

Department of Government and Public Policy
Prospective PhD Supervisors & Research Areas / Topics Fall - 2023 Admissions

SNo.	Faculty Name	Area of Expertise	Topics
1.	Dr. Abdul Jalil	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economic growth • Trade • Expenditure • Foreign Trade 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The impact of economic policies on poverty reduction in Pakistan: An analysis of the past two decades. 2. An analysis of the impact of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor on Pakistan's economy and society. 3. Evaluating the impact of government policies on economic development in Pakistan 4. Pak-Afghan Transit Trade, Regional Connectivity, Economic Integration and Trade Creation/Promotion among East Asian and South Asian Regions 5. An Empirical Analysis of Pak-Afghan Transit and Bilateral Trade Flows, Trade Facilitation and Issues in informal trade between Pakistan and Afghanistan 6. An Inquiry of High Cost of Doing Business and Bottlenecks Identification of One-Stop Shop in Pakistan: Proposed Policy Measures and Strategic Interventions to Develop Country-Wide One-Window Operations Facility 7. Assessing the patterns of export diversification in developing countries. 8. Dissecting the impact of export sophistication on economic growth in developing countries. 9. Drivers of export diversification and sophistication in developing countries 10. The effect of domestic innovation and foreign technology spillovers on export upgrading in developing countries 11. Assessing the impact of human capital and technological innovation on export sophistication in developing countries. 12. Investigating the impact of financial development and export diversification in economic growth of developing countries 13. The effect of structural transformation, and human capital on export diversification: Evidence from developing countries. 14. Product export diversification and sustainable economic growth in developing countries. 15. The effect of government policies and foreign aid on export diversification. 16. Trade costs, barriers to entry, and export diversification in developing countries.

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2.	Dr. Shafei Moiz Hali	Energy Policy, CPEC Energy Projects, Public Policy	<p>1. CPEC, Regional Economic Cooperation and Trade Linkages among Pakistan, China and Central Asian Republics (CARs): A Theoretical and Empirical Analysis of Dividends of Shared Economic Destiny</p> <p>2. An evaluation of the role of media in shaping public opinion in Pakistan.</p> <p>3. An analysis of the impact of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor on Pakistan's economy and society.</p> <p>4. A comparative analysis of public policy-making processes in Pakistan and India.</p> <p>5. An investigation of the factors influencing the implementation of energy policies in Pakistan.</p> <p>6. Policy formulation as a factor is under-implementation in Pakistan's public sector</p> <p>7. Investigating the role of civil society in promoting public accountability and transparency in Pakistan</p> <p>8. Examining the challenges and opportunities for effective public policy implementation in Pakistan</p> <p>9. Exploring the impact of political instability on public policy-making in Pakistan</p> <p>10. Investigating the effectiveness of education policies in promoting human development in Pakistan</p> <p>11. Analyzing the role of the media in shaping public opinion and influencing public policy in Pakistan</p> <p>12. Evaluating the effectiveness of healthcare policies in addressing public health challenges in Pakistan</p> <p>13. Investigating the impact of foreign aid on public policy in Pakistan.</p> <p>14. Analysing the impact of political instability on policy implementation in Pakistan.</p> <p>15. Evaluating the impact of citizen participation on policy implementation in</p>

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			Pakistan.
3.	Dr. M. Bashir Khan	Development Economics, Agricultural Economics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The impact of economic policies on poverty reduction in Pakistan: An analysis of the past two decades. 2. The effectiveness of public-private partnerships in promoting healthcare in Pakistan. 3. Assessing the impact of the Benazir Income Support Program on poverty reduction in Pakistan. 4. An analysis of the effectiveness of Pakistan's education policies in improving access to education for girls. 5. An evaluation of the effectiveness of the National Action Plan on Climate Change in Pakistan. 6. A comparative analysis of the performance of provincial governments in Pakistan. 7. An analysis of the impact of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor on Pakistan's economy and society. 8. An investigation of the factors influencing the implementation of energy policies in Pakistan. 9. An analysis of the impact of foreign aid on development in Pakistan. 10. A study of the effectiveness of disaster management policies in Pakistan 11. Evaluating the impact of government policies on economic development in Pakistan 12. Analyzing the effectiveness of public-private partnerships in delivering essential services in Pakistan 13. Examining the impact of climate change on public policy in Pakistan
4.	Dr. Sarfraz Hussain Ansari	Pakistan Studies, Constitutional Reforms	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Creation of smaller provinces as an option for governance reforms in Pakistan 2. Policy formulation as a factor is under-implementation in Pakistan's public sector 3. An assessment of the role of civil society in promoting good governance in Pakistan. 4. Creation of smaller provinces as an option for governance reforms in Pakistan 5. Policy formulation as a factor is under-implementation in Pakistan's public sector 6. An assessment of the role of civil society in promoting good governance in

