



Introduction

Nepal introduced the multi-university concept in 1983. The idea of Pokhara University was conceived under in 1986. But it was established only in 1997 under Pokhara University Act, 1997 in the second tourist destination city, Pokhara. Right Honorable Prime Minister of the Federal Democratic Republic Nepal is Chancellor, and Honorable Minister for Education is the Pro-Chancellor of the University. Vice Chancellor is appointed by Right Honorable Chancellor and he is the principle executive officer of the University. He is assisted by Registrar in financial management and general administration.

Pokhara University, non-profit autonomous institution, is partially financed by the Government of Nepal and partly by the revenue raised from the students and affiliated colleges.



POKHARA UNIVERSITY
Dhungepatan, Lekhnath
Kaski, Nepal

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Objective of Pokhara University

- ◆ To produce skilled and qualitative human resource in the areas of science, technology, management, law, humanities, education and other professional areas for national development
- ◆ To encourage private sector participation in the development of higher education
- ◆ To create healthy, respectful and result oriented and disciplined academic environment by improving quality in higher education
- ◆ To promote the quality and standard of higher education through the healthy competition in higher education
- ◆ To contribute to the community development by operating extension programs

Vision and Mission

The Vision of the University is to be a leader in the promotion of education and health tourism through quality higher education, health and community service in the South Asian Region.

The mission of Pokhara University is to develop as a Center of Excellence for Higher Education by excelling in teaching, learning and research activities; contributing to the national development process by producing job market - oriented, responsible,

productive, service oriented and committed human resources and link the university system with the community services.

Location

Pokhara University is located in Lekhnath Municipality of Kaski district, thirteen kilometer east to the heart of the Pokhara city. It has already built its academic complex in the serene and scenic location of seven lake city, Lekhnath, in the lap of the beautiful Himalayan range and peaks such as Mt. Machhapuchre and Mt. Annapurna. In addition, Begnas lake and Rupa lake are walking distance of its academic complex and central office. It is planning to develop the infrastructure for School of Engineering Sciences on the bank of Khudi River and School of Medical Sciences on the bank of Seti River, five minute walking distance from Prithivi High Way. Local community is generous to endow the land in the scenic and beautiful location for other potential schools and research center such as School of Education and Sports, School of Tourism and Hotel Management, and Herbal Research Center.



Decision Making Body

University Senate: It is the supreme decision making body on policies, budget, and rules and regulations. Right Honorable Prime Minister is the ex-officio chairperson of the Senate. Honorable Minister of Education chairs the meeting of the Senate in the absence of Right Honorable Prime Minister, and Vice Chancellor chairs the meeting in the absence of both Right Honorable Prime Minister and Honorable Minister of Education. Senate is composed of the representatives from District Development Committee, Municipalities, industrialists, farmers, social workers, academicians, donors, Ministry of Education, University Grants Commission, Higher Secondary School, Nepal University Teacher Association, Pokhara University Teacher Association, Student Union and other universities. The Vice Chancellor, Deans, four Campus Chiefs and three

university teachers nominated by Right Honorable Chancellor are also the members of the Senate. Registrar is the member secretary of the Senate.

Academic Council: It is the academic body of the university and chaired by the Vice Chancellor. The Council consists of the heads of the major academic bodies such as Registrar, Deans of different faculties, Chairmen of different subject committees, educationists, Chief of research center, Controller of Examinations, Chief of Curriculum Development Center; experts and teachers appointed by Right Honorable Chancellor on the recommendation of Vice Chancellor. The Council makes decision on policies and practices regarding curricula, teaching, examination, and academic programs of the university.

Executive Council: The Vice Chancellor chairs the Executive Council. The Council executes the policy decisions taken by the University Senate. It is composed of seven members—Vice Chancellor, one person from amongst Deans, one person from amongst the Campus Chiefs who are members of the Senate, three persons from amongst members of the Senate including one teacher, and Registrar. The Registrar is the ex-officio member secretary of the Council

Others: Faculty Boards, Subject Committees, and Examination Committee assist the university in designing academic programs, conduct examinations, and monitor the academic decisions made by the university. University Service Commission recommends manpower to be recruited as per the requirement of the university. Faculties run the programs under the direct supervision of the Dean. Currently, the University Senate has given approval to run academic programs under the Faculty of Management Studies, Faculty of Science and Technology, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences.

