

Course Outline HS-105

General Information

Course Title	:	Pakistan Studies
Code	:	ES-105
Year	:	First Year
Credit Hours	:	2+0
Contact Hours	:	2
Marks Distribution	:	100 (60 theory, 40 sessional)

Course Aims and Objectives:

- To introduce students to their past, especially with the history and ideology of Pakistan.
- To provide knowledge and understanding of the present conditions, the problems, needs and requirements in different fields such as a system of government, geography and natural resources, industry, economy, social structure etc.
- To instill in students a sense of belonging to Pakistan.
- To promote of scholarly research regarding the problems and issues facing Pakistan.
- To prepare them to be good and useful members of society.

Course Contents

Chapter-1) Historical and ideological perspective of Pakistan Movement

1. Two Nation Theory

- a) Definition: Claim of Muslims of being a separate nation from Hindus, based upon cultural diversity.
- b) Significance: Cultural diversity and interests led to the demand of Pakistan – Lahore resolution.

2. Creation of Pakistan

- a) Factors leading to the creation of Pakistan.
- b) Quaid-e-Azam and the demand of Pakistan.

Chapter-2) Land of Pakistan

- a) Geo-physical conditions
- b) Geo-political and strategic importance of Pakistan.
- c) Natural resources, viz: mineral, water and power.

Chapter-3) Constitutional Process

- a) Early efforts to make a constitution (1947-1956) problems and issues.
- b) Salient features of the constitution of 1956 and its abrogation.
- c) Salient features of the constitution of 1962 and its abrogation.
- d) Constitutional and political crisis of 1971.

- e) Salient features of the constitution of 1973
- f) Constitutional developments since 1973 to date with special reference to the amendments to the constitutions.

Chapter-4) Contemporary issues in Pakistan

1. A brief survey of Pakistan Economy

- a) An overview of current economic situation in Pakistan; problems, issues and future prospects.

2. Social Issues

- a) Pakistani Society and Culture-Broad features
- b) Citizenship: national and international
- c) Literacy and education in Pakistan: problems and issues
- d) State of Science and Technology in Pakistan: A comparison with other countries with special reference to the Muslim world

3. Environmental Issues

- a) Environmental pollution and its hazards: causes, and solutions.
- b) Environmental issues in Pakistan: government policies, measures and suggestions for improvement.
- c) Pakistan's role in the preservation of nature through international conventions / treaties.

Chapter-5) Pakistan's Foreign Policies

- a) Evolution of Pakistan foreign policy-1947 to date
- b) A brief survey of Relation with Neighbours, Super Powers & the Muslim World.

Chapter-6) Human Rights

1. Conceptual foundations of Human Rights

- a) What are Human Rights? Definition, origins & significance.
- b) Comparative analysis of Islamic and Western Perspectives of Human rights.

2. UN System for protection Human Rights

- a) UN Charter.
- b) International Bill of Human Rights – an overview.
- c) Implementation mechanism.

3. Other important international treaties and conventions

- a) The convention on the elimination of all forms of discrimination against Women (CEDAW).
- b) International convention on the rights of child (CRC)

- c) Convention against torture (CAT).
- d) Other treaties and Convention.

4. Pakistan's response to Human Rights at national and international levels

- a) Constitutional Provisions.
- b) Pakistan's Obligations to international treaties and documents.
- c) Human Rights issues in Pakistan- a critical analysis
- d) Pakistan's stand on violation of Human Rights in the international perspective.

Recommended Books

- Rafi Raza, *Pakistan in Perspective 1947-1997*, Oxford University Press, 2003
- Sharif-ul-Mujahid, *The Ideology of Pakistan*
- N. Sethi, *The Environment of Pakistan*
- Ziring Lawrence, *Pakistan in the Twentieth Century*
- Parvez Hoodbhoy, *State and Education*
- Burke S. M. & Ziring Lawrence, *Pakistan's Foreign Policy*
- Dr. Ishrat Hussain, *Pakistan - The Economy of an Elitist State*
- *Pakistan Almanac*