<u>Graduate Program Self Review of M.Phil. and Masters (Equivalent) Programs</u> <u>King Edward Medical University, Lahore</u>



Report of Graduate Program Self Review of M.Phil. and Masters (Equivalent) Programs King Edward Medical University, Lahore For the Year (2024-25)



King Edward Medical University Lahore is Public Sector University chartered by the Government of the Punjab in the year 2005. As per Quality Assurance Mechanism by the HEC, the following team of experts notified and conducted the M.Phil. and Masters (Equivalent) Program Self Review on Tuesday, 22nd April, 2025:

Self-Review Panel/Committee:

Prof. Saqib Sohail, Dean Faculty of Basic Science/Chairman Dept. of Physiology, KEMU	(Internal Member)
Prof. Saira Afzal, Dean Faculty of Public Health & Preventive Medicine/Chairperson Dept. of Community Medicine, King Edward Medical University, Lahore.	(Internal Member)
Mr. Asif Saeed Haider, Director (AAQIC), Accreditation and Accreditation and Academic Quality Improvement Cell, University of Management Technology (UMT), C-II, Johar Town, Lahore.	(External Member)
Mr. Farhan Qadir, Deputy Director QEC, King Edward Medical University, Lahore.	(Internal Member)

Following is the summary of programs, students and the faculty members for the evaluated M.Phil. and Masters (Equivalent) Programs:

M.Phil. Programs	18
M.Phil Faculty	98
Ph.D Faculty	03
M.Phil. Students	126

The detail of each program along with its status is mentioned below:

S. #	· Discipline	Program	Students	Faculty			
				PhD	M.Phil/ FCPS	Status	Remarks
1.	M.Phil (Anatomy)	M.Phil	11	0	08	OK	Meeting the minimum requirement
2.	M.Phil (Biochemistry)	M.Phil	10	01	03	OK	Meeting the minimum requirement
3.,	M.Phil (Community	M.Phil	02	01	04	OK	Meeting the minimum





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		King Edwar	d Medical	University,	Lahore		
	Medicine)						requirement
4.	Master of Public Health (MPH)	Master	04			OK	NOC received by HEC on 16-03-2021
5.	M.Phil (Chemical Pathology)	M.Phil	02			ОК	Meeting the minimum requirement
6.	M.Phil (Haematology)	M.Phil	11			ОК	Meeting the minimum requirement
7.	M.Phil (Histopathology)	M.Phil	10	0	11	ОК	Meeting the minimum requirement
8.	M.Phil (Microbiology)	M.Phil	08			OK	Meeting the minimum requirement
9.	M.Phil (Forensic Medicine)	M.Phil	09	0	02	OK	Meeting the minimum requirement
10.	M.Phil (Pharmacology)	M.Phil	13	0	05	OK	Meeting the minimum requirement
11.	M.Phil (Physiology)	M.Phil	09	0	02	ОК	Meeting the minimum requirement
12.	M.Phil (Optometry)	M.Phil	12	0	15	OK	Meeting the minimum requirement
13.	M.Phil (Investigative Ophthalmology)	M.Phil	0	0	15	OK	Meeting the minimum requirement
14.	M.Phil (Orthoptics)	M.Phil	05	0	15	OK	Meeting the minimum requirement
15.	M.Phil (Physiotherapy)	M.Phil	15	0	06	OK	Meeting the minimum requirement
16.	M.Phil Nursing (MSN)	M.Phil	0	0	03	ОК	Program is inactive as NOC by HEC is under progress
17.	Master in Community Eye Health (MCEH)	Master	05	0	09	OK	Meeting the minimum requirement
18.	M.Phil (Molecular Biology)	M.Phil	0	01	0	Ok	Program is inactive
	Total=			3	98		

The University is advised to comply with the Review Panel's decisions, while considering the definitions of the status of program as mentioned below:

- a. Halted: The University should halt all the activities of the program, including conduction of classes, examination, thesis defense, award of degrees etc. until HEC/Program review team permits.
- b. Further Intake Stopped: The University should not admit any scholar in the program until HEC/Program review team permits. The program for enrolled student would run provided that other identified deficiencies are rectified.
 - **c.** Ok: The program is meeting the minimum requirements as per HEC criteria and it may be continued accordingly.



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Decision of the committee after self-review of MPhil program, it is unanimously decided that the program is meeting the minimum requirements as per HEC criteria and it may be continued accordingly. (OK)

FINDINGS:

- 1, If any supervisor is transferred or retired from service, he/she continues supervision if the synopsis is approved by AS&RB.
- 2. M.Phil. Physiotherapy, M.Phil. Orthoptics, M.Phil. Optometry, and M.Phil. Investigative Oculist are not accredited by the Allied Health Professional Council (AHPC).
- 3. The Pakistan Nursing Council only granted M.Phil. Nursing accreditation for a single year, which has expired now.
- 4. HEC Digital Library is underutilized, yet it offers a wealth of resources that can significantly enhance research and learning opportunities. By promoting its diverse collections and user-friendly access, we can encourage more students and faculty to take full advantage of this invaluable tool.
- 5. Student's life cycle at KEMU, from admissions and enrollment to graduation and alumni engagement, is not implemented completely. This comprehensive system will streamline processes, enhance communication, and provide valuable data insights to improve the overall student experience and institutional efficiency.
- 6. Some postgraduate trainees have extended the training duration, in accordance with HEC Graduate Policy, 2023.
- 7. Rules & Regulations, Curricula, and Logbooks (competency-based training) need to be revised on a minimum 03-yearly basis. This ensures that the training remains relevant and up-to-date with industry standards, allowing for continuous improvement in competency and effectiveness. Regular reviews will also facilitate the incorporation of new methodologies and technologies that emerge in the field.
- 8. Approval trail of program/curricula from BOS, BOF, Academic Council, and Syndicate is not available to all program directors in their program files.
- 9. Animal house for MPhil students is not available in KEMU.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- All those students who get their synopsis approved by AS&RB can continue their research under the same supervisor even if their supervisor retires or transfers from KEMU, and if their synopsis is approved by any lower forum like BOS, IRB, PEC, or BOF, it is recommended that these cases be considered one-by-case basis.
- 2. M.Phil. Physiotherapy, M.Phil. Orthoptics, M.Phil. Optometry, and M.Phil. Investigative Oculist should be accredited by the Allied Health Professional Council (AHPC).
- 3. The M.Phil. Nursing Program should be accredited by the Pakistan Nursing Council for its execution.



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- 4. The chairman of the library committee and the director of IT make sure that library credentials are shared with research students/supervisors.
- 5. Campus Management System (computerization) should be implemented to cover the complete student life cycle at KEMU.
- 6. The minimum and maximum duration of M.Phil. Programs should be adopted and applied in accordance with HEC graduate policy.
- 7. The M.Phil. Regulations 2015 should be revised in the light of HEC Graduate Education Policy 2023. Rules & regulations, curricula, and logbooks (competency-based training) should be revised on a maximum 03-year basis.
- 8. Approval trails of programs/curricula from BOS, BOF, Academic Council, and Syndicate must be available to all program directors in their program files.
- 9. As the building is available in KEMU premises, animal house should be develop or till the competition of this project. An MOU must be signed with University of Veterinary & Animal Sciences (UVAS), Lahore though Dean Basic Science.

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