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Highlight of the Month



Rang-e-Rukhsat

University of Central Punjab bid a heartfelt farewell to the Class of 2025 with Rang-e-Rukhsat, one last night to celebrate the graduating batch as they reach the final stage of their journey at UCP. The highlight of the event was a soulful live performance by the duo Zain Zohaib, who added emotion and energy to the celebration. The night ended with bittersweet goodbyes and tearful speeches, moments that will be engraved in the hearts of the Class of 2025 as memories filled with pride and nostalgia. Rang-e-Rukhsat not only celebrated the journey and accomplishments but also reinforced the lifelong bond between UCP and its students.



Highlight of the Month



Admissions Test for Fall 2025

University of Central Punjab conducted the first and second cycle of the Fall 2025 admissions test for Lahore, welcoming a cohort of aspiring students to the campus. Dr. Hammad Naveed visited the test venues to oversee the arrangements made for the applicants and motivate them as they begin their academic journey at UCP. This marks a promising start to the Fall 2025 admissions process at UCP, reinforcing the university's commitment to providing inclusive and quality higher education.





Surbuland Stories: Stories of Entrepreneurial Pursuit in Frame

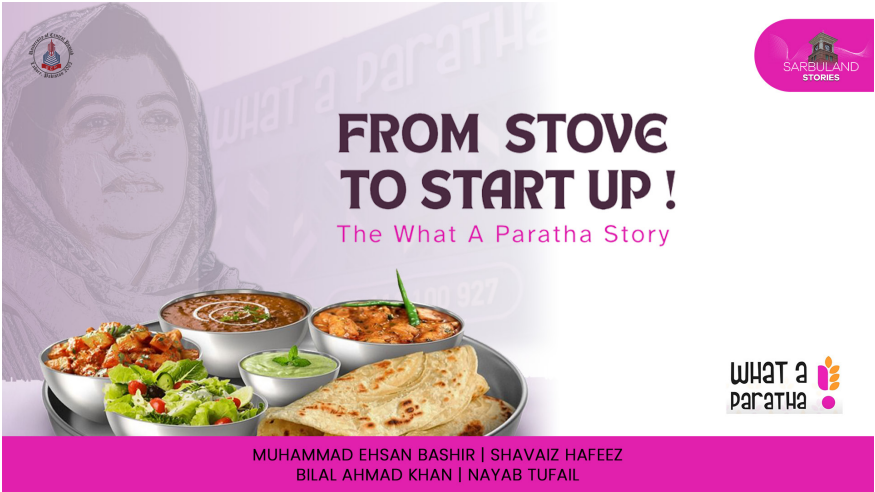
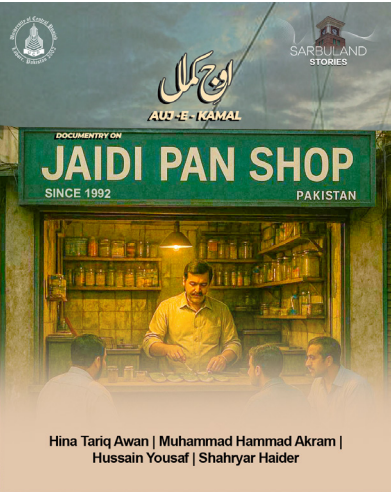
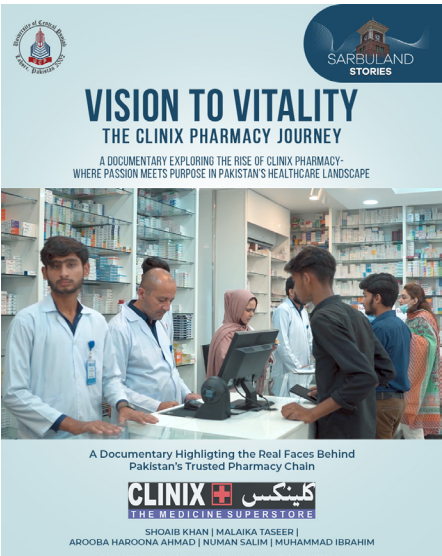
The curtains have closed on a powerful premiere at the University of Central Punjab, where student-led documentaries brought entrepreneurial journeys to life on the big screen. From passion projects to real-world business stories, each film was a testament to creativity, research, and storytelling.

Congratulations to the teams behind the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place documentaries—your work truly stood out and inspired!

This impactful event was made possible through the collaborative efforts of the Faculty of Media and Mass Communication and the Faculty of Management Sciences, bridging storytelling with entrepreneurial insight.

A big thank you to our esteemed jury and everyone who made this first-of-its-kind showcase a resounding success.

Let the stories inspire. Let the frames continue to speak.



Workshops and Seminars

Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Training Workshop



Department of Microbiology, in collaboration with World Wide Scientific, organized a Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Training Workshop to enhance the practical molecular biology skills. This training was designed to enhance the practical molecular biology skills of students and faculty. Dr. Namrah Anwar and Dr. Mohsin Gulzar Barq supervised the training under the leadership of Dr. Aatif Amin, HoD, Microbiology, and Dr. Hafiza Rizwana Kausar, Dean, FOST. Participants gained knowledge and technical expertise in PCR techniques, DNA amplification protocols, contamination control strategies, and data analysis. Scientists from World Wide Scientific offered comprehensive demonstrations on the latest PCR equipment and reagents used in diagnostic and research laboratories. This initiative proves UCP’s ongoing commitment to bridging the gap between academic learning and industry demands.

Cheeziious - The Brand Story Youth Engagement Seminar



Faculty of Management Sciences, in collaboration with Career Services Office, organized the “Cheeziious – Brand Story Youth Engagement Seminar”, where students learned about the brand’s evolution from Cheeziious’ senior leadership – Ms. Ainee Fatima, Country Head T&D, Mr. Muhammad Rameez Zarrar, Regional Head HR, and Ms. Uzma Kamal, CEO, EmpowerNET Global. The event featured discussions on brand history, HR strategies, and marketing practices, followed by a Q&A session where they addressed students’ career-related questions. The seminar concluded with closing remarks by Dr. Muhammad Athar Siddique, Dean of FOMS, who emphasized the importance of connecting academia and industry to produce professionals well-prepared for their careers.



Learning Innovation Centre’s Training for Food Staff



Learning Innovation Centre, in collaboration with the Admin Department, organized a training session for the food staff, including the cooking, supervising, and serving teams at UCP. The training session included staff members from all UCP cafés, faculty lounges, and the food street. Dr. Kanza Aziz Awan, HoD, Faculty of Sciences and Technology, conducted the training sessions in alignment with the standards and requirements set by the Pakistan Food Authority. This initiative aimed to provide UCP food staff with the knowledge and practices necessary to maintain hygiene, cleanliness, and food safety in their daily duties.

