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Vice-Chancellor Message

Dear Student,

السلام عليكم

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



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



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 in 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 doorsteps 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 undergraduate 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 textbooks are provided.

At present, the AIOU is offering programs from Matric to Ph.D. 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 Centers 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 facilities are also available in the student's hostel and the Central Library where computers have been provided to enable students to access the latest information available through open source databases.

Allama Iqbal Open University (AIOU ranked 1st among 66 Pakistani varsities recent Times Higher Education Impact Ranking 2023 (The's Ranking) in SGD-4 (Quality Education)



We Made it

THE WORLD
UNIVERSITY
RANKINGS
TIMES HIGHER EDUCATION

SDG 4 - Quality Education

2022

Ranked 20th in
Pakistan

Ranked 401 - 600
Globally

2023

Ranked 1st in
Pakistan

Ranked 25th
Globally



Times Higher Education Impact Rankings 2023 ALLAMA IQBAL OPEN UNIVERSITY



Rankings	Ranking in Pakistan	Ranking in Universities in Pakistan	Global Ranking	Total Universities Globally
1 SGD-1 (No Poverty)	3	49	87	876
2 SGD-4 (Quality Education)	1	66	25	1304
3 SDG 8 - decent work and Economic growth	2	39	101-200	960
4 SDG 17 - partnerships For the goals	5	72	401-600	1625

AIOU AT A GLANCE

Current Enrollment
1,027,000



Faculties
04



Academic Departments
37



Regional Offices
54



SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AIDS

- ❖ **Financial Support Scheme (SSF-101)**
This scheme is formulated to provide financial assistance to the deserving, needy and talented students.
- ❖ **Earn to Learn Scheme (SSF-102)**
AIOU provides opportunities to the deserving students to earn and learn. This scheme is to encourage and assist the students in the pursuit of higher studies.
- ❖ **Merit Scholarship Scheme (SSF-103)**
This scheme is an initiative to generate competition among brilliant students of AIOU. The scholarship is offered to the students of all levels/ programs scoring 80% and above marks in their latest results in AIOU.
- ❖ **Final Year Project Grant Scheme (SSF-105)**
This scheme is designed with the focus of motivating researchers and promotion of market-oriented research by providing financial grants. This grant will be available to BS, BSc (Hons), M.Phil, MS & Ph.D scholars.
- ❖ **Scholarship for Communities Scheme (SSF-106)**
The financial assistance, through this scheme is available to the following communities:
 - Differently Abled Students
 - Orphans
 - Gender Diverse Individuals
 - Offspring of Martyrs
 - Inmates/ Prisoners
- ❖ **Free Education (Matric) Plan for FATA/ Baluchistan & Gilgit/ Baltistan**
The Allama Iqbal Open University has initiated opportunities to support the deprived communities residing in FATA/Baluchistan and Gilgit-Baltistan.

AIOU is offering this facility without any discrimination based on caste and creed.

The SOP's/ TOR's, eligibility criteria of aforementioned financial schemes are available at AIOU website.

STUDENTS SUPPORT SERVICES



Student Facilitation Center (SFC)

The Student Facilitation Center (SFC) was established on October 17, 2022, with the aim to help the student/visitors by providing them solutions under one roof. The Center provides services linked with Student Advisory, LMS/Tutor/Workshop, Admissions & Mailing.

AIOU Call Center

The AIOU Call Center/ Helpline (051-111-112-468) was primarily established in 2011, while the purpose-built dedicated center was established in September 2022, for the provision of information/guidance to the callers.

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

Sr. #	Degree Level	Minimum Duration	Maximum Duration
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 & HEC 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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How to Apply Online

- Go to <https://fmbp.aiou.edu.pk/application/index.php>
- Register here through your Cell No. or Email id 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 contact at: 051-9572386

ADMISSION PROCEDURE AND REQUIREMENTS FOR MPhil/MS PROGRAMS

The admission of MPhil and PhD shall be announced by Director BASR as per admission calendar of AIOU. Announcement for admission will be made in the leading newspapers of the country.

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. An eligible 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 in 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.
3. 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.

4. 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:

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

5. Admission to **MPhil** shall be processed and finalized by the Departmental Admission Committee (DAC) duly approved by the Vice-Chancellor.
6. Admission to MPhil programs will be granted against available seats strictly based on merit/written test/interview as approved by the University. The University reserves the right not to start MPhil programs if a viable group of students is not enrolled.
7. Concerned Department will inform the selected candidate about their admission in respective program after fulfilling prescribed procedure.
8. A candidate will become a student of **the 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.

9. The Department will consider the next candidate in order of merit for admission in case the selected candidate does not deposit the prescribed fee within the stipulated time. No appeal shall be considered once alternate candidates offer admission.
10. A Student admitted to **MPhil** programs 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.
11. 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.
12. Fee can neither be refunded nor be adjusted for future admission after finalization of admission and commencement of classes.
13. The Candidates having GRE (General) conducted by ETS with minimum of 50 percentile score or an equivalent as per HEC policy be considered for admission in MS/MPhil/Equivalent programs and shall not have to appear in the departmental admission test conducted by the university.

How to Pay the Fee?

The admission in MPhil programs is purely on merit basis. No fee is to be paid unless intimated by the university. The fee

is to be deposited through Challan (CMS generated) Form only in the specified branches of Banks in Main campus of AIOU Islamabad within stipulated time.

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 by concerned committee.
 - 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.

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 faces to face teaching hours shall be 48 hours for each course (3 credit hrs.)

3. The duration of synopsis orientation workshop shall be compulsory of two weeks in the beginning of 3rd semester.

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%
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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.

Thesis/Project Requirements

1. After completion of twenty-four credit hours of course work, a student will embark upon research of 12 credit hours for two semesters. After the receipt of admission list of third semester, the department will hold two-weeks Synopsis Orientation Workshop (SOW). Only those students will be eligible to attend the synopsis orientation workshop who qualified/passed at least 12 credit hours course work including Research methods/statistics. However, he/she will be allowed to submit the thesis only after passing all the courses.

2. The purpose of this workshop is to guide the MPhil scholars in finalizing their Synopsis/Research topics. Participation in the SOW will be mandatory. Research scholars are supposed to develop and present their synopsis before the Research Proposal Committee (RPC). Finally, the recommended topic of synopsis/research by RPC will be forwarded to the competent authority for approval as per MPhil rules and regulations of AIOU, Islamabad.

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.

Travelling & Boarding / Lodging Expenses

The AIOU does not have lodging and boarding facilities now except at the 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.

Hostel Facilities

The students coming from other cities can avail the hostel facility at reasonable rates (other than fee) subject to availability.

Financial Assistance

Limited financial assistance is available to deserving students who shall apply on the prescribed AIOU forms supported with justifiable documentary proofs available after admission during the 1st semester. Financial assistance will be considered from the 2nd semester.

Admission Procedure and Requirements for PhD Programs

1. The PhD program shall be announced by the Director BASR as per admission calendar of AIOU. Announcement for admission will be made in the leading newspapers of the country.
2. **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).

3. 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.
4. 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%.
5. 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

How to Apply for Admission?

- i. An eligible 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 in the Admission Form completely and submit.
 - Print Fee Voucher and deposited the prescribed 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.
- ii Admission to a PhD will be offered against available seats strictly on the basis of merit and as per criteria laid down by the concerned Department. The University reserves the right not to start PhD Programs if a viable group of students is not enrolled.
- iii A candidate will become a 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.
- iv 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 for a fresh for admission to another program or specialization after discontinuation of the earlier program/specialization as and when next admission is announced.

Important Notice: (About Written Test):

- (a) All candidates to inform about test/interview through only SMS or AIOU website (news section), No call letters by post will be sent to the candidates for test/interview.
- (b) It is advised to candidates for SMS service, correct Cell Number put in online admission form, if the wrong number is entered in the admission form, then all the responsibility will be on the candidates.
- (c) Remember that if your mobile number has been converted to another network. SMS will not be received on it, so add those numbers in admission form which has not been converted to another network, otherwise you are responsible.
- (d) 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.
- (e) Candidates will not be allowed to sit in the Written Test without showing CNIC. No TA/DA is admissible for Test & Interview.

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). However, the maximum time period may be extended up to six (6) years by the vice chancellor on recommendation of Dean and up to seven (7) years by the Executive Council upon proper justification & recommendation of the Supervisors & the Dean concerned.
 - a) The PhD program will be of 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 after enrollment in 3rd semester for a PhD program.
 - c) Only those candidates who pass the comprehensive examination will be allowed to continue with them. 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.

Evaluation

a. Course Work Evaluation

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.

- 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%

Total	100%
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- 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.

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 the Comprehensive Examination arranged and conducted by the department concerned as per the 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. The 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.

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.

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 computers where required. 70% attendance in face to face teaching would be compulsory.

Viva Voce:

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

Face to Face teaching (Tutorials):

Limited financial assistance is available to deserving students who shall apply on the prescribed AIOU forms supported with justifiable documentary proofs available after admission during the 1st semester. Financial assistance will be considered from the 2nd semester.

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

FACULTY OF ARABIC AND ISLAMIC STUDIES



Prof. Dr. Shah Mohyuddin Hashmi
Dean



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, the Institute of Arabic and Islamic Studies was upgraded to the level of full fledge faculty in 1999 as required by AIOU Act 1974. 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.
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 several 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, B. Ed 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

1. Postdoctoral Fellowship
2. Ph.D Islamic Studies (General)
3. Ph.D Islamic Studies (with specialization in Quran & Tafseer)
4. Ph.D Islamic Studies (with specialization in Seerat Studies)
5. Ph.D Islamic Studies (with specialization in Interfaith Studies)
6. Ph.D Shariah
7. Ph.D Arabic
8. M.Phil Islamic Studies (General)
9. M.Phil Islamic Studies (with specialization in Quran & Tafseer)
10. M.Phil Islamic Studies (with specialization in Seerat Studies)
11. M.Phil Islamic Studies (with specialization in Interfaith Studies)
12. M.Phil Islamic Studies (with specialization in Hadith and Hadith Sciences)
13. M.Phil (Arabic Language and Literature)
14. M.S Shariah
15. MA Islamic Studies (General)
16. MA Islamic Studies with specialization in
 - i. Quran & Tafseer
 - ii. Hadith & Seerah
 - iii. Islamic Law & Jurisprudence

17. MA (Arabic Language and Literature)
18. Post Graduate Diploma "IFTAA"
19. Diploma "Islamic Finance"
20. BS Arabic
21. BS Arabic International
22. BS Islamic Finance
23. BS Islamic Studies (International)
24. BS Islamic Studies (General)
25. BS Islamic Studies (Specialization in Quran & Tafseer)
26. BS Islamic Studies (Specialization in Hadith)
27. BS Islamic Studies (Specialization in Seerat Studies)
28. BS Islamic Studies (Specialization in Sharia)
29. BS Islamic Studies (Specialization in Dars-e-Nizami)
30. BS Islamic Studies (Specialization in Interfaith Studies)
31. Certificate Course "IFTAA"
32. Certificate Course "Imam and Khateeb"
33. Arabic Teachers Training Course (ATTC)
34. Al- Lisan-ul-Arabi
35. Darse-e-Nizami Program (Matric to BA)
 - Al Shahada al-Sanavia al-Aama
 - Al Shahada al-Sanavia al-Khasa
 - Al Shahada al-Aliya

JOURNALS/INDEX OF THE FACULTY

1. Maaraf-e-Islami (from 2002)
2. Seerat Studies (from 2016)
3. Al-Bahs-ul-Arabi (from 2018)
4. Islamic Research Index.IRI (from 2014)

FUTURE PLAN

1. Shifting of Programs to Online Mode
2. Launching New Program BS Islamic Studies (Face to Face Mode)
3. Strengthening of Dars-e-Nizami Program
4. Launching of associate degrees to address Professional Needs
5. Faculty Development/Training for designing research Projects/Language Proficiency.
6. Development of newly approved courses at various levels
7. Launching of new Research Journals.

