PhD Programme
PhD Programme is being offered in the following subjects to male and female candidates:

- Botany
- Biotechnology
- Chemistry
- Clinical Psychology
- Economics
- English
- Environmental Science
- History
- Mathematics (ASSMS)
- Persian
- Physics
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Statistics
- Urdu
- Zoology

Eligibility for PhD Admissions
- A person holding MS/MPhil/Equivalent Degree in the relevant discipline is eligible for admission to PhD Programme if s/he possesses at least 3.00/ 4.00 CGPA (In case s/he has studied in Semester System) or 1st Division (In case s/he has studied in Annual System) in his/her MS/MPhil/Equivalent Degree from an Institution/University recognized in Pakistan.
- Research work of minimum of 6 credit hours in MS/MPhil Programme is mandatory.
- A candidate has to qualify a Subject GRE (International) Local (GAT/GCU) Test whichever is applicable at the time of admission.
- Persons working in Government/Semi Government or private institutions may apply. Such candidates shall have to submit “No Objection Certificate” from the Head of the Institution where they are working.
- A “Notification of Registration” of the candidate approved for admission to PhD Programme shall be issued by the Registrar.

Registration and Commencement of PhD Programme
- All the applications for admission to PhD Programme shall be submitted to Deputy Registrar (Admission). The Registrar shall pass on the applications to the Chairperson of the concerned department who shall get the eligibility of the candidates assessed from the Departmental Academic Committee and this Committee would also consider the feasibility of admission taking into consideration the availability of the supervisors and facilities, etc.
- Each candidate for the PhD Programme shall submit a declaration to the effect:
  i. That s/he has not been registered for the similar Degree programme elsewhere.
  ii. That no direct major work has already been done by him/her or anybody else on the topic s/he intends to work on, for PhD Degree.
iii. That the work s/he shall submit for the PhD Degree has not already been submitted elsewhere and shall not in future be submitted by him/her for obtaining similar Degree from any other institution.

- The candidate recommended by the Departmental Academic Committee for admission to PhD Programme shall be given provisional admission subject to the fulfilment of following two conditions:
  i. Completion of 18 credit hours course work.
  ii. Approval of the Research Synopsis for PhD thesis by the Departmental Board of Studies and Advanced Studies and Research Board.

- The candidate must fulfil the above two conditions within one year from the date of his/her provisional admission to the PhD Programme. This period may be extended to further one year on the recommendation of the respective Chairperson.

**Thesis for PhD Degree**

- A student will be given three years for completion of thesis for PhD starting from the date of his/her provisional admission. An extension of two more years will be given in case of non-completion or rejection of PhD thesis.

- A research paper on the topic of PhD thesis must be accepted/published in an HEC approved journal before the Viva Voce Examination.