپن یونیورسٹی، ایک میگا یونیورسٹی ہے، جو 1974ء میں پارلیمنٹ کے ایکٹ کے تحت قائم ہوئی۔ اس یونیورسٹی کا مرکزی کیمپس اسلام آباد کے سیکٹر H-8 میں واقع ہے۔ اپنے قیام کے وقت یہ دنیا کی دوسری اوپن یونیورسٹی اور ایشیا اور افریقہ میں اپنی نوعیت کی پہلی یونیورسٹی تھی۔ علامہ اقبال اوپن یونیورسٹی کے قیام کا بنیادی مقصد فاصلاتی نظام تعلیم کے ذریعے ان لوگوں کو جو بوجہ رسمی تعلیم سے استفادہ نہیں کر سکے یا جن کا سلسلہ تعلیم منقطع ہو گیا ہے، ان کے گھروں کی دہلیز پر تعلیمی سہولیات مہیا کرنا ہے۔ اوپن یونیورسٹی سمسٹر سسٹم کے مطابق کام کر رہی ہے۔ انڈرگریجویٹ طلبہ کے لیے دونوں سمسٹر میں داخلے ہوتے ہیں جبکہ پوسٹ گریجویٹ سطح پر داخلہ سال میں ایک بار ہوتا ہے۔ طلبہ کو یونیورسٹی کی اپنی تیار کردہ کتابیں بھجوائی جاتی ہیں جبکہ پوسٹ گریجویٹ کی سطح کے کورسز کے لیے غیر ملکی کتابوں کی دوبارہ چھپائی، تقویتی مواد اور یونیورسٹی کی تیار کردہ سٹڈی گائیڈز طلبہ کی مہارت میں مزید اضافہ کرتے ہیں۔

اس وقت علامہ اقبال اوپن یونیورسٹی میٹرک سے پی ایچ۔ ڈی کی سطح تک کے پروگرام پیش کر رہی ہے، جو چار کلیات پر مشتمل ہے۔ یونیورسٹی نے ملک بھر میں مطالعاتی مراکز قائم کیے ہیں جہاں فاصلاتی نظام تعلیم کے طلبہ اپنے مقرر کردہ ٹیوٹرز سے ضروری رہنمائی حاصل کرتے ہیں۔ علاوہ ازیں یونیورسٹی نے کل وقتی مطالعاتی مراکز بھی قائم کیے ہیں جہاں پر ایم بی اے (آئی ٹی)، بینکنگ اور فنانس، بی ایس (سی ایس)، بی ایس

## شعبہ اردو

تعارف:

شعبہ اردو کا قیام 1974ء میں علامہ اقبال اوپن یونیورسٹی کے قیام کے ساتھ ہی عمل میں آیا۔ یہ شعبہ اب تک اردو زبان و ادب کی تدریس کے حوالے سے مختلف امور کی انجام دہی خصوصاً قومی زبان کو بطور لازمی مضمون متعارف کروانے میں، فعال کردار ادا کر رہا ہے۔ اس وقت شعبہ اردو کی طرف سے میٹرک، انٹرمیڈیٹ اور بی اے کے علاوہ ایم اے، ایم فل اور پی ایچ ڈی (اردو) کے پروگرام پیش کیے جا رہے ہیں۔

### ایم فل اردو پروگرام کے مقاصد

- 1۔ طلبہ کی علمی استعداد میں اضافہ کرنا۔
- 2۔ طلبہ کو اردو ادب کے قدیم اور جدید رجحانات سے آگاہ کرنا۔
- 3۔ اردو کے اساتذہ کی پیشہ ورانہ بہارت میں اضافہ کرنا۔
- 4۔ ایم فل کرنے والے طلبہ کی تحقیقی صلاحیتوں کو ابھارنا۔

### مطالعاتی تسلیم

- 1۔ ایم فل (اردو) پروگرام 24 کریڈٹ آؤرز کے کورس ورک اور 12 کریڈٹ آؤرز کے ریسرچ ورک پر مشتمل ہے۔
- 2۔ طلبہ ایک سمسٹر میں زیادہ سے زیادہ تین تین کریڈٹ آؤرز کے چار کورسوں میں داخلہ لے سکتے ہیں۔

