

Department of Arabic

Established	1985
Academic Programs	Diploma, M.A., M.Phil, Ph.D.
Enrollment	M.A., M.Phil, Ph.D See the relevant chart at the end.
Prerequisites	(M.A) B.A. with Arabic as Elective & optional Subject (M,Phil) M.A, Arabic and Equivalent degree (Ph.D) M,Phil in Arabic

Faculty

Professor

Dr.Muhammad Sharif Sialvi	Chairman
Dr.Muhammad Shafqat Ullah	
Dr. Hafiz Abdul Rahim	Incharge Curriculum
(Hazrat Bahauddin Zakariya Chair)	

Assistant Professor

Dr. Muhammad Abu Zer Khalil	Student Adviser (male)
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Lecturer

Ms. Azra Fazal	Incharge Examinations
Mr. Syed Ammar Haider Zaidi	
Ms. Rohma Imran	Student Adviser (Female)
Mr. Hafiz Muhammad Sarwar	

Introduction

The Department was established concurrently with the University in 1985. Dr. Muhammad Hasnain Naqvi was the founder Chairman of the Department, whereas Prof. S. M. Tahir Qadri, Dr. Muhammad Akram Chaudhry, Dr. Muhammad Shairf Sialvi and Prof. Dr. M. H. Naqvi remained Heads of this Department. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Sharif Sialvi, Mrs. Izza Hassan Ibrahim (Saudi Arab National) and Lt. Col. Ali Naqi Naqvi have earned their Ph.D degree from this Department. 37 M.Phil Scholars have also obtained their M.Phil Degree from the Department. At present 11 M.Phil enrolled have completed their 1st & 2nd Semester and 17 Ph.D Scholars have completed their class work whereas Registration for 13 Ph.D Scholars is being completed shortly.

The Department offers 2-Year Program for M.A. in Arabic Language & Literature and 2-Years Program for M.Phil. In addition to these the Department also has the facilities for regular Doctoral Program.

The Department has started a new Program of Diploma in Spoken Arabic of 9 months duration from the last academic session. After every three months, certificates of Primary, Secondary and Advanced level will be awarded to successful candidates. The Program is highly suitable for doctors, engineers, Para-medical staff, officials of civil, army and foreign officers.

As well as skilled workers who wish to work in Middle East. The details of which can be had from the Chairman of the Department. Work is also underway to finalize academic linkage with the Islamic Universities League, with its head office at Al-Azhar University, Cairo, Egypt. The Department is housed in the "Language Block" along with the collection of books on Islamic Studies, Arabic Language and Literature. The degree holders of the Department have bright chances of carrying out jobs in research, teaching and interpreting in the departments of Education, Information as well as Arab Embassies in Pakistan.

"Hazrat Bahauddin Zakariya Chair"

It is noteworthy that Hazrat Bahauddin Zakariya chair has been established in the Department of Arabic. The functioning of the chair has been started by appointment of a full professor in this regard since 2009 and the department is determined to play its significant role in dissemination of sufi thoughts and teachings effectively.

Admission

Admissions are conducted by the following Departmental Admission Committee according to the admissions criteria laid down by the University.

Admission Committee

Prof. Dr. Muhammad Sharif Sialvi	Chairman
Prof. Dr. Muhammad Shafqat Ullah	Member
Prof. Dr. Hafiz Abdul Rahim	Member
Dr. Muhammad Abu Zer Khalil	Member/Secretary

Departmental Examination Committee

Prof. Dr. Muhammad Sharif Sialvi	Chairman
Prof. Dr. Hafiz Abdul Rahim	Member
Dr. M. Abu Zer Khalil	Member
Miss Azra Fazal	Secretary/ Incharge Examination

Programs of Study MA Program

Scheme of Studies Available with the Department

Division of Seats

The detail of seats for admission to M.A. Arabic Part-I class is given in the relevant chart at the end. The break up of the merit seats for M.A. Arabic Part-I is as under:-

50 Seats:

Candidates holding B.A. degree with Arabic as an elective or optional subject provided that they have secured 45% marks in the subject of Arabic.

5 Seats:

Candidates holding Fazil-e-Dars-e-Nizami degree provided that they have passed B.A. Examination with all the required subjects or with English only.

Admission Criteria

Eligibility

For admission to M.A. Arabic Part-I class, eligibility will be determined in the following order of priority.

