Bachelor of Science in Economics

(BS Economics)

4 Years Honors
(Eight Semesters)

The objective of the BS Program in Economics is to let the students understand the fundamental principles and concepts in Economics. Courses in this program provide the principles, methods and techniques that are essential for a critical and appreciative understanding of the functions of economy and its various dimensions. Students will learn how to apply theoretical principles to real-world economic problems. The students will also acquire the skills in analytical techniques and methods and their applications across the broad field of Economics. Students will develop critical and rational reasoning so as to be able to work on complex problems and be able to develop careers in teaching, research, industry and government.

Requirements:

A student must achieve 144 semester credits for the award of a bachelor's degree. Out of this total requirement, at least 60 credits must be completed in general education including sciences, mathematics, social sciences, language and humanities; minimum 48 credits in core subjects related to the degree program of the student; 24 credits in Electives in Economics.

Eligibility:

Holders of any of the following qualifications:

- High School graduation (12 years of school education)
- Higher Secondary School Certificate or Intermediate (FA/FSc)
- International Baccalaureate
- Minimum seven 'O' levels and two 'A' levels

Students should have preferably studied economics, mathematics, statistics or any of the science subjects.

In addition to the minimum qualification, candidates are required to qualify Written Test and Interview for admission to the BS program.

Credit Requirements for BS Economics Programs:

- General Education: 60 Credit Hours
- Core Courses: 48 Credit Hours
- Optional Courses: 24 Credit Hours
- Bachelors Project: 06 Credit Hours
- Internship: 06 Credit Hours
- Total: 144 Credit Hours

All elective courses are determined by the University at the beginning of each semester and are offered to the entire class. Students may not deviate from the block of optional courses offered by the University in any given semester.

In addition to the requirements for earned credits, a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of minimum 2.0 on a scale of 0.0 – 4.0 must be attained.
BS Economics Program

**BS:** 4 years; 144 semester credit hours

**Eligibility:** FA/FSc or equivalent with preferably Economics, Statistics, Mathematics or any of the Science subjects.

**GENERAL EDUCATION – BS Economics**

*(60 Semester Credits)*

**Mathematics, Sciences and Social Sciences**

- Mathematics-I
- Mathematics-II
- Statistics-I
- Statistics-II
- Introduction to Business
- Introduction to Psychology
- Introduction to Sociology
- Basic Management
- World Geography
- Introduction to Computers
- Computer Applications

**Language and Humanities**

- English Grammar
- English Composition
- Business Communication-I
- Business Communication-II
- Public Speaking
- Ethics
- Effective Presentations
- Pakistan Studies or Commercial Geography
- Islamic Studies or Ethics

**CORE COURSES - BS Economics Program**

*(48 Semester Credits)*

- Microeconomics
- Macroeconomics
- Econometrics
- Development Economics
- Mathematical Economics
- International Trade Theory
- Public Finance
- Economy of Pakistan
- Intermediate Microeconomics
- Intermediate Macroeconomics
- World Trade Organization
- Islamic Economics
- Financial Institutions
- Agricultural Economics
- Research Methods-I
- Research Methods-II

**ELECTIVE COURSES - BS Economics Program**

*(24 Semester Credits)*

- Money and Banking
- Islamic Banking
- Monetary Policy
- Fiscal Policy
- Welfare Economics
- Population Economics
- Comparative Economic Systems
- Environmental Economics
- Project Appraisal and Analysis
- Rural Development
- Financial Markets
- Managerial Economics
- Poverty Alleviation
- Health Economics

Bachelors Project: 6 Credits
Internship: 6 Credits
Class Attendance

Regular class attendance is expected of all students. It is mandatory to maintain a minimum 70% attendance in all courses at the university. In case of excessive absences a student will not be allowed to sit for the final examination.

Textbooks

All students registering for courses must obtain the textbooks recommended by the faculty from the Preston bookstore or from the general bookstore whichever is convenient.

Availability of Courses

Preston University does not guarantee that the courses listed in this prospectus will be offered in any given term or year. The University also reserves the right to cancel any course or section for which enrolment is insufficient and to change the instructor and / or classes without advance notice.

Academic Facilities and Services

Each campus location of Preston in Pakistan, has extensive academic facilities including classrooms, computers laboratories, libraries, workshops, and abundant space for administrative and teaching staff, common areas for students, canteen etc. All classrooms and major facilities are fully air-conditioned. Modern audiovisual aids, including video equipment, slide projectors, overhead projectors and multimedia are available for the faculty to use in the classrooms. The students also use these facilities for making presentations of their research projects and term papers.

Library Resources

Each Preston campus in Pakistan has its own library stocked with latest editions of leading textbooks, reference books, periodicals, journals, videos, audio cassettes, and CDs. The total holdings exceed 70,000 volumes. Books and journals are continuously added to the library collections.

Financial Assistance / Scholarships

Preston provides a variety of financial assistance according to the needs of the students who are unable to meet the full cost of their education. Preston also provides a specific scholarship (25% on admission fee and monthly tuition fee) to serving or retired military personnel belonging to Pakistan's Armed Forces or the Police Department and to the employees of the Federal and Provincial Governments.

All scholarships are provided after an assessment based on the needs and merit of the applicant. No candidate can claim automatic award of scholarship on any basis. Scholarship once awarded to a student may be cancelled if the student is unable to maintain satisfactory academic performance. Scholarship application must be submitted on prescribed forms on or before the deadline for submission of application for admission.