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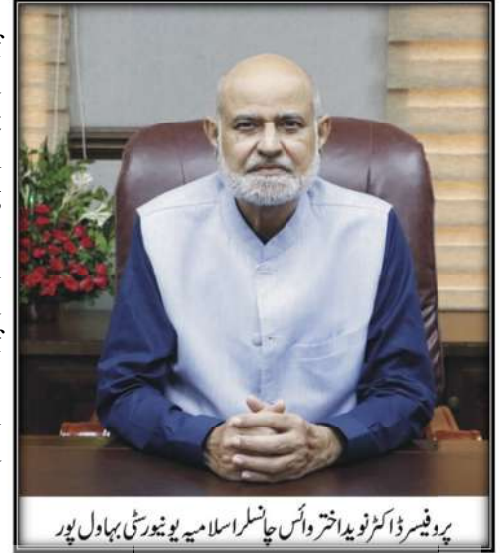
I am delighted to extend warm greetings to all of you as we release the latest edition of the Newsletter of the Department of Political Science & Department of Gender Studies. It gives me immense pleasure to witness the vibrant and engaged community that our department has become over the years, encompassing both the vital fields of political science and gender studies. Our department has always strived for excellence in research, teaching, and engagement with contemporary political and gender issues. This newsletter reflects our commitment to fostering intellectual curiosity, promoting rigorous scholarship, and encouraging open dialogue on a wide range of topics – from international relations and public policy to political theory, governance, and the nuanced complexities of gender. I want to take this opportunity to commend our faculty members for their dedication to shaping the minds of our students and producing groundbreaking research that contributes to the advancement of both political science and gender studies as critical fields of study. Our students, in turn, continue to inspire us with their passion for understanding the intricate dynamics of political systems and the pursuit of gender equality, demonstrating their determination to make a positive impact on society. As we navigate the ever-changing landscape of global politics and the multifaceted challenges related to gender, the importance of our disciplines in shaping informed decisions, promoting civic engagement, and advancing social justice cannot be understated. I encourage all of you to actively participate in the academic discourse, engage in thoughtful discussions, and contribute to the vibrant scholarly community we have nurtured here. Thank you to all who have contributed to this Newsletter, and to all of you for your continued support and enthusiasm as we continue to explore, learn, and advocate for a better future.

PROF. DR. SYED MUSSAWAR BUKHARI
Chairman, Department of Political Science &
Department of Gender Studies
Director, Center of Peace and Conflict Resolution

خدا کرے کہ میری عرضِ پاک پر اترے
وہ فصلِ گل جسے اندیشہ زوال نہ ہو
یہاں جو پھول کھلے وہ کھلا رہے صدیوں
یہاں خزاں کو گزرنے کی بھی مجال نہ ہو
یہاں جو سبزہ اُگے وہ ہمیشہ سبز رہے
اور ایسا سبز کہ جس کی کوئی مثال نہ ہو
خدا کرے کہ نہ خم ہو سرِ وقارِ وطن
اور اس کے حسن کو تشویشِ ماہ و سال نہ ہو
ہر ایک فرد ہو تہذیب و فن کا اوجِ کمال
کوئی ملول نہ ہو کوئی خستہ حال نہ ہو
خدا کرے کہ میرے اک بھی ہم وطن کے لیے
حیاتِ جرم نہ ہو زندگی وبال نہ ہو

احمد ندیم قاسمی

Prof. Dr. Naveed Akhtar has taken charge of the post of Vice Chancellor of Islamia University Bahawalpur. The Department of Political Science is filled with immense pleasure and excitement as we extend our warmest congratulations to Prof. Dr. Naveed Akhtar assumption of the esteemed position of Vice Chancellor. Prof. Dr. Naveed Akhtar is an expert with a strong background in the field of pharmaceutical sciences. He was born in Bahawalpur, Pakistan and received his primary education from Government Abbasia High School and Government Sadiq Egerton College, Bahawalpur. . He completed his B Pharm (Bachelor of Pharmacy) degree in 1989 and M.Phil. (Master of Philosophy) degree in Pharmaceutics from Punjab University in 1991. In 1994, Dr. Naveed Akhtar joined Islamia University Bahawalpur as a Lecturer in Pharmaceutics. He recognized the importance of further education and pursued a Ph.D. in Pharmaceutical Cosmetics Technology from Anadolu University, Eskişehir, Turkey, which he successfully completed in 2001. On his return to