- The candidates who hold B.A. degree with Arabic as an Elective subject (carrying 200 marks) provided that they

have secured 45% marks in the subject of Arabic as well as in aggregate.

- The candidates who hold B.A. degree with Arabic as an optional subject (carrying 100 marks) provided that they have secured 45% marks in the subject of Arabic as well as in aggregate.
- The candidates who have passed Fazil Arabic/Fazil Dars-e-Nizami provided that they have passed B.A. Examination with all the required subjects or with English only, securing at least 45% marks in aggregate.

Determination of Merit

The merit will be determined as under:

- Aggregate marks of B.A., plus marks of Arabic (Elective/Optional), plus 20 marks for Hifz-e-Quran.
- Percentage of the aggregate marks of Fazil Arabic/Fazil Dars-e-Nizami and B.A. plus 5 marks plus 20 marks for Hifz-e-Quran.

M.Phil Program

Scheme of Studies Available with the Department

Admission Criteria

Eligibility

See the prescribed admission rules for M.Phil.

Ph.D

Scheme of Studies Available with the Department

Admission Criteria

Eligibility

As prescribed by the HEC rules.

Diploma Course

Scheme of Studies Available with the Department

Division of Seats

Seats in Diploma 80

Eligibility

Matric and above.

Computation of Merit

Higher qualification holders will be preferred.

Publications:

- Journal of Research (Arabic)
- Research Projects/Books

Department of English

Established	1975
Academic Programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BS Social Sciences (English) 4-Year • MA in English Language & Literature • MA English (with Specialization in Language & Literature) • M.Phil English • Ph.D English • Diploma in ELT
Enrollment	See the relevant chart at the end
Prerequisites	<p>BA Intermediate Examination</p> <p>MA BA / B.Sc for English Language seats and Literature as an elective subject at graduate level for Literature seats</p> <p>M. Phil MA in English or MA English (with Specialization in Language & Literature)</p> <p>Ph. D as prescribed by the University</p>

Faculty:

Professors

Dr. Mubina Talaat
 Dr. Shirin Zubair
 Dr. Farida Yousaf
 Dr Saiqa Imtiaz Asif

Chairperson

Student Advisor (Female)

Assistant Professor

Dr. Naveed Ahmed
 Ms. Qamar Khushi

Student Advisor (Male)
 On Deputation to Fatima Jinnah Women's University

Mr. Tariq Saeed

Lecturers

Ms. Shazrah Salam
 Ms. Abida Noreen
 Ms. Sana Ghafoor
 Ms. Sadia Malik
 Ms. Snobra Rizwan
 Ms. Ramna Fayyaz

(On Study Leave)

(On Study Leave)

Introduction

The Department of English at the Bahauddin Zakariya University, Multan, was set up in 1975 when this University came into existence. It started working in a rented building at Gulgasht Colony, Multan. In 1980, it was moved to the Institute of Languages (IOL) Block on Campus of the University.

The Department offers two Master's degree programs: MA English and MA English Language & Literature. MA English is predominantly a literature-based program, whereas MA English (with specialization in Language & Literature) prepares students for effective teaching of English as a second/foreign language. Diploma in ELT is also aimed at improving the linguistic and pedagogical competence of those who have already earned Masters' Degree in English Literature.

The Department has started M. Phil Program in Linguistics so that the aspiring candidates may be able to carry out doctoral research for which M. Phil is a necessary condition. This program is meant for rigorous training in the field of linguistics. Recently, the Department has launched M. Phil Program in Literature as well. This program aims at providing further specialization in the field of literature. Apart from British and American Literature, the students, in this M.Phil program are introduced to the literatures of other countries, where literature is being produced in English language. The M. Phil programs in Linguistics and Literature ultimately lead to Ph. D in Linguistics & Literature.

Spoken English program is aimed at improving the communicative competence of the students.

Admissions

Admissions are conducted by the following Departmental Admission Committee according to the admission criteria laid down by the University.

Admission Committee

Prof. Dr. Mubina Talaat	Chairperson
Dr. Saiqa Imtiaz Asif	Member/Secretary
Dr. Naveed Ahmad Ch.	Member

The Committee looks after the admission process and can be accessed for interpretation of the rules and regulations.

