



Admission 2024

PhD

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INTRODUCTION

University of Karachi established in 1951, is one of the oldest institutions of higher education of Pakistan. It offers rigorous and vibrant graduate and post-graduate degree programs in the Faculties i.e. Arts & Social Sciences, Education, Engineering, Islamic Studies, Law, Management & Administrative Sciences, Medicine, Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Sciences, and Science. The research and the teaching programs are supervised by about 700 qualified faculty members. These postgraduate programs are offered in 56 teaching departments and 17 research institutes and centers.

University of Karachi offers its graduate and post-graduate students well equipped laboratories, digital library and video-conferencing facilities in a multi-disciplinary environment. It is committed to uphold its tradition of producing top-quality graduates in cutting-edge areas of Business and Management Sciences, Bio-Medical & Engineering Sciences, Technologies, Social and Natural Sciences. The programs are designed to match the emerging needs of industries and research and development organizations, both in the public and private sectors.

During the last five years, University of Karachi has awarded more than 2500 M.S.(Surgery), M.D.(Medicine), M.Phil. and Ph.D. degrees. Presently, around 5,000 students are enrolled in M.S.(Surgery), M.D.(Medicine), M.Phil. LL.M. and Ph.D., programs. Faculty members at the University of Karachi are engaged in pursuing research in various disciplines and publish extensively in journals of international repute.

University of Karachi provides excellent opportunities to its postgraduate students and faculty members for scholarships, linkages, trainings and collaboration with the world's top universities in research projects with the universities/institutions/centers in the technologically advanced countries.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURE **FOR DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PhD)**

Eligibility Criteria

M.Phil., M. Pharm., M.S. (with research), MBA (with 4 years BBA) or equivalent qualification in the relevant field from HEC recognized University/Institution. There is no requirement to submit Equivalence certificate for the graduates of Public Sector Universities.

One Ph.D. seats especially allocated for the special person from each department / Centre / Institute.

The admission on special persons' reserved seats is granted only after the medical examination and verification from the Social Welfare Department, Government of Sindh and / or civil surgeon.

Admission Procedure (PhD)

1. All candidates will be required to submit the following documents along with the Entrance Test Application Form:
 - i. Consolidated transcript/marks certificate of the last degree examination.
 - ii. Matric / O levels Certificate
 - iii. Computerized National Identity Card.
 - iv. Recent photograph.
2. Appearance in Karachi University Entrance Test 2024 (KUET-2024) is mandatory for all applicants who wish to seek admission in Ph.D. program to be conducted by relevant departments/centers/institutes of the University of Karachi.
3. (a) The test shall comprise of the following sections:

Section-I Subject knowledge	80%
Section-II English and Communication Skills	20%

- (b) Candidates will be required to score at least 50% marks in each section to be eligible for consideration for the *provisional admission*.
- (c) If a candidate has already qualified the International (subject) GRE/GAT/NTS, he/she will be exempted from subject test component of KUET 2024. The validity of International (subject) GRE is 5 years and NTS/GAT is for two years. The passing score of GRE minimum is 50% and that of NTS/GAT is 70%. However, the candidate has to appear in Karachi University Entrance Test 2024 (KUET-2024) English test Moreover, interview will be mandatory.

Note: Qualifying the Karachi University Entrance Test (KUET 2024) is no guarantee for admission.

4. All the students who qualify the Karachi University Entrance Test 2024 (KUET-2024) will be required to appear in person for an interview to be conducted by the respective Departmental Research Committee (DRC) to finalize the admission procedure. Distribution of interview marks are given in **Annexure-I**.

Provisional Admission

Applications for provisional admission will be considered on the basis of eligibility, merit, availability of seats and supervisors. Final admission list will be prepared by the DRC, according to the marks secured in the Interview that will be given 100% weightage.

Submission of Forms for Admission

Candidates selected for provisional admission will be required to complete admission form along with the submission of the following documents:

1. Two recent photographs, duly attested by the Chairperson/Director of the Departments/Institute/ Centers concerned.
2. Attested Photocopies of Certificates / degrees from S.S.C. to M.Phil. / MS or the prerequisite exam.
3. Attested photocopy of Computerized National Identity Card.
4. A letter of leave for three years from the employer, if the candidate is in service or an Affidavit of non-employment stating that during research no employment shall be undertaken, executed on a stamp paper worth Rs. 100/-.
5. Teachers and employees of organization where research work is conducted are exempted from leave. However, a NOC from the employer and a certificate stating that employment is relevant to his/her research from the Chairperson/Director of the concerned Department/ Institute/ Center will be required and should submit within three months after the date of provisional admission.
6. In case of foreign students, NOC from the Ministry of Education, Economic Affairs Division and Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Government of Pakistan, Islamabad and a copy of valid visa and passport.
7. Certificate from the Equivalence Committee, University of Karachi, in case the accreditation status of the prerequisite degrees is not clear.
8. The Fee structure is mentioned in **Annexure-II**.