Pakistan, Dr. Naveed Akhtar established the first state-of-the-art pharmaceutical cosmetics laboratory in the country. This laboratory has played a central role in advancing research and development in the field of pharmaceutical cosmetics within Pakistan. He was appointed as Assistant Professor in 2003, Associate Professor in 2008 and finally promoted to Professor in 2011. These developments reflect his expertise, experience and impact in the field of pharmaceutical science. He served as Principal of the University College of Conventional Medicine from 2009-15, Chairman of the Department of Pharmacy from 2011-2022 and later as Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy in 2017 and Dean of the Faculty of Medicine and Allied Health Sciences in 2021. He was appointed Pro Vice Chancellor of Islamia University Bahawalpur in 2022. As a scion of Bahawalpur, Dr. Naveed Akhtar's personal connection to the region has further strengthened his dedication to the development and progress of the University and the community. His recognition as a "Son of the Soil" symbolizes his promotion of acceptance, trust, integration and mutual respect within the local community. . Prof. Dr. Naveed Akhtar has been honored with several prestigious awards and honors for his distinguished service. These awards include "Stara Pakistan Gold Medal Award" and "Quaid-e-Azam Gold Medal", both of which were awarded in 2011 by Tehreek-e-Istaqam Pakistan Council (Registered) Pakistan. He has also received "Research Productivity Awards" from Pakistan Council for Science and Technology. These honors highlight his excellence, dedication and outstanding impact in the field of pharmaceutical sciences.



New Editorial Team

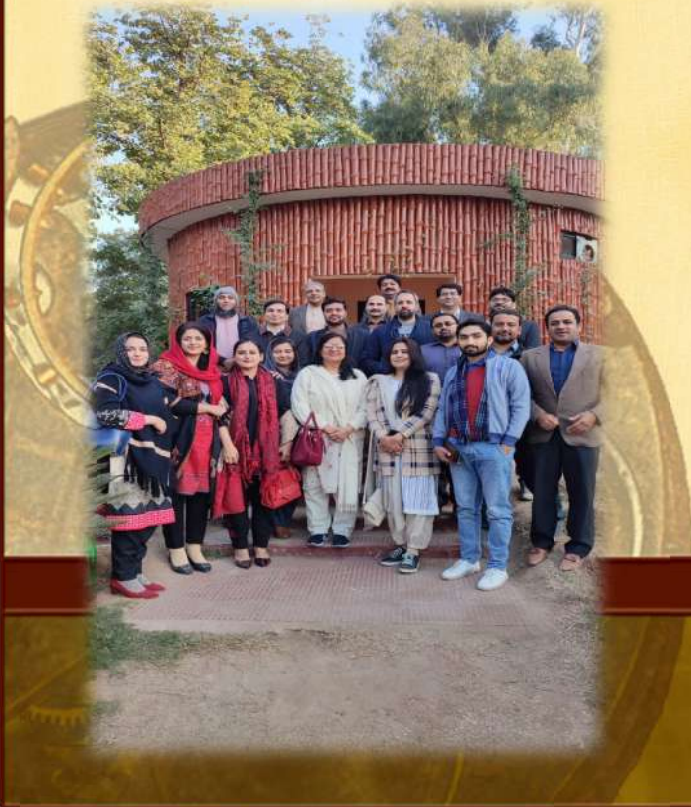
In a dynamic effort to enhance communication and engagement within the Department of Political Science, a revitalized New Newsletter Team is set to emerge. This initiative stems from a collective recognition of the importance of timely and comprehensive information dissemination, facilitating a deeper understanding of critical political developments and academic pursuits. Comprising a diverse ensemble of scholars, researchers and students, the team aims to weave together a tapestry of insightful analyses, thought-provoking commentary and noteworthy achievements from within the realm of political science. With a commitment to fostering an inclusive and informed community, the New Newsletter Team aspires to fortify connections, stimulate intellectual discourse and contribute meaningfully to the vibrant academic atmosphere of the department. The editorial board now comprises of Prof. Dr. Mussawar Hussain Bukhari, Dr. Shahzad Mahmood, Mr. Husni Mubarak and Ms. Hira Riaz. Best wishes and good luck extended to our former team member Ms Barka Khan who worked exceptionally good for the success of previous newsletter.

NOC for MPhil Public Administration

The issuance of a No Objection Certificate (NOC) by the Higher Education Commission (HEC) for the MPhil in Public Administration program at the Department of Political Science IUB is a crucial step in ensuring the academic quality and recognition of the program. The HEC, as the apex regulatory body for higher education in Pakistan, plays a pivotal role in evaluating and accrediting educational programs to maintain national standards and uphold the integrity of the academic landscape. The issuance of an NOC signifies that the MPhil program in Public Administration offered by the university has met the rigorous criteria set forth by the HEC in terms of curriculum, faculty qualifications, research opportunities and facilities. Prospective students can be assured that a program with an HEC-issued NOC adheres to the highest academic standards and promises a credible and enriching educational experience, equipping them with the necessary skills and knowledge to excel in the field of public administration.

