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Introduction to PIDE

- ✓ Established in 1957, PIDE is Pakistan's autonomous research hub for economics and social sciences, conducting theoretical and empirical research
- ✓ A leading institution for theoretical and empirical research in economics and social sciences in Pakistan.
- ✓ Its research informs economic policymaking and showcases social science research in Pakistan globally, providing students with a unique learning environment.
- ✓ As a Degree-Awarding Institute since 2006, PIDE offers affordable, high-quality education in a stimulating environment.
- ✓ Internationally recognized for its research and world-class degree programs (Economics, Finance, Econometrics, etc.) over the past 68 years.

Why Join PIDE for a Postgraduate degree



WSP

An initiative designed to bridge the gap between academia and practical policy work. It offers PhD scholars the opportunity to gain real-world experience by engaging with Ministries, Industries, and Organizations (MIOs) to address real-world economic challenges. Scholars engaged via WSP, receive a monthly stipend of PKR 80,000/-



Merit Scholarship

The high achievers are offered Merit scholarship to acknowledge their hard work.



Engage in Rigorous Academic Programs

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Learn from the Best Minds

Study under the guidance of leading economists and researchers who are actively shaping Pakistan's development agenda.



Participate in Cutting-Edge Research

Get opportunities to be involved in ongoing research projects, gaining hands-on experience in addressing real-world economic issues



Develop Strong Analytical Skills

Hone your critical thinking, quantitative analysis, and problem-solving abilities, essential for a successful career in economics and related fields.



Access Comprehensive Economic Research Resources

Utilize PIDE's extensive library resources, modern facilities, and vibrant academic community to enhance your learning experience.



Network with Future Leaders

Connect with a diverse cohort of talented and motivated students who will become your future colleagues and collaborators.



Gain Insights into Policy Making

Understand the intricate processes of economic policy formulation and implementation in Pakistan.



Explore Diverse Fields of Economics

Discover and specialize in areas of economics that align with your interests, from macroeconomics to development economics and beyond, including but not limited to, Core economics, Data Science, Climate Change Resilience, Financial Technology (Fin-Tech), and Governance & Public Policy.



Prepare for Impactful Careers in Policy and Research

Equip yourself with the knowledge and skills necessary for impactful careers in government, international organizations, research institutions, and the private sector. With alumni placed in renowned institutions like the World Bank, IMF, State Bank, MoPD&SI and other government ministries and organizations, PIDE offers unmatched career development.

Why Join PIDE School of Economics ?

Focused Economics Education

Benefit from specialized degree programs in Economics, Econometrics, Economics & Finance, Business Economics, and Environmental & Health Economics.

Think Tank for the Government

As a primary think tank for the Ministry of Planning, Development, and Special Initiatives, PIDE's research directly gets noticed in national policy-making.

Policy-Relevant Learning

Engage with real-time economic dilemmas, encouraging work on policy issues alongside theoretical foundations.

Be Part of a Pioneer Institution

Join the original school of economics within a well-established and respected institute.

Exposure to Policy Issues

You'll gain insights into real-world economic challenges facing Pakistan and learn how economic theory is applied to address them.

Expert Faculty in Core Economics

Learn from faculty specializing in Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, International Trade & Finance, and Monetary & Fiscal Policy.

Emphasis on Modern Economic Tools

Gain skills in Economic Modelling, Behavioural Economics, Machine Learning, and policy evaluation.

Located in Islamabad

Study in the heart of Pakistan's policy and academic discourse.

Access to Research Resources

Utilize PIDE's library and data resources to support your academic pursuits

Career Advancement:

Prepare for diverse career paths in government, research, and international organizations.

Opportunity for Research Involvement

Be close to a leading research institution with potential involvement in ongoing projects.

Contribute to National Development

Understand and potentially contribute to the economic development of Pakistan.

Programs offered at **PIDE School of Economics**

PhD Economics

(with following Specializations and more)

- Economic Theory
- Empirical Economics
- Trade and Regional Economics
- Fiscal Policy
- Transport and Logistics
- Climate Resilience
- Financial Technology
- Data Science
- Governance & Public Policy

MPhil Economics

MPhil Econometrics

MPhil Economics & Finance

MPhil Business Economics

PhD Econometrics

(with following Specializations and more)

- Data Science (Big data)
- AI and Machine Learning
- Financial Econometrics
- Econometric Theory
- Bayesian Econometrics
- Micro/Macro Econometrics



In-house Scholarships

- WSP
- Merit Based Scholarship
- Involvement of PIDE's students in projects



External Scholarships

- KPK Endowment Fund
- Punjab Education Endowment
- NEST Scholarship
- Pakistan Bait ul Mal Scholarship
- Prime Minister Fee Reimbursement Scheme
- Prime Minister Laptop Scheme
- HEC scholarships

PIDE Alumni & Past Affiliates

Dr. Imtiaz Ahmad

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Dr. Hassan Muhammad Mohsin

Economic Advisor, Ministry of Finance

Mr. Muhammad Ali Kemal

Chief SDGs, Ministry of Planning, Development, and Special Initiatives

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