M.A. English Program (Morning & Evening)

Eligibility

The candidates who have passed BA/B.Sc. Examination, securing at least 45% marks in aggregate as well as in English Language/English Literature, are eligible for admission to MA English/MA English Language & Literature.

Computation of Merit

The merit will be determined as under:

Aggregate marks of BA/B.Sc., plus marks of English Literature/English Language, plus 20 marks for Hifz-e-Quran.

Break-up of Seats

The detail of seats is given in the relevant chart at the end.

Scheme of Studies Available with the Department

MA English (with Specialization in Language & Literature)

Eligibility

The candidates who have passed BA/B.Sc. Examination, securing at least 45% marks in aggregate as well as in English Language/English Literature, are eligible for admission to MA English Language & Literature.

Computation of Merit

The merit will be determined as under:

Aggregate marks of BA/B.Sc, plus marks of English Literature/English Language, plus 20

marks for Hifz-e-Quran.

Break-up of Seats

The detail of seats is given in the relevant chart at the end.

Scheme of Studies Available with the Department

Post M.A. Diploma in ELT

Scheme of Studies Available with the Department

M.Phil (English)

Co-ordinator M.Phil Program:
Prof. Dr. Mubina Talaat

Note: For details, see Admission Rules & Regulations of the University.

Scheme of Studies Available with the Department

Examinations:

Mid Exam.	30 Marks
Final Exam.	50 Marks

A student who has successfully completed the first two semesters will opt for thesis of 6 credit hours (200 marks), in consultation with the department. The thesis is to be completed during the 3rd and 4th semesters i.e. the second year of the M.Phil Program.

Note:

Participation in all the presentations and consultation sessions is compulsory.

Ph.D Program

For admission to the Ph.D. program, see Admission Rules and Regulations of the University.

Scheme of Studies Available with the Department

Note: Three courses will be offered in each semester, depending upon the availability of the relevant experts.

Department of Islamic Studies

Established	1982
Academic Programs	BS; MA; M. Phil; Ph.D.
Enrollment	See the relevant chart at the end.
Prerequisites	BS F.A./F.Sc. or equivalent M.A. B.A. with Islamic Studies M.Phil. M.A. Islamic Studies Ph.D. M.Phil. Islamic Studies

Faculty

Professor

Dr. Muhammad Akram Rana
Dr. Noor-ud-Din Jami
Dr. Saeed-ur-Rahman

Chairman
(Seerat Chair)

Associate Professor

Dr. Abdul Quddus Suhaib

(Director,
Islamic Research Centre)

Assistant Professor

Mr. Ali Asghar Saleemi
Mr. Mahmood Sultan Khokhar
Dr. Muhammad Idrees Lodhi
Dr. Ghulam Shams-ur-Rehman

(on Ex-Pakistan Leave)
(Student Advisor (Male))

Lecturer

Mrs. Faridah Yousuf
Mrs. Munazza Hayyat
Mr. Zafar Iqbal Saeedi
Mr. M. Safiq Anjum

Student Advisor (Female)

Qaria

Mrs. Nasreen Qaiser

Introduction

The classes of MA Islamic Studies started in 1982 under the administrative control of the Institute of Islamic Studies and Arabic in a borrowed building of a local school. The Department was shifted in the university's "Languages Block" in 1986 and was housed alongwith

the Departments of English, Arabic and Urdu. In 1996 the Institute was bifurcated by the University in two separate departments i.e. Islamic Studies and Arabic. The Department shifted in its own building in 2008. The Department has tailored a 2-Year program of M.A. Islamic Studies. In addition to the Master's program, the Department also has the facilities for M.Phil and Doctoral programs. The Department of Islamic Studies will start BS in Islamic Studies from the coming session (2009-10).

Main Objectives:

1. To educate the students who could analyze modern social science i.e. Economics, Philosophy, Political Science and Sociology etc. in the light of the teachings of Islam
2. To present scientifically and effectively the truth of the revolutionary teachings of Islam in every field of life
3. To produce the scholars who are experts of Islamic Education with an exposure to modern scientific, technological and social development
4. To promote the skills to perform the duties in legislation, research, management, teaching and Islamic Banking
5. To promote the tolerance, brotherhood, unity among the Muslim Ummah, moderation, broad-mindedness, love with mortal and other Islamic values, through academic activities

Department's Building

The Department's own building was approved and funded by the Higher Education Commission, Islamabad in 2004. The construction work started on October 14, 2006. It was completed on August 13, 2007. Its covered area is 12603 s.ft. The total amount spent is Rs. 92,06,255/- The building is comprised of class rooms, Seminar Hall, Reference Library, Computer Lab, Girls Common Room and thirteen offices for teachers, administration and examination record. The building was inaugurated by the Prime Minister of Pakistan Syed Yousaf Raza Gilani on 5th May, 2008.

