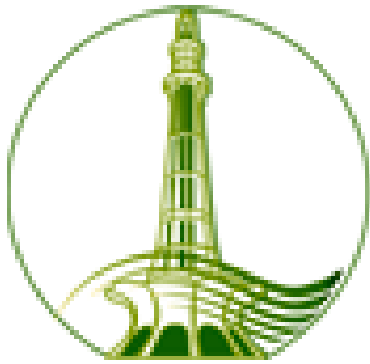


ADMISSION GUIDE

FALL 2021



THE
UNIVERSITY OF
LAHORE

School of Integrated Social Sciences

For Inquiry:
Admission Office:

UAN: 042 111 865 865

1-Km Defence Road, Off Raiwind Road, Near Bhoptian Chowk Lahore.

Web: www.uol.edu.pk Email: admissions@uol.edu.pk

Program Name: **BS Honors in Social Sciences**

Program Eligibility: Intermediate or equivalent with at least 45% marks
Program Duration: **4 Years (08 Semesters)**

Credit hrs./Total: 130

- 25 Credits Compulsory Courses
- 24 Credits General Courses (Interdisciplinary)
- 30 Credits Discipline Specific (Foundation Courses in each specialization)
- 39 Credits Discipline Specific (Major Courses in each specialization)
- 12 Credits Discipline Specific (Elective Courses in each specialization)

- Three Specializations:
 - Politics and International Relations
 - International Development Studies
 - Governance and Public Policy

- Program Location: Defense Road Campus
- Program Timing: Morning 8am – 5pm
- Program Classes Schedule Days: Weekdays/ Mon-Fri

Program Name: **Doctor of Philosophy in Social Sciences**
Program Eligibility: MS/MPhil or equivalent degree in relevant field. Minimum 3.0/4.0 CGPA or First Division (annual system) in most recent degree obtained
Pass subject test UGAT-UOL with 70% passing marks & Interview with SISS Department Graduate Committee

CREDIT HOURS/DEGREE SUMMARY

Total Credit Hours: 54 Cr hrs
Course Load per Semester: 12 Cr hrs/semester
Total Regular Semesters: 2 Semesters
Dissertation Credits: 30 Cr hrs
Total Degree Credits: 54
Degree Duration: 3 years to 8 years

Schedule of Classes: Weekend (Saturday & Sunday)
Recognized by: Higher Education Commission (HEC)

**PhD International Relations
School of Integrated Social Sciences
University of Lahore
Sample Admission Test
Fall 2021**

Admission test will be of 100 marks. Passing test score will be 70% to qualify for interview with SISS Department Graduate Committee. Interview carries 50 marks. Time allowed is 2 hours.

The test will have three components to evaluate a candidate's a) reading comprehension, analytical and critical thinking ability b) writing skills and research orientation and c) IR subject knowledge.

Section 1: 20 Marks

- Two reading passages from IR research papers will be given. 20 MCQs will be posted to test a candidate's reading comprehension, critical and analytical ability.

Section 2: 30 Marks

- Part A: To test a candidate's writing skills, they will be asked to write a research proposal on IR related topics, provide the significance of their research and methodology to undertake the proposed research. The research idea must be original. (20 Marks)
- Part B: To test a candidate's research orientation and knowledge of Social Science research methods, 10 MCQs will be given on Social Science research methods.

Section 3: 50 Marks

- Candidates will be given 50 MCQs on the following areas of the broader IR discipline:
 - Foreign Policy of Pakistan
 - Theories of International Relations
 - Contemporary World Affairs
 - National and International Security
 - History and International Relations

Interview: 50 Marks

Successful candidates with 70% or above marks in the admission test will qualify for the interview with the SISS Department Graduate Committee. Marks awarded will be based on the committee's mutual consultations.

Guidelines for the Preparation of the Admission Test

Candidates must be familiar with these following key areas in which they will be tested to qualify for admission in the PhD IR program:

- **Social Science Research Methods**
 - Hypothesis and Research Questions
 - Qualitative Research ○ Quantitative Research
 - Mixed Methods ○ Sampling Approaches
 - Ethics in Research
 - Main components of Research Proposal

- **Schools of Thoughts in International Relations**
 - Realism and Neo-Realism
 - Liberalism and Neo-Liberalism
 - Constructivism
 - Marxism and Neo-Marxism ○ Critical Theory
 - Feminism
 - Major Debates in IR Theory
 - Scholars and Thinkers in IR

- **Contemporary World Affairs, Regional Politics and Foreign Policy Analysis**
 - Current Affairs
 - National Security and Defense Issues
 - International Security Issues
 - World History and International Relations
 - World Wars, The Cold War and Alliance Politics