Duration of PhD

The duration of PhD is minimum of three (03) and maximum of eight (08) years from the date of provisional admission. No further extension will be given. Moreover minimum duration for Ph.D. thesis submission is three (3) years from the date of synopsis submission.

Course Work for PhD

1. All selected students will be required to complete 18 credit hours course work.
2. Candidates are required to attend at least 75% classes of each course.
3. The student will submit a research proposal according to the approved format of the ASRB through proper channel.

Appointment of Research Supervisor

Faculty members of University of Karachi/ASRB/HEC approved supervisors may be appointed as research supervisors.

Evaluation of PhD Research Thesis

During the research, the student must publish at least one research paper from the thesis in any HEC-recognized/international/national journal before the submission of PhD thesis.

The thesis shall be evaluated by two foreign examiners from HEC approved countries list. The Ph.D. degree will be awarded by the ASRB subject to the positive reports from the supervisor, two foreign examiners and a successful public defense followed by the viva voce examination.

ADMISSION SCHEDULE-2024
PhD

1.	Date of Advertisement	Sunday, March 03, 2024
2.	Issuance & submission of Entrance Test Forms (Form can be downloaded for KU website and submitted to the respective department)	March 04, 2024 to March 11, 2024
3.	List of eligible candidates for KU Entrance Test will be displayed on KU website and Departmental notice boards	April 02, 2024
4.	Collection of admit cards by the candidates eligible for KU Entrance Test from the office of the Department concerned	April 04, 2024 to April 05, 2024
5.	Karachi University Entrance Test for Ph.D. will be conducted at the relevant department.	Sunday, April 14, 2024
6.	List of successful candidates of Karachi University entrance test will be displayed on KU website.	April 22, 2024
7.	Interview of Successful Candidates at their respective departments/ centers/ institutes	April 25, 2024 to April 30, 2024
8.	Final Merit List of successful candidates for provisional admission will be displayed on KU website	May 06, 2024
9.	Issuance of Admission Form and Voucher by ASRB Submission of provisional admission forms, payment of fees (Voucher duly endorsed by ASRB) and documents to the ASRB office	May 08, 2024 to May 17, 2024
10.	Commencement of Semester	May 20, 2024

ACADEMIC CALENDAR
2024-2025

First Semester -

Teaching	May 20, 2024	September 20, 2024
Semester Examinations	September 23, 2024	September 30, 2024
Semester Break	October 01, 2024	October 06, 2024

Second Semester

Teaching	October 07, 2024	February 07, 2025
Semester Examinations	February 10, 2025	February 18, 2025
Semester Break	February 19, 2025	February 28, 2025

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INTERVIEW CRITERIA FOR PhD						
	Research, Knowledge, Experience and Aptitude			Oral Communication	Proposed Research Plan/Project	Total
	Research Experience (thesis/project)	Research Dissemination (poster/presentation)	Publication			
Max Marks	10	20	10	30	30	100
Marks Obtained						
Comments						
Total Marks Obtained in the interview out of 100						
Name of Student:						
Form No:						
Department/Institute/Centre						

Name and Signature of DRC Members

1. _____

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Name and Signature of the Chairperson

**FEE STRUCTURE
PhD- 2024**

Faculty (Arts & Social Sciences, Islamic Studies & Education)

S.No.	For Ph.D. Students	Fees
1	Processing/Test Fee	6000
2	Admission Fee	22000
3	Semester Fee (per six months)	44000
4	Departmental Charges (per semester)	7500
5	Thesis Evaluation/Viva Examination Fee	70000

Faculty (Science, Pharmacy, Engineering, Management & Administrative Sciences)

S.No	For Ph.D. Students	Fees
1	Processing/Test Fee	6000
2	Admission Fee	22000
3	Semester Fee (per six months)	44000
4	Departmental Charges (per semester)	11000
5	Thesis Evaluation/Viva Examination Fee	70000

Foreign Students

S.No.	Name of Faculty (Semester fee, six month)	Fees
1	Processing/Test Fee	6000/-PKR
2.	Admission Fee	22000/-PKR
3.	Faculty of Arts & Social Sciences, Science, Pharmacy, Engineering, Management & Administrative Sciences, Islamic Studies and Education	150,000/PKR