Transforming Women’s Livelihoods through Technology: A Session on Entrepreneurship



Faculty of Languages and Literature, in collaboration with the CIRCLE Women Association, organized a session for final-year students titled “Transforming Women’s Livelihoods through Technology: A Session on Entrepreneurship.” Ms. Anjum and Mr. Tariq Waseem introduced students to the CIRCLE Baji app, Pakistan’s first AI-integrated chatbot and WhatsApp-based digital guide designed to support women at every stage of their entrepreneurial journey. They explained how this tool offers free business tips, easy-to-follow videos, and step-by-step guidance for women looking to build their careers or businesses. Through its Digital Literacy Program, the CIRCLE Women Association aims to equip women with essential digital and financial skills, empower entrepreneurs, and nurture students to become brand ambassadors. By opening doors to knowledge and mentorship, this initiative enables women to transform their lives and, in turn, society at large.

Call of Toheed Conference



Islamic Guidance Club organized the Call of Toheed Conference, an enlightening session centered on the core Islamic belief. Renowned speakers Molana Yusuf Khan, Qaisar Ahmad Raja, and Dr. Asiya Madani shared insights on the concept of Toheed, the Oneness of Allah, emphasizing its significance as the foundation of faith. The session served as a powerful reminder of our purpose, responsibilities, and connection with the Creator.

Law GPT



Career Services Office hosted an Information & Product Demo Session featuring Law GPT, an AI-powered legal research and case management tool. During the event, students from the Faculty of Law actively participated by giving real-time feedback and sharing valuable insights on various product features. In appreciation of their involvement, Law GPT provided free subscriptions to both students and faculty members. The session concluded with a shared interest from CSO and Law GPT in establishing a long-term collaborative relationship.

Training Session on HACCP Training and Implementation in the Baking Industry



Department of Food and Nutritional Sciences hosted a training session on HACCP Training and Implementation in the Baking Industry featuring a presentation by Mr. Muhammad Kamran Butt, Head of Quality Assurance, Pizza Hut on implementing HACCP standards. Following

that, Mr. Muhammad Umair Ali, UCP alumnus and Assistant Quality Assurance Manager, Pizza Hut, also provided the audience with his valuable insights. The session concluded with a token of appreciation presented to the guests by Dr. Kanza Aziz Awan, HoD. This session highlighted UCP's commitment to connecting academic learning with real-world industry practices.

COFIC Product Branding and Labelling Session



Department of Food and Nutritional Sciences organized a training session on COFIC Product Branding and Labelling, aimed at equipping students and young entrepreneurs with practical branding and labelling skills. The session was graced by the presence of Dr. Hammad Naveed, Pro-Rector, Dr. Muhammad Athar Siddiqui, Dean, Faculty of Management Sciences, and Mr. Yaser Awan, Director of Innovation, Takhleeq Business Incubator, who shared their valuable insights and feedback. Dr. Waseem Hasan, Associate Dean, conducted a training session that covered key areas, including food packaging, regulatory labelling, brand development, and market positioning strategies. This session reflected on UCP's ongoing efforts to promote innovation, professionalism, and industry readiness.

From Campus to Corporate



Dr. Beenish Masood led a dynamic Communication Skills session as part of English Language Center (ELC) x CSO Career Pathways Boot Camp, titled "From Campus to Corporate." This session aimed to equip students with key skills for real-world success by providing insights into professional communication, thereby boosting their confidence as they transition from academia to the corporate world.

Youth and Volunteerism Session



Volunteers in Service department organized a talk on “Youth and Volunteerism,” where Mr. Adeel Javed, Founder and CEO, Pakistan Citizens’ Alliance, highlighted the social and religious significance of volunteerism, motivating students to adopt it as a way of life. This activity pertains to the United Nations’ SDGs, particularly SDG#4 Quality Education, SDG#10 Reduced Inequalities, and SDG#17 Partnership for Goals.

Free Chinese Language Course



University of Central Punjab successfully concluded a one-week Chinese language course, designed for intermediate and A-Level students. This program, offering both morning and evening classes, explored the basics of Chinese vocabulary, pronunciation, and everyday conversation through interactive lessons, enabling them to communicate in basic Chinese by the end of the week. The course concluded with a special closing ceremony, graced by the presence of Mr. Muhammad Yaqoob as the Chief Guest. He appreciated the students’ efforts and was impressed by their vocal demonstrations in Chinese. Certificates were distributed to celebrate the participants’ hard work and successful completion of the program.

FOE x Honda Pakistan Danger Prediction Training



Faculty of Engineering, in partnership with Honda Pakistan, conducted a Danger Prediction Training for road safety awareness. This initiative is part of Honda Pakistan’s collaboration with Honda Japan and the World Health Organization, aimed at increasing awareness and reducing the number of reported road accidents. Senior officials and trainers from Honda led the session, which was attended by Mr. Muhammad Yaqoob, Provost; Dr. Muhammad Rizwan Shad, Dean, FOE; HoDs; and selected members from various faculties. In his closing remarks, Mr. Muhammad Yaqoob appreciated the efforts of Honda Pakistan and FOE in collaborating to spread awareness on this crucial societal issue. He also extended his cooperation in organizing these trainings for a larger audience in the future, emphasizing UCP’s continued efforts in raising awareness on important issues.

Enhancing Security through Gender Sensitization, Harassment Prevention, and Stress Management



Learning Innovation Centre, in partnership with the Admin Department, held the 3rd Security Training session titled “Enhancing Security through Gender Sensitization, Harassment Prevention, and Stress Management” for UCP security guards. The training, focused on improving gender awareness, stress management, and harassment response skills, aimed to enable security personnel to maintain a safe, inclusive, and stress-free campus environment.

University Events Training on Physical & Mental Fitness for Faculty and Staff



Learning Innovation Centre, in collaboration with the Admin Department, conducted a two-day Training on Physical and Mental Fitness for UCP faculty and staff. The session emphasized holistic well-being by covering topics such as mental health, nutrition, and exercise activities, including yoga, stretching, and strength training.



Provost, and Dr. Rizwan Shad, Dean, Faculty of Engineering, in the presence of Heads of Departments and faculty members. The exhibition attracted an enthusiastic audience comprising students, alumni, industry professionals, and academics, who appreciated the projects for their originality, real-world relevance, and technical excellence. Dr. Sultan Mehmood, CEO of Creative Groups Ltd., Mr. Manzoor ul Haq Malik, CEO Shahbaz Industries and former Vice President of FPCCI, and Dr. Jawad Gillani, Assistant Professor at COMSATS Lahore and former PEC member, also graced the event with their presence. Their insightful remarks and encouraging feedback uplifted the students' spirit of innovation. To recognize outstanding contributions, cash prizes were awarded to the best projects in each discipline. Additionally, commemorative shields were presented to the chief guests in recognition of their valuable presence and support.