DEPARTMENTS OF THE FACULTY OF A & IS

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 Seerah Studies
4. Department of Islamic Thought, History and Culture
5. Department of Interfaith Studies
6. Department of Shari'ah (Islamic Law and Jurisprudence)
7. Department of Arabic Language and Literature
8. Islamic Economics

MPhil /MS Programs Offered in Spring-2024

- i) MPhil Islamic Studies (Specialization in Quran & Tafseer)
- ii) MPhil Arabic
- iii) MS Shari'ah

Eligibility for MPhil Islamic Studies (All Specializations) Programs

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

- 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 during interview.
- Intermediate and above teaching experience in any recognized college/institution is also given due weightage in admission criteria.
- Published research papers in approved research journals by HEC 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 an equivalent certificate (by Name) from HEC.

Scheme of Studies for All MPhil of Islamic Studies Programs:

S. No.	Name of Program	MPhil in Islamic Studies	
1.	Duration	Course work:	Two Semesters
		Research work/Thesis:	Two Semesters
2.	Credit	As per AIOU/HEC rules& Regulations	
3.	Medium of Instruction	(i)Urdu (ii) English (iii)Arabic	
4.	Research Work	i) The research work must be distinct contribution to knowledge and afford evidence to originality, shown either by the discovery of new facts or by the exercise of independent critical judgment. ii) The student will be required to observe the guidelines regarding format, writing, referencing, paper, and other related matters as approved in AIOU rules & regulations.	
5.	Face to Face Classes	48 teaching hours (Face to Face) classes for each 3credit course (these classes held in Islamabad.	
6.	Workshop	Two-week synopsis orientation workshop at the start of research work after the completion of course work.	
7.	Components of Course Work	Sr.#	Component
		1.	Continues Assessment
		2.	Face to Face teaching (48 hrs. per 03 credit hours in each semester)
		3.	Mid-Term Examination
		4.	Final Examination

Fee Structure for MPhil Programs
Faculty of Arabic and Islamic Studies:

Sr. #	Items	Rate
1	Admission fee (At the time of first admission)	Rs.1650/-
2	Registration fee (At the time of 1st admission only)	Rs.1100/-
3	Technology Fee (per semester)	Rs.550/-
3	Tuition fee Rs.1540/- per credit hour (1540x3)	Rs.4620/-
5	Total Fee for First Semester	Rs.21780/-
6	Thesis Fee (3 rd , 4 th Semester)	Rs.9240/-
7	Thesis Evaluation Fee (at the time of submission of thesis)	Rs.18480/-

Fee Structure for PhD Programs
Faculty of Arabic and Islamic Studies:

Sr. #	Items	Rate
1.	Admission fee (At the time of first admission)	Rs.2750/-
2.	Registration fee (At the time of 1st admission only)	Rs.2750/-
3.	Technology fee (per semester)	Rs.550/-
4.	Tuition Fee Rs.2750/- per credit hour (2750x3)	Rs. 8250/-
5.	Total Fee First Semester	Rs.30,800/-
6.	Thesis Fee: (3 rd , 4 th , 5 th , 6 th Semester)	Rs.24750/-
7.	Thesis Evaluation Fee (at the time of submission of thesis)	Rs.99,000/-

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.

DEPARTMENT OF QURAN & TAFSEER



Dr Sana Ullah Hussain
Chairman

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.

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 & 2nd division in BA can apply for the admission in MPhil. However, in case of a large number of applicants, initial short-listing of candidates will be made. Preference will be given to those candidates who have passed all degrees with first division 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.**

Detail of Courses:

1st 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	

2nd Semester

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

3rd Semester

1.	8049	Thesis	06	Two weeks Synopsis Orientation Workshop
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4th Semester

1.	8060	Thesis	06	
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b) PhD Islamic Studies 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. 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

1st 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

2nd Semester

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

3rd Semester

8127	Thesis	09
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4th Semester

8128	Thesis	09
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5th Semester

8129	Thesis	09
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6th Semester

8130	Thesis	09
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اللغة العربية

DEPARTMENT OF ARABIC



Dr Abdul Majeed Baghdadadi
Chairman

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. 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 the 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, bachelor's 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 has been 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 sounds 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. MPhil Arabic
3. BS Arabic
4. BS Arabic International
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
- ArbiBolChal
- Lughatul Quran

Professional Courses

Arabic Teachers Training Course (ATTC)

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 st 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 nd Semester	1.	الدراسات الأدبية I	4717	03
	2.	الدراسات الأدبية II	4718	03
	3.	الدراسات اللغوية I	4719	03
	4.	الدراسات اللغوية II	4720	03
3 rd Semester	1.	Thesis	8097	06
4 th Semester	1.	Thesis	8098	06

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DEPARTMENT OF SHARI'AH



Dr Hidayat Khan
Chairman



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

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 AIU. 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 2nd division in both M.A/BS Islamic Studies & BA)

OR

Shahada-tul-Aalmiya (شهادة العالمية في 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:

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

7. Scheme of Studies:

Sr. 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	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 hrs in AIOU rules & regulations.
6	Workshops	i) Minimum number of compulsory face to face teaching courses is 48 hours for each course of 03 credit hours. ii) Two weeks synopsis orientation workshop at the start of research work after the completion of course work. 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.

7	Exams	All examinations will be held at main campus of AIOU, Islamabad نوٹ: تمام کلاسز، مڈ ٹرم اور فائنل امتحانات کا انعقاد صرف علامہ اقبال اوپن یونیورسٹی کے مین کیمپس اسلام آباد میں ہو گا۔		
8	Components MS Shari'ah Course Work	S. No.	Component	Weightage
		1.	Continuous Assessment & Mid Term	50 % (20+30)
		2.	Final examination	50 %

8. Detail of Courses:

1st 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

2nd 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

3rd Semester

1.	8103	Thesis	06
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4th Semester

1.	8104	Thesis	06
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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 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.

Details of Course Work PhD

1st 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

2nd 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

3rd – 6th Semester

1.	6760	Research Thesis	36
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FACULTY OF EDUCATION



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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 the Institute of Education in the 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, master's, and specialized courses in the 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 and was renamed as EPPSL in 2008. It offers programs in Educational Planning Management and Educational Leadership Management. 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 programs aim at imparting academic and professional knowledge and training to in-services and preservice teachers and scholars.

The programs/courses of this department comprise MA, MEd B.Ed (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 to 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 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.

All Programs of Faculty of Education are recognized by HEC.

Fee Tariff for PhD Programs

Sr. #	Items	Rate
1.	Admission fee (At the time of first admission)	Rs.2750/-
2.	Registration fee (At the time of 1st admission only)	Rs.2750/-
3.	Technology fee (per semester)	Rs.550/-
4.	Tuition Fee Rs.2750/- per credit hour (2750x3) Rs.8250 x 3 = Rs.24,750/-	Rs. 8250/-
5.	Total Fee First Semester	Rs.30,800/-
6.	Thesis Fee: (3 rd , 4 th , 5 th , 6 th Semester)	Rs.24750/-
7.	Thesis Evaluation Fee (at the time of submission of thesis)	Rs.99,000/-

Fee Tariff for MPhil Programs

Sr. #	Items	Rate
1	Admission fee (At the time of first admission)	Rs.1650/-
2	Registration fee (At the time of 1st admission only)	Rs.1100/-
3	Technology Fee (per semester)	Rs.550/-
3	Tuition fee Rs.1540/- per credit hour (1540x3)	Rs.4620/-
5	Total Fee for First Semester	Rs.21780/-
6	Thesis Fee (3 rd , 4 th Semester)	Rs.9240/-
7	Thesis Evaluation Fee (at the time of submission of thesis)	Rs.18480/-

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.

DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION



Dr. Hina Noor
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Introduction:

The department of Special Education at Allama Iqbal Open University was established under the umbrella of Faculty of education in 1985, in response to the desperate need of trained staff to provide services to special people.

Department of Special Education at Allama Iqbal Open University prepares the special education teachers for a wide variety of roles and specialization in special education. The aim of the department is to impart education and training to the teachers for the special needs children studying either in special schools or in mainstream schools. There is growing demand for professionals in this field in Pakistan and across the world. Our Special Education Faculty are at the leading edge of research and practice and have helped the thousands of students to become special education professional. We develop and offer the programs with special focus on the field of special education and students with disabilities. Our

graduates have expertise in teaching techniques of special education, policy development, research and practices related to the persons with disabilities. Our goal is to provide the professional and intellectual experiences that broaden dispositions, skills and knowledge associated with teacher preparation, disability rights advocacy and special education scholarship.

MPhil Special Education

i. Eligibility

Applicants for MPhil in Special Education at least with 2nd Division in the following discipline:

- a) MA/MED/BS/BED (4-Years) or 16 Years of Education in Special Education/Education.
- b) MA/MSc/BS/BA (4-Years) or 16 Years of Education in Sociology/ Social Work/ Psychology/ Child Development.
- c) MSc /BS (4-Years) or 16 Years of Education in Speech and Language Therapy / Speech and Hearing Sciences / Physiotherapy / Physical Rehabilitation/ Opthamology/ Audiology/ Audiometry.

Admission to MPhil Education in Special Education will be made on merit as per approved criteria, the applicants having MA/MEd in Special Education be given priority.

ii. Program Structure

Students enrolled in MPhil have to pass the make-up courses prescribed by the department if they are not

MA/MEd in Special Education. MPhil Education specialization in Special Education programme is comprised of 24 credit hours course work and a Research Thesis of 12 credit hours.

Semester-1

S. No.	Code	Courses	Credit Hours
1.	3701	Trends and Issues in Education	3
2.	3706	Advanced Course on Educational Research and Statistics	3
3.	3748	Qualitative Research in Education	3
4.	3709	Trends & Issues in SpecialEducation	3

Makeup Courses (MA Level) for the students who are without MA/MEd Special Education Degree:

1.	672	Perspective of Special Education	3
2.	673	Handicapped Persons in the Community	3

Semester-2

S. No.	Code	Courses	Credit Hours
1.	3716	Advanced Study on Exceptionality-I	3
2.	3717	Advanced Study on Exceptionality-II	3
3.	3718	Career Planning and Rehabilitation-I	3
4.	3719	Career Planning and Rehabilitation-II	3

Makeup Courses (MA Level) for the students who have not done MA/MEd Special Education Degree, 6 Credit Hours Courses from Any Specialization Area.

