

Accreditation visit of Agriculture and Allied degree Programs at The University of Agriculture- Peshawar

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The University of Agriculture, Peshawar is playing a dynamic role in imparting the agricultural education and conducting basic and applied agricultural research throughout the province Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and disseminating agricultural research results among the farmers and general public through its extension and public outreach activities since its establishment in 1981. The university comprises of six faculties, twenty six departments and two institutes.

Three Accreditation Inspection Committees (AICs) comprising of Prof. Dr. Fayyaz-ul-Hassan, Chairperson NAEAC as a convener, Prof. Dr. Amjad Iqbal, Chairman, Department of Food Science & Technology (FST), Abdul Wali Khan University, Mardan (AWKUM), Dr. Rai Muhammad Amir, Institute of Food & Nutritional Sciences, PMAS-Arid Agriculture University, Rawalpindi and Prof. Dr. Asad Ali, Chairman, Department of Entomology, AWKUM as members conducted Accreditation visit of Food Science & Technology, Human Nutrition & Dietetics (HND) and Plant Protection degree programs at The University of Agriculture, Peshawar (UAP).

Dr. Kamran Nawaz Sadozai, Director QEC, UAP received the guests on January 21, 2024. Dr. Rizwan Nawaz, Registrar, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ayub, Dean, Faculty of Nutrition Science, Dr. Zafar Iqbal, Director ORIC, HoDs of relevant departments and other faculty members welcomed NAEAC and AICs team on January 22, 2024. The inaugural session was held in the conference room of V.C. office where Prof. Dr. Jehan Bakht, Vice Chancellor, UAP formally welcomed all subject experts and Dr. Rizwan Nawaz, Registrar, UAP highlighted the major accomplishments and future plans of the university. Later, Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC shared the accreditation rubrics (8) and subcriteria (73) besides the importance and significance of accreditation along with previous AICs recommendations of three departments FST, HND and Plant Protection degree programs.

Then AICs moved to relevant departments where detailed presentations of departmental accomplishments as per itinerary were given by relevant HoDs. AICs visited departmental infrastructure including labs, classrooms, library, faculty offices, experimental research area, support facilities and held meeting with students of the department to get an insight of teaching/working environment in the departments. On January 23, 2024, two major activities (curriculum review and meeting with individual faculty) were carried out. Each course file was checked for its contents like lecture breakdown, assignments and results. AICs held individual faculty meeting to know the working environment and job satisfaction level and student teacher interaction.

Prof. Dr. Jehan Bakht, Vice Chancellor, UAP chaired the concluding session where program evaluators/experts shared their observations. In this session, Deputy Registrar and other officials including Director QEC & ORIC, Dean and HoD's were present. Prof. Dr. Jehan Bakht, Vice Chancellor, UAP thanked NAEAC team for their two-day long deliberations and inspection visit and assured that the recommendations made by AICs would be implemented to increase the standard of education.

