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Alumni News

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Leading the way to bring change

Eight IED were graduates appointed as heads of government schools in Gilgit Baltistan.

With over 900 applicants, our graduates were among the 28 candidates who excelled and qualified in the Federal Public Commission Exams and have now taken on key leadership positions where they will be able to affect change and reform their schools. [More](#)

Alumni Spotlight



Dr Dilshad Ashraf, MEd '98, is recognised for her contribution to non-formal basic education.

The Government of Sindh recognised Dr Ashraf for her research on the effectiveness of a non-formal basic education curriculum for ages 7 to 16 years who have no access to education or who have dropped out of school early.

Hackathon proposes school emergency preparedness



Winners of the Hackathon demonstrated their ability to be innovative in emergency preparedness.

Students, teachers, engineers and experts came together to design cost-effective and locally-relevant solutions to enhance the ability of schools to manage natural and man-made disasters. Winners were awarded with cash prizes and a chance to join an incubator programme for their ideas. [Watch video](#)

Supporting Education During the COVID-19 Outbreak



The digital learning environment has enabled students to access education during the COVID crisis.

The COVID-19 outbreak has meant that schools are temporarily closed. We have gathered some useful resources for teachers, parents and children who are navigating the online space. [More](#)

Adding Value to the Single National Curriculum



IED has been engaged by Pakistan's Ministry of Federal Education to look at the Single National Curriculum and Textbooks.

Mr Shafqat Mahmood, Federal Minister for Ministry of Federal Education and Professional Training, along with his team, visited AKU to meet with IED to discuss the progress of this project.

About our Faculty



Time to celebrate exemplary services of our faculty

AKU conferred Professor Emerita on [Dr Nelofer Halai](#) for her distinguished contribution to academia. She is also the recipient of the Anne Marie Schimmel Award for her doctoral studies and the Blanche Snell Award for dissemination of outstanding research findings.



Championing teaching

Dr Tasneem Anwar, Assistant Professor, has received the prestigious Fellow of the Higher Education Academy (FHEA) UK award.

She is now one of 127K HEA fellows globally who are entitled to use FHEA as a recognised qualification of professional practice in teaching and higher education.

Upcoming Events



The learning never stops!

Invest this time in your professional development with interesting free webinars on timely topics by our education experts. Sign-up [here](#).

Update from Alumni Affairs

#AKUHeroes

If you are an AKU alumna/alumnus and responding in some way to the global pandemic, we want to hear from you!

Share your story with us, by sending us pictures and text about how your work is making a difference in your communities and around the world.

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