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5.	Dr. Fatima Bajwa	Power, Policy and Politics nexus, Health Policy, Comparative Policy Analysis, Qualitative Research, National and Regional Energy Security	<p>1. Policy formulation as a factor is under-implementation in Pakistan's public sector</p> <p>2. Investigating the factors influencing political instability in Pakistan.</p> <p>3. An evaluation of the impact of the 18th Amendment on provincial autonomy in Pakistan.</p> <p>4. Exploring the impact of political instability on public policy-making in Pakistan</p> <p>5. Evaluating the effectiveness of healthcare policies in addressing public health challenges in Pakistan</p> <p>6. Investigating the impact of foreign aid on public policy in Pakistan.</p> <p>7. Analysing the impact of political instability on policy implementation in Pakistan.</p>
6.	Dr. Naveed Yousaf	Policy development / Analysis, Socio-economic Rehabilitation, Governance	<p>1. Assessing the impact of the Benazir Income Support Program on poverty reduction in Pakistan.</p> <p>2. An analysis of the effectiveness of Pakistan's education policies in improving access to education for girls.</p> <p>3. An assessment of the role of civil society in promoting good governance in Pakistan.</p> <p>4. An assessment of the role of civil society in promoting good governance in Pakistan.</p> <p>5. Investigating the factors influencing political instability in Pakistan.</p> <p>6. An analysis of the impact of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor on Pakistan's economy and society.</p> <p>7. An evaluation of the impact of the 18th Amendment on provincial autonomy in Pakistan.</p> <p>8. A comparative analysis of public policy-making processes in Pakistan and India.</p> <p>9. An investigation of the factors influencing the implementation of energy policies in Pakistan.</p> <p>10. A study of the effectiveness of disaster management policies in Pakistan</p> <p>11. Policy formulation as a factor is under-implementation in Pakistan's public sector</p>

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7.	Dr. Mirza Nouman Ali Talib	World Economy	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The impact of economic policies on poverty reduction in Pakistan: An analysis of the past two decades. 2. An analysis of the impact of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor on Pakistan's economy and society. 3. Evaluating the impact of government policies on economic development in Pakistan 4. Pak-Afghan Transit Trade, Regional Connectivity, Economic Integration and Trade Creation/Promotion among East Asian and South Asian Regions

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8.	Dr. Farhan Khan	Organizational Learning, Performance Management, Knowledge Management	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The effectiveness of public-private partnerships in promoting healthcare in Pakistan. 2. A comparative analysis of the performance of provincial governments in Pakistan. 3. An evaluation of the role of media in shaping public opinion in Pakistan. 4. Analyzing the role of the media in shaping public opinion and influencing public policy in Pakistan 5. The role of public-private partnership in improving the ease of doing business in Pakistan. 6. Social inclusion through digitalization and its impact on the policy formulation. 7. Information flows, mass media and cyber security in national context
9.	Dr. Ahsan Abbas	International Trade, Development Macro-Economics, CPEC (Trade and Industry / Energy Investments)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CPEC, Regional Economic Cooperation and Trade Linkages among Pakistan, China and Central Asian Republics (CARs): A Theoretical and Empirical Analysis of Dividends of Shared Economic Destiny 2. The impact of economic policies on poverty reduction in Pakistan: An analysis of the past two decades. 3. An analysis of the impact of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor on

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10.	Dr. Abdul Rauf	Macroeconomics, International Trade	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The impact of economic policies on poverty reduction in Pakistan: An analysis of the past two decades. 2. An analysis of the impact of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor on Pakistan's economy and society. 3. Evaluating the impact of government policies on economic development in Pakistan 4. Pak-Afghan Transit Trade, Regional Connectivity, Economic Integration and Trade Creation/Promotion among East Asian and South Asian Regions 5. An Empirical Analysis of Pak-Afghan Transit and Bilateral Trade Flows, Trade Facilitation and Issues in informal trade between Pakistan and Afghanistan 6. An Inquiry of High Cost of Doing Business and Bottlenecks Identification of One-Stop Shop in Pakistan: Proposed Policy Measures and Strategic Interventions to Develop Country-Wide One-Window Operations Facility 7. Assessing the patterns of export diversification in developing countries. 8. Dissecting the impact of export sophistication on economic growth in developing countries. 9. Drivers of export diversification and sophistication in developing countries 10. The effect of domestic innovation and foreign technology spillovers on export upgrading in developing countries 11. Assessing the impact of human capital and technological innovation on export sophistication in developing countries. 12. Investigating the impact of financial development and export diversification in economic growth of developing countries 13. The effect of structural transformation, and human capital on export diversification: Evidence from developing countries. 14. Product export diversification and sustainable economic growth in developing countries. 15. The effect of government policies and foreign aid on export diversification. 16. Trade costs, barriers to entry, and export diversification in developing countries. 17. Can developing countries gain from export diversification and sophistication and the dynamics of specialization?

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