## ایم فل (اردو)

علامہ اقبال اوپن یونیورسٹی میں دہی تدریس کے عام طریقے استعمال نہیں کیے جاسکتے۔ چوں کہ اس یونیورسٹی کے طلبہ پورے ملک میں پھیلے ہوئے ہیں، اس لیے انہیں ذمہ داری تعلیم (Distance Learning) کے اصول کے مطابق تعلیم دی جاتی ہے۔

### پہلا سمسٹر..... بہار 2023ء

کریڈٹ آؤرز	کورس	کورس کوڈ
3	اردو ادب کا۔ یاسی و ثقافتی پس منظر I	5771
3	اردو ادب کا۔ یاسی و ثقافتی پس منظر II	5772
3	اردو ادب کی تحریکات اور تنقیدی نظریات I	5773
3	اردو ادب کی تحریکات اور تنقیدی نظریات II	5774

### دوسرا سمسٹر..... خزاں 2023ء

کریڈٹ آؤرز	کورس	کورس کوڈ
3	تدریس ادب I	5775
3	تدریس ادب II	5776
3	اصول تحقیق I	5777
3	اصول تحقیق II	5778

## تیسرا اور چوتھا سمسٹر (ریسرچ ورک)

کورس کوڈ	کورس کا نام	کریڈٹ آورز
5779	تحقیقی مقالہ (Thesis)	12

## ذریعہ تعلیم

اروڑ زبان

## ورکشاپ

ورکشاپ ایم فل پروگرام کا لازمی حصہ ہے جو ہر سمسٹر میں 28 دنوں پر مشتمل ہوگی۔ ورکشاپ کی بدولت طلبہ کو روزانہ تعلیم کی طرز پر پرفیکشن (Face to Face) اور آن لائن تعلیم کے مواقع سمجھائیں گے۔ ان ورکشاپوں میں تعلیمی و تحقیقی مسائل اور ان کے مکانات بھی زیر بحث لائے جائیں گے۔ ورکشاپ کا اختتام اوقات شبہ کی طرف سے طے کیا جائے گا اور اس بابت طلبہ کو بروقت مطلع کر دیا جائے گا۔

کورس ورک کی کامیاب تکمیل کے بعد خاکہ سازی کے لئے ورکشاپ منعقد کی جائے گی جس میں تحقیقی موضوعات کی تیاری کے سلسلے میں تربیت فراہم کی جائے گی۔ اس ورکشاپ میں شرکت کرنے والے طلبہ کے موضوعات ایم فل کے متعلقہ قوانین کے تحت منظور کیے جانے چاہئیں گے۔

## جانچ پڑتال کا طریقہ:

جانچ پڑتال تین طریقوں سے کی جائے گی۔

(i) امتحانی مشقیں (ii) کورس ورکشاپ (iii) آخری امتحان

ان میں طلبہ کو درج ذیل تناسب سے نمبر حاصل کرنا ہوں گے۔

امتحانی مشقیں 20% مدغم 30%

آخری امتحان 50%

ہر کورس کی کامیاب تکمیل کے لیے طلبہ کا امتحانی مشقوں، ورکشاپ اور آخری امتحان میں کامیاب ہونا لازمی ہے۔

امتحانی مشقوں بشمول مدغم اور آخری امتحان میں مجموعی طور پر 50% نمبر لینا ہوں گے۔

ایم فل اردو میں داخلے کے قواعد و ضوابط

ایم فل میں داخلے کے لیے امیدوار کا ایم اے اردو میں کم از کم درجہ دوم یا اس کے مساوی تاقبیت کا حامل ہونا لازمی ہے۔

کالج یونیورسٹی کے اساتذہ کو ترجیح دی جائے گی۔

داخلہ میٹ کی بنیاد پر ہوگا اور تعلیمی سرٹیفکیٹس کسی سطح پر تھری ڈیگریوں قابل قبول نہ ہوں گی۔

امیدوار کا کالجیکٹ ٹیسٹ اور انٹرویو بھی لیا جائے گا۔ ٹیسٹ اور انٹرویو میں پاس ہونا لازمی ہے۔

## شرح فیس:

1۔ رجسٹریشن فیس -/1000 روپے (کلی بار داخلہ جتنے وقت صرف ایک مرتبہ دینا کرانی ہوگی)