Code	Courses Title	Credit Hours
a. Visual Impairment		
677	Independence Training for the Visually Handicapped	3
678	Special Education for Visually Handicapped	3
OR		
b. Hearing Impairment		
680	General Introduction to the Hearing Impairment	3
681	Psychology of Deafness & Child Development	3
OR		
c. Mental Retardation		
3603	Introduction & Assessment of Mentally Retarded Children-I	3
3604	Introduction & Assessment of Mentally Retarded Children-II	3
OR		
d. Physical Disabilities		
3607	Physical Handicaps-I	3
3608	Physical Handicaps-II	3

Semester-3

8077	Thesis	6
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Semester-4

8078	Thesis	6
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PhD Special Education:

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 based on 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.

PhD Course Work: 18 Credit Hours**Semester-1****a. Common Courses****9 Credit Hours**

Sr. No	Code	Courses	Credit Hours
1.	4774	Comparative Education	3
2.	4775	Instrumentation in Educational Research	3
3.	4793	Preparing Critiques in Educational Research	3

Semester-2**b. Specialization Courses****6 Credit Hours**

Sr. No	Code	Courses	Credit Hours
4.	4780	Programing and Planning for Exceptional Youth	3
5.	4781	Emerging Trends in Special Education	3

c. Collateral Area

Each student will take a course (3 credit hours) from this area

Sr. No	Code	Courses	Credit Hours
6.	4776	Discourse Analysis	3
7.	4777	Emerging Trends in Pedagogy	3
8.	4783	Educational Leadership & Management	3

Semester-3

1	8151	Thesis	9
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Semester-4

1	8152	Thesis	9
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Semester-5

1	8153	Thesis	9
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Semester-6

1	8154	Thesis	9
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DEPARTMENT OF DNF&CE



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The department was established in 1984 and was renamed as Distance, Non-Formal and Continuing Education in 2008. It offers specialized degree programs/courses in Distance, Non-Formal and Continuing Education, Adult Education and Educational Technology at B.Ed, MA Education, MEd, MPhil, and PhD (MPhil based) in Education

Moreover, the department also provides on-the-job training in distance learning system to the academic staff of AIOU.

Access to education is one of the fundamental rights of an individual, regardless of age, tribe, or social class. Non-formal education has been put in place to substitute formal learning in localities where people do not have opportunities to acquire formal education, as a way of providing access to education. The Department also offer Certificate & Diploma courses in Literacy and Non-Formal Education.

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 2nd division) **OR**
 MEd (at least 2nd division) **OR**
 MEd (at least 2nd division) **OR**
 BEd (4 Year) **OR**
 BS Education

Admission will be strictly made on a 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

S. No.	Code	Courses	Credit Hours
1.	3701	Trends and Issues in Education	3
2.	3703	Trends and Issues in Distance Education	3
3.	3751	Advanced Research Method	3
4.	3748	Qualitative Research in Education	3

Semester-2

Students can take any two clusters from the following:

b. Specialization 12 Credit Hours

S. No.	Code	Courses	Credit Hours
1.	3726	Non-Formal Education-I	3
	3727	Non-Formal Education-II	3
2.	3728	Adult Education -I	3
	3729	Adult Education -II	3
3.	3730	Educational Technology-I	3
	3731	Educational Technology-II	3
4.	3732	Distance Education-I	3
	3733	Distance Education-II	3

Research Work (Total 12 Credit Hours in 3rd – 4th Semester)

Semester	Course Code	Title of Course	Credit Hours
3 rd Semester	8067	Thesis-1	6
4 th Semester	8068	Thesis-2	6

PhD Distance and Non-Formal Education

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 based on 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.

PhD Distance and Non-Formal Education

Semester-1

Common Courses 9 Credit Hours

Sr. No.	Code	Courses	Credit Hours
1.	4802	Qualitative Research Method	3
2.	4803	Quantitative Research Design	3
3.	4793	Preparing Critique in Educational Research	3

Semester-2

Specialization Courses:

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

Sr. No.	Code	Courses	Credit Hours
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.

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

Research Work (Total 36 Credit Hours in 3rd – 6th Semester)

Semester	Course Code	Title of Course	Credit Hours
3 rd Semester	8147	Thesis-1	9
4 th Semester	8148	Thesis-2	9
4 th Semester	8149	Thesis-3	9
4 th Semester	8150	Thesis-4	9

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

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DEPARTMENT OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION & ELEMENTARY TEACHER EDUCATION



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Introduction:

The Department of Elementary Teacher Education was established in 2003. In April 2008, the name of Elementary Teacher Education Department was changed to Early Childhood Education and Elementary Teacher Education Department. The Department offers associate degree in education, Post Graduate Diploma in ECE, B.Ed. (1.5 year), B.Ed. (2.5), B.Ed. (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.

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:

Specialization Courses			
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

3rd and 4th Semester:

Code	Course	Credits
3747	Research Thesis	12

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PhD Elementary Teacher Education

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 based on 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.

a. 1st Semester (Core Courses)

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

2nd Semester (Core Course)

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

Cluster	Code	Title of Course	Credit Hours
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

Research Work (Total 36 Credit Hours in 3rd – 6th Semester)

Semester	Course Code	Title of Course	Credit Hours
3 rd Semester	8175	Thesis-1	9
4 th Semester	8176	Thesis-2	9
5 th Semester	8177	Thesis-3	9
6 th Semester	8178	Thesis-4	9

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

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DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE EDUCATION



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Introduction:

Faculty of education recognized the need for promotion of science education and established Department of Science Education on 1988. Initially department worked on different science education programs and produced competent teachers for the country. At present the programmes and courses of the department are mainly focused on education and training of science and mathematics teachers. Presently, the department offers specialized courses in science education at different levels. Specialized courses provide conceptual framework and insight into the teaching of science. The department also offers BED (4Years), BEd (2.5 Years), BEd (2ADE+ 2 Years), Specialization of Science Education in BEd (1.5Years) MEd, MPhil and PhD programs in Science Education. Department has so far produced a great many PhDs, MPhil, MEd and BEd graduates who are serving in education departments of the country and abroad.

MPhil Science Education

i. Eligibility

Applicants for MPhil Science Education must possess BEd (4 year) with Science Education, BS Science Education, MEd, MEd/MA (specialization in Science Education) at least with 2nd division. Admission to MPhil will be granted on merit basis (Test and Interview) according to the approved criteria of AIOU.

ii. Program Structure

MPhil Education Specialization in Science Education comprises 24 credit hours course work and 12 credit hours Research thesis.

The detailed breakup of courses is as follows:

Semester-1

a. Core Courses (12 Credit Hours)

S. No.	Code	Courses	Credit Hours
1.	3701	Trends and Issues in Education	3
2.	3748	Qualitative Research in Education	3
3.	3706	Advanced Course on Educational Research and Statistics	3
4.	6771	Trends and Issues in Science Education	3

Semester-2

b. Specialization (12 Credit Hours)

1.	6772	ICTs in Science Education	3
2.	6773	Teaching Models & Strategies in Science Education	3
3.	6774	Assessment and Evaluation in Science Education	3
4.	6775	Curriculum Development in Science Education	3

3rd Semester

1.	8069	Thesis – I	6
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4th Semester

1.	8070	Thesis – II	6
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For queries please contact at the following address:

PhD Science Education

Eligibility:

Graduate holding MS/M. Phil in the relevant area or equivalent with GPA3:00/1st Division will be eligible for admission in PhD program. Admission to PhD program will be strictly based on merit and on approved criteria by the university/HEC

Program Structure:

PhD Education with specialization in Science Education comprises of 18 credit hours course work and 36 credit hours Research Thesis.

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

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

3rd Semesters

1.	8163	Thesis – I	9
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4th Semesters

1.	8164	Thesis – II	9
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5th Semesters

1.	8165	Thesis – III	9
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6th Semesters

1.	8166	Thesis – IV	9
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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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Introduction:

The department was established in 1976 with the name Educational Planning and Management and it was renamed as Educational Planning Policy Studies and Leadership (EPPSL) in 2008.

The department of EPPSL offers programmes in educational planning, leadership and management. These programmes are aimed at producing graduates as professionals for the cadre of various management positions in the government and non-government educational institutions and organizations. Programs of EPPSL include four year undergraduate degree in School Leadership and Management; 1.5 years B.Ed in Educational Leadership and Management; two Postgraduate Diploma programs in ELM and EPM, MA, MPhil and PhD-EPM.

1. MPhil in Educational Leadership and Management (ELM)

i. Eligibility

- a) Applicants for MPhil (ELM) must possess BS (SLM/ELM) Degree at least with 2nd 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

S. No.	Code	Courses	Credit Hours
1.	STED 7501	Trends and Issues in Education	3
2.	EPSL 7502	Trends and Issues in EPM	3

3.	EPSL 7501	Educational Research	3
4.	DNFE 7501	Qualitative Research in Education	3

Semester-2

S. No.	Code	Courses	Credit Hours
1.	EPSL 7503	Advance Course on Educational Management-I	3
2.	EPSL 7504	Advance Course on Educational Management-II	3
3.	EPSL 7505	Educational Leadership-I	3
4.	EPSL 7506	Educational Leadership-II	3

Semester-3

1.	EPSL 8501	Thesis – I	6
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Semester-4

1.	EPSL 8502	Thesis – II	6
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1. MPhil in Educational Planning and Management (EPM)

Eligibility

- i. Student possessing MA EPM/ELM will be eligible to apply.
- ii. Student having MA Education (in any specialization other than MA EPM) MA in Management Science must possess PGD EPM/ELM.
- iii. Applicants for M.Phil-EPM must possess above mentioned MA Degrees with at least 2nd Division.
- iv. Department will conduct admission test and interview.
- v. Previous experience and research publications shall be given weightage.
- vi. Candidate will apply for admission online through AIOU website.
- vii. Admission will be strictly on merit and approved criteria.

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

Program Structure

Semester-1

a. Core Courses 12 Credit Hours

S. No.	Code	Courses	Credit Hours
1.	3701	Trends and Issues in Education	3
2.	3702	Trends and Issues in EPM	3
3.	3706	Advanced Course on Educational Research and Statistics	3
4.	3748	Qualitative Research in Education	3

Semester-2

S. No.	Code	Courses	Credit Hours
1.	3707	Advanced Course on Educational Planning	3
2.	3708	Advanced Course on Economics and Financing of Education	3
3.	3734	Advanced Course on Educational Management -I	3
4.	3735	Advanced Course on Educational Management –II	3

Semester-3

1.	8063	Thesis	6
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Semester-4

1.	8064	Thesis	6
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PhD Educational Planning & Management

Eligibility to Apply:

- i. Candidates who have passed MS/MPhil in EPM/ELM with 3.0 CGPA or above are eligible to apply.
- ii. Candidates who have passed MS/MPhil in Education; with at least 9 credit hours courses of Educational Planning, Policy Studies, Leadership and Management; with 3.0 CGPA or above are eligible to apply.
- iii. Candidates who have passed MS/MPhil in policy studies, Project Management or Business Management, must have MA Education to stand eligible to apply for PhD in EPM.

