

M.Phil in Economics Programme Outline

Duration: 2 years, 4 Semesters
Credit Hours: 52

PIDE, being a leading economic research institute; provides advanced training in economic and policy analysis. It not only prepares the theoretical foundations of the students but also requires them to undertake a research thesis in the final year. The students also have an option to convert their M.Phil into Ph.D.

Students of M.Phil must take core courses of 25 credit hours (compulsory) and two elective courses of 6 credit hours.

List of core courses offered:

- Microeconomics Theory I & II
- Macroeconomics Theory I & II
- Statistics for Economics
- Mathematics for Economists
- Econometric Methods

Ph.D in Economics Programme Outline

Duration: 4 years, 8 Semesters
Credit hours: 90

PhD in Economics is a four years programme offering a wide range of specializations. Our PhD programme prepares students to make significant contribution in the field of applied and policy oriented economic analysis. The normal duration for the course work is two years. Students are required to pass their comprehensive examinations in order to progress to the research stage.

Students of PhD Economics must take core courses of 28 credit hours (compulsory) and seven elective courses of 21 credit hours. PhD Dissertation accounts for 41 credit hours.

M.Phil Economics and Finance Programme Outline

Duration : 2years , 4 semester
Total Credit Hours: 52

Students of MPhil must take core courses of 20 credit hours (compulsory) and two elective courses of 6 credit hours.

List of core courses offered:

- Microeconomic Theory I
- Macroeconomic Theory I
- Quantitative Methods
- Financial Management
- Financial Economics
- Financial Econometrics

M.Phil/Ph.D Eligibility Criteria

The following candidates shall be eligible in the given order of priority:

1. For M.Phil in Economics, a minimum of B Grade (semester system) or 2nd Division (annual system) in Masters in Economics or 4 years Bachelors (with major in economics) from a recognized university.
2. For PhD in Economics, candidates possessing MPhil/MS/Equivalent degree in Economics, Agricultural Economics, Business Administration, Demography, Mathematics, Environmental Economics, Econometrics, Economics and Finance or Statistics with a minimum of B Grade from a recognized university.
3. For M.Phil in Economics and Finance, M.A./MSc/B.S(4 years) in Economics, Statistics, Mathematics, MBA or Econometrics with at least 2nd division or B Grade.

Candidates who have published research articles are highly encouraged to apply. Candidates having work experience in economics and statistical areas with public and/or private sector experience are also encouraged to apply.

In service applicants are required to submit the No Objection Certificate issued by the employers before the beginning of the academic session.

Students awaiting results may also apply.

For FAQs please visit our website or contact us

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M.Phil / Ph.D. Economics M.Phil Economics & Finance

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Pakistan Institute of Development Economics (PIDE) was established in 1957 and was accorded the status of an autonomous research organization in 1964 by the Government of Pakistan. PIDE is devoted to theoretical and empirical research in economics and related social sciences. In addition to providing a firm academic basis to economic policy-making, its research also provides a window through which the outside world can view the nature and direction of social science research in Pakistan. Over the past 55 years, PIDE has earned an international reputation and recognition for its research, and is now a federally chartered degree awarding institute (DAI) offering world class degree programmes in Economics, Economics and Finance, Health Economics, Population Sciences, Econometrics and Statistics, Environmental Economics, and MBA.

Departments of Economics

The Department of Economics consists of senior faculty members trained in leading universities of the world including Cambridge, Harvard, Chicago, Columbia, Johns Hopkins, Ohio State, Kansas State, Nebraska-Lincoln, London School of Economics and Political Science, Australia National University to name a few, with research and teaching experience spread over decades. Several members of the department also serve as advisors to various government agencies and other multi/bi-lateral organizations.

Why M.Phil/Ph.D at PIDE?

The role of quality education in creating a better world has become increasingly evident. Educational Institutions must train students to effectively address new global challenges. Given the existing asymmetrical situation whereby only a small percentage of the entire population has access to higher education, it is hoped that the M.Sc., M.Phil and PhD programmes at PIDE would be a step forward in a critical field of knowledge and expertise.

These programmes are aimed at imparting a full range of knowledge, awareness and expertise in economics and related disciplines as well as equipping students with the analytical tools necessary for policy oriented research.

The degree programme in Economics have been a long-felt need in Pakistan. In recent years, the number of qualified economists has fallen below the country's requirements. Brain drain of economists to take up attractive jobs abroad has only aggravated this professional vacuum in various government and non-government departments, teaching institutes, and research organizations. The degree programmes at the Pakistan Institute of Development Economics (PIDE) have been developed to meet some of these challenges by providing the necessary facilities for training economists in Pakistan.

To achieve the objectives and to provide for the educational needs of future leaders in government, business, and civic organization; PIDE has designed a specific though broad-based educational facility, and it has launched Master's and M.Phil programmes besides PhD in Economics. The PhD programme in Economics is well-established and is being offered since 1999. As of today, 20 students have been awarded the PhD degree in Economics. Indeed, with a high placement rating, our graduates regularly find employment in the best teaching and policy making institutions.

In addition, we have highly qualified and experienced faculty; HEC approved supervisors; state of the art computing and IT facilities; largest library in economics and related fields; breathtaking campus location at the foot of Margalla Hills and well-furnished and air-conditioned classrooms.

Scope of M.Phil/Ph.D Degree

With broad knowledge in economics and specialized skills in financial and analytical techniques, graduates of M.Phil/PhD are well-prepared to take up career in the public and/or private sector as economic analysts, in business, consultancy firms, financial institutions, and applied research firms. They also find jobs in international organizations, like the World Bank, IMF, International Labour Organization etc., government ministries, and non-governmental organizations (NGOs), universities, and in other teaching and research organizations.

Fee Structure & Financial Support

Registration Fee:	Pak Rs. 15,000 Pak Rs. 3,000 per credit hour
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Merit and need-based scholarships are available. Teaching and Research Assistantships are also available for outstanding students.

How to Apply

Follow the instructions given in the prospectus or visit our website. www.pide.org.pk for more details.

Admission Deadline

Admissions open in July for Fall Semester. Fall Session Starts in September.