2۔ کورس ٹیوشن فیس -/4200 روپے (فی 3 کریڈٹ آورز)

3۔ داخلہ فیس -/1500 روپے (پہلے سمسٹر کی فیس کے ساتھ)

4۔ آئی ٹی فیس -/500 روپے (ہر سمسٹر کی فیس کے ساتھ)

5۔ مقالہ فیس: -/16800 روپے

6۔ مقالہ جانچنے کی فیس: -/16800 روپے

نوٹ: داخلہ کی منظوری کی اطلاع سننے کے بعد فیس جمع کرائی جائے گی۔ بصورت دیگر فیس واپس نہیں ہوگی۔ نیز مقالے سے منگاتے فیس کے متعلق معلومات بعد میں جاری کی جائیں گی

اس ضمن میں واضح رہے کہ فیس وغیرہ سے متعلق معاملات شعبہ داخلہ کی ذمہ داری ہے۔

## گریڈ کی تقسیم کا طریقہ کار

علامہ اقبال اوپن یونیورسٹی میں مندرجہ ذیل گریڈنگ سسٹم رائج ہے۔

فیل	40 فیصد سے کم نمبر حاصل کرنے پر
گریڈ D	40 فیصد سے 49 فیصد تک
گریڈ C	50 فیصد سے 59 فیصد تک
گریڈ B	60 فیصد سے 69 فیصد تک
گریڈ A	70 فیصد سے 79 فیصد تک
گریڈ A+	80 فیصد سے زیادہ نمبر حاصل کرنے پر

## تحقیقی مقالہ

- (1) مقالے کے موضوع کی منظوری کی لیے مجوزہ موضوع پر خاکہ اور کتابیات وصولی تحقیق کے معین اصولوں کی روشنی میں تیار کر کے متعلقہ شعبے کو پیش کیے جائیں گے۔ موضوع تحقیق، قطعی، واضح اور طبع زد (Original) ہونا چاہیے۔
- (2) مجوزہ موضوع کی منظوری کے بعد طالب علم اپنے نگران مقالہ کی رہنمائی میں اپنی تحقیق مکمل کرے گا۔ نگران کی تعلیمی اہلیت کے پیش نظر اس کا تقرر کیا جائے گا۔
- (3) ایم فل کے نگران مقالہ کا پی ایچ ڈی ہونا ضروری ہے۔
- (4) مقالے کی تکمیل پر طالب علم اپنے مقالے کی چار کاپیاں مع خلاصہ اپنے نگران کے تصدیقی مراحل کے ہمراہ شعبہ اعلیٰ میں جمع کرے گا اور ایک اضافی کاپی اپنے نگران تحقیق کو بھی پیش کرے گا۔

## (الف) منتخبین کا تقرر

مقالے کی تکمیل کے بعد متعلقہ شعبے کی طرف سے بھیجے گئے پیش میں سے منتخبین کا تقرر کیا جاتا ہے۔ منتخبین مقالے کا جائزہ لے کر اپنا رزلٹ ڈائریکٹر BASR کو بھیجتے ہیں۔

## (ب) زبانی امتحان

اگر مقالے کے بارے میں دونوں منتخبین مثبت رائے کا اظہار کریں تو پھر اس پر زبانی امتحان کا انعقاد ہوتا ہے۔

### اساتذہ شعبہ اردو

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- 7- ڈاکٹر قاسم یعقوب  
لیکچرار  
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## شعبہ پاکستانی زبانیں

