

School of Humanities & Social Sciences

We have made you into nations and tribes so that you may know each other. The most honourable of you with Allah is the one who is pious. [Al Quran, 49:13]

This School offers programs in humanities and social sciences. The School consists of a Department of Islamic Studies, Center for Iranology and a UGC-Center for Federal Studies.

Department of Islamic Studies

This is one of the oldest departments set up by the late Founder-Chancellor, Janab Hakeem Abdul Hameed Saheb, which later provided the base for establishing Jamia Hamdard in 1989. The Department is actively engaged in research and teaching activities and offers BA (Hons), MA and PhD programmes. The BA (Hons) and MA programmes have been designed to acquaint students with various aspects of Islamic faith and civilization. The subsidiary and compulsory papers of BA (Hons) have been prepared keeping in mind requirements of the present times. The purpose is to give a thorough knowledge of contemporary subjects of social sciences such as Sociology; Political Science; Economics; Islamic Economics, Banking and Finance; Computer Applications; Arabic and English languages. The MA programme also focuses on issues like Ijtihad, the Islamic position on multi-culturalism, dialogue between religions and civilizations, knowledge in the Islamic perspective, and problems faced by the Muslim community in India and abroad. The main thrust of research in the Department is in the areas which have relevance to the issues of the contemporary Muslim world with special reference to Indian Muslims. These include subjects related to the socio-economic, religious and political problems of Muslims in the contemporary Indian perspective, contribution of Muslims to different walks of life, issues related to misunderstandings about Islam and Muslims, the impact of Islam on India and vice-versa, the contribution of Indian Muslim scholars and noblemen during the medieval period, translations of outstanding works by Muslim scholars including Muslim scientists, ulama and sufis. Research in Islamic Studies is based on, and guided by, the social science approach, and modern methodology, within the parameters prescribed by the Holy Qur'an and Hadith.

BA (Honors) Islamic Studies

Duration: Three years (6 Semesters)

Seats: 25 (Inclusive of seats reserved for NRI/ Sponsored candidates); additional seats are available for Foreign Nationals.

Eligibility: A candidate must have passed the Senior Secondary (12th Standard/ Intermediate) examination conducted by the Central Board of Secondary Education, or any other examination recognized by Jamia Hamdard, securing at least **45%** marks in aggregate. Knowledge of Urdu is essential. Alternatively, he/she should have passed *Alim* from Madrasa Board or should have *Alimiyah* degree from Madrasas recognized by Jamia Hamdard, securing at least **45%** marks.

Note: Candidates applying for BA (Hons.) Islamic Studies are advised to read the list of Madrasas/ Boards /Institutions recognized by Jamia Hamdard as mentioned in General Information and Admission Guidelines 2017-18.

Selection procedure: Admission to BA (Hons) Islamic Studies will be made on the basis of merit determined by marks in the respective qualifying examination and/ or Interview.

MA Islamic Studies

Duration: Two years (4 Semesters)

Seats: 15 (Inclusive of seats reserved for NRI/ Sponsored candidates) Additional seats are available for Foreign Nationals.

Eligibility: Candidate must have a Bachelor's degree in Islamic Studies or related disciplines with at least **45%** marks. Applicants who have passed *Fazilat* (Graduation) with at least **45%** marks from a Madrsa recognized by Jamia Hamdard or as per the guidelines prescribed for this purpose by the UGC, if any, are also eligible. Candidate should be proficient in English and Urdu/Arabic and have knowledge of the basic teachings of Islam.

Note: Candidates applying for MA Islamic Studies are advised to read the list of Madrasas/ Boards/ Institutions recognized by Jamia Hamdard as mentioned in General Information and Admission Guidelines 2017-18.

Selection procedure: Admission to MA Islamic Studies will be made on the basis of merit determined by marks in the respective qualifying examination and/ or Interview.

PhD Islamic Studies

Eligibility and selection procedure: For eligibility and selection procedure, applicants are required to go through the PhD Bylaws 2016.

Centre for Iranology

Part-time Certificate Course in Persian Language

Duration: One Academic year

Seats: 20

Eligibility: Candidates seeking admission to the Certificate Course in Persian must have passed the Senior Secondary School Certificate Examination of the Central Board of Secondary Education, New Delhi or Alimiyat/Alim degree from Madarsas recognized by Jamia Hamdard or an examination recognized as equivalent thereto.

Selection Procedure: Admission will be made on the basis of merit, determined by marks in the respective qualifying examination and/or Interview.

Part-time Diploma in Persian Language

Duration: One Academic year

Seats: 20

Eligibility: Candidates seeking admission to the Diploma Course in Persian must have passed a Certificate Course in Persian from any university or an examination recognized as equivalent thereto.

Selection Procedure: Admission to the Diploma in Persian language will be made on the basis of merit, determined by marks in the respective qualifying examination and/or Interview.