Semester-1

a. 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

b. Course Work (Specialization)

Any two of following: 6 Credit Hours

1.	4782	Human Resource Management	3
2.	4783	Educational Leadership and Management	3
3.	4791	Policy Analysis	3

c. Any one collateral area courses:

(Subject to offering) 3 Credit Hours

Sr. No.	Code	Courses	Credit Hours
1.	4776	Discourse Analysis	3
2.	4777	Emerging Trends in Pedagogy	3
3.	4771	Adult and Life Long Education	3
4.	4774	Comparative Education	3

Semester-3

1.	8159	Thesis	9
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Semester-4

1.	8160	Thesis	9
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Semester-5

1.	8161	Thesis	9
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Semester-6

1.	8162	Thesis	9
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DEPARTMENT OF SECONDARY TEACHER EDUCATION



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Introduction:

The Department of Teacher Education was established in 1985 and was bifurcated into Secondary and Elementary Teacher Education Departments in July 2003. Its programs 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, 1.5 year) and BS Instructional Design as academic and professional degree programs. The department also offers MPhil and PhD in Education, which are aimed to prepare researchers and practitioners in the field of teacher education.

MPhil Teacher Education

i. Eligibility

Applicant for MPhil Education in Teacher Education must possess a degree of MEd/MA Education or MEd/BEd at least with 2nd 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

Semester-3

1.	8065	Thesis	6
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Semester-4

1.	8066	Thesis	6
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PhD Teacher Education

PhD Course Work: 18 Credit Hours

Semester 1

a. 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

b. Specialization Course

1.	4776	Contemporary Theories and Discourses in Education	3
2.	4777	Emerging Trends in Pedagogy	3

c. Collateral Area Courses. The students can opt any one from the following:

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

Semester-3

1.	8155	Thesis – I	9
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Semester-4

1.	8156	Thesis – II	9
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Semester-5

1.	8157	Thesis – III	9
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Semester-6

1.	8158	Thesis – IV	9
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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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FACULTY OF SCIENCES



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The 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 qualifications for a better life is a right of everyone and the faculty’s programs meet this challenge by offering opportunities to all. A significant number of beneficiaries are those who cannot afford education in formal institutions due to a variety of reasons.

All the departments (Agricultural Sciences, Biology, Environmental Sciences, Chemistry, Nutritional Sciences and Environmental Design, 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 labs for practical work, teaching, research, and instrumentation labs for analysis. The University is developing these labs through its own resources. The Faculty of Sciences is thankful to the Vice-Chancellor for giving personal attention to the development of the

Faculty of Sciences by providing generous amounts of funds and valuable guidance.

Around 80 highly qualified full-time faculty members are on the role 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 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 MPhil, and PhD degrees in Agricultural Sciences, Chemistry, Computer Sciences, Biology (Microbiology and Molecular Genetics), Nutritional Sciences and Environmental Design, Mathematics, Statistics and Physics. Rules and regulations for governing the postgraduate study programs are those approved by the Higher Education Commission (HEC).

**Fee Tariff for
MSc Hons/MS/MPhil Programs**

Item	Rates
Admission Fee (at the time 1 st semester)	Rs.1650/-
Registration Fee	Rs.1100/-
Course Fee Rs.2640/- per credit hour (2640x3 credit hours)	Rs.7920/-
Fee for 12 credit hours' theory work (7920 x 4= 31680)	Rs.31680/-
Technology Fee per semester	Rs.550/-
Total Fee (First Semester)	Rs.34,980/-
Research Thesis fee in 3 rd Semester Lab Charges*	Rs.15840/- Rs.55000/-
Research Thesis fee in 4 th Semester	Rs.15840/-
Thesis Evaluation Fee (at the time of submission of thesis)	Rs.31,680/-

***Note: Lab Charges Fee for Chemistry, Biology, and Agricultural Technology Programs only.**

**Fee Tariff for
PhD Programs**

Item	Rates
Admission Fee (at the time 1 st semester)	Rs.2750/-
Registration Fee	Rs.2750/-
Course Fee (3 credit hours)	Rs.9900/-
Tuition Fee Rs.3300/- per credit hour (3300 x 3 courses)	Rs.9900/-
Fee for 12 credit hours' theory work (9900 x 3= 29700)	Rs.29700/-
Technology Fee per semester	Rs.550/-
Total Fee (First Semester)	Rs. 35,750/-
Thesis Fee (in 3 rd , 4 th , 5 th , 6 th Semester)	Rs.29700/- Per semester
Thesis Evaluation Fee (at the time of submission of thesis)	Rs.118,800/-

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.

DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE



Dr. Saleem Iqbal
Chairman, Department of Computer Science



Department of Computer Science is an established department under the Faculty of Sciences. The Department of Computer Science has 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 computer and hardware labs. We practice the multi-method teaching methodology i.e. face-to-face regular classes for BS (Computer Science), MS (Computer Science) and Ph. D (Computer Science). The online methodology is practiced for PGD (Computer Science / Data Science) program.

The facilities of Video/Audio Conferencing are also in use for lectures/consultations in research-oriented degrees. Department is actively involved in research and development in the following areas:

- Ubiquitous Computing
- Software Defined Networks
- Image/Video Processing
- Data Analytics/Big Data
- Data Science
- Artificial Intelligence
- Information Security and E-learning

PhD (Computer Science)

The PhD (Computer Science) program is offered at the Department of Computer Science, Main Campus Islamabad. It comprises of 18 credit hours of course work, followed by 36 credit hours of research work (Thesis). The PhD in Computer Science program at AIOU is a rigorous and advanced academic endeavor that provides students with the opportunity to delve deeply into the multifaceted world of Computer Science. This program is designed to cultivate exceptional researchers and scholars who will contribute to the cutting-edge advancements and innovations in the field. Through comprehensive coursework, intensive research, and collaborative mentorship, students in this program acquire profound expertise and critical thinking skills,

preparing them for influential roles in academia, industry, and beyond.

Program Objectives:

The objectives of the program are to:

1. Promote research excellence through original and impactful investigations in specific subfields of Computer Science.
2. Facilitate scholars with indigenous research and development projects for better training and education.
3. Encourage interdisciplinary collaboration for innovative problem-solving.

Eligibility:

A candidate is eligible to apply for PhD (Computer Science) program having MS in the relevant field or equivalent level with minimum CGPA of 3.0 out of 4.0 or 70% marks.

Scheme of Studies:

Semester 1

Course Title	Cr. Hours
PhD Elective- I	3 (3 + 0)
PhD Elective -II	3 (3 + 0)
PhD Elective -III	3 (3 + 0)

Semester 2

PhD Elective -IV			3 (3 + 0)
PhD Elective -V			3 (3 + 0)
PhD Elective -VI			3 (3 + 0)
3rdSemester	Thesis-1	8199	9
4thSemester	Thesis-2	8200	9
5thSemester	Thesis-3	8201	9
6thSemester	Thesis-4	8202	9

PhD Courses List (Elective):

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

Course Code	Course Titles	Credit Hours
7701	Software Development Tools & Processes	3
7702	Advanced Database System Design	3
7703	Advance Data Mining	3
7704	System Simulation	3
7705	Internet Systems and Application	3
7706	Topics in Video Computing	3
7707	Image and Video Compression	3
7708	Digital Image Processing	3
7709	Multimedia Systems	3
7710	Computer Animations in Education	3

7711	Philosophy of Cognition	3
7712	Educational Technology: Design & Evaluation	3
7713	Topics in Machine Learning	3
7714	Knowledge Engineering	3
	Computer Vision	3
	Data Analytics	
7715	PhD Research Seminar I Research Paper I	NC
7716	PhD Research Seminar II Research Paper II	NC

Note: PhD seminars will be delivered by students so that their program is effectively monitored. The department will monitor and make arrangements for this noncredit activity. Conference presentations will be encouraged.

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 2.0 CGPA (on a scale of 4.0) or equivalent CGPA 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 50% 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)

3rd & 4th Semester: Research Work

Code	Title	Credit Hrs
CS 8501	Thesis	6
CS 8502	Thesis	6

Total: 36 Credit Hours

MS Courses List (Core):

Code	Course Title	Cr. Hours
CS 7501	Theory of Computation	3 (3 + 0)
CS 7502	Advanced Algorithm	3 (3 + 0)
CS 7511	Distributed Systems	3 (3 + 0)
CS 7503	Research Study	3 (3 + 0)
CS 7516	Advanced Computer Architecture	3 (3 + 0)
CS 7505	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
CS 7507	Big Data Analytics	3(3+0)
CS 7520	Deep Learning	3(3+0)
CS 7521	Data Visualization	3(3+0)
CS 7522	Natural Language Processing	3(3+0)
CS 7508	Tools and Techniques in Data Science	3(3+0)
CS 7524	Applied Cryptography	3(3+0)
CS 7509	Network Transfer Protocol	3(3+0)
CS 7526	Integrated Services over Packet Network	3(3+0)
CS 7513	Object-Oriented Software Engineering	3(3+0)
CS 7518	Software Project Management	3(3+0)
CS 7519	Software Quality Assurance	3(3+0)

CS 7523	Software Engineering Laboratory	3(3+0)
CS 7525	Advance Topics in Software Engineering	3(3+0)
CS 7506	Advanced Computer Networks	3(3+0)
CS 7504	Distributed Databases	3(3+0)
CS 7512	Data Warehousing & Mining	3(3+0)
CS 7510	Information System Security	3(3+0)
CS 7514	Case Tools & Applications	3(3+0)
CS 7515	Advance Topics in DBMS	3(3+0)
CS 7517	E-Commerce Applications	3(3+0)

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%.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES



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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 its 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 levels.

Program at Postgraduate Level

1. PhD Agricultural Extension
2. MPhil Agricultural Technology
3. MSc (Hons) Agricultural Extension
4. MSc (Hons) Rural Development

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

1. PhD Agricultural Extension

a) Introduction

Education is a continuous life long process. It is the most effective tool of creating a high productive manpower. Agricultural Education in Pakistan needs to integrate the goals of improving human, social and ethical attributes in the students, with specific requirements to produce graduate who can perform various tasks in the agricultural economy of the country, both in the public and private sectors.

For agricultural development in the country, strong linkages amongst institution, human resource development and technology transfer are very important. The technology transfers, being a continuous process, can be done in a well-organized way through an efficient agricultural extension system where integrated roles of the scientists, the extension agents and the farmers are all importantly interlinked. The scientist on their part develops better yielding varieties and breeds of crop and animals and the extension agent, on his part convince the farmers of the products utilitarian importance. The farmer when convinced will certainly adopt innovations for his own economic betterment.