Faculty Visit to Lal Sohanra National Park

The faculty members of the Political Science Department embarked on a delightful excursion to a local park on 16 January, 2023, setting aside their academic pursuits for a day of camaraderie and relaxation. Amidst the vibrant foliage and serene surroundings, these scholars, usually engrossed in discussions of governance, policies and international relations, reveled in the opportunity to unwind and forge deeper connections. As they strolled along the meandering paths, engaging in spirited conversations about everything from historical revolutions to contemporary diplomatic challenges, the park's beauty seemed to inspire fresh perspectives and innovative ideas. This convivial outing not only revitalized the faculty's spirits but also showcased the importance of balance and leisure in nurturing their intellectual pursuits.



3rd International Conference of Political Science

3rd International Conference of Political Science (ICPS-2023)

PUBLIC POLICY AND GOOD GOVERNANCE IN THE CONTEMPORARY AGE

Date: 14-15 February 2023



Engr. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob (T.I)
Vice Chancellor, IUB
Patron in Chief



Prof. Dr. Rubina Bhatti
Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences
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Department of Political Science
The Islamia University of Bahawalpur

On 14-15 Feb 2023, 3rd International Conference of the Political Science Department on Public Policy and Good Governance in the Contemporary Age was held as a significant and impactful event that brought together scholars, researchers, policymakers and practitioners from around the world to discuss and analyze critical issues related to public policy and governance. Khawaja Fareed Auditorium of Baghdad Al Jadeed campus of the Islamia University of Bahawalpur hosted the event. Conference was 3rd in series of national and international conferences contributed by the Department of Political Science over the period of past few years. Conference received an overwhelming response from the participants from across the globe.

Vice Chancellor Engr.Dr.Athar Mahboob(TI) as patron in chief Conference, **Prof. Dr.Rubina Bhatti** as chief organizer, **Prof.Dr.Syed Mussawir Hussain Bukhari** as conference chair **Dr. Shahzad Ali Gill** as deputy focal person and **Dr.shakil Akhter** served as the focal person of the conference welcomed all guests.

Key note speakers were Prof. Dr. Khawaja Alqama (Minhaj University), DR. Fozia Ghani (GC Lahore), Dr. Zawiya Mohd Zain from university of Utara Malaysia, Dr.Mahboob Hussain (University of Punjab), Dr.Rashid Aftab (Ripha University,Islamabad), Dr.Manzoor Afridi (International Islamic University), Mr.Saud Majeed former senator and MNA, Dr. Mahboob Hussain (university of Punjab), Dr.Ghulam Mustafa (GCU Faisalabad), Dr.Usman Aboo (Bayero University Kano,Nigeria) and Mr.Raja Jahangir Anwer (Commissioner Bahawalpur). This mega event was held by the collaborative efforts of Center for Peace and Conflict Resolution, GAPS club, APSA club and Women development center all working under the umbrella of Department of Political Science. Punjab Higher Education Commission, DHA Multan and Bahawalpur , Asia oil and Vital Tea were also official sponsors along with many other sponsoring entities.



3rd International Conference of Political Science

The conference aimed to provide a platform for in-depth discussions and exchange of ideas on the challenges and opportunities that governments and societies face in ensuring effective public policies and promoting good governance practices in today's rapidly changing global landscape.

Diverse topics were covered during the conference, including but not limited to Policy Implementation and Evaluation, Policy Formulation and Analysis, Transparency and Accountability, Digital Governance and Technology, Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), Global Collaboration and Citizen Participation.

Experts delved into the intricacies of crafting well-informed and evidence-based policies that address complex societal challenges. Discussions focused on methods for policy analysis, stakeholder engagement and the role of research in guiding policy decisions.

The conference addressed the importance of transparency, accountability and anti-corruption measures in fostering trust between governments and citizens. Case studies were presented to showcase successful initiatives and lessons learned from various countries. The impact of digitalization and technological advancements on governance and policy implementation was a central theme. Presentations explored e-governance, data-driven decision-making and the challenges of balancing innovation with privacy and security concerns.

The conference highlighted the role of public policy and governance in achieving the United Nations' SDGs. Discussions centered on aligning national policies with the global sustainability agenda and ensuring inclusive development.

Participants emphasized the need for international cooperation and knowledge-sharing to address cross-border challenges, such as climate change, migration and global health crises. The role of diplomacy and multilateral institutions in shaping global governance was also explored.