Islamic Research Centre (IRC)

Islamic Research Centre was established in 2007. Dr. Muhammad Akram Rana was appointed its first Director. The Centre at present, is working in the building of Department of Islamic Studies. The main aims of the Centre are to develop a methodology for research in the various fields of Islamic learning, to identify and study contemporary problems and interpret the teachings of Islam in order to assist Muslim Ummah to live according to the imperatives of Islam. The

results of the work done at the Centre are to be published in books, monographs, research reports and a quarterly Journal of the Islamic Research Centre. The Centre will also organize Seminars, Conferences and Workshops to achieve and promote its objectives.

The master plan of the Centre will cover the following fields:-

1. Translation of significant Islamic texts related to Tafseer, Hadith, Fiqh, Tasawuf and Social Sciences.
2. Compilation, translation and publication of useful materials carefully selected from the most outstanding works of Islamic learning.

Objectives of the Centre

The objectives are:

1. To act as the research agent of the Bahauddin Zakariya University, Multan and conduct research in the fields prescribed by the Academic Council.
2. To publish monographs, books, research reports, research journal and such other research material as may be considered necessary for the promotion of knowledge on various aspects of Islam.
3. To organize seminars, conferences, exhibitions and workshops to promote harmonious understanding amongst various schools of thought in Muslim societies.
4. To highlight the achievements of the saints of Multan region and setup an archive of rare Islamic Literature.

Seerat Chair (SC)

The Seerat Chair is functional since 2002 in the Department of Islamic Studies. The main purpose of the chair is to develop interest in several areas of Seerat al-Nabi studies and research. The Chair, at present, is working on compilation of the Seerah work published in the country.

Objectives of the Chair

1. To study and promote the teachings of the Holy Prophet (PBUH) in the context of contemporary world's needs.
2. To misconceptions regarding life and mission of the Holy Prophet (PBUH) with scientific methods.
3. To publish books and research reports for transferring the knowledge on various aspects of the Seerah.
4. To organize Seminars, Conferences and national/international scholars' lectures to explore the new fields of seerah studies in the present age.

BS 4 Year in Islamic Studies

Scheme of Studies Available with the Department

M.A. Program

Admission

- i) The detail of seats for admission to M.A. Islamic Studies 1st Semester is given in Chart No. 1.
- ii) The admission will be made by the Admission Committee of the Department according to the admission/merit criteria announced by the University.

Admission Committee

Prof. Dr. Muhammad Akram Rana	Chairman
Mr. Mahmood Sultan Khokhar	Secretary
Dr. M. Idrees Lodhi	Member
Mrs. Farida Yousuf	Member

Scheme of Studies Available with the Department

Admission Criteria

Eligibility

Candidates holding the degree of B.A. with Islamic Studies as elective subject are eligible to apply for admission to M.A. Islamic Studies 1st Semester, if they have secured 45% marks in aggregate.

The candidates passing B.A. (Hons.) Islamic Studies with computer technology from Sheikh Zaid Islamic Center, University of Punjab / Karachi / Peshawar are eligible to apply for admission to M.A. Islamic Studies.

Note: The candidates who fail to recite/read the Holy Quran (Nazira) will not be considered eligible for admission.

Determination of Merit

The following procedure will be observed for determining the merit of the candidates holding the degree of B.A. for admission to M.A. Islamic Studies (1st Semester).

Total marks secured in B.A., plus marks secured in Islamic Studies (elective) plus 10 marks for Arabic (elective), plus 20 marks for Hifz-e-Quran (if applicable).

M.Phil. Program

Admission

- i) See the prescribed admission rules for M.Phil. approved by the University.
- ii) The detail of seats for admission M.Phil. is given in the relevant chart at the end.
- iii) The admission to M.Phil. will be made by the admission committee according to the prescribed criteria.