Finquest 2025



FinQuest 2025 brought together talented participants from the 6th, 7th, and 8th semesters students from Accounting & Finance Department. This competition, put their financial knowledge, analytical thinking, and teamwork to test through multiple rounds of intense case analysis and data interpretation. From thoughtful discussions to strategic decision-making, the event was a celebration of finance in action, providing students with experience and confidence in their professional journey ahead.

FOE's Final Year Project Exhibition



Faculty of Engineering hosted its Open House and Final Year Project Exhibition, featuring more than 30 innovative and solution-driven projects presented by students of Electrical, Mechanical, and Civil Engineering. The event was inaugurated by Mr. Muhammad Yaqoob,

Digital Pakistan Speed Programming Competition 2025



UCP in collaboration with Ignite and the Ministry of Information Technology, hosted the Online Round of the Digital Pakistan Speed Programming Competition 2025. At this national event, some of the country's top young minds came together to demonstrate their coding skills and problem-solving abilities in a fast-paced setting. As part of the broader Digital Pakistan vision, the competition aimed to foster innovation, digital literacy, and technical excellence among the youth, empowering the next generation of developers and tech leaders. Participants competed virtually, demonstrating their abilities in real-time and setting new benchmarks for programming excellence in Pakistan.

FOHSS' Cross-Culture Psychology Project Display 2025



Final-year Psychology students showcased their creative projects at a display event, demonstrating the human mind's potential and the impact of our cultural backgrounds. This course, led by Ms. Zasheer Aman, urged students to explore identity, belonging, and shared human experiences through stories, rituals, films, and symbolic representation. The event featured a diverse

range of projects, including short plays, documentaries, sculptures, cultural magazines, and expressive clothing, all coming together in a symbolic Japanese tea ceremony. The event was graced by the presence of Dr. Hammad Naveed, Pro-Rector; Dr. Khalid Manzoor Butt, Dean, FOHSS; Dr. Shazia Hasan, HoD Psychology; Ms. Zasheer Aman, Senior Lecturer, and faculty members.



FOIT&CS Hosts Open House Spring 2025



Faculty of Information Technology and Computer Science hosted its Open House Spring 2025, showcasing over 280 Final Year Projects developed by the graduating students of Computer Science, Software Engineering, and Data Science departments. More than 80 distinguished guests from academia and the tech industry attended the event, serving as evaluators and mentors for the participating students. These industry experts assessed the projects based on technical excellence, innovation, and market readiness. In recognition of their work, cash prizes were awarded to the top-performing teams. This year’s event was supported by funding and sponsorship from leading industry partners, including InvoZone, CloudNeurix, Alkhidmat Foundation, ML Bench, Techrystal, and Tech Hive.

Bila Unwaan 4



Faculty of Law in collaboration with UCP Dramatics Club organized legislative theatre “Bila Unwaan 4”, centered on the issue of begging. The performance revealed the begging mafia’s dark world and its harmful effect on justice. Following that was an engaging panel discussion

led by the Chief Guest, Justice Khalid Mehmood, High Court (retd), and the panelists: Ms. Neelum, draftsman; Ms. Rubi Ahmad, NGO representative; Mr. Ahmad Pansota, Barrister; and Ms. Rushda Lodhi, Parliamentarian, Provincial Assembly, Punjab. The session encouraged lively discussion among legal experts, social workers, and human rights activists about the legal, ethical, and societal implications dramatized in the performance.



Poster and Innovation Competition Organized by Department of Basic and Applied Chemistry



Department of Basic and Applied Chemistry organized a Poster and Innovation Competition featuring over 60 final-year students from the BS Chemistry and BS Biochemistry undergraduate programs. Students presented innovative projects on topics such as green nanomaterials, eco-friendly sunscreens, biodegradable surfactants, phytochemicals in biomedicine, and advanced bioremediation. Evaluators from both academia and industry were invited to evaluate and provide constructive feedback, including Mr. Hamed K. Lateef, CEO, TTI Labs; Dr. Waqas Ahmed Khan, CEO, EnterTech Group; Mr. Muhammad Awais Bhatti, Executive Director, Stars Educational Network; Prof. Dr. Hafiza Rizwana Kausar, Dean, Faculty of Science and Technology; Prof. Dr. Muhammad Akhyar Farrukh HoD; Dr. Shafiq Ur Rehman, Coordinator, BS Programs; and other faculty members. The event showcased the students’ innovation and creativity, emphasizing UCP’s dedication to the United Nations’ Sustainable Development Goals.

Final Year Project (FYP) Open House Closing Ceremony



Final Year Project Open House Closing Ceremony celebrated the innovation and dedication of students from the Faculty of Information Technology and Computer Science (FOIT&CS). It began with a speech by Mr. Amjad Iqbal, Dean of FOIT&CS, who praised the efforts of students, faculty, and industry partners involved in the FYP exhibition. Following this, cash prizes were awarded: the top three projects received PKR 100,000 each, and six category-winning projects in areas such as Web Development, Mobile Applications, Game Development, Artificial Intelligence, and Hardware each received PKR 10,000. Guests Mr. Muhammad Farooq Tabassum, CEO of Cloud Neurix, and Mr. Wasi Ullah, CEO of Rebirth Education, attended and praised the university's commitment to fostering student-led innovation. The event marked the successful conclusion of an inspiring journey for the graduating students.

BS Business Analytics Final Year Project Presentation



Final-semester BS Business Analytics students showcased their innovative final-year projects during a defense session, reviewed by a panel of academic and industry professionals. Mr. Zaka, representing PMI Lahore Chapter, provided the students with expert feedback, adding value to their projects. The session reflected on the students' hard work and the support provided by their supervisors and the Faculty of Management Sciences throughout their journey.

Research Orientation – Faculty and Postgraduate Students Interactions



Department of Basic & Applied Chemistry, FOST, held its first “Research Orientation – Faculty and Postgraduate Students Interactions” to enhance faculty-student engagement and help students choose research supervisors. The session, led by Prof. Dr. Muhammad Akhyar Farrukh, HoD, and coordinated by Dr. Muhammad Perviaz, featured an interactive session where faculty

members shared their profiles, current projects, and major accomplishments. This enabled students to match their research interests with the department's expertise.



Student Pedagogy Partnership Program Spring 2025 Closing Ceremony



Learning Innovation Centre hosted the Closing Ceremony of the Student Pedagogy Partnership (SPP) Spring 2025, celebrating the completion of the 4th SPP cohort, which featured 11 impactful partnerships between students and faculty members. The event showcased partner reflections, presentations, and certificate distribution, highlighting a semester filled with collaboration, innovation, and mutual growth.

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Media Bootcamp - Summer Jam 2025



UCP Photography Club organized a two-day media bootcamp for school and college students with an interest in photography, videography, and editing. Led by UCP faculty and media professionals, this session featured photography and mobile videography workshops, followed by content creation sessions and reel editing & media production training. Participants also toured UCP’s state-of-the-art radio and TV studio, gaining hands-on experience and a glimpse into the world of creative media. Highlights of the event included the guest appearance of renowned photographer Osman Pervaiz Mughal (OPM), who shared his insights and professional photography tips. Uqba Mughal and Hamza Bande also joined the session, sharing their industry experiences and creative visions.