The conference recognized the growing importance of citizen engagement in the policy-making process. Strategies for promoting active civic participation, including participatory budgeting and public consultations, were examined. Scholars and practitioners discussed the critical phase of policy implementation and the significance of robust monitoring and evaluation mechanisms to ensure desired outcomes.

The conference facilitated insightful discussions through keynote speeches, panel sessions, workshops and research paper presentations. It provided a platform for networking, interdisciplinary collaboration and the exchange of best practices among attendees.

Overall, the International Conference of the Political Science Department on Public Policy and Good Governance in the Contemporary Age made a substantial contribution to advancing the understanding of effective governance practices and fostering a global dialogue on the role of public policy in shaping a better future for societies worldwide.



International Women's Day

The Department of Political Science, Department Gender Studies and Women Development Center with the cooperation of the Faculty of Social Sciences, Social Sciences Students Society and GAPSS (Gender, Administration and Political Science Society) organized an awareness walk to celebrate International Women's Day on the 8th March 2023 under the headship of Prof. Dr. Rubina Bhatti, Dean Faculty of Social Sciences and Prof. Dr. Syed Mussawar Hussain Bukhari Director Center for Peace and Conflict Resolution and Chairman Department of Political Science The Islamia University of Bahawalpur. Faculty members and students (Males and Females) of the faculty of social sciences participated in this walk from Sir Sadiq Muhammad Khan Library to the Vice Chancellor's office at The Islamia University of Bahawalpur. The students moved peacefully holding banners and playing cards demanding gender equality and women's empowerment. The theme of international women's day of this year 2023 is " Digit All: Innovation and Technology for Gender Equality". At Vice Chancellor's Secretariat, Mr. Ansar Abbas Assistant Professor Department of Gender Studies formally demonstrated the Session, he put light on the international commitments and pacts ratified by Pakistan regarding gender equality and women's empowerment and he paid congratulations and thanks to Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob (T.I) Vice Chancellor the Islamia university of Bahawalpur, Prof. Dr. Rubina Bhatti Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences, Prof. Dr. Syed Mussawar Hussain Bukhari Chairman



Department of Political Science and all the faculty members and students who joined this walk. Prof. Dr. Athar Mehboob talked that we are trying to achieve Gender Equality in our institution through socio-economic changes and creating gender balance through the induction of faculty members to minimize gender discrimination and unfair treatment on the base of Gender. Women Development Center and Women health center are playing key roles to achieve Gender Equality and sustainable development goals at IUB. Prof .Dr Rubina Bhatti Dean Faculty of Social Sciences addressed the audience, she said that women can be empowered through the support of male members in our society, As human beings, every person has a right to enjoy and participate in all social affairs of society. As a role model for women, she said that women are also playing a vital role in the public and private spheres to strengthen the social fabric of society. Prof. Dr. Syed Mussawar Hussain Bukhari said that this day is a women's festival and we should celebrate it by promising to overthrow all gender disparities and discrimination by changing the mindset of people, gender equality can be achieved in the light of the Holy Quran and Universal Declaration of Human Rights. In the end, Mr. Ansar Abbas, Assistant Professor Department of Gender Studies along with faculty members of Gender Studies Dr . Shahzad Mahmood, Mr. Hasnaat Ahmad and Mr. Sibtain Yasir appreciated the efforts of all the organizers and paid a Vote of thanks to all the participants.

Interfaith Harmony Week

Faculty of Social Sciences, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur in a collaboration with Center for Peace and Conflict Resolution and SDGs Collaboration Center. The Islamia University of Bahawalpur, observed the World Interfaith Harmony Week from February 1-7, 2023. The goal of the week-long observation was to promote harmony between citizens of Pakistan, regardless of their faith. A walk was organized to observe the World Interfaith Harmony Week, from Faculty of Social Sciences to Vice Chancellor Secretariat on February 1, 2023, in which Dean Faculty of Social Sciences, Prof. Dr. Rubina Bhatti, along with Prof. Dr. Syed Mussawar Hussain Bukhari, Chairman, Department of Political Science and Director Center for Peace and Conflict Resolution, faculty members and students, participated. Vice Chancellor Eng. Prof. Dr. Athar Mahboob (TI) highlighted the need to advance mutual understanding and interreligious dialogue as way to promote harmony between people. A delegation of faculty members led by Prof. Dr. Mussawar Hussain Bukhari visited the Churches and Mandirs in Bahawalpur on February 6, 2023, to promote the interfaith harmony, love and cooperation. On February 7, 2023, a Seminar on “Sustainable Development and Peace through Interfaith Harmony” was organized. The guest speakers were Dr. Abdul Sattar, Paster David Bedi, Pandit Kashori Lal and Jamsheed Kareem Khan. The week-long observation concluded that our common values of love, faith and humanity easily outweigh our differences. With mutual understanding, respect and empathy, we could all make the world a better place to live in- one where faith unites and religion is not a means of oppression.



