

International Education Office (IEO)

FAST-NUCES pursuit of academic excellence extends far beyond national boundaries. The International Education Office (IEO) reflects institutional commitment toward internationalization, global collaboration, and intercultural academic engagement. In an increasingly interconnected world, universities must not only impart knowledge but also prepare graduates to lead across diverse global environments.

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The International Education Office serves as the university's central platform for international partnerships, academic mobility, collaborative research, student exchange, and global outreach. Through strategic agreements with prestigious universities, participation in international conferences, facilitation of global scholarship pathways, and active engagement with international stakeholders, IEO is creating meaningful opportunities for students and faculty across all campuses.

Functions

- 1 Establish and manage international academic collaborations and Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) with partner universities and institutions worldwide.
- 2 Facilitate inbound and outbound student mobility, including exchange, transfer, and degree progression programs.
- 3 Coordinate semester exchanges, summer and winter schools, and structured degree pathways with international partner institutions.
- 4 Support the admissions, enrollment, and orientation of international students across all campuses.
- 5 Promote faculty exchange, joint research collaboration, and participation in international academic conferences.
- 6 Organize seminars, workshops, and awareness sessions on global scholarships, fellowships, and study-abroad opportunities.
- 7 Facilitate participation in international academic delegations, forums, and higher-education exhibitions.
- 8 Develop and implement strategic initiatives to advance international rankings, accreditation, and global visibility.

- 9 Lead online and cross-border educational and cultural exchange initiatives.
- 10 Strengthen engagement with international alumni and partner institutions to build long-term academic and professional networks.
- 11 Represent FAST-NUCES in regional and international academic cooperation bodies, and other bilateral/multilateral frameworks.
- 12 Benchmark international best practices to continuously enhance the university's global engagement strategy.

Services

- 1 International admissions guidance and application support.
- 2 Facilitation of inbound and outbound student exchange programs.
- 3 Visa guidance, documentation, and pre-departure support.
- 4 Partner university nomination and application processing.
- 5 Advisement on international scholarships and funding opportunities.
- 6 Coordination of faculty mobility and international research collaboration.
- 7 Planning and management of international academic delegations.
- 8 Cross-cultural orientation and integration support for incoming international students.
- 9 Coordination of language and cultural exchange initiatives.
- 10 Alumni engagement and global professional networking support.
- 11 Advisory support for international accreditation and rankings submissions.
- 12 Liaison services for prospective international partner institutions.

IEO Team

Name	Designation	Campus/Location
Mr. Waqar Baig	Head	Lahore
Ms. Iqra Usman	Officer	Lahore
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Mr. Muhammad Mubashar	Assistant	Lahore

Accomplishments

Since its establishment, the International Education Office has built an extensive network of academic partnerships spanning Europe, Central Asia, and South and Southeast Asia, with active collaborations across France, Türkiye, Bangladesh, Malaysia, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, and Tajikistan. The office has developed structured academic progression pathways with leading international institutions, including several prestigious French engineering and business schools, enabling FAST students to pursue advanced studies abroad through well-defined 1+1 and dual-degree arrangements with institutions in France and the United States.

The office has facilitated the outbound placement of FAST students into master degree programs at top-ranked international universities and

coordinates ongoing student participation in summer and winter schools hosted by partner institutions in France and Malaysia. Through the Zero Semester initiative, developed in collaboration with the Higher Education Commission of Pakistan, the office has supported the academic preparation of international students transitioning into Pakistani higher education. As a result of these efforts, FAST-NUCES today hosts a diverse international student body drawn from countries including Afghanistan, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Somalia, Kazakhstan, China, Russia, the United Kingdom, and the United States. The IEO has led academic delegations to Türkiye, Sri Lanka, Thailand, and other strategic destinations, strengthening institutional ties and opening new avenues for collaboration, and continues to support faculty and

student participation in international conferences and collaborative academic events. Its work extends into the digital and cultural domains as well, with cross-border educational initiatives such as the Afghan Thrive Program-delivered in partnership with Coursera and Education Above All — and cultural and language exchange programs conducted with the Belarusian State University of Foreign Languages, offering students there the opportunity to learn Urdu and engage with Pakistani culture online. Together, these initiatives reflect the International Education Office's ongoing commitment to positioning FAST-NUCES as a globally connected institution, fostering academic mobility, cross-cultural understanding, and strategic international partnerships that benefit students, faculty, and the university's global standing.



Admission Information

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Admission to the university is based on merit only. There are no quotas, reserved seats or admission through donation. Moreover, there is no age limit for the applicants. Merit is determined either through University's own admission test or an equivalent test conducted by a reputable organization.

Foreign Nationals

At the time of admission, foreign nationals must submit a No Objection Certificate (NOC) from the Ministry of Education, Government of Pakistan.

Admission on the basis of Score obtained in NTS (NAT or GAT) Exam

Those who have taken NTS-NAT examination (in the previous six months) can apply for admission to Bachelor degree programs. Applicants who have taken GAT-Subject test can apply for admission in MS, MBA or PhD programs.

Admission on the basis of Score obtained in SAT and GRE Examinations

Those who have taken SAT examination can apply for admission to the Bachelor degree programs. Admission through SAT examination is only for those students who reside abroad.

Those who have taken the GRE (general) can apply for admission to MS and MBA programs.

Those who have taken the GRE (subject test) can apply for admission to PhD programs.

Candidates Awaiting Result

Candidates awaiting their FA/FSc/A-level results can also apply. They are given provisional admission subject to passing the examination with required marks. If a candidate fails to qualify the exam, then the admission shall stand cancelled. The tuition fee shall be refunded as per HEC guidelines. Such students MUST immediately inform the University about their result along with an application for the refund of dues.

Admission Procedure

1. **Admission Application Form must be filled online at the University's website: admissions.nu.edu.pk.** Applications are not accepted through post or by hand.
2. The online system assigns a Unique Application Reference Number (ARN) to each applicant, which must be noted for later use.
3. Application processing fee of Rs 3,000 is payable by each applicant.
4. If an applicant wants to apply for admission to more than one campus, then Rs 500 is payable for each additional campus.
5. If an applicant wants to take more than one type of Admission Tests, then Rs 500 is payable for each additional type of Test. Each type of admission test can be taken only once. For Bachelor programs, there are two types of admission tests. For MS and PhD programs,

there is a different admission test for each program.

6. Applicant will deposit the Application Processing Fee in the designated Bank. Application fee is non-refundable/adjustable.
7. Applicant will confirm that information entered in the Admission Application Form is correct. In case of incorrect information, the University has the right to cancel the application and/or admission without refund of any fee.
8. After payment of the Application Processing Fee, the applicant MUST print his/her ADMIT CARD bearing the date, time, venue and
9. The applicant should then visit the test campus on the date and time specified on the Admit Card. Candidates without admit cards will not be allowed to take the test.