Student Achievements



Team UCP participated in the UOL Olympiad 2025, where they earned the Best Runner-Up Delegation Award. Additionally, Tameem Ijaz Alam was recognized as the Best Campus Ambassador. The UCP delegation demonstrated excellence across a range of categories, highlighting UCP’s commitment to fostering skills and creativity in students. In tech-based competitions, students secured 1st positions in Graphic Designing and Speed Programming, alongside a remarkable performance in Business Elevator Pitch Challenges. The participants in arts and media won 1st position in Sketching, and 1st & 2nd in the Short Film category of the Photography Competition. In engineering, UCP competed in the Bridge Building competition, while in sports, students won 1st place in Female Badminton and Male Singles Table Tennis. The delegation secured 1st place in Tekken 7 in the gaming category and a position in Qirat (Female) in Islamic Competitions.

UCP Student Secures Bronze Medal at the National Women’s Karate Championship



Summiya Rafaqat secured a Bronze Medal at the 17th National Women’s Karate Championship 2025 in Abbottabad. Representing UCP on a national platform, she demonstrated her strength and discipline, emphasizing UCP’s dedication to supporting students in achieving excellence beyond the classroom.

UCP x Kyungdong University, South Korea Semester Exchange Program



Six of our talented students have been selected to participate in a prestigious semester exchange program at Kyungdong University (KDU), South Korea, for the Fall 2025 semester. The selected students, Mahboob Ali, Maryam Anwar, Muhammad Abdullah, Muhammad Musa, Shukrullah, and M. Umar Ramzan, have earned a 100% tuition fee waiver, highlighting their academic excellence as well as UCP’s commitment to providing international exposure to its students. This opportunity enables students to experience a new academic and cultural setting and represent UCP internationally. Six of our talented students have been selected to participate in a prestigious semester exchange program at Kyungdong University (KDU), South Korea, for the Fall 2025 semester. The selected students, Mahboob Ali, Maryam Anwar, Muhammad Abdullah, Muhammad Musa, Shukrullah, and M. Umar Ramzan, have earned a 100% tuition fee waiver, highlighting their academic excellence as well as UCP’s commitment to providing international exposure to its students. This opportunity enables students to experience a new academic and cultural setting and represent UCP internationally.

UCP Student Wins 3 Bronze Medals in Senior Karate Championship, Sri Lanka



A talented UCP student, Muhammad Husnain Jamil, participated in the 9th South Asian Cadet, Junior, U-21 & Senior Karate Championship 2025, held in Colombo, Sri Lanka. Representing Pakistan, he won three bronze medals in the Senior Male 75kg Kumite, Team Kata, and Team Kumite categories. His performance reflects the hard work, resilience, and fighting spirit of Pakistan’s rising karate talent.

UCP Students Selected to Join the National Team at the World University Games 2025



University of Central Punjab is proud to announce that 10 of our talented students have been selected to join the National Team and represent Pakistan at the World University Games 2025. Held in Germany, this is an international multi-sport event organized for university athletes by the International University Sports Federation. Among the 41 members of the Pakistan Team, UCP students make up a significant part, demonstrating the university’s ongoing dedication to supporting athletic excellence and international student engagement.

UCP Students Selected for Qimam Fellowship



Two of our talented UCP students, Fahad Waheed from the Faculty of Law and Maida Ajmal Khan from the Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences, have been selected for the Qimam Fellowship 2025. They were

among the 38 candidates chosen out of 11,000 applicants from all across Pakistan. As Qimam Fellows, they will engage with top business leaders, receive one-on-one mentorship, and gain exposure to some of the leading companies and organizations in Pakistan.

Faculty Achievements
Dr. Muhammad Naveed Awarded with the Dr. A.R. Shakoori Gold Medal 2025



Prof. Dr. Muhammad Naveed from the Department of Biotechnology was awarded the Dr. A.R. Shakoori Gold Medal 2025 for the Best Researcher of the Year in Biological Sciences at the 43rd Pakistan Congress of Zoology, held at the University of Okara. This national recognition reflects on the quality and impact of the research carried out at UCP. The award acknowledges sustained contributions to the field of biological sciences and highlights UCP’s commitment to excellence in research and innovation.

Dr. Muhammad Awais Shafique’s Appointment as Expert Member of Punjab Spatial Planning Authority



Dr. Muhammad Awais Shafique, Associate Professor, Department of Civil Engineering, has been appointed as an expert member of the Punjab Spatial Planning Authority (PSPA). This key body under the Punjab government oversees spatial development, regional planning, and sustainable urban growth. His appointment highlights his expertise in Transportation Engineering and his dedication to evidence-based policy and sustainable development. The recognition underscores Dr. Shafique’s research and contributions, while also affirming UCP’s reputation as a leader in academic excellence and public service.

Prof. Dr. Muhammad Akhyar Farrukh’s Address at the 2nd Hands-on Training Workshop on Emerging Biotechnological & Bioinformatics Approaches for Data Analysis



Prof. Dr. Muhammad Akhyar Farrukh, Director ORIC and Head of the Department of Basic & Applied Chemistry at the University of Central Punjab (UCP), delivered a keynote address at the 2nd Hands-on Training Workshop on Emerging Biotechnological & Bioinformatics Approaches for Data Analysis, organized by the Department of Biotechnology, Lahore University of Biological and Applied Sciences (UBAS). Dr. Farrukh underscored that data has become the modern microscope. He emphasized the transformative convergence of biotechnology, artificial intelligence, and computational data analysis in solving global health, environmental, and industrial challenges. He encouraged participants to adopt an interdisciplinary mindset and embrace innovation beyond conventional lab work. The event was graced by academic leaders, including Prof. Dr. Naeem Mubarak (Pro-Vice Chancellor, UBAS), Dr. Ammarah Hasnain, Chairperson, Biotechnology UBAS, and featured hands-on training in modern biotechnological and bioinformatics tools delivered by experienced faculty and professionals.

Industry Visits
Educational Visit to INMOL Atomic Energy Cancer Hospital



Department of Microbiology organized a visit for Medical Lab Technology (MLT) students to INMOL Atomic Energy Cancer Hospital. The visit provided students with exposure to advanced diagnostic techniques, oncology lab workflows, and cutting-edge cancer research methodologies. MLT students participated in interactive sessions on real-world clinical cases, which enhanced their understanding of tumor markers, biopsy analysis, and laboratory quality control. They also explored state-of-the-art equipment, including Plasma apheresis, RIA, immunochemistry, and automated histopathology systems, reinforcing theoretical concepts with practical applications.

