

**INTERNATIONAL ISLAMIC UNIVERSITY ISLAMABAD  
DIRECTORATE OF GRADUATE STUDIES**

No. IIU-Exams/2022-07-03/1

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**NOTIFICATION**

**SUBJECT: ADMISSIONS CRITERIA FOR ADMISSIONS FOR GRADUATE STUDIES  
W.E.F FALL 2022 SEMESTER**

In pursuance of the Academic Council decision in its 81th meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2022 vide notification No. IIU-D-Acad (08)/2008-11262 dated 08-06-2022 & on the recommendations of Board of Advance Studies and Research (BASR) in its meeting held on February 03, 2022 regarding new Academic rules/ regulations & procedures for MS & PhD Programs of IIU, effective from Fall 2022; it is hereby notified for implementation by all the concerned that following Admission criteria shall be followed for MS & PhD Programs, w.e.f. Fall 2022:

**1. The minimum eligibility requirement for admission to Ph.D. program shall be:**

- a) MS or equivalent (18 years schooling degree) in relevant fields with CGPA 3.00/4.00 or 65% marks from Conventional/Annual System or 70% marks in the semester system examination, where CGPA is not calculated.
- b) A candidate for admission to a Ph.D. program must have earned their MS/M.Phil. or equivalent degree by research work/thesis of minimum 6 Credit hours.  
GRE/GAT Subject type or equivalent entry test conducted by the university (department) with at least 70% score. OR GAT Subject test by NTS (where applicable), passed with 70% score.
- c) All the admissions of Ph.D. programs will be processed by the Departmental Admission Committee (Notified by each department).
- d) A candidate for admission to a Ph.D. program will be required to earn at least 70% cumulative marks in three components of merit determination (Previous Qualification Marks (PQM) + Admission Test + Interview).
- e) IIUI does not entertain transfer/migration requests, as per decision of the Academic Council of the university.
- f) In-service candidates shall be required to provide NOC from their departments/organizations, at the time of joining/registration in the program. IIU employees shall be required to submit NOC (issued from HR section, after approval of the Vice President (A & F), at the time of joining/registration in the program.

**2. The merit shall be determined as per following formula:**

a. Previous Qualification Marks (PQM)	40 %
b. Admission Test	40%
c. Interview	20%
i. *Research publication (article):	5 extra Marks (to be adjusted in interview weightage)

**\*Note:** The candidate must be 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> author of the research publication, which must have been published in an HEC recognized journal, at the time of admission (Volume No (DOI No.) should have been assigned to the publication).

**3. Admission of Foreigner/Overseas Candidates.**

The overseas/foreigner candidates shall be granted admission on the basis of their previous/paper qualification. Their eligibility shall be determined by the departmental admission committee (DAC) for the graduate programs.

**REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION IN MS PROGRAMS:**

**1. The minimum eligibility requirement for admission to MS or equivalent program shall be:**

- i- 16 Years Graduate Degree (BS) with CGPA 2.5/4.00 **or** 60% marks from Annual/Conventional System where CGPA is not calculated **or 65% marks** in the semester system examination, where CGPA is not mentioned on terminal degree/transcript, except in MS Pakistan-Studies/History programs.

**OR**

- ii- 16 Years Master's degree (MA/MSc) with CGPA 2.5/4.00 **or** 60%marks from Annual/Conventional System where CGPA is not calculated **or 65% marks** in the semester system examination, where CGPA is not mentioned on terminal degree/transcript, except in MS Pakistan-Studies/History programs.
- iii- Passing of GRE General type or equivalent entry test conducted by the university (department) with at least 60% score (or as prescribed by IIUI from time to time) **OR** Passing of GAT General by NTS, with at least 60% score.
- iv- Candidates shall have to earn at least cumulative **60%** marks in the overall merit determination (Written Test+ Interview+ Previous Qualification Marks (PQM)).
- v- In-service candidates shall be required to provide NOC from their departments/organizations, at the time of joining/registration for the program. IIU employees shall be required to submit NOC (issued from HR section, after approval of Vice President A & F), at the time of joining/registration in the program.

**2. The merit shall be determined as per following formula:**

i. Previous Qualification (BS/M.Sc./M.A.):	40%
ii. Admission Test:	40%
iii. Interview:	20%

**REQUIREMENTS FOR ENROLLEMENT OF MS/PHD SUBJECTS:**

As per the approved policy of Apex Committee, MS and PhD classes shall only be offered for a subject if there is a minimum enrollment of 15 MS and 10 PhD students respectively.



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