

Accreditation and Zero Visit of Agriculture & Allied degree Programs at The University of Lahore (UOL)

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The University of Lahore (UOL) is the largest private sector university in Pakistan with more than 35,000 students. It was established in 1999 and since then it is offering courses in the fields of Medicine & Dentistry, Engineering, Arts, Sciences and Social Sciences. With strong emphasis on balanced progress and focus on human capital, the University has grown to 11 faculties and more than 45 departments.

Three Accreditation Inspection Committees (AICs) comprising of Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC as a convener, Prof. Dr. Tahir Zahoor, Faculty of Applied Sciences, NUR International University, Lahore as member conducted accreditation visit of Food Science & Technology, Dr. Muhammad Issa Khan, National Institute of Food Science & Technology, UAF and Dr. Muhammad Zia-ur-Rehman, Institute of Soil & Environmental Sciences, UAF as members conducted Zero/Pre-accreditation visit of Human Nutrition & Dietetics (HND) and Environmental Sciences at The University of Lahore (UOL).



Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ashraf, Rector, UOL, Prof. Dr. Ashfaq Ahmad, Dean, Faculty of Allied Health Sciences, Dr. Shahid Bashir, HoD, University Institute of Food Science & Technology, UOL, Dr. Anees Ahmed Khalil, HoD, University Institute of Diet & Nutritional Sciences, UOL, Dr. Rab Nawaz, HoD, Department of Environmental Sciences, UOL and other faculty members received and welcomed NAEAC and AICs team. Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ashraf chaired the inaugural session and presented a brief overview of the University. Later, Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC shared the previous AIC visit recommendations of the department of Food Science & Technology beside a brief account on importance and significance of accreditation.

Then AICs moved to relevant departments where detailed presentations and discussions were held. Each HoD presented the departmental achievements as per itinerary. AICs also visited departmental infrastructure including labs, classrooms, library, faculty offices, experimental research area and held meeting with students of the department to get an insight of teaching/working environment in the departments. After lunch, two major activities (curriculum review and meeting with individual faculty) were carried out. Each course file was checked for its contents like lecture breakdown, assignments and results. AICs held individual faculty meeting to know the working environment and job satisfaction level and student teacher interaction.

In the concluding session of the visit, the program evaluators/experts shared their observations with Dean, HoDs, other officials and faculty members. Prof. Dr. Ashfaq Ahmad, Dean, Faculty of Allied Health Sciences, UOL thanked NAEAC team for their day-long deliberations and inspection visit and assured that the recommendations made by AICs would be implemented to increase the standard of education and to expand the skills of the graduates.