Department of Food and Nutrition Sciences’ Visit to Rainbow Obesity and Eating Disorder Centre



Dr. Kanza Aziz Awan, HoD, Department of Food and Nutrition Sciences, along with faculty members, visited Rainbow Obesity and Eating Disorder Centre to explore its multidisciplinary approach in managing eating disorders. Ms. Amina Iftikhar, Manager & Clinical Psychologist, briefed the team on the psychological aspects of disordered eating. Meanwhile, Ms. Maria Nadeem, Registered Dietitian and Eating Disorders Nutrition Expert, explained the facility’s specialized services. The visit provided valuable insights and learning opportunities for students and professionals in the field of clinical nutrition and mental health.

Visit to SPIRIT Welfare Foundation



Inclusive Students Society conducted a visit to the SPIRIT Welfare Foundation, promoting empathy through meaningful interactions with differently-abled individuals. Volunteers engaged in thoughtful activities, serving the community, and learning the approaches adopted by such institutions. This visit was an enriching experience that fostered understanding, compassion, and a sense of social responsibility.

Dr. Irfan Siddique’s Training Session on “Challenges of Team Building and Boosting Sales”



Dr. Irfan Siddique, Associate Professor at the Faculty of Management Sciences, led a training session titled “Challenges of Team Building and Boosting Sales” for the Area General Managers (AGMs) of KFC Pakistan (Punjab

region) at the Center for Entrepreneurship, LUMS. This session was part of the Entrepreneurial Leadership and Innovation program, which focused on improving leadership skills, team efficiency, and sales techniques in the fast-food sector. Dr. Siddique provided practical insights and interactive methods specifically designed for KFC’s dynamic operational environment.

FOMS’ Industry Visit to PITB



BS Business Analytics students, accompanied by their mentors—Engr. Abdur Rehman, Dr. Farooq Tariq, and Prof. Dr. Ahmed Siddiqi visited the Punjab Information Technology Board (PITB). This visit offered students valuable insights into practical applications of data analytics, AI, and project management within the public sector. Mr. Nauman Nadeem, Head, PMO, PITB; Mr. Wajahat, Program Manager; Mr. Syed Hammad, Head of Data Analytics; and Mr. Adil Khan, CTO, PITB, interacted with the students through case discussions and informative sessions. The visit and presentation supported UCP’s academic goals and enhanced students’ learning experience.

ORIC’s Visit to Sky Power Ltd.



Office of Research, Innovation, and Commercialization (ORIC) organized a visit for the Department of Basic & Applied Chemistry, Faculty of Science and Technology (FOST). The team, comprising Dr. Muhammad Perviaz, Dr. Muhammad Afzal, Dr. Muhammad Riaz, and Dr. Salma Batool, visited Sky Power Ltd. During the visit, the delegation engaged in discussions with the Sky Power officials, focusing on removing impurities such as hydrogen sulfide and carbon dioxide through scalable and sustainable methods related to advanced biogas purification techniques. The team emphasized the need for monitoring systems equipped with sensors to track gas composition, pressure, and flow, thereby enhancing plant performance and facilitating early detection of faults. Additionally, the team explored the potential for converting biogas slurry into high-quality biofertilizers and investigated methods to enhance the quality and yield of biogas by increasing the methane content and optimizing the feedstock composition.

FOMS Delegation’s Visit to Iranian Counselor



Muhammad Amjad Bhatti, President, FOMS Alumni Association, and Qasim Mughal, Asst. Professor (FOMS) met with the Iranian Counselor to explore opportunities for academic, cultural, and business collaboration. The meeting focused on admission pathways for Iranian students at UCP, joint research and exchange programs with Iranian universities, and the establishment of a Persian Language and Cultural Center at UCP. Other proposals included faculty and student visits, as well as promoting UCP student-led products in the Iranian market. A follow-up visit to UCP by Iranian officials is expected soon to formalize these initiatives through an MoU.

UCP Delegation’s Visit to Pakistan International Printers



Following the signing of the MoU with Pakistan International Printers (PIP), Mr. Muhammad Qasim Mughal, Assistant Professor of Practice, and Mr. Mustafa Hanan, FILO, organized a visit to PIP. The UCP delegation was led by Dr. Hammad Naveed, Pro-Rector UCP, accompanied by Dr. Muhammad Athar Siddiqui, Dr. Rizwan Shad, Mr. Yaser Amir Awan, and faculty members from the Supply Chain, Engineering, and Management Sciences departments. The visit, hosted by Mr. Saad Haleem Khan (MD, PIP), Mrs. Zahida (COO), and their senior team, began with a presentation on the Haleem family’s historical legacy and their contributions to Islamic publishing, Pakistan’s independence, and the printing industry. The delegation then toured the PIP facility to observe their advanced technology, operations, and environmentally friendly practices. Additionally, they discussed student internships, boot camps, job placements, curriculum integration, and potential collaborations in food technology, packaging, and printing projects. This visit marks a promising step toward strengthening academia-industry ties, emphasizing UCP’s ongoing efforts in fostering practical collaborations.

ORIC’s Visit to Agrimore (Pvt.) Ltd.



Faculty of Science and Technology, in collaboration with ORIC, organized an industry visit to Agrimore Pvt. Ltd., Kasur. The delegation met with Agrimore officials, including Mr. Ahmed Ali, CEO; Mr. Shahroz Ajaz, Marketing & Business Head; and Mr. Asif Lon, Director, to discuss potential research domains and long-term collaborative projects. The meeting was a crucial step in bridging the gap between industry and academia to solve real-world challenges through joint research.

Students from Punjab College, Campus 9, visited the Microbiology and Biotechnology Research Laboratories at UCP’s Faculty of Science and Technology as part of an academic and research awareness program. During their visit, they examined the modern research facilities and learned about advanced microbiological techniques, molecular biology tools, and ongoing research projects led by the department. The session included lab demonstrations, discussions with faculty researchers, and an overview of the significance of microbiological and biotechnological research in health, agriculture, and industry. This visit highlighted UCP’s commitment to fostering research-oriented learning and inspiring innovation among young scientists.



UCP Delegation’s Visit to GDOU
China’s Marine Department



Guangdong Ocean University in China hosted a visit for UCP students participating in the Chinese Cultural Camp. During their visit, they explored the university’s advanced marine science research projects. They also visited Geo Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, where they toured the scenic area and learned about geological wonders and conservation at the park’s museum.

Admissions Office
The News Education Expo 2025



The News Education Expo 2025 attracted prospective students exploring higher education opportunities. University of Central Punjab’s Admissions team was present to facilitate and guide attendees about academic programs, admission procedures, and campus life. Pro-Rector, Dr. Hammad Naveed interacted with students and visitors, reinforcing UCP’s commitment to academic excellence and student support. COFIC’s #MadeinUCP products-innovative entrepreneurial ventures developed by our students, reflected university’s focus on practical learning and creativity. On Day 2, Director Admissions, Madiha Qayyum along with her team, offered detailed guidance on UCP’s range of programs, application process, and campus experience. Provost, Muhammad Yaqoob, Provost visited the UCP kiosk and interacted with attendees, reaffirming UCP’s commitment to quality education and student engagement.