UGC- Centre for Federal Studies

This Centre is

- a member centre of the prestigious international Association of Centers for Federal Studies (IACFS),
- an Area Studies Research Centre of the University Grants Commission of India
- exclusively dedicated to the studies, researches and teaching on dimensionalities of federal nation building in multicultural comparative setting.
- over the years Federal Studies as an independent academic discipline has matured as a doctrine of
 - (i) State and nation building
 - (ii) Noncentralized/decentralized governance
 - (iii) Empowerment and welfarism
 - (iv) Rights and,
 - (v) Peace and conflict resolution

The contemporary focus of Federal Studies is on the promotion of interface and policy studies on 'human capital and natural resource management from the perspective of Federalism. It is being planned and developed as a principal knowledge instrument for shaping the future of mankind in the 21st century. It is unconventional in nature and scientific in temperament. It bridges the traditional divide between natural sciences and social sciences.

Mandate:

- (i) to develop as an exclusive knowledge resource centre and to grow as internationally acclaimed resource repository on various dimensions of federal nation-building in India and other multicultural and diverse polities of the world, particularly Euro-American and south Asian polities.
- (ii) to convert academic studies into pragmatic policies i.e. to provide policy alternatives and
- (iii) to popularize federalism as grand design of living together. Centre has unique knowledge repository on micro themes of Indian federation, democracy, polity and society Centre has also developed its own data bank on select themes of Indian polity and society Knowledge resource of the centre is being currently converted into online media for the access of national and international academia.

Since the year 2000, the Centre is regularly publishing its peer reviewed and internationally circulated bi-annual Journal **Indian Journal of Federal Studies (ISSN No. 0976-8408)**

Areas of Research:

- Comparative federalism
- Interstate comity
- Federal power sharing
- Working of coalition system
- Environmental management and ecological concerns of development

- Sectoral analysis of state policies
- Decentralization, development and empowerment
- Human rights, inclusive growth and development of socio-economically marginalized groups
- Federal accommodation of identities
- Globalization and global governance
- Indian Government and Politics
- Working of Indian Federalism
- Social/Regional Movements
- Public Finance and Economic Management of Taxes and Resources
- Environmental and Ecological Concerns
- Local Self-Government
- Election Studies

Methodologically the Centre promotes interdisciplinary and interface studies on abovementioned themes. It prefers case specific, simulated and guided modes of teaching and research.

Programs of study

MA (Human Rights)

Duration: Two Years (4 Semesters)
Seats: 20 (inclusive of seats reserved for NRI/Sponsored candidates. Additional seats available for Foreign Nationals)

Eligibility: 45% marks in aggregate in the Bachelors examination recognized by the Statutory Bodies of India. Relaxation of 5% of marks, from 45% to 40% or an equivalent relaxation of grade, shall be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer) differently-abled and other categories of candidates declared eligible by the UGC from time to time.

Selection Procedure:

S. No.	Criteria	Max. Marks (100)
3	Written Entrance Test	40
4	Personal Interview	30
2	Graduation Degree	20
1	Intermediate/Sr. Sec. School	10

M. Phil.

M.Phil is a pre-Ph.D but a separate programme. Candidates for admission to M.Phil. programme shall have a Master's Degree in the major disciplines of social sciences/ federal studies such as Political Science, International Politics, Economics, Public finance, Public Policy, Governance, Regional and Development Studies, Geography, Sociology, Public Administration, Human Rights, Law, Comparative Politics and other allied disciplines, or a Professional degree declared equivalent to Master's degree by the corresponding statutory body, with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade 'B' in the UGC 7-points scale.

A relaxation of 5% of marks, from 55% to 50% or an equivalent relaxation of grade, shall be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer) differently-abled and other categories of candidates declared eligible by the UGC from time to time.

M. Phil. Selection criteria:

- 1.1 M.Phil. programme shall be for a minimum duration of two consecutive semesters/ one year, including course work and to a maximum of four consecutive semesters/ two years.
- 1.2 The University/Centre shall admit M.Phil. students through an Entrance Test comprising of 2-stage selection process to be conducted at the level of the Department /Centre. Centre will conduct a screening test/ qualifying written examination. Written examination will comprise of short and long answers types questions from the fields of research methodology, federal studies, public policy, Indian society, constitution, economy, government and politics, human rights, major theories of social sciences and other contemporary issues of India and the world. Candidate securing less than 50% of the total marks shall not be eligible for Interview Test. Selection will be based on performance in interview and previous academic record as per the following.

S. No.	Criteria	Max. Marks (100)
1	Post-graduate	20
2	Undergraduate	10
3	JRF/NET (INSPIRE=30, JRF=20 NET=10)	30
4	Teaching Experience/Publication	05
5	Personal Interview	35

- 1.3 The interview board shall specifically look for the candidate's depth of knowledge awareness of recent developments, competence for the proposed research, whether the research work can be suitably undertaken at the institute, and whether the proposed area of research can contribute to new/additional knowledge. The candidate is required to submit detailed research proposal in advance i.e. before the scheduled date of interview.
- 1.4 Total no of Seats : 15 (excluding supernumerary seats for foreigners)

Ph.D.

Eligibility and selection procedure: For eligibility and selection procedure, applicants are advised to go through JH PhD Bylaws 2016.