Faculties and Academic Programs

Pokhara University has three faculties—Faculty of Science and Technology, Faculty of Management Studies and Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, and is establishing the Faculty of Health Sciences in near future. The university has offered Bachelor and Master programs in various subjects in its 4 constituent schools and 46 affiliated colleges. At present, it has run 18 Bachelor programs—Bachelor of Science in Bio-chemistry, Bachelor of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Bachelor of Computer Application, Bachelor of Civil Engineering or Diploma Holders, Bachelor of Science in Medical Laboratory Technology, Bachelor of Science in Medical Bio-chemistry, Bachelor of Science in Medical Microbiology, Bachelor of Public Health, Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Bachelor of Computer Engineering, Bachelor of Civil

Engineering, Bachelor of Electronics and Communication Engineering, Bachelor of Electrical and Electronics Engineering, Bachelor of Engineering in Information Technology, Bachelor of Software Engineering, Bachelor of Architecture, Bachelor of Civil Engineering (Rural), Bachelor of Science in Environment Management, and Six Master programs—Master of Science in Natural Resource Management, Master of Computer Engineering, Master of Science in Environment Management, Master of Science in Computer Science, Master in Interdisciplinary Water Resource Management and Master of Computer Information System under the Faculty of Science and Technology in different affiliated colleges and constituent school faculty of Science and Technology.

Similarly, the university has offered 6 Bachelor programs—Bachelor of Business Administration, Bachelor of Hotel Management, Bachelor of Computer Information System, Bachelor of Computer Application, Bachelor of Health Care Management, Bachelor of Business Administration in Banking and Insurance, four Master programs—Master of Business Administration, Master of Health Care Management, Master of Business Administration (Executive), Master of Computer Information System, and one post graduate diploma programs—Postgraduate Diploma in Health Care Management, under the Faculty of Management Studies and three Master programs—Master of Arts in English and Master in Population, Gender and Development, and Master of Philosophy in English (M. Phil) under the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences.

Constituent Schools

Pokhara University has four schools: School of Health and Allied Sciences, School of Engineering, School of Development and Social Engineering and School of Business in its academic complex.

School of Health and Allied Sciences has run Bachelor in Pharmacy, Medical Laboratory Technology, Public Health and Nursing. It is planning to launch new programs such as Master of Pharmacy, Master of Public Health, and Master of Medical Laboratory Technology.



School of Health and Allied Sciences

School of Business is running Bachelor in Business Administration, Bachelor in Business Administration in Banking and Insurance, and Master in Business Administration. It is planning to launch new programs MBA Finance and MBA Global Business.



School of Business

At present, School of Development and Social Engineering is running Master in Population, Gender and Development and going to launch Bachelor of Arts in Development Studies.



School of Development and Social Engineering

Affiliated Colleges

So far university has granted affiliation to 46 colleges. Of these, 24 colleges- Nepal Engineering College(nec), School of Environment Management and Sustainable Development(SchEMS), Ace Institute of Management, V.S. Niketan, Apex College, Universal Science College, National Open College, Institute of Advance, Communication, Education and Research Center (IACER), Nobel College, Nepal College of Information Technology, Cosmos College of Management and Technology, Everest Engineering and Management College, Excel International College, Atlantic International College, Liberty College, Camad College, Standard Chartered College, Citizen College, SIAM College, Quest International College, Platinum Management College, Ritz Hospitality Management College, Central Institute of Science and Technology(CIST) and Sahid Ramnath Dahal Smriti College are located in Kathmandu Valley. Nepal Engineering College runs

the programs related only to engineering; Universal College focuses only on science program; and Ace Institute of Management, Apex college and newly affiliated colleges concentrate their program on management education. SchEMS has concentrated its programs in science of environment management and management. It has offered three programs- Bachelor of Science in Environment Management, Master of Science in Environment Management and Bachelor in Business Administration. IACER runs Master of Arts in English and Master of Philosophy in English (M. Phil) programs and other colleges run different Bachelor, Master and Post Graduate Diploma programs.

Pokhara University has provided the affiliation to 5 colleges—Gandaki College of Engineering and Science (GCES), Pokhara Engineering College (PEC), Nepal Tourism and Hotel Management College, Pokhara College of Technology, and Pokhara College of Management (PCM) in Pokhara valley; and 17 colleges in Terain region—Brihaspati College, Bhairahawa, Rupandehi, Tillottama Campus, Shankarnagar, Rupandehi, Crimson College of Technology (CCT), Tulsi Mehar Memorial College, Shankarnagar, Butwal, Oxford College of Engineering and Management, Gaidakot, Nawalparasi, Lumbini Engineering, Management and Science College, Bhalbari, Rupandehi and National Academy of Science and Technology(NAST), Dhangadi, Kailali, Bostan International College, Bharatpur, Chitwan, Axis College, Butwal, Rupandehi, Kshitiz International College, Butwal, Rupandehi, Siddhartha College, Butwal, Rupandehi, Victoria International College, Ghorahi, Dang, Rapti Engineering College, Sitalnagar, Dang, Alpine Management College, Bagiya, Banke, Crescent Hotel Management College, Santoshi Tole, Kailali, Brixton College, Mahendranagar, Kanchanpur and Amity College, Bhimdutta Municipality, Kanchanpur.

