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INTRODUCTION:

The Institute of Kashmir Studies (IKS) was established in 1986 as a Research Institute in the University of Azad Jammu and Kashmir, Muzaffarabad. Since its foundation, the IKS has been working to enhance research and development in the field of Kashmir Studies. In 2008, postgraduate level degree program was started in the IKS which aimed to explore and promote the every dimension of Kashmir.

The IKS has a close-knit community of interdisciplinary scholars that combines expertise in the Languages, Literatures, Histories, Archeology, Cultures, Art and Crafts of Kashmir. The institute prides itself in its ability to meet a variety of research and learning needs. To further enhance and promote the quality of teaching and research, the qualified permanent, faculty members have been inducted recently.

The institute is committed to ensure quality teaching and research in the different areas of Kashmir studies which meet all the educational standards of Higher Education Commission (HEC). The mission of this institute is to

produce academically sound scholars to be helpful to resolve the challenges relating to the present issues of the society, and make them useful and responsible citizens of the society. To achieve this mission, the IKS is always devoted to enhance students' professional skills and career opportunities.

The IKS sponsors a variety of activities including cultural events, workshops, conferences, public lectures and other programs that promote understanding of the cultures and societies of the three regions Gilgit-Baltistan, Indian Occupied Kashmir and Azad Kashmir the former State of Jammu and Kashmir. Various study tours and visits are regularly arranged to expose the students and faculty to different national and international conferences/seminars on contemporary issues relating to the different fields of society. These extra-curricular events provide an opening of an innovative and creative learning and also develop deep inter-disciplinary understanding among the students.

The institute is one of the most active and only full-fledged academic institutes in the State of Azad Jammu and Kashmir, offering education and research at BS 4 year, M.Sc. and MPhil level in Kashmir studies.

ASSESSMENT

The students are assessed through Assignments, presentations, Quizzes and Oral and written Examination.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES:

The program has bright and applied prospectus as it provide students great opportunities to join Kashmir Liberation Cell, AJ&K Tourism and Forest Department, Kashmir Cultural Academy, NGO's, Political and Religious Organizations, Hotel Business, Foreign Embassies and Educational Institutes, and further go for higher studies in the field of Civil Services, South Asian Studies, Regional Studies and etc. It is for the first time that Institute is playing a vital role in providing trained and competitive teachers for the Progress of the Institution.

INSTITUTIONAL LINKAGES:

The IKS AJ&K University has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Tokyo University of Foreign Studies (TUFS) Japan. Under this MoU both institutions will develop joint research projects. Through Video-Conferencing System, the IKS students will be able to attend the online lectures. However, after successfully completing this program, IKS students will obtain the Certificates from TUFS, Japan.

CONFERENCES:

International Conference on "Kashmir in Emerging Global Perspective" (May 23-24, 2011) was organized at the UAJK in collaboration with the Department of English. Over 400 delegates including internationally renowned academics, research scholars, journalists and socio-political activities participated in the conference. Around 100 researchers presented their papers in the conference.

SEMINARS:

In the IKS, seminar is designed to enhance the learning capabilities of the students. It encourages reflection upon the value and nature of a university education as well as helping students to develop strategies for life-long learning. IKS conducted various seminars for students while considering their needs of learning and knowledge. Well reputed personalities visited the institute and shared their learning and thoughts by delivering lectures on various topics related to Kashmir. These seminars proved beneficial of enhancement of the personal and analytical abilities of the students.

PROGRAMMES:

BS 4 year Kashmir Studies
M.Sc. Kashmir Studies
M. Phil Kashmir Studies

IKS is planning to launch PhD Programme in near future.

ELIGIBILITY

The eligibility criterion for admission in BS 4 year Kashmir Studies is F.A/F.Sc. at least in Second Division, M.Sc. Kashmir Studies is graduation at least in Second Division. For M. Phil Programme there is a requirement of entry test and NTS is also mandatory. The age limit shall be decided according to the criteria of the University.

