

## Pre-Accreditation/Zero visit of Food Science & Nutrition degree Program at Women University Swabi

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Women University Swabi is situated near the scenic Tarbeela Dam in the Kotha village of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province and was established in the year 2016. The university has student strength of 2700 that are currently enrolled in 26 different departments of the university under the faculties of Arts and Sciences. The department of Food Science and Nutrition is under the Faculty of Sciences and was launched in the year 2020. The department currently has student strength of 78 that were enrolled in three different batches during 2020, 2021 and 2022. The infrastructure of the department is well-established and enforced with well-equipped laboratories and qualified academic staff.

An Accreditation Inspection Committee (AIC) comprising of Prof (Retd). Dr. Fauzia Yusuf Hafeez, Vice Chairperson NAEAC as a convener and Prof. Dr. Asif Ahmad Institute of Food & Nutritional Sciences, PMAS, Arid Agriculture University, Rawalpindi as member conducted Pre-Accreditation/Zero visit of Department of Food Science and Nutrition degree program at Women University Swabi.

Mr. Waqar Ahmad, Registrar, Women University Swabi and Dr. Zia-ud-Din, HoD, Food Science and Nutrition received and welcomed NAEAC and AIC team. Mr. Waqar Ahmad, Registrar Women University Swabi chaired the inaugural session in the newly built committee room and shared the salient accomplishments of the University. Later, Prof (Retd). Dr. Fauzia Yusuf Hafeez, Vice Chairperson NAEAC shared the accreditation standards (8) and substandard (73) besides the importance and significance of accreditation.

Then AIC moved to relevant department where detailed presentation of departmental accomplishments as per itinerary was given by Dr. Zia-ud-Din, HoD. AIC 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 the lunch and prayer, 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. AIC 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 evaluator/expert shared his observations with Mr. Waqar Ahmad, Registrar, Women University Swabi. In this session, Dr. Ome Kalsoom, Director QEC & ORIC, Dr. Sania Zaheer, Director Academics, Dr. Zia-ud-Din, HoD and faculty members were present. Mr. Waqar Ahmad thanked NAEAC team for their inspection visit and assured that the recommendations made by AIC would be implemented to increase the standard of education and to expand the skills of the graduates.

