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Welcome to the Department of Social Sciences at IQRA University, where a world of opportunities awaits you in the fields of Development Studies, Social Sciences, International Relations, Psychology, Economics, and English.

Our undergraduate programmes provide a comprehensive and multidisciplinary approach to understanding the complexities of society, while our graduate programmes in International Relations and International Development Studies equip students with specialized knowledge and skills to tackle global challenges. Embrace a transformative educational journey with us as we empower you to make a lasting impact in the realms of social sciences and international relations.

Bachelor of Science in Development Studies/Social Sciences

The Department of Social Sciences provides the best education, preparing you for the challenges of global development. With cutting-edge resources and practical experiences, our comprehensive curriculum nurtures critical thinking, problem-solving skills, intercultural competence, and ethical awareness. Discover diverse career paths in healthcare, NGOs, government agencies, and the private sector, where you can make a positive impact and contribute to a more equitable and sustainable world. Engage in academic debates, undertake development research, and analyze policies to shape a brighter future through our BSDS programme.

Curriculum

PROGRAMME	CR HRS
Bachelor of Science in Development Studies/Social Sciences	136
Bachelor of Science in Development Studies/Social Sciences (2.5Yrs)	75





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SOLVING SKILLS, AND
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COMPETENCE**

Bachelor of Science in International Relations

Equipping the current and future leaders with the skills to thrive in the ever-evolving global landscape. Our Programme explores interactions among states and non-state actors, covering traditional issues like war and trade, as well as non-traditional topics like human rights and global development. With experienced faculty and rigorous research opportunities, our students gain expertise in critical analysis and research methods.

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Bachelor of Science in Psychology

The undergraduate degree provides the essential knowledge and skills to pursue a rewarding career in this field. We provide quality education, meeting the mental health care needs of humanity, and foster a multi-disciplinary approach to learning. Our cutting-edge facilities and resources ensure students gain both theoretical knowledge and practical experience, preparing them for diverse career opportunities offering a range of opportunities in various sectors such as mental health clinics, human resource departments, community outreach, rehabilitation centres, sales and marketing departments, education sector and research departments of both public and private sector organizations.

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Bachelor of Science in Psychology	136

Bachelor of Science in Economics

Over four years, the students are immersed in a well-coordinated curriculum that equips them with specialized skills for both private and public sector organizations, development sectors, banks, and research institutions. Through a range of courses, they learn to explore diverse approaches to economics, while engaging in research projects that apply quantitative tools to economic and financial datasets. Upon graduation, they are fully prepared to address real-time challenges and make a meaningful impact in the chosen career path.

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Bachelor of Science in Economics	136

Bachelor of Science in English

BS English (Applied Linguistics) is a four-year degree programme that has been designed with a special focus on advancing the academic and professional development of students who want to gain knowledge of applied linguistics and apply it to practical problems related to language in use and language teaching. The graduates will have the potential to serve various fields such as academia, publishing industry, journalism, communication and public relations, marketing and advertising, national and international NGOs, content writing, among others.

Curriculum

PROGRAMME	CR HRS
Bachelor of Science in English	136

Master of Philosophy in International Development Studies

The 1.5-year rigorous journey integrates social and natural sciences, encompassing Economics, International Relations, Political Science, Sociology, Anthropology, and Gender Studies. Whether you come from a social science, humanities, or basic sciences background, this programme opens doors to further studies and thriving careers in national and international organizations. Become a catalyst for positive change in global development and embrace a rewarding path of comprehending and addressing complex development issues.

Curriculum

PROGRAMME	CR HRS
Master of Philosophy in International Development Studies	30

Master of Philosophy in International Relations

The programme has been designed to offer essential analytical tools to navigate the intricate interplay between national and international political landscapes. With an interdisciplinary approach drawing on social and natural sciences, this

programme provides a holistic understanding of global political processes. Prepare for higher studies and broaden career prospects in various sectors such as teaching, research, consultancy, governance, human rights, education, business, and development. Whether you're a fresh graduate or a mid-career professional, this programme promises intellectual and professional growth, empowering you for leadership roles in national and international organizations.

Curriculum

PROGRAMME	CR HRS
Master of Philosophy in International Relations	30

Note: The curricula is subject to change because of the promulgation of HEC Undergraduate and Graduate Policy 2023

Scan the QR code for comprehensive curriculum details.



Programmes Objectives and Outcomes

The programmes offer students a wealth of knowledge and skills to excel in various dynamic fields. Graduates emerge equipped with practical expertise to assess development needs, design, and implement projects, and critically analyze global issues. With a strong emphasis on professional ethics and intercultural competence, students are well-prepared to make a positive impact in their respective industries, be it in international relations, policy analysis, development work, business, journalism, academia, or various other global affairs-related fields.

- Comprehensive understanding of global development theories, social dynamics, economic principles, and environmental factors influencing development processes.
- Practical skills in assessing development needs, designing and implementing projects, and evaluating their impact.
- Effective communication and collaboration skills for working with diverse stakeholders and promoting intercultural understanding.
- Emphasis on professional ethics, integrity, and social responsibility in development work.
- Global awareness of development issues and advocacy for positive change towards sustainable development goals.

- Strong academic foundations in International Relations, analytical and critical thinking skills, intercultural competence, research, and communication skills.