Separation of Public Administration Department

The inauguration of the new Department of Public Administration on marks an exciting milestone for our university, signifying a distinct and focused approach to the study and practice of effective governance. Emerging as an independent entity, this department has separated from the Political Science Department to establish its unique identity, dedicated to exploring the intricacies of public policy, organizational management and public service delivery. The Department of Public Administration is poised to become a hub of interdisciplinary collaboration, fostering innovative research and producing adept professionals equipped to tackle the complex challenges of modern governance. With its specialized curriculum, renowned faculty and a commitment to shaping future leaders in the realm of public affairs, this new department is set to make substantial contributions to the fields of administration, policy analysis and public leadership. Department moved to its new building under the dynamic leadership of Dr. Shahzad Ali Gill as an in charge of the department of Public Administration.

One day seminar on Modernity, Modernism & Dilemmas of Post Modernism

**One Day Seminar on
Modernity, Modernism &
Dilemmas of Post-Modernism**

Time
10 AM

Date
01-03-2023

Venue
Faculty of
Arts
Auditorium

MODERATOR
Dr. Sarfraz Batool
Assistant Professor Department of
Political Science, IUB

GUEST SPEAKER
Mr. Jami Chandio
Executive Director of Center
for Peace & Civil Society (CPCS)

VOTE OF THANKS
Prof. Dr. Syed Mussawir
Hussain Bukhari
Chairman Department of
Political Science, IUB

Organized By
DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE AND CENTER FOR PEACE &
CONFLICT RESOLUTION, THE ISLAMIA UNIVERSITY OF BAHAWALPUR

Department of Political Science and Center for Peace and conflict Resolution conducted One day seminar on Modernity, Modernism and the Dilemmas of Postmodernism on 1st March 2023. Activity provides a captivating exploration into the transformative currents that have shaped the cultural and intellectual landscape of the modern world. Through a multidisciplinary lens, this seminar delves into the intricate interplay between Modernity and Modernism, illuminating the profound shifts in thought, art, society and technology that characterized this era of unprecedented change. Attendees were grappled with the complexities of

Attendees were grappled with the complexities of Postmodernism, delving into its paradoxes, critiques and contributions. Engaging in thought-provoking discussions, participants analyzed how Postmodernism challenges conventional narratives, blurs boundaries and questions established norms, paving the way for new perspectives and creative expressions. By critically examining the tensions and opportunities presented by these interconnected epochs, the seminar aimed to foster a deeper understanding of the ongoing dialogue between tradition and innovation, stability and flux, as well as the ever-evolving nature of human expression and culture in our complex, dynamic world. Guest speaker Mr. Jami Chandio Executive Director of Center for Peace and Civil society (CPCS) delivered his valuable thoughts on this academic topic. This session was moderated by Dr. Sarfraz Batool and vote of thanks was delivered by the Chairman Prof. Dr. Syed Mussawir Hussain Bukhari.

Seminar on Women's Rights in Pakistan: Challenges & Opportunities

On 28 Feb 2023, Department of Gender Studies in collaboration with Women Development Center organized a Seminar on Women's Rights in Pakistan: Challenges and Opportunities, served as a pivotal platform for insightful discourse and critical analysis of the multifaceted landscape of gender equality in the nation. With a focus on Pakistan's socio-cultural intricacies, the seminar delved into the persistent challenges that hinder the realization of women's rights while also highlighting the potential avenues for progress. Distinguished scholars, activists and experts convened to illuminate the systemic barriers and deeply entrenched stereotypes that have perpetuated gender disparities. Through thought-provoking discussions, the seminar underscored the imperative of legal reforms, educational empowerment and economic inclusion to advance women's rights. Attendees engaged in spirited dialogues, exploring innovative strategies to amplify women's voices and foster a more equitable society. Ultimately, the seminar not only illuminated the obstacles but also ignited a collective determination to champion the cause of women's rights, paving the way for a more inclusive and just Pakistan. Its keynote speaker was Ms Hina Jilani Chairperson Human Rights Commission of Pakistan and it was attended by students. Event was moderated by Dr. Safdar Hussain and Mr. Ansar Abbas. Concluding remarks were delivered by Prof. Dr. Rubina Bhatti and vote of thanks was presented by Prof. Dr. Yasmine Roofi.

