

**The Islamia University of Bahawalpur**  
**Department of Social Work**

**M.A (2 SEMESTER)- DEVELOPMENTAL ECONOMICS AND  
POVERTY REDUCTION**

**Course Instructor: Farah Irum**

**Course Outline**

**Course Objectives:**

The course is designed to introduce the students about the basic concepts of Economics. To enable the students understand Socio-economic conditions of individuals, communities and groups. Give them an understanding about the Economic condition of Pakistan and suggestions for its improvement.

**Teaching methodology:**

1. The class will be conducted in a lecture and discussion environment. Class instructor will lead the class. Students will be encouraged to participate. Students will be allowed to ask question at the end of each class session.
2. Instructor will also available to the students 15 minutes after and before class to clarify remaining questions.

**Books prescribed:**

1. Samuelson. "Economics" McGraw Hill Book Co., inc. Kogakusha Company Ltd.
2. Dr. Akhtar, "An Introduction to Modern Economics"
3. Andirus j. Russel & Mohammad F. Aziz Ali. , "The Economy of Pakistan ", Oxford University Press, Karachi , Dacca .
4. Dr. S.M. Akhtar, " Pakistan a Developing Economy", Vol. I and II Publishers United, Lahore .
5. Sen and Das, "Substance of Economics"
6. Phelps, "Introduction to Labour Economics"
7. Habib ullah Vaseer, "Fundamentals of Economics"

**Course content:**

1. Introduction of the subject Nature and significance of economics

- 2. Importance of economics for social work subject**
- 3. Different classes of Economists and their definitions about the subject.**
- 4. Economic Planning: Essentials of Economics Planning.**
- 5. Economic Development**
- 6. Economic and Social infra-structure in Development Characteristics of under developed countries.**
- 7. Development stages of the societies**
- 8. Determinants/ Factors of economic development**
- 9. Law of Demand**
- 10. Law of supply**
- 11. Salient features of economic systems strengths and weaknesses.**
- 12. Comparative study of economic systems**
- 13. Salient features of economic system of Pakistan.**
- 14. National Income**
- 15. Concepts, complications and significance growth of National Income**
- 16. Inflation: Causes and its remedies**
- 17. Poverty, its causes, effects and remedies in the context of Pakistan**