

Brochure Material M.Phil Public Policy

Introduction:

The PIDE School of Public Policy aims to bridge the research—policy gap in Pakistan through high quality academic programmes, policy oriented research and executive training. The School offers M.Phil in Public Policy; hosts a specialized research centre conducting research on public policy issues and has plans to offer executive training for policy-makers, practitioners and professionals involved in the development and implementation of policies.

Advisory Council:

The Advisory Council comprising eminent scholars, researchers, academicians, and public policy analysts has been set up to guide the activities of the School. The council comprises:

- *Dr. Hafiz A. Pasha, Managing Director, Institute of Policy Reform, Lahore.*
- *Prof. Asim Ijaz Khawja, Professor of Public Policy, Harvard University, USA.*
- *Prof. Ugo Pagano, Professor of Economic Policy, Central European University, Siena Italy.*
- *Dr. Saeed Shafiqat, Director CPPG, Forman Christian College, Lahore.*
- *Dr. Sarah Ayres, Director Public Policy, School of Public Studies, University of Bristol, UK.*
- *Dr Athar Osama, Chief Executive, Pakistan Innovation Fund, Islamabad.*

Faculty:

The School is home to faculty members/researchers trained in the leading universities of the world. Moreover, visiting faculty from various renowned Institutions within Pakistan and abroad will deliver lectures and conduct courses during the academic year.

M.Phil Public Policy at PSPP:

The M.Phil Public Policy is a rigorous two years degree programme. Individuals with 16 years of formal education in any discipline (A minimum CGPA 2.5 on a scale of 4.0 (Semester system) or 2nd Division (annual system) in Masters or 4 years Bachelor Degree) are eligible to join the programme.

Why Study at PIDE:

- PIDE is a top-ranked teaching and research Institute of Pakistan and ranks among the leading think tanks of South Asia.
- Exposure to research that students get at PIDE is unmatched in Pakistan.
- Strong linkages with the government provide the students with an opportunity to have a closer look at policy making in real time.
- A highly qualified faculty/research staff effectively conveys the synthesis of theory and practice to the students.

What is Special about the Programme:

- The core curriculum provides firm foundations which allow students to approach public policy issues from a multi-dimensional perspective.
- Course work, including local case studies, equips the students with an interdisciplinary conceptual toolkit and the thesis allows application and testing of the knowledge gained.
- Students are equipped with cutting-edge analytical competence including a solid base in economic and social reasoning.

Semester Wise Programme Structure:

Total Credit Hours:	36	Core Credit Hours:	18
Elective Credit Hours:	06	Total Course Work:	24
Thesis:	12		
Program Duration:	1.5 - 3 years		

Course Code	Course Title	Credits Hours	Course Code	Course Title	Credits Hours
SEMESTER-I			SEMESTER-II		
PP-601	Microeconomics for Public Policy	03	PP-620	Macroeconomics for Public Policy	03
PP-606	Governance and Public Policy	03	PP-631	Evaluation and Monitoring of Policy Initiatives	03
PP-616	Public Policy Analysis	03	PP-610	Research Methods	03
	Elective-I	03	Elective 2		03
SEMESTER-III			SEMESTER-IV		
PP-636	Workshop for Proposal Development*	00	Thesis		
Proposal Defense**/Thesis		12			
* Non-credit compulsory course; Rule for minimum attendance will be followed					
** Students will be required to submit their proposal at the end of third semester					

ELECTIVE COURSES WITH FIELDS OF SPECIALIZATION

Course Code	Title	Credit hours
Field of Specialization-I: Public Finance and Development		
PP 711	Public Finance and Devolution	3.0
PP 714	Public Financial and Tax Management	3.0
PP 717	International Finance and Development	3.0
PP 720	Private Sector and Regulatory Policy	3.0
Field of Specialization-II: Social Sector and Urban Development		
PP 723	Social Policy	3.0
PP 726	Poverty Reduction and Sustainable Development	3.0
PP 729	Environmental and Natural Resource Management	3.0
PP 732	Urban Development	3.0
PP 735	Transport and Infrastructure Development	3.0
Field of Specialization-III: Governance and Public Sector		
PP 738	Network Governance	3.0

PP	741	Law and Public Affairs	3.0
PP	744	Political Economy and Institutions	3.0
PP	747	Conflict Management and Peace Building	3.0
PP	750	Government and Foreign Policy	3.0

Note: Any deviation from the given Fields of Specialization may be allowed on special demand from the students with approval from the Department Council

Fee Structure:

Registration Fee	Rs. 10,000/-	Research work/Thesis Fee	Rs. 15,000/- (Per Semester)
Tuition Fee	Rs. 3300/- per credit hour registered (during course work)	Transport Fee	Rs. 4,000/- (Per Semester)

PROGRAMME LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Knowledge

- An in-depth understanding of the theories required for understanding and designing public policy.
- Knowledge of the cases that have facilitated or hindered the development of sound policies.
- Knowledge of cases that have helped or constrained the implementation of otherwise sound policies.

Intellectual Skills

- Development of skills required for policy analysis and knowledge of the limitations involved in developing and implementing an ideal policy.

Subject-based Practical Skills

- The ability to conduct independent analysis of public policy issues.
- An ability to engage in debate and discussion in seminars.

Applicable Skills

- Undertake and implement decisions, based on theory and practice of public policy, while serving in different decision making capacities.

Who should Apply:

Mid-career professionals, civil servants, project managers, administrators and post-graduate students.

Job Prospects:

PSPP graduates would be suitable for civil service, public service of various kinds, development sector (International Financial Institutions, Donors, NGOs), and they can also join the rank of project managers or administration in different sectors.

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