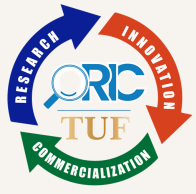




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# The University of Faisalabad Explores Academic Collaboration with Russia

The University of Faisalabad continued to strengthen international academic ties by engaging with the Embassy of the Russian Federation in the Islamic Republic of Pakistan. A delegation from the University, led by Dr Muhammad Hamza Amin, Vice Chairman Board of Governors, visited the Russian Embassy and met with H.E. Mr. Albert P. Khorev, Ambassador of the Russian Federation. The meeting focused on potential cooperation in student development, academic exchange and institutional collaboration between Pakistan and Russia.



**A glimpse of the TUF delegation's meeting with the Ambassador of the Russian Federation**

## The University of Faisalabad Collaborates with CI-UAF to Establish Confucius Institute Sub-Sets

The University of Faisalabad signed an agreement with the Confucius Institute at the University of Agriculture Faisalabad (CI-UAF) to set up a sub-campus focused on Chinese language education and cultural exchange. Prof Dr Aman Ullah Malik, Rector, TUF, signed the agreement on behalf of the University. Prof Dr Zulfiqar Ali, Vice Chancellor, UAF and Chairman of the CI-UAF Board of Directors, led the event. Prof Dr Abdul Wahid, Director Academics, was appointed as the focal person at The University of Faisalabad (TUF).



**Prof Dr Amman Ullah Malik, Rector, TUF, signed the agreement with CI-UAF for the establishment of the Confucius Institute Sub-Set at The University of Faisalabad.**

Dr Muhammad Tehseen Azhar, Director External Linkages, UAF, Dr Abid Mehmood Alvi, Registrar, GU, Dr Musarat Iqbal, Host Director, CI-GU Sub-campus, Dr Rao Kamal, Director External Linkages, CUVAS and Prof Dr Zahir Ahmad Zahir, Director ORIC, TUF. This agreement marked an important step in building academic cooperation between Pakistan and China under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC).



# TUF Signed MoUs with Four Universities of Bangladesh to Strengthen Global Academic Cooperation

Under the patronage of the OIC Standing Committee on Scientific and Technological Cooperation (COMSTECH) and as a member of the COMSTECH Consortium of Excellence (CCOE), The University of Faisalabad (TUF) signed Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) with four prominent universities in Bangladesh. The signing ceremony took place at the COMSTECH Secretariat in Islamabad and was witnessed by Prof Dr Muhammad Iqbal Choudhary, Coordinator, General of OIC-COMSTECH.



**A glimpse from the MoU signing ceremony between TUF and leading Bangladeshi universities, held at the COMSTECH Secretariat, Islamabad, under the patronage of OIC-COMSTECH.**

Prof Dr Aman Ullah Malik, Rector, TUF, held official meetings with the Vice Chancellors of North South University, Daffodil International University, University of Asia Pacific and International Islamic University Chittagong and signed the respective agreements to promote collaboration in research, publications, academic exchange and in joint academic events.

## Competition Commission of Pakistan Held Awareness Session on Competition Law

The Competition Commission of Pakistan (CCP) organized an interactive session for students of The University of Faisalabad. Mr Saeed Ahmad Nawaz, Member Advocacy, discussed the global relevance of competition law, Mr Ahmed Qadir, DG CCP, explained anti-competitive practices through real-life examples. Dr Sami Ur Rahman, Dean Faculty of Law, proposed incorporating competition law into the curriculum and signing an MoU for future collaboration.



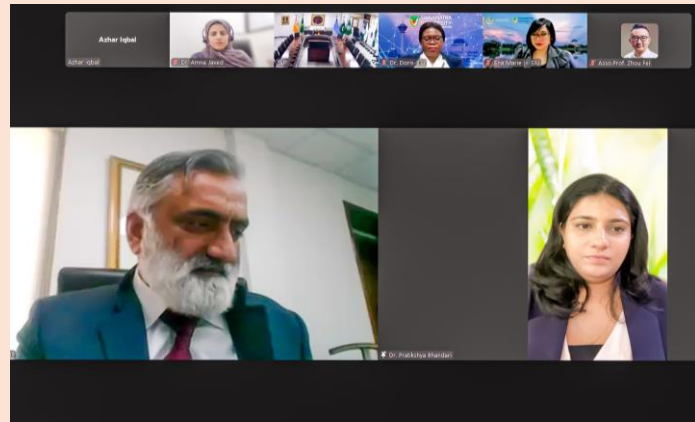
# MoU with NetixSol to Strengthen Industry-Academia Linkages

The University of Faisalabad signed a Memorandum of Understanding with NetixSol for a strategic collaboration aimed at enhancing industry exposure for students and professionals. The signing ceremony reflected a shared commitment to promoting innovation, bridging the skills gap and equipping the next generation for a future-ready digital economy. Both institutions agreed to work together on industry-driven initiatives that support practical learning and professional development.