Admission Committee

Prof. Dr. M. Akram Rana	Chairman
Prof. Dr. Noor-ud-Din Jami	Member
Prof. Dr. Saeed-ul-Rahman	Co-ordinator
Dr. Abdul Quddus Suhaib	Secretary/ Member
Dr. Muhammad Idrees Lodhi	Member

Scheme of Studies Available with the Department

Admission Criteria

Eligibility

Candidates holding the degree of M.A. Islamic Studies or equivalent with CGPA 2.00 or 2nd class are eligible to apply for admission to M.Phil. Islamic Studies 1st Semester, if they have passed GAT (General) by NTS.

Determination of Merit

Criteria is mentioned in rules and regulations for M.Phil. approved by the University.

Ph.D. Program

Admission

- i) See the prescribed admission rules for Ph.D.
- ii) The admission to Ph.D. will be made by the admission committee according to the prescribed criteria.

Admission Committee

Prof. Dr. M. Akram Rana	Chairman
Prof. Dr. Noor-ud-Din Jami	Co-ordinator
Prof. Dr. Saeed-ur-Rahman	Member
Dr. Abdul Quddus Suhaib	Member

Scheme of Studies Available with the Department

Admission Criteria

Eligibility

Candidates holding the degree of M.Phil. Islamic Studies or equivalent with CGPA 3.00 or 1st Class are eligible to apply for admission to Ph.D. Islamic Studies 1st Semester, if they have passed GAT (Subject) by NTS.

Determination of Merit

Criteria is mentioned in rules and regulations for Ph.D. approved by the University.

Proposed Study Programs

- BS (Islamic Studies)
- M.A. Religious Studies
- Diploma in Islamic Finance
- Diploma in Islamic Law
- Diploma in Qira't
- Diploma in Preaching methods
- Diploma in Islamic Mysticism

Department of Urdu

Established	1975						
Academic Programs	MA; M.Phil.; Ph.D.						
Enrollment	See the relevant chart at the end						
Prerequisites	<table> <tr> <td>M.A.</td> <td>B.A./B.Sc. with 2nd Division</td> </tr> <tr> <td>M.Phil</td> <td>M.A. Urdu</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ph.D.</td> <td>M.Phil Urdu (B. Grade)</td> </tr> </table>	M.A.	B.A./B.Sc. with 2 nd Division	M.Phil	M.A. Urdu	Ph.D.	M.Phil Urdu (B. Grade)
M.A.	B.A./B.Sc. with 2 nd Division						
M.Phil	M.A. Urdu						
Ph.D.	M.Phil Urdu (B. Grade)						

Faculty

Professor

Dr. Rubina Tareen

Chairperson

Associate Professor

Dr. Aqeela Bashir

Students' Advisor (M.Phil, Ph.D)

Dr. Qazi Abdur Rehman Abid

(On Ex-Pakistan Study Leave)

Assistant Professor

Dr. Muhammad Sajjid Khan

Dr. Mumtaz Khan Kalyani

Dr. Shazia Umbreen

Dr. Muhammad Asif

Dr. Farzana Koukab

Students' Advisor (M.A.)

Research Scholar

Hammad Rasool

Introduction

The Department was established concurrently with the University in 1975, when post-graduate classes of M.A Urdu in Government College, Multan were shifted to the University. The University Department thus not only inherited the class but also the bright tradition of the parent Department. Syed Iftikhar Hussain Shah was the founder Chairman of the Deptt., whereas Prof. Dr. Kh. Muhammad Zakariya, Prof. Dr. AB Ashraf, Prof. Dr. Anwaar Ahmad, Professor Dr. Najeeb Jamal and Prof. Dr. Abdul Rauf Sheikh (Late) have also remained Heads of this Department. Renowned scholars, Prof. Khalil Siddiqui, Dr. Shamim Haider Trimizi, Dr. Aslam Ansari and Dr. Naimat-ul-Haq have been associated with the Department as Visiting faculty. Twelve teachers of this Deptt. namely Dr. A.B. Ashraf, (Now working as Principal Pakistan Embassy college, Ankara, Turkey) Dr. Anwaar Ahmad (Meritorious Professor), Dr. Abdul Rauf Sheikh, Dr. Rubina Tareen, Dr. Najeebuddin Jamal (Now Professor and Dean of Arts in Islamia University Bahawalpur),