### تعارف:

شعبہ پاکستانی زبانیں 1998ء میں قائم ہوا۔ علامہ اقبال اوپن یونیورسٹی ملک کی واحد یونیورسٹی ہے جس میں پاکستان میں بولی جانے والی تمام زبانوں کے فروغ اور تدریس کے لیے شعبہ پاکستانی زبانیں کا قیام عمل میں لایا گیا جو پاکستانی زبانوں کے تدریسی کورس پیش کرتا ہے۔ یہ کورس میٹرک، انٹرمیڈیٹ اور بی اے کی سطح کے ہیں۔ مزید برآں پاکستانی زبانوں اور ان کے ادب سے متعلق کتب کی اشاعت اور پاکستانی زبانوں کے کلاسیکی شعرا پر کسی نازک اہتمام بھی شعبہ پاکستانی زبانیں کی سرگرمیوں میں شامل ہے۔ پاکستان کے مختلف علاقوں میں بولی جانے والی زبانیں مستحکم حیثیت کی حامل ہونے کے ساتھ ساتھ کئی مشترک عنصر بھی رکھتی ہیں۔ قومی یک جہتی کے فروغ میں کسی ایسے پروگرام کی ضرورت کافی عرصہ سے محسوس کی جا رہی تھی جس میں پاکستانی زبانوں کا تقابلی مطالعہ، ادبیات پاکستان کا تقابلی مطالعہ اور ان زبانوں کے منفرد اور مشترک ادبی رجحانات کا احاطہ کیا گیا ہو۔ وقت کے اس تقاضے کے پیش نظر علامہ اقبال اوپن یونیورسٹی کے شعبہ پاکستانی زبانیں نے ستمبر 2004ء میں ایم فل پاکستانی زبانیں و ادب پروگرام متعارف کرانے کا اہتمام کیا جس کے چیدہ چیدہ مقاصد درج ذیل ہیں۔

- 1- قومی یک جہتی اور ملی جہم آہنگی کے فروغ کے لئے طلبہ و طالبات کو پاکستانی زبانوں کے مشترک نقوش، مین المسمانی روابط اور مشترک ادبی رجحانات سے روشناس کرانا۔
- 2- طلبہ اور طالبات کو پاکستانی زبانوں اور ان کے ادب کے بارے میں مطالعاتی اور تحقیقی بنیادیں فراہم کرنا۔

- 3- پاکستان میں کثیر لسانی، ہرین کی کمی کو کسی حد تک پورا کرنے میں مدد دینا۔
- 4- پاکستانی زبانوں (پشتو، سندھی، بلوچی، براہوئی، پنجابی، سرائیکی) کے اساتذہ کی پیشہ وارانہ مہارت میں اضافہ کرنا۔

### مطالعاتی سکیم

#### ایم فل پاکستانی زبانیں و ادب پروگرام:

- 1- ایم فل (پاکستانی زبانیں و ادب) پر تھیسس پنجابی، پشتو، سندھی، سرائیکی، بلوچی اور براہوئی) پروگرام 24 کریڈٹ آؤرز کے کورس ورک اور 12 کریڈٹ آؤرز کے ریسرچ ورک پر مشتمل ہے۔
- 2- طلبہ ایک سمسٹر میں زیادہ سے زیادہ تین تین کریڈٹ آؤرز کے چار کورسوں میں داخلہ لے سکتے ہیں۔

#### کورسوں کی تفصیل:

پہلا سمسٹر..... بہار 2023ء

کورس کوڈ	کورس کا نام	کریڈٹ آؤرز
2721	پاکستانی زبانوں کا تقابلی مطالعہ، ادبیات پاکستان کا تقابلی مطالعہ، اردو زبان و ادب	3
2722	بلوچی، براہوئی: زبان و ادب	3
2723	پشتو، ہندکو، توروالی، گاؤری: زبان و ادب	3
2724	پنجابی، پہاڑی، گوجری: زبان و ادب	3

☆ کورس ورک کی کامیاب تکمیل کے بعد، خذ کہ سازی کی ورکشاپ منعقد کی جائے گی، جس میں تحقیقی موضوعات کی تیاری کے سلسلے میں تربیت فراہم کی جائے گی۔ اس ورکشاپ میں شرکت کرنے والے طلبہ کے موضوعات کے خذ کے ایم فل کے یونیورسٹی قواعد کے تحت منظوری کے لیے پیش کیے جائیں گے۔ اس ورکشاپ کا دورانیہ دو مہینے کا ہوگا۔

### جانچ پڑتال

1- 50% Continous Assignment and Mid Term (20+30)  
2- 50% Final Examination

☆ ہر کورس کی کامیاب تکمیل کے لیے طلبہ کا امتحانی مشقوں، مڈترم اور آخری امتحان میں مجموعی طور پر 50% نمبر لے کر کامیاب ہونا لازمی ہے۔

