# PAKISTAN STUDIES

## UGE POLICY V 1.1 : GENERAL EDUCATION COURSE

**Credits:** 02
**Pre-Requisite:** Nil
**Offering:** Undergraduate Degrees
**Placement:** 1 - 8 Semesters
**Type:** General Education
**Fields:** All

## DESCRIPTION

This course is designed to provide students with a comprehensive exploration of Pakistan's identity, spanning geographical, historical, and cultural dimensions. It delves into the diverse landscapes, ancient civilizations, and rich cultural heritage that define Pakistan. Moreover, it examines the socio-cultural and political transformations in Pakistan over time including democratic transitions and military interventions. The aim of this course is to inculcate in students a nuanced understanding of Pakistan's past, present, and potential future trajectories, enabling them to critically evaluate the complex dynamics shaping the nation's development.

## COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

By the end of this course, students will be able to:

1. Have enhanced knowledge of the geographical, historical, and political aspects of Pakistan.
2. Understand the society and culture of Pakistan.
3. Understand and explain the socio-economic developments in Pakistan.
4. Explore contemporary issues and challenges faced by Pakistan and their implications for the future.

## SYLLABUS

1. **Introduction to Pakistan:**
   - Geographical location and significance.
   - Historical background: Ancient civilizations in the region.
   - Factors leading to the creation of Pakistan.
2. **Political History of Pakistan:**
   - Formative phase.
   - Military interventions and democratic transitions.
3. **Geography of Pakistan:**
   - Physiography: Mountains, plains, plateaus, deserts, valleys and coastal areas.
   - River systems: Indus River and its tributaries.
   - Climatic regions of Pakistan.
4. **Society and Culture of Pakistan:**
   - Socio-cultural diversity.
   - Languages and literature of Pakistan.
5. **Economic Development of Pakistan:**
   - Agriculture and industrial sectors of Pakistan.
   - Economic challenges of Pakistan.

6. **Contemporary Issues:**
   - Foreign relations of Pakistan.
   - Security challenges: terrorism, extremism, and regional conflicts.
   - Environmental problems and sustainable development (SDGs).
   - Media and social change.

## SUGGESTED INSTRUCTIONAL / READING MATERIALS

1. "Jinnah of Pakistan" by Stanley Wolpert
2. "The Sole Spokesman: Jinnah, the Muslim League, and the Demand for Pakistan" by Ayesha Jalal
3. "The struggle for Pakistan" by Ishtiaq Husain Qureshi
4. "Pakistan, the Formative Phase, 1857-1948" by Khalid B. Sayeed
5. "Pakistan Studies: A Book of Readings" by Sikandar Hayat
6. "Constitutional and Political History of Pakistan" by Hamid Khan
7. "Trek to Pakistan" by Ahmad Saeed and Kh. Mansur Sarwar
8. "Pakistan: A Modern History" by Ian Talbot
9. "Politics in Pakistan: The Nature and Direction of Change" by Khalid B. Sayeed
10. "Physical Geography of Pakistan" by Umar Jahangir
11. "A Geography of Pakistan: Environment, People, and Economy" by Fazle Karim Khan
12. "Pakistan's Foreign Policy: An Historical Analysis" by S. M. Burke
13. "Separatism in East Pakistan" by Rizwan Ullah Kokab
14. "Being Pakistani: Society, Culture and the Arts" by Raza Rumi
15. "Pakistan's Cultural Heritage: Socio-Economic and Technological Aspects" edited by Abdul Jabbar Khan
16. "Language and Politics in Pakistan" by Tariq Rahman
17. "Sociology" by Horton and Hunt
18. "Pakistan in the Twentieth Century: A Political History" by Lawrence Ziring
19. "Economic Development of Pakistan" by Ishrat Husain
20. "Issues in Pakistan's Economy" by S. Zaidi