

Evening Programme

School of Politics and International Relations

Quaid-I-Azam University

Islamabad

Postgraduate Certificate in International Relations

Postgraduate Advanced Diploma in International Relations

Master of Science (MSC) in International Relations

Objective

Keeping in view the relevance of the global politics understanding for various mid-career professionals (Foreign Diplomats, Pakistani Civil-Military Bureaucrats, Politicians Journalists and NGO employees posted/based in Islamabad), the School of Politics and International Relations, Quaid-i-Azam University introduces Postgraduate Certificate, Postgraduate Advanced Diploma and Mater of Science (MSC) in International Relations programmes during the evening. All the courses will be taught by the experienced PhD qualified faculty.

Rationale

The SPIR already offers M. Sc, M. Phil and PhD programs, it is felt that short-term courses leading to M.Sc during the evening-time could be beneficial for the mid-career professionals who otherwise might not be able to apportion two or more years for degree programs.

Medium of Study

English

Research Outcome

Compulsory course on the Research Methodology will be taught to all the students in the first semester. A student has to produce two research papers (3 credit hours of each) on the Current Issues in the Global Politics and Regional settings during the second and third semesters, respectively. A student has to opt for compulsory Thesis (9 Credits) in the final semester (fourth semester) of M.Sc. in lieu of three optional courses from his/her field of interest. The selection of the topic for the Thesis and Supervisor shall be finalized during the third semester.

Eligibility Criteria

The programmes are only for professionals; therefore fresh graduates would be barred to take admission in the said programs. The Committee comprising of the SPIR faculty shall determine the candidate's eligibility/qualification to take admission in the evening program. The various

steps to evaluate the candidate: previous education, at least Bachelors (14 years, education) work experience, written test or interview.

Time Schedule

Weekly Schedule

Five Working Days

1700 to 2000 (5pm to 8 pm) Class Teaching

2000 to 2100 (8pm to 9 pm) Tutorial on need basis

Note: Occasionally classes can be arranged on the holidays to complete the Credit hours.

Semester Schedule

1. First Semester: February 18, 2013 to June 09, 2013
2. Second Semester: June 24, 2013 to October 13, 2013
3. Third Semester: October 28, 2013 to February 16, 2014
4. Fourth Semester: March 03, 2014 to June 22, 2014

Structure of the Program

1. **Postgraduate Certificate in International Relations – 15 Credit Hours**
2. **Postgraduate Advanced Diploma in International Relations - 33 Credit Hours**
3. **Master of Science in International Relations - 60 Credit Hours**

Postgraduate Certificate in International Relations (leading to Postgraduate Advanced Diploma in International Relations)

- **Classes** to be held 5 days a week
- **Duration: 16 working weeks** (4 months)
- **Credit Hours: 15**
- **No. of Courses: 5 Courses**
- **Courses: All Compulsory**

Postgraduate Advanced Diploma in International Relations

The Advanced Diploma would be buildup upon the courses studied in the Certificate in International Relations' course, allowing those who do not abandon the program after qualifying certificate course to get Advanced Diploma in International Relations.

- **Duration: 8 months, 2-semesters** (including the certificate course duration)
- **Credit Hours: 33** (Certificate Course Credit Hours (15) + Second Semester 18 = 33)
- **No. of Courses: 6 Courses**

• **The Division of the Credit as follow:**

1. Four Compulsory Course including Seminar on Current Issues in International Politics
2. Two Optional Courses

Master of Science in International Relations

The Master's Degree in International Relations buildup upon the courses studied in both the Certificate (15 Credit Hours) and Advanced Diploma courses (31 Credit Hours), allowing those who do not abandon the program after qualifying for an Advanced Diploma in International Relations to get a M.SC in International Relations.

Duration: 16 months- 4 Semesters (including certificate and Diploma courses or 2 semesters)

Credit Hours: 60 (including Certificate semester 15 Credit Hours, Advanced Diploma semester 18 Credit Hours, Third Semester 15/18, Fourth Semester: Thesis 9 Credit Hours)

Third Semester

Duration 4 months or 16 weeks

No. of Course: 6 Courses 18 Credit Hours

Fourth Semester

Duration 4 months or 16 weeks

Thesis: 9 Credit Hours (equal to 3 Courses)

CERTIFICATE COURSE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Classes to be held 5 days a week in the evenings

Duration: sixteen weeks (4 months)

Credit Hours: 15

No. of Courses: 5 Courses

Courses: All Compulsory

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| 1. IR-300 | Theories of International Relations – | 3 Credit Hours |
| 2. IR-303 | Politics of International Economic Relations – | 3 Credit Hours |
| 3. IR-304 | Dimension of Modern Strategy – | 3 Credit Hours |
| 4. IR-307 | Research Methodology- | 3 Credit Hours |
| 5. IR-309 | Foreign Policy of Pakistan– | 3 Credit Hours |

ADVANCED DIPLOMA IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

The Diploma would buildup upon the courses studied in the certificate course, allowing those who do not abandon the program after securing a certificate to get a Diploma in International Relations.

Duration: 8 months, 2-semesters (including the certificate course duration)

Credit Hours: 31 (Certificate Course Credit Hours (15) + Second Semester 18 = 33)

No. of Courses: 6 Courses (First Four are Compulsory and Two Optional)

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| 1. IR- 301 | International Relations Since 1945 – | 3 Credits Hours |
| 2. IR- 302 | An Introduction to International Law- | 3 Credit Hours |
| 3. IR- 305 | Foreign Policy Analysis – | 3 Credits Hours |
| 4. IR-320 | Seminar on Current Issues- | 3 Credit Hours |
| 5. IR-356 | Disarmament, Arms Control & Nuclear Non-Proliferation – | 3 Credits H |
| 6. IR-328 | International Politics of Middle East – | 3 Credit Hours |

MASTER'S DEGREE IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

The Master's Degree in International Relations buildup upon the courses studied in both the Certificate (15 Credit Hours) and Advanced Diploma courses (31 Credit Hours), allowing those who do not abandon the program after qualifying for an Advanced Diploma in International Relations to get a M.SC in International Relations.

Duration: 16 months- 4 Semesters (including Certificate and Advanced Diploma courses or 2 semesters)

Credit Hours: 60 (including Certificate semester 15 Credit Hours, Advanced Diploma semester 18 Credit Hours, Third Semester 15/18, Fourth Semester: Thesis 9 Credit Hours and one optional course 3 Credit Hours)

No. of Courses: 9 –Divided into two semesters

Third Semester

Duration 4 months or 16 weeks

No. of Course: 5 or 6 i.e. 15/18 Credit Hours

Courses:

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| 1. IR-306 | International Organization | 3 Credit Hours |
| 2. IR-324 | International Politics of South Asia | 3 Credit Hours |
| 3. IR-351 | Conflict and Conflict Resolution | 3 Credit Hours |
| 4. IR-338 | Seminar on Issues Relating to Area Study | 3 Credit Hours |
| 5. IR-361 | International Politics of Terrorism | 3 Credit Hours |
| 6. IR-348 | Human Rights Law | 3 Credit Hours |

Fourth Semester

Duration 4 months or 16 weeks

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| 1. IR-364 | Thesis | 9 Credit Hours |
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