NATIONAL DEFENCE UNIVERSITY (NDU), ISLAMABAD

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA-Spring 2024

Following Eligibility Criteria Will Be Followed During Spring–2024 Admissions:

S. No	Program	Education	GAT (G/S)	Entry Test	Interview
1.	BS	HSSC/A- levels or equivalent. Candidates awaiting for HSSC result 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)	-	Mandatory	Mandatory
2.	BS Bridging	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)		Mandatory	Mandatory

2.	MS/MPhil	MSc/ BS (4 Years) or equivalent (Min. 16 years of education) in relevant discipline from HEC recognized institution List of relevant discipline is available at NDU Website. Candidates must submit MA/MSc/BS (relevant) degree. Candidates submitting HEC attested last degree will be given preference.	NDU-GAT (General) or Valid Result of NTS-GAT (General for Social Science).	Mandatory	Mandatory
3.	PhD	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 entire academic background)	NDU-GAT (Subject) or Valid result of NTS-GAT (Subject) Social Science for IR only. NTS-GAT (Subject) Business Administration for LMS only.	is Mandatory	Interview / proposal presentation is Mandatory

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.

Note: 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

MPhil & PhD Programs:
- Candidates awaiting results are **NOT eligible** to apply for MS/MPhil & PhD programs.
- MS/MPhil & PhD candidates are required to submit their official transcript and relevant degree with admission form.
- PhD candidates are required to submit their HEC attested relevant degree (MS/M.Phil or equivalent) with admission form.

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

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

Relevant Degrees/ Academic Backgrounds for MS/Phil & PhD

S. No	Program	Relevant Background
1	**Government and Public Policy (GPP)**	
	MPhil Government and Public Policy	BS (4 years) / MA /MSc equivalent to 16 years (HEC equivalence in case of foreign degree) in Government & Public Policy, Public Administration, Management Sciences, Economics, Political Science, Sociology, Development Studies, Law, Anthropology, Education, Public Health, Business Administration, Environmental Studies, Criminology,Philosophy or any other relevant discipline. (Ref: Admission Policy dated 7th November, 2022)
	MPhil Economics	BS (4 years) / MA /MSc equivalent to 16 years (HEC equivalence in case of foreign degree) in Economics, Commerce, Banking & Finance, Management Studies, Development Studies, Accounting, International Trade & Business, Public Policy or any other relevant subject. (Ref: Admission Policy dated 7th November, 2022)

S. No	Program	Relevant Background
	PhD GPP	MS / MPhil or equivalent research based degree (HEC equivalence in case of foreign degree), 17 or 18 years of schooling with at least 1st Division (No 3rd Division in entire academic background) or 3.0 / 4.0 CGPA in Government & Public Policy, Public Administration, Economics, Political Science, Sociology, Development Studies, Law, Anthropology, Education Public Health, Governance, Philosophy, Public Policy and Strategic Security Management or any other relevant subject. (Ref: (Ref: Admission Policy dated 7th November, 2022)
2	**Strategic Studies (SS)**	
	MPhil	BS (4 years) / MA /MSc equivalent to 16 years (HEC equivalence in case of foreign degree) in Strategic Studies, Strategic and Nuclear Studies, Diplomatic Studies, Defence and Strategic Studies, International Relations, Political Science, War Studies, Security Studies, International Politics, Art and Science of Warfare, Law, Cyber Security and History. (Ref: Admission Policy dated 7th November, 2022)
3	**Peace and Conflict Studies (PCS)**	
	MPhil **Peace and Conflict Studies**	BS (4 years) / MA /MSc equivalent to 16 years (HEC equivalence in case of foreign degree in Peace and Conflict Studies, Social Work, Diplomatic Studies, Defense and Strategic Studies, International Relations, Political Science, War Studies, Security Studies, History, Sociology, International Law and Pakistan Studies. (Ref: Admission Policy dated 7th November, 2022)

S. No	Program	Relevant Background
	MPhil **Ethnicity and Nationalism**	BS (4 years) / MA /MSc equivalent to 16 years (HEC equivalence in case of foreign degree) in Political Science, International Relations, Defense and Strategic Studies, Peace and Conflict Studies, Defense and Diplomatic Studies, Artsand Science of Warfare, National Security and WarStudies, War Studies(Maritime),Strategic Studies,Ethnicity and Nationalism, Sociology, Pakistan Studies,History and Anthropology. (Ref: Admission Policy dated 7th November, 2022)
	PhD	MS / MPhil or equivalent research based degree (HEC equivalence in case of foreign degree), 17 or 18 years of schooling with at least 1st Division (No 3rd Division in entire academic background) or 3.0 / 4.0 CGPA in Peace & Conflict Studies, Diplomatic Studies, Defence and Strategic Studies, International Relations, Political Science, War Studies,Security Studies, Public Policy and Strategic Security Management (Ref: Admission Policy dated 7th November, 2022)
4	**International Relations (IR)**	
	MPhil	BS (4 years) / MA /MSc equivalent to 16 years (HEC equivalence in case of foreign degree) in International Relations Strategic Studies, Peace and Conflict Studies, Diplomatic Studies, Defence & Strategic Studies, Political Science, War Studies Security Studies, International law, History, Art & Science of Warfare and Pakistan Studies. (Ref: Admission Policy dated 7th November, 2022)

S. No	Program	Relevant Background
5	**Leadership and Management Studies (LMS)**	
	MPhil LMS	BS (4 years) / MA /MSc equivalent to 16 years (HEC equivalence in case of foreign degree) in Leadership and Management Studies, MBA, Master in Public Administration, M.Com, BBA/BS- Leadership and Management/ Pub Administration (4 years),ICMA, CA and MA/M.Sc/ BS (4 years) or equivalent (min. 16 years of non-business/ management education) in Humanities/ Social and Natural & applied Sciences. Candidates with non-business/ management background shall be required to undertake prescribed deficiency courses of 30-36 credit hours at BS level before starting formal course work of MPhil LMS degree program. (Ref: Admission Policy dated 7th November, 2022)
	PhD LMS	MS / MPhil or equivalent research based degree (HEC equivalence in case of foreign degree), 17 or 18 years of schooling with at least 1st Division (No 3rd Division in entire academic background) or 3.0 / 4.0 CGPA in Leadership, Management Studies, Management Science, Project Management, Business Administration & Administrative Sciences. (Ref: Admission Policy dated 7th November, 2022)