Punjab College Students Visit the
Microbiology and Biotechnology
Research Labs at UCP



Meetings

UCP x Bangor University Meeting



Mr. Naveed Ejaz, Director, Global Engagement, and Mr. Sikandar Sethi, Director, International Office, met with Mr. Javed Iqbal, Country Manager, Bangor University in the UK, to explore potential collaborations between the two universities. Mr. Naveed Ejaz explained the future direction of UCP, focusing on launching international qualifications and pathway programs for UCP students in collaboration with top global universities. He also explored the potential for offering exclusive discounts and scholarships to UCP students and alumni interested in pursuing further studies at Bangor University. Mr. Javed Iqbal commended UCP’s efforts to build lasting, mutually beneficial partnerships and assured his full cooperation.

28th Academic Council Meeting



The 28th Academic Council Meeting was convened under the leadership of Dr. Hammad Naveed, Pro-Rector, to review and approve key academic initiatives. During the session, 22 working papers from various categories received approval, and 3 new academic programs were launched, broadening the university’s offerings. Moreover, the academic roadmaps were revised to create more effective learning pathways, aligned with HEC guidelines. Key policy issues were also sanctioned, with Deans and Heads of Departments from various faculties actively participating in the meeting.

FOHSS Conducts Post-Budget Seminar



Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences conducted the Post-Budget Seminar for the fiscal year 2025-2026. The event featured participation from BS Economics students, faculty members, and industry experts serving as guest speakers. The event commenced with the recitation of the Holy Quran, followed by an address from Dr. Tasneem Akhtar, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, who spoke about budget allocation for women empowerment through economic, social, and institutional inclusion in targeted programs. Dr. Arslan Tariq, HoD, Department of Economics, gave an overview of the shortcomings of the budget. The next speaker, Mr. Mian Abuzar Shad, President, Lahore Chamber of Commerce and Industry, addressed the audience with a grassroots-level analysis of the budget allocation in various sectors. The seminar continued with Dr. Qais Aslam, who brought an academic approach to the discussion, highlighting the initiatives that the government should take to enhance agricultural productivity and the IT industry. The final speaker, Mr. Tanveer Ashraf Kaira, Ex Finance Minister of Punjab, provided an in-depth analysis of the current economic situation and shared his insights on the budget. Following the panel discussion, a Q&A session offered students the opportunity to engage more deeply with the speakers and explore the topics further. Prof. Dr. Khalid Manzoor Butt, Dean of the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, emphasized the importance of dialogues in enhancing students’ understanding of national issues and fostering the exchange of ideas among industry professionals, academics, and students, thereby enriching education. He concluded by thanking the speakers and presenting them with souvenirs.

Zero Visit of B.Sc. Computer Engineering



The Faculty of Engineering (FOE) hosted the Zero Visit for the launch of the B.Sc. in Computer Engineering by the Pakistan Engineering Council (PEC). The PEC visitation team was warmly welcomed by Dr. Muhammad Rizwan Shad, Dean of FOE, along with Dr. Fesal Toosy, HoD of Electrical Engineering, and Dr. Nabeel Khalid, HoD of

Computer Engineering. A meeting led by Dr. Hammad Naveed, Pro-Rector, with university officials and visitation team members, included Mr. Sikandar Sethi's presentation on the Punjab group, university hierarchy, infrastructure, and facilities. Faculty of Engineering then briefed the PEC team before a tour of academic and lab facilities related to the Computer Engineering program, assessing classroom readiness, facilities, and infrastructure to ensure they meet PEC standards. The visit concluded with an exit meeting with the Pro-Rector, Dean, and HoDs, where suggestions and key findings were discussed. This visit underscores UCP's dedication to academic excellence and continuous improvement under PEC's guidance.

Delegation from CSS Academy Visits UCP



Mr. Muhammad Yaqoob, Provost UCP, and Dr. Athar Siddiqui, Dean, UCP Business School, welcomed a delegation of senior officials from CSS Academy, led by Syed Shabbir Akbar Zaidi, Director, CTP, Chief Instructor Mohammad Asim, and Addl. Director Nazia Jabeen. A comprehensive presentation on the university's infrastructure and international vision was delivered by Mr. Sikander Sethi, Director of the International Office. He was accompanied by Dr. Waseem Hassan, Associate Dean, FoMS, FOMS Alumni president Amjad Bhatti, and Mustafa Hanan, FILO FOMS. The session featured a productive discussion regarding collaboration, shared goals, and future directions. This visit was part of UCP's commitment to fostering collaboration and strengthening academic-industry linkages.

FoLL x Pen Consultants Internship Opportunities Meeting



Representing the Faculty of Languages and Literature, Mr. Nohaiz Mehmood, Faculty Industry Liaison Officer, and Ms. Fatima Urooj, Senior Program Coordinator (External Linkages and Student Engagement), met with the Pen Consultant team, including Mr. Hasnain Saleem, Director, and Mr. Usman, Branch Manager. The meeting focused on exploring new opportunities for students' professional growth. The hosts emphasized three key areas where they are seeking interns: IELTS Instructor, Educational Counsellor, and Social Media Handler. These internships are designed to lead to potential job placements, providing valuable career opportunities for students. Additionally, scholarship opportunities for graduates were discussed during the meeting.

Meeting with Tang Education Beijing



To deepen the UCP and Tang Education Beijing partnership, Sahil Mushtaq, Liaison Officer for the Faculty of Language and Literature, met with officials from Tang. The meeting centered on exploring new opportunities for mutual benefit through initiatives like Chinese Cultural Camp, joint research projects, student internships, faculty exchange, joint degree and semester exchange programs for BS, MS, and PhD students. These efforts aim to strengthen ties and empower growth through education.

President FOMS Alumni Association's Participation in the National Outreach Program hosted by CSA



Muhammad Amjad Bhatti, President of FOMS Alumni Association, represented the UCP at the National Outreach Program hosted by the Civil Services Academy (CSA). He explored collaborative opportunities in academia, government, and the judiciary sector, strengthening UCP's engagement with national institutions. Key engagements included a discussion with Dr. Farhan Aziz Khawaja, DG, CSA, on aligning UCP's management and programs with CSA's governance reforms, along with interactions with Dr. Syed Shabbir Akbar Zaidi, Director, CTP, Muhammad Asim, Chief Instructor, CTP, and Ms. Nazia Jabeen, Additional Director Program. He also met with Azam Nazeer Tarar, Federal Minister for Law & Justice, to explore joint initiatives in legal education and Ramesh Kumar, Minister for Minorities, to address inclusivity and collaboration through UCP's social sciences programs. Meetings with federal secretaries and representatives of the judiciary paved the way for cooperation in education, policy research, and capacity building, reflecting UCP's ongoing commitment to knowledge exchange and institutional partnership.



