

01. SUBMISSION OF IMPLEMENTATION REPORT OF THE DECISIONS OF THE 10th AND 11th ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETINGS.

Decision:

The House confirmed the implementation status of the decisions of the 10th and 11th Academic Council meetings with the directives of the Vice Chancellor that if any committee constituted by the Academic Council, the committee shall complete its task within time and the report shall be submitted in the next meeting of the Academic Council.

02: Recommendations of the Committee regarding “Approval of Semester Rules of the University and Affiliated Colleges”.

Decision:

The House after detailed and lengthy discussion approved and recommended the amendments in University and affiliated Colleges Semester Rules with minor changes like (inclusion of admission criteria for BS Islamic Studies, LLB 04 year with LLB 05 years, time limit for transfer from one department to other department, dual admission as per HEC Policy, granting of 05 grace Marks for the students of affiliated colleges in entire degree program , implementation of semester rules from Spring Semester 2025 etc, which were pointed out by the members. The Secretary incorporated the changes on the spot. The same should be placed before the upcoming Syndicate meeting for final approval.

03: Approval for the Establishment of the Department of Political Science at Wari Campus of SBBU and launching BS and Associate Degree Programs.

Decision: After a detailed and extensive discussion, The Controller of Examinations, Mr. Intikhab Ullah, informed the House that the University already has the Department of Political Science on record. The House, upon consideration, approved the establishment of the Department of Political Science with the launching of BS and Associate Degree Programs at the Wari Campus of SBBU. However, it was decided that classes shall commence only after


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sufficient admissions are secured. In case the student enrollment is found unsatisfactory, the session will not be initiated.

04: Recommendations of the Committee regarding “Fixation of Minimum Number of Students to Start a Session (BS) within a department”.

Decision:

After detailed deliberations, the House agreed on the following:

1. Already Established Departments:

Departments already established, where the number of applicants is fewer than ten, shall be permitted to commence the session in the current year. However, such departments shall not be allowed to commence the session in the next year if admissions remain below ten.

2. Newly Established Departments:

Newly established departments shall only be permitted to commence the session if the number of admissions is ten or more. If there are fewer than ten admissions, such departments shall not be allowed to start the session.

05: Recommendations of the Committee regarding “Approval for Employee’s Son/Daughter Quota”.

Decision:

The House, after detailed and extensive deliberations, approved the recommendations of the Committee at the university level with the following modification:

- i. Employees’ children shall be exempted from *tuition fees only*, while all other fees shall be payable by them.
- ii. It was further decided that two percent (02%) quota seats in each department shall be clearly reflected in the seat distribution in the prospectus and other official documents by the Director, Teaching and Admissions.


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06: Recommendationsof the Office of Director Teaching and Admissions

06.01: Approval of 10 Marks in the subject of “Civics and Community Engagement” under the Prime Minister National Literacy Drive “Each one teaches one” Program.

Decision:

The House after detailed discussion took the following decision.

After the orientation and training to be conducted by the National Commission for Human Development (NCHD) in collaboration with the National Academy of Higher Education (NAHE) for the University Focal Person, a comprehensive report and working paper on the subject shall be prepared by the Focal Person. The said report and working paper shall be placed before the next meeting of the Academic Council for consideration

06.02: Guidance regarding “Mechanism of Internship report Evaluation and marks”.

Decision:

After detailed discussion, the House constituted the following Committee to develop a mechanism for the evaluation of internship reports and the award of marks considering the new Graduate Policy of the Higher Education Commission (HEC). The Committee shall submit its recommendations within fifteen (15) days, positively

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| i. | Dr. Midrarullah | Associate Professor of Biotechnology | Convener |
| ii. | Dr. Badshah Hussain | Director QEC | Member |
| iii. | Director ORIC | | Member |
| iv. | Dr. Muhammad Nawaz Khan | AP Sociology | Member |
| v. | Dr. Shehzad Khan | Director IT | Secretary |


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07. APPROVAL AND CONFIRMATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARD OF STUDIES OF DEPARTMENT OF ISLAMIC STUDIES.

07.01: Minutes of the 5th BOS of department of Islamic Studies

Decision:

The House after detailed discussion approved the minutes of the 5th Board of Studies of department of Islamic Studies.

