



PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

The Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Social Sciences is a well-balanced programme that imparts an understanding of the causes of social changes, or the relationships between individual and state. The first year of the Programme will consist of compulsory course work followed by intensive research in various fields like Sustainability in Social Science, Social Anthropology, Education and Learning, Public Services, Environment and Energy, International Relations, Decision Making in Social Science and many more. The Department also offers its researchers strong support with specific methodological issues such as comparative research design, statistical methods, and survey research. During the independent studies, the students will be encouraged to work with industry leaders, civic leaders, government leaders, governmental as well as non-governmental development agencies, and general public to assure that all outcomes of their independent thinking are linked with their individual growth as well as with the betterment of the society. At every stage of learning, the students will be encouraged to invent new ideas in the field of Social Sciences. The students will be encouraged to participate in workshops, seminars, and conferences as well as to publish in refereed journals. The outcomes of the proposed programme are designed to contribute significantly towards societal outlook and environmental responsibility, improved quality of life of the population, and more importantly, towards the socio-cultural development and prosperity of the nation and its populace.

PROGRAMME AIM

The purpose of this program is to encourage students to make unceasing and diligent efforts to pursue holistic self-development to cultivate self-discipline and integrity, to nurture creativity into broad-minded future leaders with international outlook.

Programme Aims (PA) of PhD in Social Science programme are:

- To provide students with advanced knowledge in the theory and practice of areas of Social Sciences studies with the concept of research work.
- To prepare them for critical problem solving, decision making on various situations and responsibilities in the course of their research work.
- To create qualified managerial level Social Science professionals to lend support towards the Social Sciences work in their specialty.
- To develop and prepare professionals with research knowledge and aptitude that is useful for industrial need and in the professional social sciences specialty area.

INTAKE AND ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Ongoing

Entry Qualifications:

- A Master Degree (Level 7, MQF) accepted by the Lincoln University College Senate; or
- Other qualifications equivalent to a master's degree (Level 7, MQF) that are accepted by the Lincoln University College Senate.

PROGRAMME DURATION

Duration : Min 3 - Max 5 Years

English Requirements :

International students must have proof of good proficiency in verbal and written English. For example, International English Language Testing System (IELTS) score of 6.0 or its equivalent. If a student does not meet this requirement, HEPs must offer English proficiency courses to ensure that the student's proficiency is sufficient to meet the needs of the programme.

LIST OF COURSE/MODULE OFFERED IN THE PROGRAMME

Sl. No.	Subject Name
1	Research Methodology
2	Computer Applications
3	Dissertation (Thesis Work) on any one of the following specialties
	Sustainability in Social Science
	Social Anthropology
	Education and Learning
	Public Services
	Political Science, Sociology and Computational Social Science
	Environment and Energy
	Behavioral Sciences, Psychology and Public Relations
	International Relations
	Social Diversity
	Public Administration
	Decision-Making in Social Science
	Culture and Identity

TENTATIVE SUBJECT AREAS

RESEARCH WORK ON ANY ONE OF THE FOLLOWING SPECIALTY

- Sustainability in Social Science
- Social Anthropology
- Education and Learning
- Public Services
- Political Science, Sociology and Computational Social Science
- Environment and Energy
- Behavioral Sciences, Psychology and Public Relations
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