Academic Schedule

The academic year of the University consists of two semesters—Fall semester and Spring semester, of 16 weeks each. Normally, Fall semester starts in August and Spring in February. New admission in Bachelor programs is taken only in Fall semester and in Master program admission is taken in both Fall semester and Spring semester.

Evaluation and Credit Transfer System

Pokhara University has two components of performance evaluation system: internal and external. The concerned teachers and colleges evaluate the performance of their students continuously. The weight of internal evaluation in Bachelor program is 50 percent and in Master program it is 60 percent.

Office of the Controller of Examinations conducts the semester end examination for external evaluation. University has downsizing system to check up the undeserving internal evaluation of the students. It has followed the relative grading system on 4 point rating scale. Pokhara University has established a system of credit transfer. Students of other universities can transfer the credit to Pokhara University up to 25 percent of the total credit hours and students of Pokhara University also can transfer the credit hours to other universities.



Office of the Controller of Examination

Linkage

It has established the formal relations with the following universities:

1. Tribhuvan University, Kirtipur, Kathmandu Nepal
2. Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana, USA
3. University of Roorkee (now converted into IIT, Roorkee), Roorkee, India
4. Independent University, Dhaka, Bangladesh
5. Showa Pharmaceutical University, Machida-shi, Tokyo, Japan
6. Institute of Oriental Medicine, Dongguk University, Kyungpook, Korea
7. Institute of Natural Medicine, Toyama Medical and Pharmaceutical University, Toyama, Japan
8. National University Corporation Ehime University, Japan
9. Korea Polytechnic College, Korea
10. BodQ University College, Norway
11. Sun Moon University, Korea and the College of Law of Sun Moon University, Korea.
12. Asian Institute of Technology (AIT), Thailand
13. Institute of Foreign Trade and Management, Moradabad, UP, India
14. University of Tromso, Norway
15. KIIT University, Bhubaneswar, India
16. Jilin University, China
17. Kathmandu University, Dhulikhel, Nepal
18. Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Kumamoto, University, Kumamoto, Japan
19. Panjab University, Chandigarh, India
20. Graduate School of Business IT, Kookmin University, Seoul, Korea

21. IUBAT-International University of Business Agriculture and Technology, Dhaka, Bangladesh.
22. Kingston College of London, the United Kingdom
23. Yonsei Biomolecule Research Initiative (BK21), Yonsei University, Korea
24. University of Sains, Penang, Malaysia
25. Hanoi University of Science, Hanoi, Vietnam
26. Kumamoto University, Japan

Pokhara University is exploring the universities and other academic institutions to work together for mutual benefits and interest. It is especially interested in students and faculty exchange programs, joint academic and non-academic programs.

Future Programs

- ◆ School of Medical Sciences
- ◆ School of Tourism and Hotel Management
- ◆ School of Education and Sports
- ◆ Herbal Research Centre
- ◆ School of Mountain Environment and Natural Resource Management.
- ◆ Expansion of its programs in the remote area of the country



Purposed site of Herbal Research Centre

Financing

Pokhara University finances its recurrent expenditures mainly from three sources: Nepal Government's grants, revenue from students and affiliation fee. Dependency on government coffers is decreasing year by year and increasing its financial independency in its operation and is in the path of national policy on higher education: cost sharing with private sector. But it fully depends on government grants for financing the capital expenditure especially for infrastructure development. Local community has endowed land to the university and is committed to provide the land for School of Engineering, School of Education and Sports, and Herbal Research Center. University has policy to mobilize the private sector and donors to develop the university infrastructure such as hostel, school building and residential facilities, and credit the infrastructure by the name of the concerned donor.

Scholarship Program

Pokhara University provides scholarship to 5 percent of approved quota of students in affiliated Colleges and 20 percent in constituent schools to make the

higher education imparted by it accessible to the underprivileged section of the society. The applicant for scholarship program should pass S.L.C. from the government school and pass the Scholarship Selection Examination conducted by the university.

Student Assistantship Program

Student assistantship programs such as part time employment in clerical works, library works, gardening, transportation, laboratory works and teaching in junior classes will be launched to provide the financial support to the financially weak students. The first priority will be given to the scholarship students for student assistantship program.

Faculty wise and Level wise Distribution of Students
(Both Constituent Schools and Affiliated Colleges)

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Constituent Schools

Faculty	Bachelor	Master	M. Phil	Total
Science and Technology	405	-	-	405
Management	280	69	-	349
Humanities and Social Sciences	-	34	-	34
Total	685	103	-	788
Affiliated Colleges				
Science and Technology	4,383	239	-	4,622
Management	6,817	864	-	7,681
Humanities and Social Sciences	-	36	44	80
Total	11,200	1,139	44	12,383
Grand Total	11,885	1,242	44	13,171



site of School of Engineering



Site of School of Medical Sciences



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