

Pakistan Studies (Compulsory)
Credit Hours: 02

Introduction

The purpose of this course is to acquaint students with the rationale of the inception of Pakistan in a historical context. It provides knowledge about the canons that were ingrained in the edifice of Pakistan during its formative years. This course also seeks to provide an appreciation and understanding of the cultural, demographical, and socio-political heritage of Pakistan; along with the main strands of Pakistan's foreign policy and futuristic version. Furthermore, a comprehension of contemporary Pakistan is incorporated to provide viable solutions to Pakistan's variety of defies through knowledge and critical assessment.

Objectives

- Acquaint students with the meaning and significance of Pakistan Studies as a compulsory subject.
- Develop vision of historical perspective, ideological background of Pakistan, government, politics, and contemporary Pakistan.
- To develop civic sense for understanding and fulfilling their duties and responsibilities.
- To sanitize students about the understanding of Pakistan's geographical and strategic importance of South Asia.
- To promote the knowledge of the importance of Pakistani culture and civilization.
- To develop understanding of Pakistan's population dynamics to deal with challenges of overpopulation and issues related in contemporary and future times. By learning eclectic mix of population phenomenon, students will be able to utilize and analyze various techniques related to the subject.

Course Outline

1. Historical Perspective

1. People and Land
 - i. Indus Civilization
 - ii. Muslim Advent
 - iii. Location and Geo-Physical Features.
2. Factors leading to Muslim Separatism
3. Ideological Rationale with special reference to Sir Syed Ahmed Khan, Allama Muhammad Iqbal and Quaid-i-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah.

2. Government and Politics in Pakistan: Political and Constitutional Phases

1. 1947-58
2. 1958-71
3. 1971-77
4. 1977-88
5. 1988-99
6. 1999 onward