ایم فل پاکستانی زبانیں و ادب میں داخلے کے قواعد و ضوابط

- 1- امیدوار کسی بھی تسلیم شدہ یونیورسٹی سے ایم اے پنجابی/ پشتو/ بلوچی/ براہوی/ سندھی/ سرائیکی میں درجہ دوم یا اس کے مساوی قابلیت کا حامل ہونا لازمی ہے۔
- 2- ایم فل میں داخلے کے لیے امیدوار کا شعبے میں GRE/GAT (General) کے مساوی ٹیسٹ لیا جائے گا۔ کم از کم 60% نمبر لینے والے امیدوار ہی انٹرویو کے اہل ہوں گے۔

آن لائن درخواست کے لیے رہنمائی

- 1- آن لائن درخواست فارم یونیورسٹی کے مرکزی ویب سائٹ [www.aiou.edu.pk](http://www.aiou.edu.pk) پر دستیاب ہوگا۔

دوسرا سمسٹر..... خزاں 2023ء

کورس کوڈ	کورس کا نام	کریڈٹ آورز
2725	سندھی، سرائیکی کشمیری: زبان و ادب	3
2726	شمالی علاقہ جات کی زبانیں و ادب (بلتھی، بٹھا، کھوار، ہریشسکی، موٹی)	3
5765	اصول تحقیق (زبان و ادبیات) I	3
5766	اصول تحقیق (زبان و ادبیات) II	3

تیسرا اور چوتھا سمسٹر (ریسرچ ورک)

کورس کوڈ	کورس کا نام	کریڈٹ آورز
2728	تحقیقی مقالہ (Thesis)	12

ذریعہ تعلیم

کورس ورک اردو زبان میں ہوگا جبکہ ریسرچ ورک یعنی تحقیقی مقالہ اپنی مادری زبان (جس میں طالب علم نے ایم اے کیا ہو) کے علاوہ اردو اور انگریزی میں بھی لکھنے کی اجازت ہے۔

تدریس

☆ ہر سمسٹر میں پیش ہونے والے کورسوں کی تدریس براہ راست (آن لائن) اور فی کورس (3 کریڈٹ آورز) 48 گھنٹے ہوگی۔ اس کی بدولت طلبہ کو روایتی تعلیم کی طرز پر بالمشافہ (Face to Face) تعلیم کا موقع میسر آئے گا اور تقابلی و تحقیقی مسائل اور ان کے امکانات بھی زیر بحث لائے جائیں گے۔

نوٹ: داخلے کی منظوری کی اطلاع ملنے پر فیس جمع کرائی جائے بصورت دیگر فیس واپس نہیں ہوگی۔

شعبے کے اساتذہ کے نام، پتے اور فون نمبر

نمبر شمار نام و عہدہ پتہ اور فون نمبر

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3. ڈاکٹر عبدالواجد  
اسسٹنٹ پروفیسر  
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051-9057893

4. ڈاکٹر ضیاء الرحمن بلوچ  
اسسٹنٹ پروفیسر  
کمرہ نمبر 107، بلاک نمبر 05، AIOU  
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5. ڈاکٹر زینب النساء  
ٹیچر  
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051-9057776

2- درخواست دہندہ کے لیے آن لائن درخواست فارم میں تمام مطلوبہ خانے پر کرنا لازمی ہیں۔

3- درخواست دہندہ کو چاہیے کہ وہ درخواست کی فیس جاری کردہ چالان فارم پر مجوزہ بینکوں میں جمع کرائے (متعلقہ بینکوں کے نام اشتہار میں درج ہیں)

4- فیس جمع کرانے کے بعد چالان نمبر آن لائن فارم میں درج کیا جائے اور بینک چالان سے یونیورسٹی کا پتہ علیحدہ کر کے لفافے پر چسپاں کریں اور بعد ازاں اپنا داخلہ فارم مع چالان فارم (یونیورسٹی کاپی) اور تمام اسناد کی مصدقہ نقول بذریعہ رجسٹرڈ ڈاک UMS/ درج ذیل پتہ پر ارسال کریں۔

5- نامکمل اور تاخیر سے موصول ہونے والی درخواستوں پر کارروائی عمل میں نہیں لائی جائے گی۔

پروفیسر ڈاکٹر عبداللہ جان عابد  
چیئر مین

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