



THE AGA KHAN UNIVERSITY
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Institute for the Study of Muslim Civilisations

Alumni News

December 2019



Launch of the Aga Khan Centre Gallery

AKU-ISMC was delighted to host the inaugural exhibition at the Aga Khan Centre Gallery, *At the Corner of a Dream*. As part of the exhibition, *A Journey of Revolution and Resistance: The Street Art of Bahia Shehab* was published in association with Ginko and ISMC Publications.

The exhibition and book received attention across international and UK media. Watch Bahia's interview on BBC World News [here](#).

Alumni Spotlight: Munira Shah '16



After graduation, Munira moved to Pakistan and joined The National Institute of Folk & Traditional Heritage. Popularly known as Lok Virsa, Munira began as the Museums and Archives Coordinator. Currently, she works as the Memberships and Information Management Specialist at the Aga Khan University in Karachi. Read more about Munira's journey including winning an award from the British Council for her research. [More >](#)

AKU-ISMC in Action

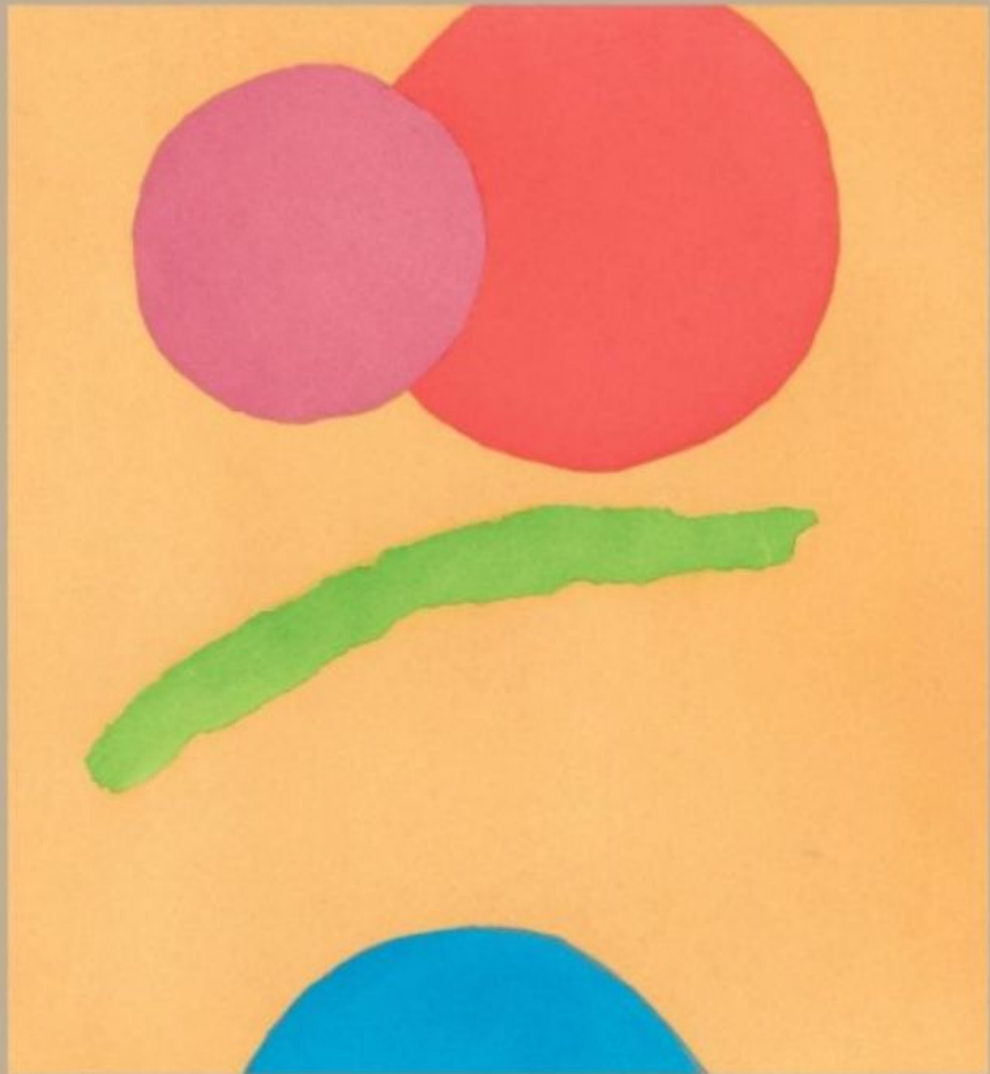


Head of Educational Programmes, Professor Stephen Lyon had the privilege of moderating panel discussions at alumni events this autumn in Toronto and Karachi.

Alumni from ISMC, Nursing, Medicine and IED, reminisced and reflected on their time at AKU and the long term impact the University has had on their careers and lives. Professor Lyon commented: "What came through loud and clear from the lively exchanges was the depth of commitment and affection of alumni for their alma mater. AKU was about much more than earning an educational qualification. It was about learning and growing in holistic ways."

Recent Publications

GENDER, GOVERNANCE AND ISLAM



EDITED BY DENIZ KANDIYOTI, NADJE AL-ALI

September saw a cross-continental launch of **Gender, Governance and Islam**, ISMC Publications' newest book. Edited by Deniz Kandiyoti, Nadjé Al-Ali and Kathryn Spellman Poots the book was launched at Columbia University and Brown University in North America as well as at AKU-ISMC at the Aga Khan Centre in London.

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Applications Open for MA in Muslim Cultures

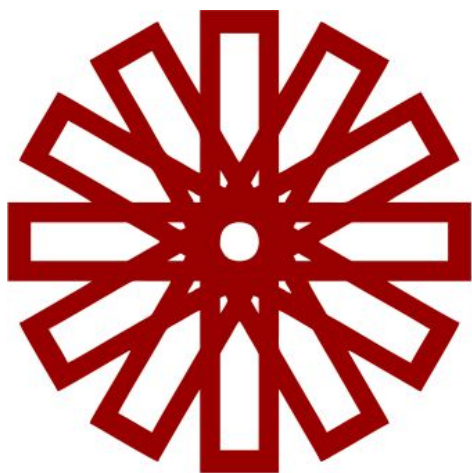


We invite applications for our popular Master of Arts in Muslim Cultures.

This programme offers students a world-class interdisciplinary educational opportunity with renowned scholars in the humanities and social sciences. Deadline for applications is January 31 2020.

Click [here](#) to apply

Upcoming Events



BRAIS

British Association for Islamic Studies

AKU-ISMC is delighted to be hosting the British Association for Islamic Studies' 2020 Annual Conference at the Aga Khan Centre on April 6-7 2020.

We look forward to welcoming more than 200 delegates from across the world for two days of stimulating panels and plenaries covering the full breadth and depth of contemporary Islamic Studies. [More >](#)

Recruitment

In 2020, AKU-ISMC will be recruiting 11 Research Assistants from Gilgit-Baltistan (specifically Ghanche, Skardu, Gilgit, Ghizer, Hunza/Nager and Diamer) to carry out secondary and primary data collection.

Fieldwork will be conducted over a period of two months (40 days total) between March and June 2020 in Gilgit-Baltistan.

Please visit the [AKU-ISMC website](#) in the coming weeks for more details.

Update from the Alumni Affairs

Congratulations to all 2019 AKU graduates and welcome to the AKU alumni community!

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