Career Opportunities

Upon completion of the respective programmes, you will have a wide range of career opportunities available to you. Some of the potential career paths include:

- Development sector, International NGOs, and United Nations agencies for social and economic development projects.
- Mental health care Centres and hospitals as Clinical Psychologists and Counsellors prioritizing psychotherapy and client safety. Government jobs as Psychologists, Clinical Psychologists, and Educational Psychologists.
- International organizations such as the United Nations (UN), World Bank, IMF, and WTO for policy analysis, development projects, and global governance.
- Government jobs in international relations and diplomacy, engaging in policy analysis, research, and programme management.
- Media and journalism careers, reporting on international affairs and global events.
- International business and trade roles in multinational corporations and consulting firms.
- Education and academia for teaching and research in social sciences and international relations.
- Research and think tanks, focusing on development issues, policy analysis, and global affairs.

Programme Facilities and Resources

We take pride in our well-equipped laboratories and facilities that provide an ideal environment for practical training and research. Our facilities include:

- Up to date, fully equipped and modern lecture rooms, seminar hall/auditorium, library, computer labs.
- Special access to various globally recognized virtual academic research resources.
- Strong networking and collaboration with industry and organizations which provide our students with opportunities for internships, volunteer works and job opportunities.

Collaborations & Partnerships

We have established MOUs for research and internships, providing students with valuable opportunities to collaborate with research institutions, organizations, and industry experts. This partnership aims to enrich their academic journey and equip them with practical skills for impactful careers in social sciences.

Fee Structure

The Undergraduate programmes are being offered at Rs 4,750.00 per CrHr fee and Rs 6,200.00 per CrHr fee for Masters programmes, which is subject to change on yearly basis.

Additional Fee Details

In addition to tuition fees, the 1st semester fee includes the following non-refundable additional fees:

- Admission Fee: PKR 10,000
- Student Fund: PKR 1,250
- Library Fund: PKR 950
- Sports Fee: PKR 850
- Registration Fee: PKR 1,000
- Technology Fee: PKR 970
- Miscellaneous Fee: PKR 500

Admission Requirement

To be eligible for admissions students must have:

- For Undergraduate programmes, the applicant must have completed FSc / A Levels / Equivalent with at least 45% marks as certified by IBCC.
- Applicants for Bachelor Programmes must take the entrance test. Applicants with acceptable SAT, NTS-NAT, MCAT, GAT General & GAT Subject score will be exempted from the entrance test. The test will be conducted on a computer and will consist of one hundred MCQs of a two-hour duration. The admission test is comprised of:

Mathematics	30%
English	40%
Analytical	30%

- After successfully clearing the admission test the students will be scheduled for an interview

Merit Based Scholarships

Iqra University's Islamabad campus extends merit-based scholarships to students enrolled in its undergraduate programmes. These scholarships are designed to cover

a significant portion, up to 100%, of the tuition fees and are awarded based on the academic performance of the students in their HSSC or equivalent examinations. For detailed information regarding the specific scholarships available for each programme, please consult the table provided below.

PROGRAMMES	100%	75%	50%	25%	10%
BS (DS, IR, SS, PSY, ECO & ENG)	95 & ABOVE	90-94.99	85-89.99	80-84.99	75-79.99

*Additionally, a 5% scholarship has been announced for students from Gilgit-Baltistan and Azad Jammu Kashmir who meet the required eligibility criteria for our programmes and excel in the qualifying university admission test. Our mission is to provide access to the best education and modern infrastructure to talented individuals from all corners of Pakistan. This scholarship is our gesture to empower deserving students and ensure that financial constraints do not hinder their pursuit of academic excellence.

RESOURCES AND INFRASTRUCTURE



State-Of-The-Art Classrooms



Classroom with smart learning spaces, equipped with state-of-the-art smart boards and ample seating for over 60 students, enhancing interactive and engaging learning experiences.

Auditorium



Auditorium with a capacity of up to 250 people, well-equipped for hosting presentations, lectures, and performances, supported by advanced audiovisual technology.

Conference Room



Modern conference room with smart LED screens and a capacity for 30+ participants, promoting collaboration and immersive learning experiences.

Library



Designed for independent, resource-based learning with a vast collection of books, periodicals, digital databases, manuscripts, and top-notch audio-visual facilities.

Medical Facility/ Polyclinic



The Campus Polyclinic is staffed with skilled medical professionals dedicated to providing quality healthcare services for our students, staff, and faculty. These services include general consultations as well as specialized treatments, ensuring comprehensive care for all members of our community.

Mosque



Designed to accommodate up to 500 students, providing a serene atmosphere for prayers and spiritual reflection.

Cafeteria



Enjoy a variety of delicious meals prepared with care. From hearty comfort food to lighter options, there's something for everyone.

Sports Complex



Dynamic sports complex, complete with dedicated Futsal areas illuminated by Flood-lit lamps for nighttime play, alongside International Quality Volleyball and Basketball courts, exclusive Cricket pitches, and Badminton courts.

Transport Facility



The campus offers convenient third-party transportation services for students from twin cities and adjoining areas

Hostels in Close Proximity



Facilitation in arranging exclusive hostels for boys and separately for girls situated within a convenient 2-4km vicinity, fostering a friendly and accessible accommodation zone for students relocating from different cities. Pick and drop facility available at designated hostels through third-party transport providers.

Clubs and Activities



Nurturing holistic student development, we provide a myriad of events and activities, encompassing a diverse set of clubs like Sports Club, Environment Club, Adventure Club, Media Club, Dramatics Club, Music Club, and an active Alumni Society.



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