Dr. Syed Alamdar Hussain Bokhari (Chairman Deptt. of Siraiki), Dr.Mrs. Aqeela Bashir, Dr.M. Sajid Khan, Dr. Qazi Abdul Rehman Abid, Dr. Muhammad Mumtaz Khan, Dr. Shazia Ambreen, Dr. Muhammad Asif and Dr. Farzana Koukab have earned their Ph.D. degrees from this University. Fifty one University & College teachers/ scholars have obtained their Ph.D. degrees from this University. At present three scholars submitted their thesis and twenty one registered for the degree of Ph.D. There are eight Indigenous Scholars registered from (HEC). Department of Urdu is the only department of this university whose all faculty members hold Ph.D. Degree.

The Department offers facilities for M.A., M. Phil and Ph.D. programs. Regular M. Phil Program was started from the academic session 1992-93. Till last year ninety three students have obtained M.Phil Degree. Details regarding M.Phil and Ph.D. Programs may be obtained from the office of the Department. In 2005, a Persian Certificate Course was started, 40 students got admission and successfully completed the course.

The students of this Department are serving as College and University teachers in Pakistan, talents of several is being utilized in media as well. Three of its prominent students, Dr Aslam Adeeb, Dr. Farooq Mashhadi and Dr. Saleem Haidrani have earned Quaid-e-Azam scholarship and obtained Ph.D. degrees from U.K.

Research Facilities:

1. The Department has a Research Library namely "*Professor Khalil Siddiqui Research and Seminar Library*" in which there are more than 13,000 rare and precious books and Journals.
2. A reference collection namely "*Gosha-e-Rashid Ahmad Siddiqui*" in central Library has been established only for the researchers by Prof. Latif Arif.
3. In the Library of Faculty of Islamic Studies and Languages, more than 14000 books are available on Urdu Language and Literature. These books can help the research students to meet their needs.
4. The Department is connected with National and International Libraries through Internet.
5. There is a computer Lab with 20 P IV systems in I.O.L. building with the service of internet facility.

Programs of Study

M.A. Program:

Admission

The candidates who have passed B.A./B.Sc Examination securing at least 45% marks in aggregate are eligible for admission to M.A. Urdu Part-I.

The candidates who have studied Urdu Elective/Urdu Optional will be given weightage of 40% marks of the obtained marks in aggregate.

Admission

The detail of seats available in M.A.Urdu Part-I class is given in the relevant chart at the end. Admission will be made by the Departmental Admission Committee according to the admission/merit criteria laid down by the University.

Admission Committee

Prof. Dr. Rubina Tareen	Chairperson
Dr. Aqeela Bashir	Member
Dr. M. Sajid Khan	Member
Dr. Mumtaz Kalyani	Member
Dr. Muhammad Asif	Secretary

Scheme of Studies Available with the Department

Thesis/Dissertation/Research Report:

After 1st year in lieu of two Elective courses a student may opt for thesis/dissertation/ research report of 200 marks in consultation with the department. The department will offer thesis/dissertation/research report to limited number of students according to available research facilities in the department. Only those students will be allowed to opt for thesis/dissertation who secured B Grade

in 1st year. The break-up of marks will be as under:

Thesis:	150
Assul-e-Tehqeeq-o-tadveen	50

M.Phil Program

Admission:

Detail of admission seats for M. Phil Urdu 1st semester class is given in *Appendix-I*. Admission to 1st year class will be made by the Departmental Admission Committee according to the admission/merit criteria laid down by the University / Department.

Departmental Admission Committee:

Prof. Dr. Rubina Tareen	Chairperson
Dr. Aqeela Bashir	Secretary
Dr. Shazia Umbrin	Member
Dr. Muhammad Asif	Member

Eligibility and Merit:

See the prescribed admission rules for M.Phil.

The duration of the course will be 2-Years, (30 credit hours) there will be three compulsory and one optional course in each semester comprising 400 marks. After the completion of course work in two semester (24 credit hours) successful candidates will write a dissertation comprising 200 marks (6 credit hours).

Scheme of Studies Available with the Department

Ph.D Program

This syllabus is only for regular Ph. D Students of B.Z. University, Multan under semester system. In first semester there will be three compulsory courses and in second semester one compulsory and two optional courses. After the completion of course work in two semester (18 credit hours) successful candidates will write a dissertation.