**Seminar on
Women Rights in Pakistan: Challenges and Opportunities**

Guest Speaker:
Miss Hina Jilani
Chairperson Human Rights
Commission of Pakistan

Moderator:
Dr. Safdar Hussain
Assistant Professor
Department of Political Science, IUB

Moderator:
Mr. Ansar Abbas
Assistant Professor
Department of Gender Studies, IUB

Vote of Thanks:
Prof. Dr. Yasmine Roofi
Department of Political Science, IUB

Organized by: Women Development Center & Department of Gender Studies

Dated: 28-02-2023

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Consultative Dialogue

On Thursday 23rd of Feb 2023, Department of Gender Studies in collaboration with Women Development Center, under the umbrella of Chairman Department of Political science IUB, hosted a thought-provoking and enlightening event centered around a consultative dialogue on contemporary gender issues, with a particular focus on women's experiences. This event brought together a diverse range of students, scholars, activists and community members to engage in meaningful discussions that explored the multifaceted dimensions of gender inequality and the challenges faced by women in today's society. Through panel discussions, workshops and interactive sessions, participants delved into topics such as gender representation, empowerment and violence prevention. The consultative dialogue fostered an environment of open exchange, where attendees shared personal insights, research findings and innovative solutions to promote gender equity and create a more inclusive future. This event not only heightened awareness about pressing gender concerns but also galvanized a collective commitment to advocate for positive change and inspire meaningful actions within the university community and beyond. Participants benefited the insights from Ms.Sharmeela Rasool (country representative UN Women Pakistan) and Muhammad Younas Khalid (senior gender advisor UN Women Pakistan)



PH.D VIVA-VOCE EXAMINATION OF 2 STUDENT

On 5th June and 7th July 2023, The Department of Political Science conducted two noteworthy PhD open defense sessions, marking a significant milestone in the academic pursuits of its doctoral candidates. These defenses showcased the culmination of years of rigorous research and dedication by the scholars. The first defense delved into the Deconstructing the Problematics of Democracy. The candidate Mr. Muhammad Ashfaq who completed his work under the supervision of Prof.Dr.Yasmin Roofi adeptly navigated the complexities of democratic negotiations and their implications for Pakistan during the decade from 2008 to 2018.Prof.Dr. Khawja Alqama from Minhaj University Lahore and Der. Muhammad Mushtaq from Gujrat university attended as external examiners. Meanwhile, the second defense explored the intricate interplay between political ideologies and socio-economic policies within a specific region. The doctoral candidate Mr.Aamir Saleem who completed his work under the supervision of Prof.Dr.Mussawir Hussain Bukhari presented a comprehensive analysis of how ideological shifts have shaped policy trajectories and societal outcomes. Dr.Manzoor Afridi and Dr.Muhammad Khan from international Islamic University Islamabad were external examiners for the event being held at video conference Room, main Auditorium Baghdad Al Jadeed Campus. Both defenses were a testament to the department's commitment to fostering cutting-edge political research and nurturing scholars who contribute valuable insights to the field. The lively discussions that followed each defense demonstrated the academic rigor and intellectual curiosity that thrive within the department's vibrant scholarly community.

The Islamia University of Bahawalpur

DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

Viva-Voce/Public Defense of PHD Degree

TOPIC: Deconstructing The Problematics of Democracy: Pakistan A Case Study (2008-2018)

PHD SCHOLAR: MUHAMMAD ASHFAQ

SUPERVISOR: PROF. DR. YASMIN ROOFI

EXTERNAL EXAMINER: Dr. Muhammad Mushtaq
Chairman, Department of Political Science & I.R.
Gujrat University, Gujrat.

EXTERNAL EXAMINER: Prof. Dr. Khawaja Alqama
Dean, Faculty of Social Science.
Minhaj University Lahor.

CHAIRMAN: DR. SYED MUSSAWAR HUSSAIN BUKHARI
Department of Political Science

VENUE: DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE
BAGHDAD-UL-JADEED CAMPUS
Date: MONDAY JUNE 5th, 2023 TIME: 10:00 AM

The Islamia University of Bahawalpur

Department of Political Science

PhD Open Defense/Viva Voce

Scholar Name: Mr. Aamir Saleem

Supervisor: Dr. Syed Mussawar Hussain Bukhari
Chairman Department of Political Science

Title : Iran Saudi Rivalry During 21st Century and Pakistan's Effort for Rapprochement

External Examiners

Dr. Manzoor Afridi
Tanzeem Associate Professor
International Relations, International Islamic University, Islamabad.

Dr. Muhammad Khan
Professor / Chairperson
Social Sciences International Islamic University, Islamabad.