Allama Iqbal Open University being concerned with the education part of the Agricultural Extension system has launched PhD degree level programme in Agricultural Extension to prepare scholars who have grasp of the discipline in general and a command over the area of specialization in particular.

b) Objectives:

PhD Program in Agricultural Extension is designed to:-

- Prepare scholars who have grasp of the discipline in general and a command over the area of specialization in particular.
- Establish a cadre of specialists and professionals in the field of Agricultural Extension who can provide effective leadership in guiding and conducting quality research in Agricultural Extension.
- Provide opportunities of professional growth and development of scholars in general and in-service personnel in particular.

c) Admission Requirements

1. The minimum entry requirement for admission to PhD in Agricultural Extension shall be M.Sc (Hons) Agricultural Extension with first division or 3.0 CGPA.

OR

MSc (Hons) Agriculture degree with first division or 3.0 CGPA with deficiency courses. The deficiency courses will be given by PhD admission committee to those candidates whose basic eligible degree is other than Agricultural Extension specialization from approved courses of MSc (Hons) Agricultural Extension Program.

d) Courses of PhD Agricultural Extension

The following courses will be taught in PhD Agricultural Extension program and the total credit hours are 18, according to the HEC criteria.

1st Semester

Sr. No.	Course Code	Course Title	Credit Hours
1	1742	Application of Extension Methods	3(3+0)
2	2527	Communication Strategies in Agricultural Extension	3(3+0)
3	2524	Agricultural Extension in Developing Countries	3(3+0)

2nd Semester

1	2505	Diffusion of Innovation	3(3+0)
2	1743	Community Development and Gender Issues	3(3+0)
3	1744	Special Topics	3(3+0)

Research Work (3rd – 6th Semester of 36 Cr. Hrs.)

Semesters	Course Code	Course Title	Credit Hours
3rd Semester	8203	Thesis-1	9
4th Semester	8204	Thesis-2	9
5th Semester	8205	Thesis-3	9
6th Semester	8206	Thesis-4	9
Total Credit Hours			54

2. 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 with 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 advanced 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 minimize 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 bio-product indigenous materials available on farm. The students will be able to select/identify material indigenously available on farms 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 the 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 Biotechnology, B.Sc. (Hons.)/BS Animal Husbandry and B.Sc. (Hons.)/BS Food Technology degree with at least 2nd division or equivalent CGPA/GPA from national and international HEC recognized institutions will be eligible for admission in MPhil Agricultural Technology.

Courses of MPhil Agricultural Technology:**1st Semester**

Sr. No.	Code	Title of Course	Credit Hours
1	AGSI 7501	Commercial Flower Production	3(2+1)
2	AGSI 7502	Seed Production and Technology	3(2+1)
3	AGSI 7503	Entrepreneurship in Agriculture	3(2+1)
4	AGSI 7504	Digital Agriculture	3(2+1)

2nd Semester

1	AGSI 7505	Plant Nutrition and Bioproduct Development	3(2+1)
2	AGSI 7506	Value Added Agriculture	3(2+1)
3	AGSI 7507	Animal Nutrition and Feed Technology	3(2+1)
4	STAT 7501	Experimental Statistics	3(3+0)

3rdSemester	AGSI 8501	Thesis-1	6
4thSemester	AGSI 8502	Thesis-2	6

Total 36 Credit Hours

3. MSc (Hons) Livestock Management**a) Introduction:**

Being a part of Agriculture, the Livestock sector plays great role in the progress of a country. One cannot deny the importance of livestock because it produces a huge quantity of food, such as beef, mutton, poultry meat, milk, yogurt and a lot of other milk and animal by-products. Millions of acres are still being cultivated with the help of farm animals in this mechanized era. Livestock and poultry yields can be further increased if people involved in this field are better and skillfully educated regarding modern techniques.

At present, higher education in livestock is imparted by formal agricultural and veterinary universities in Pakistan, which are not catering in-service personnel. However, AIOU has its character having varieties of educational methodologies within itself. The AIOU conducted a survey to get an idea about higher education in Livestock Management and received a positive response from candidates who could not improve their qualification from formal institutes. After which the department of Agricultural Sciences (DAS) decided to offer MSc (Hons)

in Livestock Management through a distance learning system, especially for those who could not enhance their qualification through formal system.

b) Objectives:

1. To develop human resources necessary for transferring the subsistence scale of livestock farming into commercial livestock production.
2. To provide an opportunity for continued professional development for the scientists in the area of marketing.
3. To provide information on the concepts of livestock development, public health, and their integration in livestock production practices.
4. To create awareness about livestock farming production, practices which will in turn promote community-based livestock development.

c) Eligibility:

Candidates possessing a DVM degree or BSc (Hons) Animal Husbandry degree equivalent to the second division in Annual System (not less than 2.5 CGP) in the semester system will be eligible for admission.

d) Scheme of Studies

1st Semester

Sr. No.	Code	Title of Course	Credit Hours
1.	780	Biochemistry	3(2+1)
2.	9475	Statistics	3(3+0)
3.	0774	Meat Production	3(2+1)
4.	9476	Rangeland Management in Pakistan	3(3+0)

2nd Semester

Sr. No.	Code	Title of Course	Credit Hours
1.	778	Dairy Production	3(2+1)
2.	775	Livestock Management Practices	3(2+1)
3.	773	Small Ruminant Production	3(2+1)
4.	782	Livestock Industry	3(3+0)

Research Work (3rd and 4th Semester of 12 Cr Hrs.)

8031	Thesis-1	6
8032	Thesis-2	6

Total 36 Credit Hours

4. MSc (Hons) Agricultural Extension

a) Introduction

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

Allama Iqbal Open University being concerned with the educational part of the Agricultural Extension system has initiated master level courses in agricultural extension for enhancing the knowledge and skill of the Agricultural Scientist.

The program is design to produce graduates capable of planning and managing agricultural project and extension services.

b) Objectives

Main objectives of the program are:

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

c) Eligibility

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

OR

Other related discipline like BSc (Hons) Agriculture, Rural Sociology, Animal Husbandry, DVM, BSc Agricultural Engineering Degree in second division are also eligible for admission in MSc (Hons) Agricultural Extension, but the Admission Committee may define deficiency courses for them, if necessary.

e) **Scheme of Studies: Agricultural Extension Courses**

1st Semester

Sr. No.	Code	Title of Course	Credit Hours
1	795	Agriculture Extension Education	3(3+0)
2	796	Extension Program Development	3(3+0)
3	2525	Evaluation Research	3(3+0)
4	2526	Agricultural Extension Systems	3(3+0)

2nd Semester

Sr. No.	Code	Title of Course	Credit Hours
1	2518	Scientific & Technical Writing in Agriculture Extension	3(3+0)
2	799	Adult Learning & Rural Development	3(3+0)
3	2533	The Process & Strategies of Communication in Agriculture Extension	3(3+0)
4	1793	Human Resource Development	3(3+0)

Research Work (3rd and 4th Semester of 12 Cr Hrs.)

8033	Thesis-1	6
8034	Thesis-2	6

Total 36 Credit Hours

5. MSc (Hons) Rural Development

(a) Introduction

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

Achieving rural development and responding to these global challenges will require trained professionals with a wide range of relevant expertise. These are needed to work in government agencies, non-governmental organization (NGOs) and in the private sector. Professionals are needed who can formulate appropriate policies, plans, design and implement development projects, disseminate appropriate technology and information to farmers and small-scale entrepreneurs and manage business and the efficient delivery

of services in rural areas. Recognizing the growing needs and requirements for trained professionals in rural development AIOU has decided to initiate a Masters level program in Rural Development. This program provides graduates with an interdisciplinary base from which to approach the diverse issue involved in rural change. It is designed for students interested in pursuing careers that are interactive with the potential and problems associated with the rural sector. The program is multidisciplinary in its course contents, and will provide an opportunity for in depth study of the key elements of rural development and relevant professional practice.

b) Objectives

The program gives students the opportunities to develop:

1. A critical awareness of the social, economic and management issues underlying socio-economic change.
2. Conceptual and analytical skills relevant to the social and economic dimensions of agriculture and related industries.
3. A set of potential skills pertinent to working in the public private or NGO domains.
4. The ability to change with, and influence, rational debates concerning the optimal direction of rural sector change.
5. Sufficient knowledge and understanding of the major problems socio-cultural and economic conditions of rural areas in Pakistan.

c) Eligibility

BSc (Hons) Agriculture/D.V.M./Animal Husbandry/ Agriculture Engineering degree in 2nd division or MA/MSc in Social Work/ Sociology/Rural Sociology/Anthropology/ Forestry/ Forestry Extension/ Developmental Studies/ Environmental Sciences/

Economics/ HRD/ NRM/ Business Management degree with second division/ 2.5 CGPA.

e) Scheme of Studies

1st Semester

Sr. No.	Code	Title of Course	Credit Hours
1.	1790	Sustainable Rural Development	3(3+0)
2.	1791	Regenerating Agriculture	3(3+0)
3.	1792	Rural Poverty Alleviation	3(3+0)
4.	1793	Human Resource Development	3(3+0)

2nd Semester

Sr. No.	Code	Title of Course	Credit Hours
1.	1794	NGO Management	3(3+0)
2.	1795	Research for Development	3(3+0)
3.	1796	Natural Resources Management	3(3+0)
4.	1797	Managing Projects in Rural Development	3(3+0)

Research Work (3rd and 4th Semester of 12 Cr Hrs.)

8037	Thesis-1	6
8038	Thesis-2	6

Total 36 Credit Hours

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DEPARTMENT OF NUTRITIONAL SCIENCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN



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Pakistan is a developing country, and it is the need of the hour to improve standard of education in all disciplines especially in science and technology to better cope with the challenges of 21st century. The Department was first established in 1981. During last few decades the Department has developed a range of professional programs in Health and Nutrition, Environmental Design and Home Economics. Multipurpose teaching/ research labs for Environmental Design and Food and Nutrition programs have been set up to provide a comprehensive environment for imparting practical training and research at the main campus.

Aims and Objectives

1. To upgrade and update the skills & knowledge of professionals in various fields of applied sciences, engineering & architecture.
2. To prepare learners for the career related disciplines considering the professional interests of individuals in the areas of Environmental Design, Engineering & Architecture, Health, Food Science, Nutrition, Dietetics, and Home Economics.
3. To prepare the individuals/professionals for the development and up gradation of community & sustainable environment.
4. To enable the individuals to integrate and apply knowledge and skills of Basic Sciences, Home Economics & Applied Sciences for their professional development.

The Department has produced scientific/value added and professional programs/courses in the areas of Environmental Design, Health, Food & Nutrition and Home Economics and. The courses are now being offered at undergraduate, postgraduate, MS and PhD level programs. Many of these courses are supported with audio-visual programs.

