

Higher Education Commission National Computing Education **Accreditation Council**



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Honorable Vice Chancellor/Rector

Subject: Accreditation of Computing Degree Programs by NCEAC

National Computing Education Accreditation Council (NCEAC) was established by HEC in 2004 to accredit computing degree programs nationwide. As per the policy of the HEC, the accreditation of computing degree programs is a mandatory process. Since its inception, the NCEAC has accredited more than 329 different degree programs in Pakistan. Currently, the Council accredits the following Bachelor of Science degree programs:

- 1. BS Computer Science
- 2. BS Software Engineering
- 3. **BS** Information Technology
- 4. **BS** Information Systems
- 5. **BS** Bioinformatics
- BS Cyber Security 6.
- 7. BS Artificial Intelligence
- BS Data Science

As per the HEC policy all universities and degree awarding institutions are required to offer only those computing programs which are accredited by NCEAC. The process of accreditation of any program is a time consuming process and needs a lot of effort on part of both the institute and NCEAC. Therefore, the General Council of the NCEAC decided to make a realistic deadline to facilitate all universities/DAIs to plan the accreditation of their computing programs, if any. The 31st August, 2024 has been fixed as the cut-off date in this regard. However, universities and DAIs are required to contact the council on priority for guidance on this matter.

After the above date, HEC will not attest any non-accredited computing degree. NCEAC is also planning to publish the list of all accredited and non-accredited programs for the general public. Details regarding the submission of application for accreditation are available online at the url: www.nceac.org.pk. You can also write to the Program Manager, NCEAC for further information at mbukhari@hec.gov.pk with copy to hshafeez@hec.gov.pk.

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