



“Development Leadership for the Future”

# Bachelor of Development Studies (BDEVS)

## School of Development & Social Engineering

Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences, Pokhara University

### Introduction to Bachelor of Development Studies

The **Bachelor of Development Studies (BDEVS)** is an undergraduate programme at the **School of Development and Social Engineering (SDSE)**, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, Pokhara University. It is an interdisciplinary course which aims to deal with the emerging thrust of 21st Century on development and to develop leadership for the future by producing career oriented professionals, practitioners, entrepreneurs, and keen academics in the field of development.

### Objectives

The objectives of the Bachelor of Development Studies are to impart interdisciplinary knowledge in the wider areas of development studies incorporating disciplinary and multidisciplinary stocks of knowledge from various disciplines of social sciences, management, environment, information technology and health to equip the students with analytical skills and methods, to enhance practical skills, and to foster inclusive democratic principles and practices among students.

### Career Opportunities

There is a huge demand of development professionals in the government and the non-governmental sectors in Nepal. The recently implemented federal structure of Nepal has further increased the importance of academic degree such as BDEVS. High paying careers are waiting ahead in various agencies such as UN agencies, Bilateral and Multilateral cooperation, International Non-Governmental Organizations (INGOs), and Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), as well as Community Based Organizations (CBOs). The recently formed local authorities are desperately waiting for development professionals for appropriate planning and implementation of development programmes. As the BDEVS develops the main path to the career in social transformation and development as well as entrepreneurship; there is also growing prospect to pursue higher studies within the country and abroad.

### Course Structure

Bachelor of Development Studies is a four years course having eight semesters (two semesters per year) with 129 credits with the following major courses:

- Development studies, Poverty & Human development
- Micro, Macro, Development & Environmental Economics
- Environment, Geography, Ecology, Natural resources
- Sustainable development & Conflict and development
- Sociology/Anthropology, Social work & Social welfare
- Gender, Gender analysis & Women studies
- Policy and planning & Regional planning
- Decentralization and local governance
- Development Financing & Tourism and development
- Development analytical tools & Dev. techniques
- Project analysis & Project management

- Journalism for development
- Population and development; Health and development
- Research methodology, Statistics, IT & GIS
- Field Work / Internship

### Project Work/Internship

Students are required to go for development exposure. In the fourth year, students will carry out an internship and intensive project work in the area of development. During these projects students will learn practical aspects of development study tools and techniques so that they would be able to bridge University learning with practice. At the end of these projects, students will prepare related report/term paper and present their work in a seminar.

### Why to join the Bachelor of Development Studies (BDEVS) at Pokhara University?

- It is a career oriented programme
- Being taught with modern equipment and participatory teaching-learning methodology
- Highly qualified faculties with abroad degrees
- Frequent exposure to research and development activities
- Exposure of guest lectures with development profession
- Pokhara University located in a peaceful location

### Admission Eligibility and Procedure

- Anyone who has completed 10+2 or intermediate level or its equivalent in any discipline from a recognized HS Board/College is eligible for applying to Bachelor of Development Studies.
- Applicants are selected from a merit list of entrance examination conducted by the School of Development and Social Engineering.

### Fee

A reasonable fee is set for the program which is payable in instalments by semester.

### Scholarship

As per the rules of PU scholarship, up to 20 per cent students, who have completed SLC from public schools, may get scholarship. *Separate application is required as per PU Scholarship procedure.*

**Admission Open: Admission is already opened.**

**For Further Details:**

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