Currently the Department is offering following programs:

1. PhD Food and Nutrition
2. MS Community Health & Nutrition
3. MS Environmental Design

4. MSc Public Nutrition (Continuing students only)
5. MSc Sustainable Environmental Design (Continuing students only)
6. Postgraduate Diploma in Environment, Health & Safety
7. Certificate Courses in Public Health
8. A range of courses at SSC and HSSC level

MS Environmental Design (Minimum 2 years and maximum 4 years)

a) Introduction:

The word environment has become a popular catchphrase in the global and national context. In Urban Design and Architecture, the environmental revolution manifests itself as sustainable design and planning. This program aims to take a holistic view of 'environment' examining both the physical and psychological aspects. It takes an interdisciplinary approach, fusing technical and scientific knowledge with philosophical and ethical issues. It is only through the sensitive consideration of the design of our cities and landscapes that we will create places that respond to both the spiritual/psychological and health/physical needs of all sectors of humanity. Optimum environmental design can generate economic development and embrace the best of technological innovation while recognizing and respecting the importance of cultural heritage and the obligation to address the ecological agenda.

The built environment is of major economic and social importance. Construction alone is one of the largest discrete industries in Pakistan and a major provider of employment.

The built environment makes a vital contribution to the quality of life of all members of society. This programme offers research based value added degree to upgrade professional practice of engineers, planners and designers and to provide better job prospects home and abroad.

Note: Pakistan Engineering Council has endorsed the MSc / MSdegree of Environmental Design as value added professional qualification for Engineers, which may be considered for CPD credit points for PEC registered engineers.

b) Objectives:

The new emerging concept of environmental design (in developing/under developed countries) concentrates on promoting:

- Balance between built environment and ecosystem (soil, air, and water).
- Environmental up gradation in housing, health care and building infrastructure
- Conservation of resources (building materials, energy supply, etc.).
- Specification of environment friendly building materials and products to minimize the health hazards.
- Optimum use of natural and sustainable materials.
- Harmony between building design and user needs. (Including activity based behavioral needs).

Salient features:

Development of this program was facilitated by British Council under the DFID Higher Education Link Scheme. Experts from a foreign university (Roland Ashcroft, Prof. Jeanette Paul, University of Dundee) and local Engineering/ Architecture Universities/Colleges (UET, Lahore, NED University, UET Taxila, MUET, Jamshoro, NCA, Lahore) have participated in curriculum designing. Research based degree is offered to address local issues and to evolve local theories.

c) Eligibility:

General admission criteria for MS Program will be as per HEC requirement.

Sixteen years of education with at least 2nd class in following disciplines:

- BE/BS Civil, Electrical & Mechanical, Chemical, Transportation, Industrial & Manufacturing, Electronics, Mechatronics, Petroleum, Earthquake & Geotechnical, Aeronautical, Textile, Metallurgical, Architecture Urban & Environmental.
- Bachelor in Architecture and Planning.
- MSc/BS in Geology, Geography, Geophysics, Environmental Sciences, Environmental Planning & Management, RS&GIS, Environmental Design & Home Economics.
- B.Tech (Hons.) in Civil, Architecture, Mechanical, Electrical.

After the completion of course work, the students will be allowed to undertake research work. Minimum duration for submission of thesis is two Semester (one year).

d) Offering:

Proposed scheme of study for MS Environmental Design(Duration Two Years)

Scheme of Studies:

Semester I

Course Code	Title of Course	Credit Hours
	Principles and Theories of Environmental Design – TBA	3 (3+0)
EDHN 7011	Research Method	3 (2+1)
	Waste Management – TBA	3 (2+1)
	Sustainable Practices and Ecological Building Materials – TBA	3 (2+1)

Semester II

	Ecological Design: Cities Transport & Landscape – TBA	3 (3+0)
EDHN 7020	Statistics in Environmental Health	3 (2+1)
	Sustainable Recourse Management – TBA	3 (2+1)
	Environmental Health in Building Design – TBA	3 (3+0)

List of Approved elective courses for Semester I

Course Code	Title of Course	Credit Hours
	Waste Management	3 (2+1)
EDHN 7011	Sustainable Practices and Ecological Building Materials	3 (2+1)
	Waste Management – TBA	3 (2+1)
EDHN 7010	Environmental Psychology	3 (3+0)
7774	Building Evaluation Technique	3 (2+1)
7777	Environmental Consideration in House and Housing Design	3 (3+0)
7785	Energy and Built Environment	3 (3+0)
7782	Ethics in built Environment	3 (3+0)

List of Approved elective courses for Semester II

	Sustainable Recourse Management – TBA	3 (2+1)
	Environmental Health in Building Design – TBA	3 (3+0)
EDHN 7019	Environmental Impact Assessment	3 (3+0)
7786	Architectural Engineering Design	3 (3+0)
7779	Sustaining Culture & Design	3 (3+0)
7780	Environmental Law	3 (3+0)
7783	Computer Based Environmental Assessment of buildings	3 (2+1)

Semester III

8101	Research Thesis	6
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Semester IV

8102	Research Thesis	6
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Note: Student failing to opt any course in any particular semester amongst the courses offered in that semester will have to wait for at least one semester in order to get admission in that particular course since all the courses are being offered on alternate basis.

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FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES & HUMANITIES



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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 master's 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 AIOU'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 and Mass Communication, Pakistani Languages, MPhil in Economics, History and Pakistan Studies. MS in Business Administration, PhD in Business Administration, Applied Linguistics and History.

The Faculty of Social Sciences & Humanities also offers several bachelors' level Programs in such professional areas like bachelor's in library & Information Sciences (BLIS), BS-Business Administration, BS-Commerce and Mass Communication. Thousands of students comprising all demographic grounds from all over the country enroll each year in these bachelor's level 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 mentioned period under report, the faculty accorded high priority towards quality improvements and to modify its Programs in accordance with the current challenges of 21st century.

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

Fee Tariff for PhD Programs

Sr. #	Items	Rates
1	Admission fee (at the time of 1 st time semester)	Rs.2750/-
2	Registration fee	Rs. 2750/-
3	Technology Fee	Rs.550/-
3	Tuition fee Rs.2750/- per credit hours (2750x3 credit hours)	Rs.8250/-
5	Total Fee for First Semester	Rs.30800/-
6	Research Thesis Fee (3 rd -4 th -5 th -6 th)	Rs.24750/- Per semester
7	Thesis Evaluation Fee (at the time of submission of thesis)	Rs.99000 /-

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.

Fee Tariff
Pakistani Languages, Urdu, History,
Mass Communication

Sr. #	Items	Rates
1	Admission fee (at the time 1 st semester)	Rs.1650/-
2	Registration fee	Rs.1100/-
3	Technology Fee	Rs.550/-
4	Tuition fee Rs.1540/- per credit hours (1540x3 credit hours)	Rs.4620/-
5	Total Fee for First Semester	Rs.21780/-
6	Thesis Fee (3 rd & 4 th Semester)	Rs.9240/- Per semester
7	Thesis Evaluation Fee (at the time of submission of thesis)	Rs.18480/-

Fee Tariff
MPhil Economics, LIS, MS Commerce,
MS Management Sciences

Sr. #	Item	Rates
1	Admission Fee (at the time 1 st semester)	Rs.1650/-
2	Registration Fee	Rs.1100/-
3	Technology Fee per semester	Rs.550/-
4	Tuition Fee Rs.2750/- per credit hour (2750x3 credit hours)	Rs.8250/-
5	Total Fee for (First Semester)	Rs.36,300/-
6	Research Thesis fee (3 rd & 4 th Semester)	Rs.16500/- Per semester
7	Thesis Evaluation Fee (at the time of submission of thesis)	Rs.31,680/-

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS



Dr. Fouzia Jamshaid
Incharge



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, BS 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:

- BS 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 for 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.

2) Medium of Instruction:

The medium of instruction and examination is English.

3) 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:

1st 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

2nd 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

3rd and 4th Semester (Research Work)

1.	Research Project / Thesis	2710	12
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DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY



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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.

Eligibility for Admission

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

- i. At least 2nd 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:

1st Semester:

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

2nd Semester:

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

3rd Semester

1	8105	Thesis – I	06
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4th Semester

1	8106	Thesis – II	06
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DEPARTMEN OF COMMERCE



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Introduction:

The Department of Commerce stands as a pioneer in academic excellence of AIOU with significant contributions to the educational landscape since its establishment in 1978, initially named as Industrial Education Department. The Department commenced its journey by offering Industrial & Commercial Training Courses. In 1986, the Department experienced a rebranding, emerging as the Department of Business & Management. Subsequently, in 1987, it was divided into two distinct departments: The Department of Business Management and the Department of Commerce.

In 1987, the Department of Commerce expanded its horizons, providing a comprehensive platform with the initiation of I. Com and B. Com programs. The team diligently worked to enhance the programs, setting the stage for the Department's future accomplishments. A significant turning point occurred in 2004 focusing on further elevating the quality of academic programs. The team dedicated themselves to the continuous improvement and up-gradation of the department's offerings.

In 2011, the introduction of M. Com programs with a specialization in Accounting & Finance through approved study centers marked a notable achievement. In 2013, the Department obtained the NOC from the Higher Education Commission (HEC) to launch an Associate Degree in Commerce in a blended mode of learning, featuring eight specializations. In 2017, recognizing a gap in financial reporting skills among Commerce graduates, the Department introduced courses on financial reporting in the schemes of M. Com and BS Accounting & Finance. The commitment to academic excellence led to the offering of BS Accounting & Finance in blended mode in the same year.

In 2021, the Department embarked on the development of MS Commerce postgraduate programs catering to the needs of ICMA, CA, and M. Com students keen on advancing their education and engaging in research work. The accomplishment of these efforts materialized in 2022, with the successful launch of the MS Commerce program after obtaining the necessary NOC from HEC. A pinnacle achievement in 2023 saw the accreditation of the BS Accounting & Finance program by a world-renowned professional Accountancy body recognized by the HEC, cementing the Department's commitment to global standards.

Since its inception, the Department of Commerce has played a pivotal role in producing thousands of business graduates, who, in various capacities, contribute to the nation's workforce. Upholding the vision of the University, the Department remains dedicated to developing skill-oriented and professional courses in consultation with accreditation bodies and stakeholders.

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.

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.

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.

Scheme of Studies- MS Commerce

Semester-I

Sr. No	Course Title	Course Code	Credit Hours
1	Corporate Financial Reporting	COMM 7501	3
2	Advanced Research Methodology	MGT 7501	3
3	International Business & Finance(<i>Elective-I</i>)	MGT 7502	3
4	Issues in Taxation System (<i>Elective-II</i>)	COMM 7502	3

Semester-II

1	Financial Markets and Institutions	COMM 7503	3
2	Applied Econometrics	ECO 7505	3
3	Investment and Securities Management (<i>Elective-III</i>)	MGT 7503	3
4	Risk Management and Insurance (<i>Elective-IV</i>)	MGT 7504	3

Semester-III

1	Research Thesis	COMM 8501	6
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Semester-IV

1	Research Thesis	COMM 8502	6
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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	COMM 7502	3
2	Behavioral Finance	COMM 7506	3
3	Strategic Financial Management	COMM 7504	3
4	Financial Modeling	COMM 7505	3
5	International Trade Theory and Policy	ECO 7504	3
6	Investment and Securities Management	MGT 7503	3
7	International Business & Finance	MGT 7502	3
8	Risk Management and Insurance	MGT 7504	3

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

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DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION



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Introduction:

Established in 1986, the Department of Business Administration has risen to international prominence in a remarkably short period of time, achieving widespread global recognition. Always striving for excellence, our strength lies in our full range of program offerings, our high-quality research, conducted by our world class faculty, and our diverse and high-caliber student.