Scheme of Studies Available with the Department

Saraiki Area Study Centre (SASC)

Established	2006
Program of Studies	M.A. (Morning)
Future Program of Studies & Research	M.Phil: Ph.D. Research Project on the Culture, Languages, literature, History etc. of Saraiki Region
Enrollment	M.A. Saraiki (Chart No. 1)
Prerequisites for admission	B.A./B.Sc. with 2nd Division
Faculty:	
Dr. Alamdar Hussain Bukhari	Director (SASC) Associate Professor
Lecturer	
Mr. Muhammad Arif	Incharge
Mr. Muhammad Ajmal Mahaar	
Mrs. Naseem Akhtar	
Mr. Hafiz Muhammad Fiaz	Student Advisor
Mr. Malik Ammar Yasir Khakhi	Incharge Examination
Research Section	
Dr. Muhammad Aslam Ansari	Advisor Research/Incharge Cultural Research
Mr. Hanif Choudhry	Research Associate
Office:	
Mr. Ayaz Mahmood	PA to Director

Introduction

The establishment of Saraiki Area Study Centre (SASC) in Bahauddin Zakariya University was the outcome of the new perspectives on the Southern Punjab/ Saraiki Region with Multan as its intellectual and cultural nucleus. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Zaffarullah, the Vice Chancellor, being a son of the soil, appreciated the idea of the establishment of the SASC and it came into being on May 23, 2009 after the approval of the relevant authorities. SASC has a brief but bright prior history. The Saraiki Research Centre (SRC) was established on September 2, 2000. A few important research projects were completed and a number of books were published under its

umbrella. It metamorphosed into the Department of Saraiki in May 2006, and the regular classes of M.A. Saraiki were started accordingly. Khawaja Ghulam Farid Chair has also been created for SASC. The Saraiki Region, being a part of the vast area of the ancient Indus Valley Civilization, owns rich traditions of language, literature, culture, history and archaeology etc. Saraiki is the ancient native language of the Southern Punjab and several districts of Sindh, Balochistan and Khaver Pakhtunkhwa with centuries old traditions of literature and cultural activities.

The Prime-Minister Syed Yousuf Raza Gillani inaugurated the Saraiki Area Study Centre on 23rd January 2010. Earlier the honorable Prime Minister had announced the grant of 30 million rupees for the strengthening and the development of the SASC. A commemorative book "Saraiki Wasaib" was also published on this occasion and was dedicated to the Prime Minister Syed Yousuf Raza Gillani.

It is worth mentioning that four new academic departments have been approved which may be started in SASC as under:

1. Department of Archaeology
2. Department of Cultural Studies
3. Department of Linguistic Communication
4. Department of Post-Colonial Studies.

The Department of Saraiki (established in 2006) is already functioning with its regular classes as the premier department of the SASC in its elegant new building. The syllabus of M.A. Saraiki is designed with inter-disciplinary approach so that its graduates may get jobs in media, education and other GOs & NGOs. There is a high quality library of rare books, research journals, literary magazines and manuscripts with more than ten thousand books to its credit. A large number of books in the library including the valuable donations from Allama Atique Fikri, Dr. Mehar Abdul Haq, Mian Mumtaz Somroo, Mirza Ibn-e-Hanif, Wali Muhammad Wajid, Qudratullah Shahab, Dr. Mohammad Amin, Farid Pirzada, Hanif Chuadary and Dr. Alamdar Hussain Bukhari.

There is also a newly established museum and a modern computer lab to assist the researchers and the students. An audio/video recording studio and a conservation lab for museum is also being established with the help of the special grant from the Prime Minister Syed Yousuf Raza Gillani. In near future, SASC intends to start diploma / certificate/degree/programmes in the above mentioned disciplines. M.Phil programme in Saraiki is also on its top priority. Different

research projects about the history, archaeology, culture, language and literature of the Saraiki region will be planned and completed. It is also going to launch a comprehensive publishing programme in near future. The SASC arranges seminars, workshops, conferences, Mushairas and other literary and cultural activities regularly.

Syllabus for M.A. Saraiki for 2009/10 and afterward (Annual System)

**Scheme of Studies Available with the
Department**