07.02: Minutes of the 6th BOS of department of Islamic Studies

Decision:

The House after detailed discussion approved the minutes of the 6th Board of Studies of department of Islamic Studies.

07.03: Recommendations for the Courses “Understanding of Holy Quran I&II” and their Syllabi For all BS, MS/M.Phil and PhD Programs of SBBU

Decision:

The House after detailed discussion approved the agenda item. Furthermore, the other departments shall take the course contents of the above subjects from the department of Islamic Studies and shall place before their respective Board of Studies.

Note:1. As per HEC guidelines, two (02) courses titled “Understanding of Holy Quran I” and “Understanding of Holy Quran II” shall be incorporated as general courses in all disciplines of AD/BS, MS/MPhil, and PhD programs from Fall 2025 onwards.

2. Each course shall carry one (0-1) credit hour, with three (03) contact hours per week, in line with HEC guidelines.

3. Each course shall be evaluated out of 50 marks. The passing marks shall be 25. Assessment shall be distributed as follows:

* 10 marks for internal evaluation (presentations, assignments, and quizzes),

* 10 marks for the Mid-Term Examination, and

* 30 marks for the Final Examination.


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4. The ambiguity regarding the "Taleem-ul-Quran" previous course has now been resolved by the HEC. It has been replaced with the above two courses. HEC has provided complete details regarding the number of courses, their nature, and contents. Accordingly, implementation shall commence from Fall Semester 2025.

5. Since no final decision regarding the "Taleem-ul-Quran" course was reached in previous Academic Council meetings of SBBU, any courses initiated based on earlier Board of Studies decisions shall now be discontinued to avoid complications for colleges. However, certificates for courses already completed shall be issued to the concerned students by the department.

07.04: Recommendations for Revised Scheme of Study and Syllabus for AD &BS Islamic Studies for Fall 2025 onwards as Per HEC Revised Curriculum for Degree Programs in Islamic Studies.

Decision:

The House after detailed discussion approved the agenda item.

07.05: Approval of the Revised Scheme of Study and Syllabus for M.Phil/ Ph.D Islamic Studies for Fall 2025 onwards as Per HEC Revised Curriculum for Degree Programs in Islamic Studies.

Decision:

The House after detailed discussion approved the agenda item.

07.06: Recommendation for the External Examiners (Foreign) for thesis evaluation of BS, MPhil and PhD Scholars.

Decision:

The House after detailed discussion approved the list of Examiners for BS Program, while directed the department to place the list of Examiners for M.Phil and Ph.D programs before ASRB for approval.

08: Recommendation/ Working paper of the department of Islamic Studies regarding "Specialized BS Islamic Studies Seerat-e- Mustafa (PBUH) and inclusion of Seerat-e- Mustafa (PBUH) as a compulsory subject in all BS Degree Programs


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Decision:

The House after detailed discussion decided that as the HEC-NCRC has revised the curriculum for BS Islamic Studies, effective from Fall, 2025 under the UGP-2023 framework, as per the document, all BS programs in the discipline of Islamic Studies will be offered under the standardized title of “**BS Islamic Studies**”

However, seven elective/specialized courses may be offered at the BS level from relevant fields, such as:

- Qur'an and Tafseer
- Hadith
- Seerah Studies, etc.

Accordingly, Islamic Studies department may offer seven elective courses (**21 credit hours**) from the given list under Seerah Studies. The Student will opt the Courses in last two semesters.

In accordance with the HEC Undergraduate Policy (UGP-2023), a 2-credit hour course in the category of *Arts & Humanities (General Education)* is mandatory at the AD/BS level across all disciplines. It was therefore decided that departments currently offering *Islamic History* under this category shall replace it with the course titled “**Seerat-e-Mustafa (PBUH)**”. This course shall be placed in the *Arts & Humanities (General Education)* category for all AD/BS programs of SBBU, except for BS Islamic Studies, where a 3-credit hour course of similar nature is already incorporated as a major subject. The Department of Islamic Studies will share the Course contents and course codes with all departments. And they shall adopt the same from their respective Board of Studies for the Fall Semester 2025. If any department has previously adopted the non-credit “Seerat-un-Nabi ﷺ” course, it shall be annulled and replaced with this one.

Furthermore, the working paper will be shared with Higher Education Department for further perusal.