Our full suite of degree programs, including PGD, BBA, MSc, MBA, MS and PhD as well as a wide range of executive education programs, means that the Department of Business Administration is always at the forefront of educational development and business thinking. Our graduates strive to make a positive impact on both the business world and the wider society.

Aims and Objectives:

The major aims and objectives are to prepare students to:

- a) Communicate ideas effectively.
- b) Synthesize, analyze, and integrate their knowledge of business disciplines to provide innovative and credible solutions to organizational problems and opportunities.
- c) Assess the impact of globalization on business.
- d) Analyze ethical implications of business decisions.

Demonstrate effective leadership and collaboration skills for making decisions and accomplishing goals.

1. PhD Business Administration

The PhD (Business Administration) programme is offered in three specializations, i.e. Finance, Human Resource Management and Marketing. However, the department reserves the right to change its offering any time if needed so. The detail of scheme of studies and semester wise offering of courses is as under:

a) Scheme of Studies

1st Semester

Sr. #	Course Code	Course Title	Credit Hours
1.	9561	Advanced Management Thoughts	3
2.	9562	International Business	3
3.	9563	Research Design-I	3

2nd Semester

1.	9564	Public & Business Policy Interface	3
2.	9565	International Business	3
Students are required to select only one course form the following three courses according to their Specialization			
3.	9566	Seminar on Financial Management	3
OR			
3.	9567	Seminar on Human Resource Management	3
OR			
3.	9568	Seminar on Marketing Management	3
Course work Credit Hours			18
3rd Semester			
1	Thesis		9
4th Semester			
1.	Thesis		9
5th Semester			
1.	Thesis		9
6th Semester			
1.	Thesis		9

The course work for PhD (Business Administration) programme is spread over two (02) semesters covering six courses (18 credit hours) and a thesis (36 credit hours), as per AIOU and HEC guidelines. It will be offered with three specializations: Human Resource Management (HRM), Finance and Marketing. The minimum period required for completion of PhD will be three years while maximum period will be as per rules and regulations of AIOU.

a) Eligibility Criteria and Admission Procedure

- i. The MS MPhil or equivalent degree in Business Administration or related disciplines from any HEC recognized institution with 3.00/4.00 CGPA or 1st division in the annual system (60% marks) would be eligible to apply.
 - ii. The program would be merit based therefore fee/dues should not be deposited by the student until the offer letter from AIOU Admission Office is received.
 - iii. An applicant in relevant field with MBA degree (18years of education with research thesis) from HEC recognized university with CGPA 3.00/4.00 or 1st division 1st class Masters Degree (from a foreign recognized university) having recognized research experience, would be considered for admission.
 - iv. In case of a foreign degree the candidate would be required to get equivalence from HEC and attach with application form.
 - v. There shall be a Departmental Admission Committee under the Chair of Department of Business Administration to finalize the admissions, as per AIOU rules and regulations.
- Any student, who was rusticated, expelled, or whose entry in any College/University Campus was banned for any reason whatsoever at any time during his/her academic career, shall not be admitted to any programme. Only limited seats are available strictly on open merit basis.
- vi. Preliminary selection of the candidates will be made strictly on the basis of criteria laid down by the Department/ University. The candidates are required to pass the written test/interview designed by Departmental Admission Committee for admission to PhD program.
 - vii. Only admitted candidates would be informed by the Department to deposit fee.
 - viii. For clarification about academic matters the students can contact

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

MS Management Sciences

Duration:

As per HEC guidelines, MS (Management Sciences) program will spread over 4 semesters covering 8 courses (24 credit hours) and a thesis (12 credit hours) OR Research Project and 2 courses in lieu of Research Thesis. It will be offered with three specializations: Human Resource Management (HRM), Banking & Finance (B&F) and Marketing. The program consists of 36 credit hours. The minimum period required for its completion will be as per AIOU rules.

Eligibility Criteria:

Applicants having 16 years of business education (Old MBA/MPA/M.Com/ACMA/ACA/4-Years B.Com/4-Years BBA) from any HEC recognized institution with minimum second division or equivalent CGPA 2:00 or above would be eligible to apply.

Academic clarification may be obtained via email or by telephone from the department.

Scheme of Studies

The MS (Management Sciences) program will be offered with three specializations, i.e., HRM, Banking & Finance and Marketing. The detail of courses and tentative semester wise offering of courses is as under:

First Semester

Sr. #	Course Code	Course Title	Credit Hours
1	8701	Advanced Research Methods	03
2	8702	International Business and Finance	03
3	8703	Strategic Marketing	03
4	8704	Strategic Human Resource Management	03

Second Semester

<i>Elective Courses</i> (for details, see as given under <i>Elective Courses for MS Management Sciences</i>)	12
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e) Elective Courses for MS (Management Sciences)

Program:

For selection of specialization courses in MS program, students would select elective courses from only one of the following specializations:

Second Semester

Elective Courses of Human Resource Management

Sr. #	Course Code	Course Title	Credit Hours
1	8709	Strategic Human Resource Development	03

2	8710	Organizational Theory & Design	03
3	8711	International Human Resource Management	03
4	8712	Human Resource Change Management	03

Elective Courses of Banking & Finance

1	8715	Investment & Securities Management	03
2	8716	Risk Management & Insurance	03
3	8718	Islamic Banking	03
4	8721	Bank Management and Control	03

Elective Courses of Marketing

1	8706	Strategic Brand Management	03
2	8707	Retail Management	03
3	8708	Managing Non-Profit Organizations	03
4	8717	Small Business Marketing	03

Third Semester

1	8093	Research Thesis	06
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OR

1.	8719	Research Project	06
2.	8722	Project Management	03
3.	8723	Corporate Governance	03

Fourth Semester

1	8094	Research Thesis	06
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DEPARTMENT OF MASS COMMUNICATION



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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.

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:

1st Semester:

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

2nd Semester:

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

3rd Semester

1	8075	Thesis – I	06
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4th Semester

1	8076	Thesis – II	06
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DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCES



Prof. Dr. Pervaiz Ahmad
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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.

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:

1st 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

2nd Semester

S.#	Course Title	Code	Cr. Hrs
1	Information: Perspectives, Needs, Seeking, and Use	7834	03
2	Leadership and Team Management	7835	03
3	Seminar in Advanced Research	7836	03

3rd Semester

1.	Thesis	8111	09
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4th Semester

1.	Thesis	8112	09
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5th Semester

1.	Thesis	8113	09
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6th Semester

1.	Thesis	8114	09
Total Credit Hours of Thesis:			36

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.

MPhil (Library and Information Sciences)

Objectives

The main objective of launching MPhil program was to contribute to the LIS literature internationally 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:

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- To provide a specialized manpower to the LIS job market.
- To promote information entrepreneurship by establishing industry-academia linkages through need-based research.

Eligibility Criteria and Procedure of Admission

MPhil in LIS is a merit-based program. Any candidate having 16-year master's degree or 4-year education after HSSC (at least 124 credit hours) in Library and Information Sciences or equivalent discipline with at least second division (45% marks) or equivalent CGPA/GPA from an HEC-recognized institution can apply for admission. The number of seats will be determined as per AIOU/HEC policy. The admission merit will be determined as per AIOU rules. To pass a GRE/GAT (general) admission test is compulsory with prescribed pass marks as per AIOU rules. Prescribed processing fee applies.

Pre-requisites from MPhil (LIS) Students

An MPhil (LIS) student must have a latest computer and a smart phone both with internet connection to successfully complete this program.

MPhil Coursework

There will be a two-semester MPhil coursework of 24 credit hours, consisting of eight courses of three credit hours each.

All courses are of 100 marks each. The semester-wise breakup of the courses is as under:

1st Semester

Sr#	Course	Code	Credit Hours
1	Advances in Library and Information Sciences	8731	03
2	Philosophy of Library and Information Sciences	8742	03
3	Quantitative Research	8734	03
4	Qualitative Research	8735	03

2nd Semester

1	Emerging Trends in Information Behaviour Research	8736	03
2	Data Analysis Tools	8738	03
3	Aids to Research	8739	03
4	Academic Writing and Publishing	8740	03

3rd Semester

1	Thesis	8043	06
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4th Semester

1	Thesis	8044	06
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Note: The AIOU reserves the right to make any change(s) any time in this program partly or wholly without prior notice.

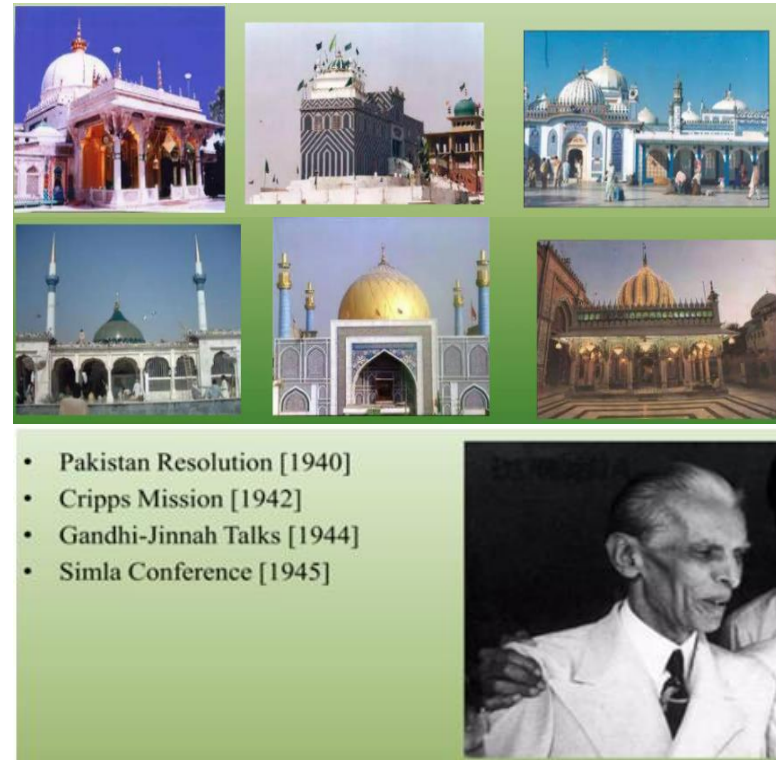
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DEPARTMENT OF PAKISTAN STUDIES



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- Pakistan Resolution [1940]
- Cripps Mission [1942]
- Gandhi-Jinnah Talks [1944]
- Simla Conference [1945]

The Department of Pakistan Studies was established in 1987 in the Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities of AIOU. MSc Pakistan Studies program was first offered in 1985 from the platform of Department of Social Sciences and Humanities. Since then, it has produced many graduates who are presently serving in the public sector and bringing pride to AIOU. MPhil Pakistan Studies program was first offered in 2016, its first batch scholars have graduated in Autumn 2019. BS Pakistan Studies program was launched in Autumn 2019 with updated scheme of

studies approved by Higher Education Commission (HEC). The program would provide the students an opportunity to supplement their scholarship regarding their knowledge and expertise on history, politics, and society of Pakistan. The latest scheme of Studies of the BS, Associate Degree Pakistan Studies, and Bridging Semester Pakistan Studies has also been approved.