## MoU with Shinawatra University, Thailand

The University of Faisalabad signed an MoU with Shinawatra University, Thailand, during an online ceremony to promote academic cooperation. Prof Dr Aman Ullah Malik, Rector, TUF, and Assoc Prof Zhou Fei, President, SIU, signed the agreement, with Dr Amna Javed, Head, International Linkages, in attendance. The collaboration covered exchange programs, joint research and short-term academic mobility to promote shared learning and cultural exchange.



## Symposium on AI and the Future of Arts and Design

The Department of Design and Interiors organized a symposium on The Future of Arts and Design: AI and Technology. Momina Ch, Architect, Designer and lecturer, TUF, led a session on AI vs Human Thinking, focusing on the creative process. Mr Faisal, Animator, Designer and lecturer, NTU, presented on Design Thinking in the Age of AI, exploring technology's role in design practices. Dr Zafar Javed, Dean, Design and Interior, NTU, highlighted the role of mentorship and hands-on learning. Ms Afsheen Javaid, Head, Department, concluded the symposium by acknowledging all speakers and participants.

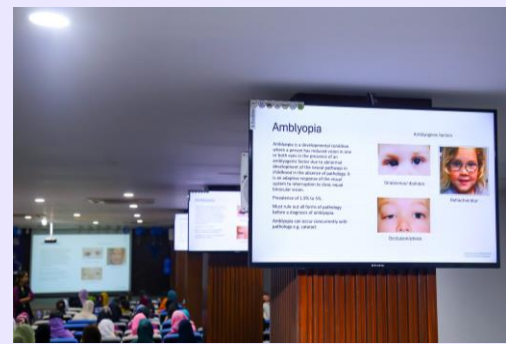




# International Symposium on Innovations in Amblyopia Care

The Department of Optometry, TUF, hosted an International Symposium on the theme Innovations in Amblyopia Care: Bridging Evidence & Access for Pediatric Vision. The event brought together renowned experts, including Dr Sameera Irfan, Pediatric Ophthalmologist, Oculoplastic & Neuro-Ophthalmologist, Pakistan, Dr Mei Ying Boon, Associate Professor and Program Leader, University of Canberra, Australia and Dr Yap Tiong Peng, FAAO, FACBO, FOVDR, Consultant Optometrist, Singapore.

The symposium highlighted innovations in amblyopia care and the importance of equitable access to pediatric eye health. Panel discussions explored practical solutions to healthcare disparities. Prof Dr Aamir Ali Chaudhary, Head, Department of Optometry & Ophthalmology, TUF, concluded the event, while Prof Dr Aman Ullah Malik, Rector, TUF, appreciated the department's efforts in hosting the symposium.



## Oral Health Awareness and Prevention

The Department of Dental Sciences at TUF organized a seminar on oral health awareness and prevention. Dr Ateeq ur Rehman, Consultant Endodontist, PMC Dental Institute, discussed tooth decay, enamel remineralization and the role of diet, fluoride and regular dental care. The session featured a Q&A and promoted practices supporting UN health and education goals.



## Artificial Intelligence in Scientific Writing and Research

The Department of Rehabilitation Sciences organized a workshop on Artificial Intelligence in Scientific Writing and Research, highlighting the role of AI in advancing academic and medical

research. The session provided practical insights into how AI tools could improve the quality, efficiency and innovation of scientific writing and research practices.





# Civic Engagement Events

## Vision Screening for Eye Health Detection

The University of Faisalabad initiated a school vision screening project aimed at identifying uncorrected refractive errors and providing timely vision care to students. As part of the initial phase, the project targeted six schools to promote early detection and improve eye health among children. In one of the sessions, 150 students were screened at Government Girls Elementary School, 32 JB, Faisalabad. The activity focused on diagnosing vision problems, raising awareness about myopia and encouraging healthy visual habits.



## The University of Faisalabad Organized Mass Marriage Ceremony

The University of Faisalabad organized a Mass Marriage ceremony for 40 deserving couples, sponsored by the Madinah Foundation, which also provided dowries and household essentials. The event was attended by senior TUF officials and religious and social leaders. Qari Niaz Ahmed delivered the Khutbah-e-Nikah, offering prayers for the couple's prosperity.



## 5-Day CADRE Workshop in Collaboration with Rescue 1122

The Rehabilitation Society at The University of Faisalabad, in collaboration with Rescue 1122 Faisalabad, conducted a 5-day CADRE workshop at Government Staff Training College. The workshop aimed to enhance community resilience by providing participants with practical training in disaster preparedness, emergency response and life-saving techniques. This initiative supported the advancement of the UN Sustainable Development Goals.







