



PhD

MANAGEMENT

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EMPOWERING EVERY JOURNEY

Suleman Dawood School of Business



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Developing Ideas and People to Shape Business and Society

Founded in 1985 as a not-for-profit, LUMS believes in making quality education accessible while breaking academic, geographic, and socio-economic barriers to broaden students' academic exposure.

Suleman Dawood School of Business (SDSB) at LUMS is Pakistan's first business school to achieve AACSB International accreditation, placing it among the top 6% of business schools worldwide. As a pioneer in case-based teaching in the region, SDSB develops leaders equipped with the skills and competencies to impact society and excel in today's dynamic business environment.

Why PhD Management at LUMS?

The PhD Management programme combines interdisciplinary learning, global best practices, and rigorous research training to develop scholars capable of creating meaningful social impact locally and globally. Our graduates become thought leaders in academia, think tanks, and the development sector, equipped to tackle complex challenges across public, private, and non-profit domains.

- Rigorous research training
- Access to the latest research on real-world issues and solutions
- Specialisations in three exhaustive disciplines:
 - Finance
 - Organisational Behaviour and Strategy
 - Operations Management
- Fully funded programme with a monthly stipend
- Global linkages through international faculty and conferences
- World-renowned faculty, known for their research and editorial positions at top international journals in their disciplines

PhD Students Making Their Mark in Research (2007-2024)

164 Articles published in international journals

66 Articles published in A*/A ranked international journals based on Australian Business Dean's Council (ABDC) rankings

31 Papers presented at international conferences



PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

	FALL SEMESTER	SPRING SEMESTER
YEAR 1	COURSEWORK 5 courses - 12 credit hours STREAMS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Organisational Behaviour and Strategy• Operations Management• Finance	COURSEWORK 4 courses - 9 credit hours STREAMS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Organisational Behaviour and Strategy• Operations Management• Finance
YEAR 2	COURSEWORK 4 courses - 9 credit hours STREAMS <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Organisational Behaviour and Strategy• Operations Management• Finance	COMPREHENSIVE EXAM
YEAR 3	Proposal defense	Work on dissertation
YEAR 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Work on dissertation• Final review by PhD programme committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Journal publication• Dissertation review by two international reviewers• Public defense of dissertation

The candidates will also have to meet the following conditions to graduate:

- One graduate elective (3 CUs; 2 MBA-half courses are also allowed) may be taken during the second or third semesters of their programme, on the advice of their supervisor
- Publication of a journal paper, presentation at an international conference, and completion of two seminars
- Completion of 30/33 credit hours of coursework and minimum 3.0 CGPA, and 27/30 credit hours of research work

The PhD Management Experience



“ Choosing the PhD Management programme at SDSB was a deeply intentional decision. The programme offers rigorous academic training, a supportive scholarly community, and the space to grow into a reflective researcher and thoughtful professional. The experience went beyond preparing me to publish; it challenged, supported, and helped me build the confidence to navigate complex situations with clarity. The reflexive, practice-oriented perspective I developed at LUMS continues to guide both my research and professional journey.

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