



Opportunities for Pakistani Scholars and Non-PhD Faculty to Pursue PhD Studies in Ranked US Universities

Under **US-Pakistan Knowledge Corridor** | Academic Year 2018

The US-Pak Knowledge Corridor was established in June 2015 as a result of the US-Pakistan Education, Science and Technology Working Group (ESTWG). The Government of Pakistan envisions enhancing enrolment in tertiary education up to seven million by 2025, while expanding outreach of higher education institutions (HEIs) at district level. For this purpose, the US-Pak Knowledge Corridor aims to provide opportunities for 10,000 Pakistani scholars for doctoral studies at ranked US universities, enabling HEIs to have highly qualified PhD faculty. In the initial phase, HEC is focusing on sending 1,500 PhD scholars to the leading US universities at the beginning of Fall 2017.

HEC invites applications from eligible Pakistani/ AJK scholars to pursue doctoral studies in the following fields:

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| • Arts | • Emerging Technologies |
| • Design and Media | • Micro-electronics |
| • Engineering and Technology | • Computers |
| • Physical Sciences | • Telecommunications |
| • Social Sciences | • Human-made Materials |
| • Medical and Allied Health Sciences | • Robotics |
| • Agriculture | • Bio-technology |
| • Veterinary and Food Security | • Nano-technology |
| • Business Sciences | • Water Resources and Energy |

(Theoretical degrees, which may be Masters in these fields)



Scholarship Will Cover:

Monthly living allowance, health insurance, initial settlement allowance and return airfare. **The scholarship will not cover the tuition fee.** The scholars will secure admission in the top 235 US universities and 23 university systems, offering/ encouraging tuition fee waiver (list mentioned in the link below).

Eligibility Criteria:

1. Pakistani / AJK national.
2. Have completed MS, MPhil or equivalent degree (18 years of education) from HEC recognized universities with excellent grades.
3. Age limit: maximum 40 years for regular faculty and researchers of public sector universities/ R&D organisations, and 35 years for all others.
4. Have acquired valid and acceptable GRE and TOEFL scores required for admissions in US universities.
5. The scholars who have already secured admission or have been enrolled in PhD programme in top 235 US universities and 23 university systems in the identified fields may also apply for scholarship.
6. Have an active commitment to serve the universities/ R&D organisations in Pakistan after completion of studies.

Application Process:

- Send complete application form along with the required documents before the deadline through portal.hec.gov.pk/US-PakCorridor. QS Ranking overall ranking list is available at www.hec.gov.pk/site/US-PakCorridor in the identified fields.

Disclaimer

HEC reserves the right to postpone or cancel the scholarship at any stage.

Female candidates are highly encouraged to apply.

The last date for Application: December 31, 2017

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