Course shall be evaluated out of 50 marks. The passing marks shall be 25. Assessment shall be distributed as follows:

- * 10 marks for internal evaluation (presentations, assignments, and quizzes),
- * 10 marks for the Mid-Term Examination, and
- * 30 marks for the Final Examination.


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09: Approval for extension in study duration of Mr. Syed Fawad Uddin student department of Law session 2017-22 to re appear in 02 Papers

Decision:

The case of Mr. Syed Fawad Uddin student of Department of Law was placed before the Academic Council for consideration. The student had appeared in the 10th semester examination; however, he had failed in 02 papers of the 7th semester. As per the University's rules and regulations, a student who has failed in any course(s) of the 7th semester is not eligible for promotion to the 10th semester, nor allowed to appear in its examination.

During the discussion, members raised the point that since the student was not eligible for promotion, his appearance in the 10th semester examination was irregular. The student, however, claimed that he appeared in the said examination through the online system and that the non-availability of his record was not due to his fault.

Some members also observed that the Head of Department concerned should have ensured compliance with the University's promotion rules and not allowed the student to appear in the 10th semester examination.

After detailed deliberation, and keeping in view the academic future of the student, the Academic Council decided that the student shall be allowed to appear in the failed papers of the 7th semester and his case be processed accordingly.

10. APPROVAL AND CONFIRMATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARD OF STUDIES OF DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS.

10.01. Minutes of the 6th BOS of department of Mathematics

Decision:

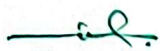
The House after detailed discussion approved the minutes of the 06th Board of Studies of department of mathematics.

10.02. Approval of the Scheme of Studies of BS and Associate Degree in Mathematics Program as per HEC new undergraduate scheme 2025.

Decision:

The House after detailed discussion approved the agenda item as per HEC Policy.


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10.03: Approval of the BS in Mathematics programs with specialization in Artificial Intelligence and Data Science.

Decision:

The House after detailed discussion approved the agenda item as per HEC Policy. However Dr. Irfan Ullah (Chairman Department of Computer Science) recorded his dissent as follow "I respectfully dissent from the approval of the proposed interdisciplinary program BS Mathematics with specialization in Artificial Intelligence and Data Science on the following grounds:

1. The Board of Studies (Mathematics) lacks representation from Computer Science professionals with relevant expertise in AI and Data Science, which is evident from the misaligned course selection and distribution.
2. Several CS courses included in the proposal disregard prerequisite structures, violating HEC curriculum guidelines and undermining the academic credibility of the program.
3. The background disparity between Mathematics and CS students-exacerbated by inappropriate course selection and ignored prerequisites-may hinder joint instruction, require additional resources, and discourage efficient resource-sharing.
4. NCEAC's formal opinion is essential for any CS-related specialization or minor to be offered as part of BS Mathematics, as it directly impacts accreditation and program legitimacy of the CS programs offered and to be accredited with NCEAC".

These concerns warrant a comprehensive review before any further action is taken

The HoD Mathematics explained in response that the department of Mathematics is not bound to follow NCEAC and we are bound to follow HEC and the Scheme and the new program is designed as per HEC Policy.

10.04: Approval of the inclusion of a course of the *Understanding of the Quran I & II* of 01 credit hour in the M.Phil Scheme of Studies as a Mandatory Requirement by HEC.

Decision:

The House after detailed discussion approved the agenda item as per HEC Policy.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to and from the Chair.


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Attendance Sheet (12th Meeting of the Academic Council), Dated 02.10.2025

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1	M. Shahid	VC	
2	Abdul Khalig Jan	chair chemistry	2/10/25
3	Intikhab Ullah	controller of Exam	
4	Dr. Aminullah	HOD (Islamiat)	02.10.2025
5	Dr. Muhammad Reza	D.TA	
6	Dr. Raza M Nawaz	Chairman Forestry	
7	Dr. Najam Rahman	Member	
8	Dr. M. Asif Nawaz	Chair Biotech	A 2/10/25
9	Dr. Allah Ditta	Chairman Em. Sci	
10	Dr. Badshah Hussain	Dis. Q.E.C	
11	Dr. Inam Ullah	Chair Comp. Sc./Member	
12	Dr. M. Nawaz Khan	Member	
13	Dr. Attaullah	Registrar	
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