

Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar for HND degree Program at National University of Science & Technology (NUST)- Islamabad

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NUST School of Health Sciences (NSHS) is a constituent college of National University of Science and Technology (NUST). It has launched the BS Human Nutrition and Dietetics (HND) program in Feb 2024. Current enrollment in BS Human Nutrition and Dietetic is 49 students.

A Quality Assurance & Accreditation Awareness Seminar was conducted for BS HND at NSHS. Dr. Rizwan Ashraf, Principal NSHS, Dr. Aamir Ijaz, HoD, HND, Dr. Nadia Nisar, Program Coordinator, HND, Mr. Abdul Rehman, Deputy Director Administration and Mr. Muhammad Raheem, Deputy Directory Student Affairs received the honorable guests, Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC and Mr. Abdullah, IT Coordinator NAEAC.

Prior to seminar a meeting was held in the Conference Room of NSHS. After the recitation of Holy Quran and introduction, Mr. Yasir, Deputy Director Academics Directorate, briefed about the facilities, infrastructure and R&D initiatives at NUST and NSHS and Dr. Aamir Ijaz gave an overview of the HND Department. After this meeting, all delegates moved to lecture Hall/Theatre on 4th floor of NSHS building where HND students and faculty were present. The guest speaker Dr. Abdul Ghaffar, Secretary NAEAC delivered his talk on “Quality Assurance and Accreditation in Higher Education”. The main objective of this talk was to explain the overall process of accreditation and its significance in maintaining the quality of education. Dr. Abdul Ghaffar introduced the NAEAC, explained the evaluation criteria of accreditation process which comprised of 8 criteria and 73 subcriteria in detail. He also highlighted the impact of accreditation on quality improvement employing the accreditation data of last 14 years. During presentation questions raised by the participants were discussed in length to their satisfaction.

The seminar was attended by Dr. Azhar Masood, Deputy Director Registrar Directorate, Dr. Zahra Rashid, Deputy Director Quality Assurance Directorate, Mr. Yasir, Deputy Director Academics Directorate, HND Faculty and students and representatives from NUST. Dr. Rizwan Ashraf, Principal NSHS thanked the honorable guests and assured to fulfill the accreditation requirements of NAEAC in compliance with quality standards. In the end, Principal NSHS presented souvenirs to NAEAC team.