CSO x FOMS Rankviz Pvt. Ltd. Meeting



Career Services Office team held a meeting with Rankviz Pvt. Ltd. and Faculty of Management Sciences in order to seek potential career opportunities for UCP students. Additionally, both parties discussed the ongoing partnership and prospective placement collaborations between Rankviz Pvt. Ltd. and UCP Career Services Office.

MOUs

FMMC x 365 news MoU



Faculty of Media and Mass Communication (FMMC) signed an MoU with 365 News to strengthen academia-industry linkages Prof. Dr. Fawad Baig, Dean, FMMC, and Dr. Atif Ashraf, HoD, FMMC, discussed opportunities for internships, industrial visits, and job placements for FMMC students with Mr. Awais Hameed, Head of News, 365 News, and Mr. Muhammad Zahid, Controller News, 365 News. As a token of appreciation, Prof. Dr. Fawad Baig and Dr. Atif Ashraf presented a shield and souvenirs to Mr. Awais Hameed and Mr. Muhammad Zahid following the signing ceremony.

UCP x Pakistan International Printers MoU



UCP signed an MoU with Pakistan International Printers (PIP), marking a step towards strengthening academia-industry collaboration. This partnership aims to promote collaboration in education, research, and professional

training, while generating job opportunities in this industrial sector. The MoU was chaired by Dr. Hammad Naveed, Pro-Rector, and signed by Mr. Saad Haleem Khan, Managing Director of PIP, along with Dr. Muhammad Athar Siddiqui, Dean of the UCP Business School. The ceremony was coordinated by Mr. Muhammad Qasim Mughal and attended by senior representatives from UCP and PIP, including Mrs. Zahida Hassan, COO, PIP, and Mr. Mustafa Hanan Mehboob, FILO, FOMS. Following the signing of the MoU, Mr. Saad Haleem Khan was given a tour of the UCP campus, where he discussed interdisciplinary collaborations in the fields of food technology, packaging, and printing with Mr. Yaser Awan, Director Research and Innovation; Dr. Akhyar Farrukh, Director Research; Dr. Rizwan Shad, Dean, FoE; and Mr. Amjad Niaz, Director Admin.

Office of Research, Innovation and Commercialization

ORIC's Pre-Placement Industry Meeting



Office of Research, Innovation, and Commercialization (ORIC) held a Faculty-Industry Engagement Meeting aimed at fostering strategic partnerships between academia and industry, enabling faculty members to align their research expertise with emerging market needs. The meeting was attended by senior leadership and faculty members from UCP, including Dr. Hammad Naveed, Pro-Rector, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Akhyar Farrukh, Director, ORIC, Prof. Dr. Hafiza Rizwana Kausar, Dean, Faculty of Science & Technology, and Dr. Faiza Anum, Research Associate, ORIC. Distinguished industry representatives included Mr. Hameed K. Lateef, CEO, TTI Testing Laboratories, Mr. Rizwan Ahmad, COO, Unity Foods, and Mr. Faizan Ahmed, Chemical Engineer, Sky Power Limited. Additionally, Faculty representatives from the Faculty of Science & Technology (FOST) and the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences (FOPS) actively participated in the session. The meeting covered challenges and opportunities in the industrial sector, including outreach barriers, biofertilizer research, climate-resilient crops, sustainable agriculture, flood-resistant infrastructure, and water retention techniques. It aligned academic skills with industry needs, paving the way for impactful collaborations and faculty-industry placements.



ORIC-Initiated Commercialization Drive Explores FMCC’s Media Labs



Office of Research, Innovation, and Commercialization (ORIC) conducted a high-level visit to the Faculty of Media and Mass Communication (FMCC). Prof. Dr. Hammad Naveed, Pro-Rector, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Akhyar Farrukh, Director of ORIC, and Prof. Dr. Fawad Baig, Dean of FMCC, toured the faculty’s modern media production and creative labs. The facilities reviewed included audio podcasting studios, promo and station ID editing units, podcast and talk show recording spaces, video editing suites, and setups for still photography and videography. The objective of the visit was to assess the readiness of these labs to offer professional media production services for academic, research, and industrial collaboration. Heads of Departments and faculty members joined the visit and shared insights on operational strengths and future possibilities. This move will provide students with hands-on exposure to real-world projects and position UCP as a center for both academic excellence and media innovation.

ORIC’s 4th FIPP Pre-Placement Meeting



Office of Research, Innovation and Commercialization (ORIC) convened the 4th Faculty Industry Placement Program (FIPP) Pre-Placement Meeting, bringing together representatives from Fruit of Sustainability and the Pakistan Institute of Living & Learning (PILL) to explore potential collaborative opportunities for faculty placement, development, and industry engagement. The meeting was chaired by Prof. Dr. Muhammad Akhyar Farrukh, Director, ORIC, and attended by Dr. Faiza Anum, Research Associate, ORIC, and members of the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences. Mr. Sarim Mehmood, CEO, Fruit of Sustainability, highlighted the importance of conducting workplace surveys, developing HR practices, and fostering social dialogue, with an emphasis on the role of trained psychologists. As part of the FIPP framework, faculty members will undergo training provided by Fruit of Sustainability to enable their participation in field surveys and workforce training initiatives. Ms. Uzma Omer, Special Advisor, PILL, introduced a paid internship program for UCP Postgraduates that offers training in mental health and community outreach, specifically focused on breast cancer support and suicide prevention.

ORIC-Initiated Commercialization Drive Explores IT and Computing Expertise



Office of Research, Innovation, and Commercialization (ORIC) organized an interactive session with the Faculty of Information Technology and Computer Science (FoIT&CS) to align faculty expertise with emerging industry needs and collaborative opportunities. Prof. Dr. Hammad Naveed, Pro-Rector; Dr. Muhammad Akhyar Farrukh, Director, ORIC and Research; Dr. Muhammad Amjad Iqbal, Dean FoIT&CS, and faculty members from various disciplines participated in the session. The discussion centered on ensuring that UCP’s academic standards align with industrial demands in areas including web and mobile application development, digital forensics, sensor technologies, cybersecurity, AI-driven analytics, IoT systems, cloud computing, data science, and intelligent automation. Faculty members discussed ongoing research projects and highlighted the potential for developing real-world applications through industry partnerships.

International Office Initiatives

International Office Organizes Farewell for Graduating Sri Lankan Students



UCP International Office, in collaboration with International Students Association, organized a Farewell for the graduating Sri Lankan students at UCP. The Honorary Consul of Sri Lanka in Lahore, His Excellency Mr. Yasin Joya, attended the event as the chief guest. International students participated in the event, presenting Sri Lankan cultural performances. The Pro-Rector and Provost expressed UCP’s dedication to welcoming more international students to add diversity and inclusion in the student community.