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:
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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 1st 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 1st 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

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:

1st Semester

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

2nd 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

3rd Semester

1	Synopsis Workshop (Compulsory) Dissertation	8058	36
Total Credit Hours			54

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DEPARTMENT OF PAKISTANI LANGUAGES



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The Department of Pakistani Languages is offering PhD Pakistan Languages and Literature program. PhD students are required to complete specific course work & research work under the supervision of qualified supervisors. This Program requires a specific time for completion. The student complete research work under Pakistani supervisors however the degree is awarded after the evaluation of the thesis by three foreign experts from technological advanced countries as required by HEC. This Program is designed to carry out research in different fields so that new aspects could be discovered by applying independent critical judgment through the research skills.

PhD Pakistani Languages and Literature

1. Aims and Objectives

PhD Program is designed to:

- i. Produce scholars who have a grasp of discipline in general and a command over the area of specialization.
- ii. Establish a cadre of specialists and professionals in different fields of scholarship who can provide effective leadership in guiding and conducting quality research in various disciplines.
- iii. Provide opportunities of professional growth and development to scholars in general and in-service personnel.

2. Eligibility for Admission in PhD Pakistani Languages & Literature (with the Specialization in Balochi, Brahui, Pashto, Sindhi, Sariaki & Punjabi)

MPhil Pakistani Languages and Literature from AIOU in first division (in Annual System) or CGPA (3.0 out of 4) in Semester System.

3. Scheme of Studies

A candidate seeking admission in PhD Program shall apply on the prescribed form to the concerned department on the announcement of admission by the University.

Details of Course Work of PhD in Pakistani Languages & Literature

Semester	Course offered	Course Code	Cr. Hours
1st Semester	General Linguistics	6711	03
	Pakistani Languages: Common Literary and Linguistic Heritage (i)	6712	03
	Pakistani Languages: Common Literary and Linguistic Heritage (ii)	6713	03
2nd Semester	World Classical Literature	6714	03
	Translation Skills	6715	03
	Thesis Writing	6716	03
3rd Semester	Thesis	8207	09
4th Semester	Thesis	8208	09
5th Semester	Thesis	8209	09
6th Semester	Thesis	8210	09
Total Credit Hours			54

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 آیا جو پاکستانی زبانوں کے تدریسی کورس پیش کرتا ہے۔ یہ کورس میٹرک، انٹر میڈیٹ 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 شعر پر سیمی ناز کا 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 عناصر بھی رکھتی ہیں۔ قومی یکجہتی 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 سمسٹر بہار 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 ہم آہنگی کے فروغ کے لئے طلبہ و طالبات کو پاکستانی زبانوں کے مشترک نقوش، بین اللسانی 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 ماہرین کی کمی کو کسی حد تک پورا کرنے میں مدد دینا۔

4- پاکستانی زبانوں (پشتو، سندھی، بلوچی، براہوئی، پنجابی، سرائیکی) کے اساتذہ کی پیشہ ورانہ مہارت میں اضافہ کرنا۔

مطالعاتی سکیم

1- ایم فل (پاکستانی زبانیں و ادب) تخصیص پشتو، سندھی، بلوچی، براہوئی، پنجابی، سرائیکی) پروگرام 24 کریڈٹ آورز کے کورس ورک اور 12 کریڈٹ آورز کے ریسرچ ورک پر مشتمل ہے۔

2- طلبہ ایک سمسٹر میں زیادہ سے زیادہ تین تین کریڈٹ آورز کے چار کورسوں میں داخلہ لے سکتے ہیں۔

پہلا سمسٹر

کورس کوڈ	کورس	کریڈٹ آورز
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

دوسرا سمسٹر

3	سندھی، سرائیکی، کشمیری: زبان ادب	2725
3	شمالی علاقہ جات کی زبانیں و ادب (بلتی، شنا، کھوار، بروشکی، ونخی)	2726
3	اصول تحقیق (زبان و ادبیات) 1	5765
3	اصول تحقیق (زبان و ادبیات) 11	5766

تیسرا سمسٹر

3	مقالہ-1	8089
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چوتھا سمسٹر

3	مقالہ-11	8090
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فیکلٹی ممبران:

1- پروفیسر ڈاکٹر عبداللہ جان عابد

چیئر مین

فون نمبر:- 51-9250071

2- ڈاکٹر حاکم علی برٹو

اسسٹنٹ پروفیسر

فون نمبر:- 51-9057778

3- ڈاکٹر عبدالواجد

اسسٹنٹ پروفیسر

فون نمبر:- 51-9057893

4- ڈاکٹر ضیاء الرحمن بلوچ

اسسٹنٹ پروفیسر

فون نمبر:- 51-9057779

5- ڈاکٹر زیب النساء

لیکچرار

فون نمبر:- 51-9057776

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

امیدوار کی کسی بھی تسلیم شدہ یونیورسٹی سے ایم اے پنجابی / پشتو / بلوچی / سندھی /

براہوئی / سرائیکی میں درجہ دوم یا اس کے مساوی قابلیت کا حامل ہونا لازمی ہے۔

DEPARTMENT OF URDU



Prof. Dr. Abdul Aziz Sahir
Dean / Chairman



شعبہ اردو

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، انٹر میڈیٹ اور بی اے / ایسوسی ایٹ ڈگری کے علاوہ ایم فل اور پی ایچ ڈی (اردو) کے پروگرام پیش کیے جا رہے ہیں۔

دوسرا سمسٹر

3	تدریس ادب 1	5775
3	تدریس ادب 11	5776
3	اصول تحقیق 1	5777
3	اصول تحقیق 11	5778

تیسرا سمسٹر

3	مقالہ-1	8061
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چوتھا سمسٹر

3	مقالہ-11	8062
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ایم فل اردو میں داخلے کے قواعد و ضوابط

ایم فل اردو میں داخلے کے لیے ایم اے / بی ایس اردو میں کم از کم درجہ دوم یا اس کے مساوی قابلیت کا

حامل ہونا ضروری ہے

کالج یونیورسٹی کے اساتذہ کو ترجیح دی جائے گی۔

داخلہ میرٹ کی بنیاد پر ہو گا اور تعلیمی کیریئر میں کسی سطح پر تھرڈ ڈویژن قابل قبول نہ ہوگی۔

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 مہارت میں اضافہ کرنا۔
- 4- ایم فل کرنے والے طلبہ کی تحقیقی صلاحیتوں کو اجاگر کرنا۔

مطالعاتی سکیم

1- ایم فل (اردو) پروگرام 24 کریڈٹ آوز کے کورس ورک اور 12 کریڈٹ آوز کے ریسرچ ورک پر مشتمل ہے۔

2- طلبہ ایک سمسٹر میں زیادہ سے زیادہ تین تین کریڈٹ آوز کے چار کورسوں میں داخلہ لے سکتے ہیں۔

پہلا سمسٹر

کورس کوڈ	کورس	کریڈٹ آوز
5771	اردو ادب کا سیاسی و ثقافتی پس منظر 1	3
5772	اردو ادب کا سیاسی و ثقافتی پس منظر 11	3
5773	اردو ادب کی تحریکات اور تنقیدی نظریات 1	3
5774	اردو ادب کی تحریکات اور تنقیدی نظریات 11	3

فیکلٹی ممبران:

1- پروفیسر ڈاکٹر عبدالعزیز ساسر

چیئر مین

فون نمبر:- 51-9576350

2- ڈاکٹر نورینہ تحریم بابر

ایسوسی ایٹ پروفیسر

فون نمبر:- 51-9576356

3- ڈاکٹر ارشد محمود ناشاد

ایسوسی ایٹ پروفیسر

فون نمبر:- 51-9576355

4- ڈاکٹر محمد قاسم

اسسٹنٹ پروفیسر

فون نمبر:- 51-9576374

5- ڈاکٹر صفدر رشید

اسسٹنٹ پروفیسر

فون نمبر:- 51-9574945

6- ڈاکٹر عبدالستار ملک

لیکچرار

فون نمبر:- 51-9576381

7- ڈاکٹر قاسم یعقوب

لیکچرار

فون نمبر:- 51-9576351

MANDATORY INFORMATION

- i. The certificates/degrees of AIOU are equivalent to any other recognized Board/University.
- ii. If an applicant of post-graduate/research level program does not receive any information regarding admission within ten days after appearing in test of admission, he/she should presume non-selected.
- iii. **A student already admitted to any 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.**
- iv. A course taken by any student cannot be change during the semester.
- v. **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 commence in May and November respectively. The continuing students will Enroll online on AIOU website and deposit fee within due date.**
- vi. The fee shall not be refunded once paid for admission nor it will be adjusted for any other program.
- vii. 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.
- viii. Study material shall be available on the university website for study and download purposes.
- ix. 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.
- x. A student who fails in continuous assessment component, he/she is not eligible to reappear but will be allowed to re-register for the same course at its next offering semester by the university.
- xi. It is the responsibility of the student to remain in touch with the department regarding the selected program.
- xii. After completion of a program successfully, a student must apply to Controller of Examinations for issuance of certificate/degree.
- xiii. The university reserves the right to change the contents of this prospectus without any prior notice as per university policy.
- xiv. 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 a certificate/ degree in the said name.
- xv. In the case of provision of forged documents for admission, not only the admission will be refused/ceased 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.
- xvi. The Candidates having GRE (Subject) conducted by ETS with minimum of 60 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.

- xvii. 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 re-structuring of courses. Admission to the university is subject to the university's registration procedure.

PROCEDURE FOR DEPOSITING FEE

1. Applicants will deposit admission processing fee (Rs.500) in designated banks or through Telecos.
2. Eligible candidates for (**Merit Based Programs**) are required to deposit admission fee in any branch of the following banks:
 - i. First Women Bank Limited (FWBL)
 - ii. Allied Bank Limited (ABL)
 - iii. Muslim Commercial Bank (MCB)
 - iv. United Bank Limited (UBL)
3. 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 details, please visit the university website.
The Banks/Mobile App/Retailer Agents/Franchise/Branches will provide Transaction ID of deposited fee.

Successful candidates are supposed to deposit their fee as per the procedure laid down by the university in the intimation.

Fee can neither be refunded nor be adjusted for future admission after finalization of admission.

CANCELLATION OF ADMISSION

Admission of already admitted student or a new candidate may be cancelled in accordance with University's Rules 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) Plagiarizing
- (d) If he/she fails in fulfilling all the requirements 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.