Date: 07-07-2023
Time: 10:00 AM

Venue: Audio Video Conference Room, Main Auditorium Baghdad-ul-Jadeed Campus, IUB Bahawalpur

Visit of Gulzar Mahal

On 6th July 2023, the esteemed faculty members of the Department of Political Science embarked on a captivating journey through time as they explored the local historical gem, "Gulzar Mahal." With an air of scholarly curiosity, the group ventured into the splendid palace, its ancient walls echoing with tales of bygone eras. As they traversed the intricately adorned chambers, each corner seemed to whisper anecdotes of power, governance and the intricate interplay of politics within these hallowed halls. The faculty keenly absorbed the architectural marvels that stood as a testament to the opulence of the past, drawing parallels and insights into the political dynamics of yesteryears. This enlightening visit not only enriched their historical perspective but also invigorated their academic discussions, infusing a deeper understanding of the past's influence on contemporary political landscapes. As they departed from Gulzar Mahal, the faculty carried with them a newfound appreciation for the symbiotic relationship between history and politics, ready to impart this wisdom to their eager students.



Promotion of Faculty Members of the Department of Political Science

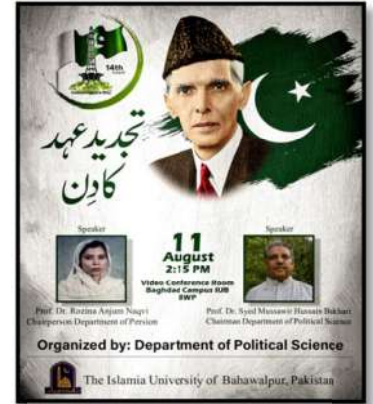
The Department of Political Science takes immense pride in announcing the well-deserved promotion of three esteemed faculty members to the position of Associate Professors namely Dr. Sarfraz Batool, Dr. Shakil Akhtar and Dr. Safdar Hussain. These dedicated individuals have exhibited exceptional commitment to both their professional and academic pursuits and the growth of our department. Through their rigorous research, thought-provoking lectures and unwavering mentorship, they have significantly enriched the educational experience for our students. Their promotions not only recognize their outstanding contributions to the field of political science but also signify a promising future of continued scholarly excellence and impactful teaching within our academic community. We extend our warmest congratulations to these Associate Professors and look forward to witnessing their continued contributions to the advancement of political knowledge and discourse.

Approval of Journal and Launching of 1st Edition of Political Horizon

The culmination of diligent efforts and scholarly dedication has led to a momentous occasion of Department of Political Science proudly announces the approval of Journals titled “ **Pakistan Gender Review**” & “**Pakistan Journal of Peace and conflict Resolution**” and imminent launch of its journal “**Political Horizons**” inaugural first even edition. This significant accomplishment reflects the department's unwavering commitment to fostering intellectual discourse and advancing the field of political science. Through rigorous peer-review processes and a meticulous selection of groundbreaking research articles, this journal promises to serve as a dynamic platform for academics, researchers and practitioners to exchange innovative ideas, delve into critical analyses and contribute to the ever-evolving landscape of political thought. As the anticipation builds, the forthcoming launch of this esteemed journal stands as a testament to the department's pursuit of academic excellence and its integral role in shaping the discourse surrounding political phenomena on a global scale.

Seminar "Tajded-e-Ahad Ka Din"

Department of Political Science with the collaboration of, Directorate of Public Relations, The Islamia University Bahawalpur has organized an event titled "Fourteenth of August - Pledge Renewal Day" was organized on Friday, August 11, 2023. In which Prof. Dr. Shazia Anjum Dean Faculty of Chemical and Biological Sciences participated as special guest, Prof. Dr. Samia Khalid Head of History Department, Prof. Dr. Rozeena Anjum Naqvi Head of Persian Department participated as speakers, Prof. Dr. Syed Maswar Hussain Bukhari was the President. The Department of Political Science as host welcomed the distinguished guests along with its faculty members, male and female students. The formal ceremony started with the recitation of Holy Quran. Prof. Dr. Rozeena Anjum Naqvi articulated that Dr. Allama Muhammad Iqbal, the poet of the East, envisioned a dream and an ideal,



sentiments. In this context, Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah, a physically frail yet remarkably resilient figure, rose to fulfill this dream, eliciting a responsive chord among Muslims in Southeast Asia. Many people cannot understand his language, but they understand the triangle titled Islam, Pakistan and Quaid-e-Azam and then centuries ago when the Holy Quran was revealed on the 27th of Ramadan, on that night, according to his interpretation, a country came into being. The name of which was declared as Pakistan. Finally, on August 14, 1947, the resolution of Pakistan reached its logical conclusion and Pakistan came into being on the map of the world. At that time, it was the only kingdom in the world that came into existence only because of ideological differences. Professor Dr. Syed Maswar Hussain Bukhari said in his address

that today is a day to remember our national heroes, it is also a day of reckoning where we have the right to remember our achievements and be proud of them. There is also a duty to look at the dark chapters today. If each one of us in his personal position were to look within himself, he would see the truth, a truth which is not easy to face, but very difficult. How many of us are patriots who prefer national interest over personal interest? Who serve this country in their chess. Long story short! We are the builders of this country and God willing, we will be the ones to damage it. We are the treasure of its development and we have to raise its dignity. Let us all pledge together to serve this country with a new will and determination to protect this fortress of Islam and not only ourselves. Rather, they will also encourage the people living in their surroundings to serve the nation so that the Islamic Republic of Pakistan can also join the ranks of developed countries and the voice of Islam will be high.

