



NATIONAL DEFENCE UNIVERSITY (NDU), ISLAMABAD
ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA - SPRING 2026 ADMISSIONS

Following Eligibility Criteria Will Be Followed During Spring - 2026 Admissions

Sr.	Degree Program	Education	Valid GRE/HAT & GAT (General /Subject)	NDU Entry Test	Interview
1.	BS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HSSC / A- levels or equivalent. Candidates waiting result of HSSC shall be allowed to apply for admission on the basis of HSSC Part-I result. Admission confirmation shall be made on the production of complete result of HSSC/A-levels. -In case of failure of requirement the admission shall be stand cancelled. (No 3rd division in entire academic background) 	Not Applicable	Mandatory	Not Applicable
2.	BS (Bridging)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BA/BSc or its equivalent 14 years' degree from an accredited University/ institution with at least a second division or its equivalent grade. (No 3rd division in entire academic background) 	Not Applicable	Mandatory	Not Applicable
3.	PGD (Post Graduate Diploma)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Duration of the Diploma – 1 Year Credit hrs - 24 Cr hrs Conduct – Evening / Weekend Program Eligibility criteria - 16 years Education from HEC Recognized Institution 	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
4.	MS/MPhil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MSc/ BS (4 Years) or equivalent (Min. 16 years of education) in relevant discipline from HEC recognized institution List of relevant disciplines available at NDU Website. Candidates must submit MA/MSc /BS (relevant) Transcript & degree Candidates submitting HEC attested last degree will be given preference. 	<p>(For Relevant Academic Discipline)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Valid GAT (G) by NTS or NDU or GRE or HAT* (Gen in Social Sciences) by HEC with a passing score of 50% <p>*HAT-3 category (Social Sciences) will be accepted for GPP, IR, PCS, SS & FSS. Whereas, HAT-2 category (Management Sciences/ Business</p>	Not Applicable	Mandatory

Sr.	Degree Program	Education	Valid GRE/HAT & GAT (General /Subject)	NDU Entry Test	Interview
			<p><i>Edu) will be accepted for LMS only.</i></p> <p>(For Intra-Academic Discipline)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Valid GAT (G) with 50% & GAT (S) with 60% passing score by NTS or NDU or GRE or HAT* (Gen in Social Sciences) by HEC <p>*HAT-3 category (Social Sciences) will be accepted for GPP, IR, PCS, SS & FSS. Whereas, HAT-2 category (Management Sciences/ Business Edu) will be accepted for LMS only.</p>		
5.	PhD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ MPhil/MS or equivalent (Min. 17/18 years of education) in relevant discipline from HEC recognized institution with minimum 1st division in Annual System or 3.0 / 4.0 CGPA in Semester system in the last degree. ▪ Candidates must submit MS/MPhil HEC attested (relevant) degree. ▪ Preference will be given to candidates submitting research based degrees. (No 3rd division in Last Terminal Degree) 	<p>(For Relevant Academic Discipline)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Valid NTS or NDU GAT (G), with a Passing Score of 60% ▪ Valid result of NTS GAT (G) for Social Science Subjects only. ▪ NTS GAT (G) Business Administration for LMS only. <p>(For Intra-Academic Discipline)</p> <p>Valid GAT (G) with 60% & GAT (S) with 60% passing score by NTS or NDU GAT (Subject)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ NTS-GAT (Subject) Business Administration for LMS only. 	Not Applicable	Presentation of Statement of Purpose & Research Proposal is Mandatory

Note:

- *MPhil & PhD Candidates having Irrelevant Academic Background will be required to complete 6-9 Credit Hours additional Deficiency Courses as identified by the respective Departmental Admission Committee.*
- *Candidates having foreign certificates / degrees are required to submit HEC equivalence with minimum 17/18 years of education along with letter grades conversion to numerical marks / CGPA certificate from respective University for consideration of merit calculation. Applications without numerical rating shall be evaluated with minimum required criteria that is 60% for Annual and 3.0/4.0 for semester based degree.*
- *Foreign degree holders must provide equivalence certificate from IBCC & HEC with application form*

Result Awaiting Applicants

BS Programs:

Local Boards/ Universities Candidates:

The merit of result awaited candidates shall be determined on HSSC-Part-I marks. Candidates having foreign certificates should provide equivalence certificates from IBCC. In case the IBCC equivalence is delayed, merit shall be determined with minimum eligibility criteria of 2nd Div. (45 %).

The candidates have to deposit an Affidavit that they will have to submit their mark sheet before Mid-term examination.

Merit shall be determined on basis of HSSC Score, Entry Test and Interview.

****** Download sample of Result Awaiting Affidavit from NDU Official website).

International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE)/ A' Levels Candidates:

Candidates applying for BS program while waiting for the announcement of their A' Level (Part 2) result will be admitted **provisionally** on the basis of A-1 (subsidiary level/clearing all 3 compulsory subjects). However, NDU will calculate their merit on basis of the (official) grade Sheet of A-1 level (as per numerical marks determined by IBCC). **IBCC equivalence of O' levels** must be provided in any case.

Admitted Candidates shall be required to submit IBCC equivalence for A' levels within 4 weeks after commencement of classes failing which their provisional admission will be cancelled.

Actual scores	Grades	Pak. Equivalent Marks
90 – 100	A	80.75
80 - 89	B	71.25
70 – 79	C	61.75
60 – 69	D	52.25
50 - 59	E	42.75
40 – 49	F	38
35 – 39	G/N/P	33.25

PGD (Evening & Weekends) (1 year Post Graduate Diploma) Program:

- Duration of the Diploma – 1 Year
- Credit hrs - 24 Cr hrs
- Conduct – Evening / Weekend Program
- Eligibility criteria - 16 years Education from HEC Recognized Institution

MPhil (Evening & Weekends) and PhD Programs (Evening):

- All final semester, result awaiting applicants applying for MPhil degree programs may be accommodated in line with BS applicants as per following categories:
 - (a) NDU Graduating Students:** NDU Exam Branch to provide 7th sem result on which their merit will be calculated.
 - (b) Outside NDU Graduating Students:** Applicants to provide respective University's Exam Branch 7th sem result on

which their merit will be calculated.

- MS/MPhil & PhD candidates are required to submit their official transcript and relevant degree with admission form.
- PhD candidates must submit their HEC attested relevant terminal degree (MS/MPhil orequivalent) with admission form.

Reserved / Quota seats* allocation						
S. No	Program	NMDs**	G/B	Baluchistan	Ward of Shaheed***	Disabled
1	BS	2 in each dept.	2 in each dept.			
2	MS/MPhil	1 in each dept.	1 in each dept.	1 in each dept	2 in each dept.	2 in each dept.

* Copy of domicile/ medical certificate must be submitted with application form for consideration under Quota Seat/ Disable Seat However, there is no concession in the Fee structure for candidates applying under Quota.

** Newly Merged Districts (Ex-FATA)

*** Ward of Shaheed shall be recommended by respective services only.