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**Global Perspectives Meet Academic Excellence: Jamia Hamdard Debuts
Under-Graduate Programme in International Studies & Global Politics**

New Delhi, May 2, 2024: Hamdard Institute of International Studies at Jamia Hamdard, New Delhi has launched a flagship under-graduate programme dedicated to study and research within knowledge domain of international studies, global politics, and world affairs for the academic year of 2024-25, following the ongoing growth of its M.A. programme in International Studies.

The world has now increasingly become more dynamic and interlinked, with multiple crisis occurring. From the resurgence of wars in Ukraine and Palestine, to the global threats of pandemics and climate change, it has become more necessary than ever to comprehend the political, social, economic, and technological imperatives that drive these processes. Over the years, the demand has grown in India for students to study subjects in the broader field of international relations, geopolitics, and international political economy.

The newly introduced programme, titled B.A. (International Studies and Global Politics) is a four-year under-graduate programme (FYUGP), spanning eight semesters, with multiple exit-entry options at the end of each year, giving students an option to avail a UG Certificate, UG Diploma, and UG Degree each at the end of first, second, and third year, provided they attain the minimum credits as stipulated in the National Education Policy of 2020. Students interested in further studies after three-year UG Degree, they can opt to study for their fourth year. With this, the students can avail honours degree or an honours degree with research in the field of

international studies subject to whether they submit a research project/dissertation or not.

The under-graduate programme in international studies aims to create graduates informed in important aspects about world politics. Along with having wide spectrum of conventional courses pertaining to global politics like international peace, political economy, international bodies, great power politics, the programme has Meticulously-crafted curriculum focused on the study of defense & security, maritime & Himalayan geopolitics, cyberspace security, global health, foreign policy of major global powers, religion & culture's influence on IR, International trade & tourism, sport diplomacy, global food security, Non-State Actors in World Politics, and all facets of India's foreign policy and international relations. Setting a new ambition for the discipline, the programme also includes all area studies of international relations including West Asia, South Asia, Southeast Asia, Central Asia, Latin America, Africa, and Europe, along with courses that focus on the individual as the referent, including migration and diaspora.

The curriculum reflects inter-disciplinary, multi-disciplinary and holistic approaches envisioned in NEP2020 and it is also complemented by practical insights on international relations and diplomacy by eminent diplomats from India and abroad as Professor of Practice. The B.A. programme, in its optional subjects, also includes courses pertaining to the complex relationship between religion, culture and world politics in the current era. There are also multidimensional aspects of this discipline, wherein student will be learning at least one foreign language, social science statistics, India's freedom struggle in global Perspective as well as reflections of world politics on popular culture.

Moreover, this B.A. programme in international studies and global politics, which is going to be first introduction by any government funded university in national capital of Delhi, has been crafted not only to familiarize students with the predominant Euro-centric perspectives in international relations but also to elucidate the roles and contributions of various civilizations like Near Eastern, Indian, Chinese, and Islamic civilizational systems in shaping global order and international affairs. It discusses the past five millennia, wherein myriad civilizations have risen, declined, endured, and many of which played significant roles in establishing world order and

influencing foreign relations long before the ascendancy of Western powers or the onset of European colonialism circa the 16th century AD. Examining international relations through a historical-civilizational lens shall enable learners to explore both material and ideational aspects of state and societal relationships. Moreover, it will foster a departure from conventional state-centric interpretations of the "international system" towards a broader conceptualization of global order.

Furthermore, this programme shall also incorporate knowledge systems outside hegemonic Western sources and incorporate India's civilizational legacy into the course work, combining the study of conventional and non-conventional aspects of the broader discipline of International Studies. Following the guidelines of National Education Policy 2020, the aim of this under-graduate programme is to not just impart domain knowledge but also impart the necessary skills for the current professional market as well as the Indian ethos to create well-informed citizens for the nation.

The inaugural batch will accommodate sixty (60) students, with an annual tuition fee of ₹50,000. For Further Information about eligibility, details of application, admission procedure and other information, log on to Jamia Hamdard Admission Portal <https://ums.jamiahamdard.ac.in/>, or do visit www.jamiahamdard.edu.

Employment Prospects

Graduates of this programme will be more equipped to evolve expertise in the field of international politics and they will be well-positioned to pursue careers in think tanks, journalism, policymaking, research, bureaucracy, embassies & consulates, international organisations/bodies, and corporate set-ups that require geopolitical analysis.

About Jamia Hamdard

Established on a vision of human service and educational excellence, Jamia Hamdard was accorded the status of a deemed-to-be University by the Government of India in 1989. Being a government funded Deemed to be University, Jamia Hamdard has witnessed remarkable growth over the years, evolving into one of the nation's premier universities. Notably, the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC), Government of India, bestowed an 'A+' Grade upon Jamia

Hamdard for the 4th cycle with a rating of 3.41 out of 4.0 in 2023. Jamia Hamdard's commitment to innovation and excellence is further evidenced by numerous accolades, including its ranking as 49th among the top 100 universities in India and 78th among the top 100 institutions/universities/colleges in the overall category of the National Institute Ranking Framework (NIRF) in 2023 by the Government of India. Jamia Hamdard is also figured in Times Higher Education (THE) Rankings between 601-800 and QS World University Rankings between 1201-1400 in 2023. Jamia Hamdard stands at 10th position out of the 75 Universities and Institutions of India ranked in the QS World Rankings. In the QS Asia University Rankings 2023, Jamia Hamdard stands 501-550.

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