Layout for M. Sc. Kashmir Studies Programme

Duration 4-6 Semester
Course 63 Credits
Dissertation 06 Credits
Total 69 Credits

SEMESTER I		
Code	Subject	C.H
IKS- 5101	Ancient History of Kashmir (<i>up to 1339</i>)	03
IKS- 5102	Geology & Geography of Kashmir	03
IKS- 5103	Constitutional Development in AJ&K	03
IKS- 5104	Sufism in Kashmir	03
IKS- 5105	Spoken and Functional Koshur	03
	Total	15

SEMESTER II		
Code	Subject	C.H
IKS- 5201	History of Muslim Rulers in Kashmir (<i>1339 to 1819</i>)	03
IKS- 5202	Art & Cultural Heritage of Kashmir	03
IKS- 5203	Economic Resources of Kashmir	03
IKS- 5204	Regional Languages of Kashmir	03
IKS- 5205	Tourism in Kashmir	03
	Total	15

SEMESTER III		
Code	Subject	C.H
IKS- 5301	History of Kashmir (<i>1819 to 1947</i>)	03
IKS- 5302	Iqbal & Kashmir	03
IKS- 5303	Religions of Kashmir	03
IKS- 5304	Literature of Kashmir –I (<i>Prose</i>)	03
IKS- 5305	Comparative Study of Constitutional Development in AJ&K, IHK & GB.	03
IKS- 5306	Introduction to Social Research; Methods And Methodology	03
	Internship (Kashmir Liberation Cell, Kashmir Cultural Academy)	S/U
	Total	18

SEMESTER IV		
Code	Subject	C.H
IKS- 5401	Peace and Conflict Management	03
IKS- 5402	Kashmir, Pakistan and Central Asia	03
IKS- 5403	Kashmir Conflict (<i>Different Options and Formulas</i>)	03
IKS- 5404	Literature of Kashmir -II (<i>Poetry</i>)	03
IKS- 5405	Thesis (<i>Compulsory</i>)	06
	Seminars/Conferences	S/U
	Grand Viva/Oral Examination	S/U
	Total	18

Layout for M. Phil. Kashmir Studies Programme

Duration 4-6 Semester

Course work:

- a. Compulsory courses 12 Credits
- b. Optional courses 12 Credits

Dissertation 06 Credits

Total 30 Credits

SEMESTER-I		
Code	Subject	C.H
IKS- 7101	Kashmir Conflict (<i>Different Options and Formulas</i>)	03
IKS- 7102	Research Methodology	03
	Optional-I	03
	Optional-II	03
	Total	12

SEMESTER-II		
Code	Subject	C.H
IKS- 7201	Comparative study of Administrative Setup/ Development of Azad Kashmir, Indian Held Kashmir and Gilgit Baltistan	03
IKS- 7202	Research Methodology	03
	Optional-I	03
	Optional-II	03
	Total	12

SEMESTER-III & IV		
Code	Subject	C.H
IKS- 7401	Thesis	06

OPTIONAL COURSES		
Code	Subject	C.H
IKS- 7301	Land and People of Kashmir	03
IKS- 7302	Kashmir Conflict and Role of Super Powers	03

IKS- 7303	Socio Political Development in Kashmir	03
IKS- 7304	Sufi Thoughts in Kashmir	03
IKS- 7305	Economic Resources of Kashmir	03
IKS- 7305	Regional Languages	03
IKS- 7306	History of Freedom Movement in Kashmir	03
IKS- 7307	Comparative study of Constitutional development of Azad Kashmir, Indian Held Kashmir and Gilgit Baltistan	03
	Reading and Conference	03

Tariq Bukhari

M.Sc. Kashmir Studies

4th Semester

My journey to materialize my dreams is proceeding under the guidance of highly qualified and learned faculty at Institute of Kashmir Studies UAJK. The University is providing exceptional quality education for a brilliant future. The day is not so far, when the University and IKS will lead the universities not only in Pakistan but also at international level.

Khawaja Aqeel

M.Sc. Kashmir Studies

2nd semester

My stay in this Institute has been very pleasant so far. The Institute has a remarkable standard of education which helps us to build confidence and skills to groom our personality. It is a platform where I am exploring myself to enlighten my skills. I hope in the future that my university will be among the best universities in the world.