In the end, Prof. Dr. Shazia Anjum, Dean, Faculty of Chemical and Biological Sciences, said in her address that it was a prestigious event in which our youth and new generation learned about the history of Pakistan, the sacrifices of the ancestors for the achievement of Pakistan. Living is a day of renewal that gives us and our new generation a new hope. My prayer is that Rab-e-zuljalal will keep this holy land forever. Ameen

MOU with PILDAT

Department of Political Science, the Islamia University of Bahawalpur has signed MOU with PILDAT, a prestigious think tank on democracy and governance. It will enable us to engage in various activities related to youth training and involvement in the electoral process and their dialogue with leading political parties on their manifestos and role in the political system of Pakistan.

Vice Chancellor IUB, Prof. Dr. Naveed Akhtar and Mr. Faheem Ahmad Khan Senior Projects Manager PILDAT signed the MoU. Dean Faculty of Social Sciences, Prof. Dr. Rubina Bhatti, Prof. Dr. Yasmin Roofi, Dr. Abid Shahzad, Director National & International Linkages, Dr. Shakil Akhtar, Focal Person MOU and Faculty Members of the Department of Political Science were also present.



Condolences being offered by the Faculty

Condolences for the Brother of Chairman Prof. Dr. Mussawir Hussain Bukhari:

Our hearts are heavy with grief as we extend our deepest condolences to the chairman Prof. Dr. Mussawir Hussain Bukhari and his family on the passing of his beloved brother. During this difficult time, we stand with you in solidarity, offering our sincere sympathies and unwavering support. May cherished memories bring solace and may the love and strength of those around you provide comfort as you navigate through this loss.

Condolences for the Mother of Senior Faculty Member Prof. Dr. Yasmine Roofi (chairperson/Directress Women Development center) :

In this moment of profound sadness, we express our heartfelt condolences to the senior faculty member Prof. Dr. Yasmine Roofi and her family on the loss of their dear mother. Her nurturing spirit and unwavering guidance have undoubtedly left an indelible mark on those fortunate enough to have known her. As you mourn her passing, may you find solace in the cherished moments you shared and may her legacy of love and wisdom continue to inspire and guide you. Our thoughts and sympathies are with you during this time.

Admission Desk for Fall 2023



The Department of Political Science and Gender Studies is gearing up for an exciting Fall 2023 admission and at the heart of this process is the dedicated admission desk at Abbasia Campus. Faculty members and students have come together to assume their roles, ensuring a seamless and informative experience for prospective students. With their expertise and passion, the faculty members are poised to guide aspiring students through the intricacies of the admissions process, helping them find their academic home in the department. Alongside them, enthusiastic students also play a pivotal role, offering their unique insights and perspectives to provide a warm and welcoming environment. Together, they create a supportive and inclusive atmosphere, embodying the department's commitment to fostering intellectual growth and promoting diversity within the fields of political science and gender studies.

Flash News:

Appointment of Prof. Dr. Yasmin Roofi as a Director of Usman Buzdar School of State Sciences

To be substituted bearing same No. & Date
The Islamia University of Bahawalpur
Administration Division
Ph. No. 9250235, E-mail: registrar@iub.edu.pk

No. 1686 /Faculty-I
Dated: 13.09.2023

NOTIFICATION

Subject: APPOINTMENT AS DIRECTOR, USMAN BUZDAR SCHOOL OF STATE SCIENCES (UBSSS)

It is notified for information of all concerned that the Committee comprising of (i) the Vice-Chancellor (ii) Dean (iii) Registrar, in exercise of the powers delegated by the Syndicate at its meeting held on 04th July, 2020 has been pleased to assign the responsibilities as "Director, Usman Buzdar School of State Sciences (UBSSS)" to Prof. Dr. Yasmin Roofi, Department of Political Science, Baghdad-ul-Jadeed Campus, Bahawalpur, with immediate effect for a period of three years / till the date of superannuation or until further orders whichever comes earlier.

13/09/2023
Deputy Registrar (F-I)
for Registrar

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