

CENTRE OF GRADUATE STUDIES

PhD (Finance)

(R2-DL/0412/8/0006) (8/28) (MQA/FA0375) - ODL

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

The programme offers multidisciplinary courses in Finance, Banking & Insurance with a focus on Asian-centricity. The main aim of the programme is to achieve research excellence by pooling resources and balancing learning opportunities. Graduates of the programme should be able to demonstrate critical understanding of the most advanced knowledge in Finance, Banking and Insurance. They should also be poised for upper level positions whether in organisations, consulting or academia. They are expected to contribute towards improvement in their places of employment and to the nation.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Synthesise knowledge and contribute to original research that broadens the frontier of knowledge in the field of Finance, Banking & Insurance.
- Appraise problems in the Finance, Banking & Insurance field critically, conduct advanced research independently, and adhere to legal, ethical and professional codes of practice.
- Adapt practical skills leading to innovative ideas in the field of Finance, Banking & Insurance.
- Provide expert advice and display leadership qualities to society in the field of Finance, Banking & Insurance.

RESEARCH AREAS

- Bank Teller Programme
- Banking & Finance
- Business Finance
- Finance Theory
- Finance, Banking & Insurance
- Islamic Finance
- Banking & Insurance
- Financial Management
- Insurance
- Investment Analysis
- Investments & Securities
- Pension Insurance
- Social Insurance
- Stock-broking

AUDIT COURSES

- Research Methodology
- Quantitative Data Analysis
- Qualitative Data Analysis

RESEARCH STAGE

Stage 1

- Audit Courses
- Appointment of Supervisor
- Preparation of Research Proposal
- Proposal Defence

Stage 2

- Data Collection

Stage 3

- Thesis Writing

Stage 4

- Thesis Submission
- Appointment of Examiners
- Thesis Evaluation by Examiners
- Thesis Examination/ Viva Voce

PROGRAMME DELIVERY

Delivery Mode	Full-Time Study	Part-Time Study
Open & Distance Learning (ODL)	-	4 years 8 months

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

1. A Master's degree shall normally in Finance, Banking, Insurance or related field as accepted by the HEP Senate; or
2. Other equivalent qualifications to Master's degree that are accepted by the Senate of HEP.

Notes:

- There shall be no direct entry from Bachelor's degree level to Doctoral degree level.
- Candidates with Bachelor's degree qualifications who is registered for Masters programmes, may apply to convert their candidacy to the Doctoral degree programmes within ONE (1) year after Master's degree registration, subjected to:
 - Having shown competency and capability in conducting research at Doctoral degree level.
 - Rigorous internal evaluation by the HEP.
 - Approval by the Senate of HEP.

ELCR Band (International Students Only):

Minimum score of 6.5 for IELTS OR its equivalent.

**Terms and conditions apply.*

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