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Alumni Relations Office Tambola Night (Alumni)



UCP Alumni Association hosted a Tambola Night event, bringing together alumni from different batches to relive the UCP spirit once again. The event featured game rounds and reunions as alumni reflected on their time at the university. This initiative aimed to strengthen alumni engagement and reinforce the feeling of belonging that comes with being part of the UCP community.

UCP Alumni Association President Meets CEO of E-commerce Link



Alumni Association leadership, including Iftikhar Hussain, President, and Wasif Bhatti, VP Engagement, met with a distinguished UCP alumnus, Arsalan Bhatti, CEO of E-commerce Link. Arsalan is a prominent figure in the e-commerce industry, effectively managing both local and international online stores in the UK, US, and globally. They were also joined by Talha Malik, recognized as Pakistan's leading content creator. The meeting focused on organizing an E-commerce Seminar at UCP to provide students with a thorough understanding of the e-commerce network, from basic principles to advanced strategies.

UCAAA's Meeting with Senior Academic Leadership



To foster collaboration on commercial ventures, Mr. Iftikhar Hussain, President, UCP Alumni Association, along with Mr. Usman Khan, VP, Engagement, met with Dr. Amjad Iqbal, Dean, Faculty of Information Technology, and Dr. Rizwan Shad, Dean, Faculty of Engineering. The alumni representatives proposed that faculty members work together on joint commercial initiatives, which was met with enthusiastic support, highlighting UCP's commitment to fostering collaborative projects.

Senior UCP Alumni Meet with President Alumni Association



A significant meeting took place between Muhammad Yaqoob, Provost UCP, and Iftikhar Hussain, President of the UCP Alumni Association, alongside a group of senior alumni including Sana Ehsan (Group Head of PMS, Talent Management & Engagement at Sapphire Fibres Ltd – Batch FOMS F04), Obaid Iqbal (Executive Vice President at Abacus Consulting – Batch FOIT 2000), Hussain Ahmad (Vice President, Value Creation & Sales at Octopus Digital – Batch FOIT 2000), and Shoaib Mubarak (Country Head at Adivou Consultants – Batch FOMS F09).

The meeting centered on a new initiative planned to mentor UCP’s young professionals as they enter their early career stages. In addition to mentorship, the discussion explored potential collaboration in Final Year Projects, job opportunities, and the ongoing endowment drive. The alumni expressed appreciation for Alumni Association’s efforts and their desire to fully support future initiatives. This meeting reinforced UCP’s commitment to building strong academia-industry linkages and utilizing alumni expertise for the benefit of its student community.



Friendly Cricket Match Hosted by UCP Alumni Association



UCP Alumni Association hosted a Friendly Cricket Match, bringing together graduates to reconnect and relive the memories. The day, filled with excitement and team spirit, provided the perfect opportunity for alumni to return to their alma mater and rekindle old bonds. The match reflected the UCP Alumni Association’s ongoing effort to keep the UCP community connected and thriving.

UCP Leadership & Alumni Team Up for Underprivileged Scholars



Dr. Hammad Naveed, Pro-Rector; Mr. Amir Attique, President, Alumni FOIT; and Mr. Iftikhar Hussain, President Alumni Association, met with Mr. Numan-ud-Din, CEO, Nanobyte Technologies and UCP alumnus (FOIT F06). The meeting was aimed at strengthening the alumni network through collaborations and discussing an initiative to support underprivileged students. UCP leadership is grateful for this step taken towards empowering deserving students, highlighting UCP’s ongoing efforts in providing inclusive, quality education to all students.

Directorate of Advanced Studies & Research (DASR)



Daud Sibtain’s Ph.D. Open Defense

Directorate of Advanced Studies & Research (DASR) organized the PhD Open Defense of Mr. Daud Sibtain, who defended his dissertation titled “Designing a Proactive Frequency Control for a High Order Renewable-Based Power System with Communication Delays and Uncertainties,” under the supervision of Dr. Riaz Ahmad Rana. The session was chaired by Dean FOE, Dr. Muhammad Rizwan Shad, and assessed by two external examiners, Prof. Dr. Saima Zafar from FAST-NU and Dr. Imran Javed from UET, as well as an internal examiner, Dr. Fesal Toosy. The defense featured a dynamic Q&A session, reflecting the depth and relevance of the candidate’s research.

Asfar Nisar’s PhD Synopsis Open Defense



Directorate of Advanced Studies & Research (DASR) organized the PhD Synopsis Open Defense of Ms. Asfar Nisar, a PhD Scholar in Mathematics under the supervision of Dr. Zain ul Abadin Zafar. The scholar has defended her research proposal before the defense committee, as well as attending faculty members and fellow PhD scholars.

Manahal Sarooj’s PhD Synopsis Open Defense



Directorate of Advanced Studies & Research (DASR) organized the PhD Synopsis Open Defense of Ms. Manahal Sarooj, a PhD Scholar in Biochemistry under the supervision of Dr. Muhammad Afzal. The scholar has defended her research proposal before the defense committee, as well as attending faculty members and fellow PhD scholars.

Asif Nazir’s PhD Synopsis Open Defense



Directorate of Advanced Studies & Research (DASR) organized the PhD Synopsis Open Defense of Mr. Asif Nazir, a PhD Scholar in Civil Engineering under the supervision of Dr. Muhammad Babur. The scholar defended his research proposal before the defense committee. The defense concluded with an engaging Q&A session, during which the scholar answered the queries raised by the attending faculty members and other PhD scholars, reflecting the significance and depth of the scholar’s research topic.

UCP Talks Episode 7 ft. Shafaq Zahra & Areeba Sohail



In the 7th episode of UCP Talks, Shafaq Zahra and Areeba Sohail reflect on how UCP shaped their personal and professional growth through academics, co-

curricular activities, and transformative opportunities. Shafaq shared her experience as a UGRAD participant, collaborating with students worldwide, while Areeba highlighted the role of Takhleeq Business Incubator in fostering innovation and entrepreneurial skills. They also spoke about the vibrant learning culture at UCP Business School, where theory meets industry insights. From receiving a UGRAD nomination email to presenting research among PhD scholars, and from leading projects to building networks, both emphasized the experiences that made their time at UCP truly memorable. Their message to future students: get involved, explore opportunities, and do what you’re best at.

Post Budget Seminar



Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences hosted a Post-Budget Seminar (FY 2025–2026) featuring esteemed guest speakers Mr. Tanveer Ashraf Kaira (Ex-Finance Minister Punjab) and Mian Abuzar Shad (President, Lahore Chamber of Commerce & Industry), alongside academic experts Dr. Qais Aslam, Dr. Arslan Tariq, and Dr. Tasneem Akhtar. The insightful discussion explored macroeconomic trends, budget allocations, fiscal management challenges, women empowerment, and the grassroots implications of both federal and provincial budgets. Dean Prof. Dr. Khalid Manzoor Butt appreciated the speakers’ valuable contributions and emphasized the role of such forums in strengthening students’ understanding of national policy and real-world economic dynamics.

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