## Research Funding Opportunities



**Title:** Applications for financial grants under the central research fund DRAP

**Areas:**

- Basic Research
- Clinical Trials

**Apply Link:** <https://www.dra.gov.pk/>

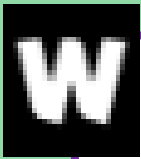


**Title:** Applications for financial PERIDOT Research Program – Phase XII

**Areas:**

- Health Sciences
- Sustainable Energy, Agriculture & Food Security
- Economics of Climate Change

**Apply Link:** <http://hec.gov.pk/site/PERIDOT>



**Title:** Mental Health Award: Leveraging longitudinal data to transform early intervention in mental health

**Areas:**

- Predictive Mental Health Analytics
- Longitudinal and Experimental Research
- Advanced Data Science and Model Validation

**Apply Link:** <https://wellcome.org/rtesearch-funding/schemes>

## Research and Development News

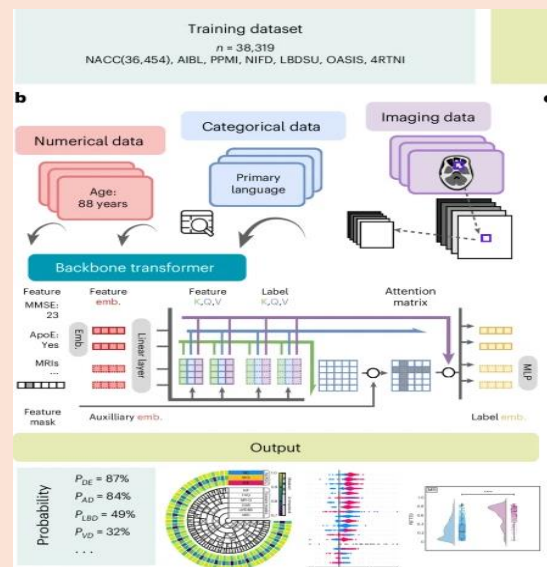
### Mayo Clinic develops AI tool that can spot 9 dementia types with a single scan

Every three seconds, someone in the world develops dementia, according to Alzheimer's Disease International <https://www.alzint.org/about/dementia-facts-figures/dementia-statistics/>. But misdiagnoses and slow diagnoses are common problems as other diseases can mimic dementia.

The researchers have developed an AI tool that could alter this landscape by identifying nine different types of dementia, including Alzheimer's disease, with 88% accuracy using just a single brain scan. The research, published in *Neurology*, details a new framework called StateViewer that draws on fluorodeoxyglucose PET (FDG-PET) imaging.

**Journal:**

<https://www.neurology.org/doi/10.1212/WNL.0000000000213831>





# Upcoming Event



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STEAM  
EDUCATION  
BRIDGING MINDS GLOBALLY

## 3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference on Advanced STEAM Education: Connecting Technology, Arts and Social Science for Shaping the Future

Conference Dates  
November 19–20, 2025

Conference Mode  
Hybrid

### Introduction:

Welcome to the sequel of our trend-setting event where innovation and education come together at the 3rd International Conference on Advanced STEAM Education: Connecting Technology, Arts and Social Science for Shaping Future. Building on the success of 2 earlier International STEAM conferences this year conference aims to explore the latest trends and innovative applications in the STEAM education with a focus on connecting technology, arts and social Science for shaping the future.

## Call For Papers

### Who Should Participate?

Faculty, Researchers, Students and Professionals in the following areas can participate:

#### Healthcare Professionals:

Medicine, Surgery, Dentistry, Nursing, Clinical Education, Neurosciences, Rehabilitation Sciences, Optometry, Radiography & Imaging Sciences, Nutrition and Dietetics, Biochemistry & Biotechnology, Pharmacy, Pharmacology & Therapeutics, Medical Lab Sciences, Dermal Sciences, Microbiology, Public Health

#### Engineers & Mathematicians:

Civil Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Pure and Applied Mathematics, Statistics, Physics

#### Tech Experts:

Information Technology, Data Science, Artificial Intelligence, Internet of Things, Cyber Security, Blockchain, Robotics and Automation, Software Engineering, Human-Computer Interaction, Multimedia & Graphics

#### Business Visionaries & Policy Makers:

Entrepreneurship, Business Analytics, Marketing, Sustainable Business Management, Human Resource

#### Languages & Literature Custodians:

Islamic Studies, English Language and Literature, Law, Education/Education Technologies

#### Creative Designers:

Low-Tech Design, Cross-Cultural Design and Globalization

### Thematic Areas

- Challenges, Recent Developments & Future Directions
- Interdisciplinary Research in STEAM and Global Trends
- Innovative Pedagogical Practices & Technology Integration
- Health and Well-being
- Entrepreneurship, Innovation & Sustainable Development
- Professional Development in STEAM Education
- Equity and Inclusion in STEAM
- Policy and Governance in STEAM Education
- Community Engagement and STEAM Outreach

### Publication Opportunity

All accepted Abstracts/Posters with authors registration will be published in the conference Abstract Book. Full length Papers may be recommended for publication in an international Journal "Innovation in STEAM: Research & Education".

### Important Dates

**Abstract Submission Deadline:** August 15, 2025

**Abstract Acceptance Notification:** September 14, 2025

**Online Registration:** September 15, 2025, to October 31, 2025

**Poster Submission Deadline:** September 30, 2025

**Full Paper (Optional) Submission Deadline:** October 15, 2025

### Registration Fee

Students	Other Participants	International Participants	Online Poster Presentations
PKR 1500	PKR 2500	\$50	PKR 1000

### Registration Fee will cover:

Conference Material

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