



THE AGA KHAN UNIVERSITY

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School of Nursing and Midwifery, Pakistan



About the School

A centre of excellence, inclusivity and diversity, the Aga Khan University School of Nursing and Midwifery, AKU-SONAM, educates students from across Pakistan and beyond, transforming lives and shaping careers.

It was the first academic unit of AKU, initiated in 1980, and has since been a leader in advancing nursing education in Pakistan, being the first to start undergraduate and graduate programmes in the field.

Almost 70% of its students come from remote or rural areas of the country – nearly 90% of them being able to study free of cost thanks to the generosity of donors and financial assistance options available at AKU. This ensures a rewarding and worry-free experience for students at AKU who graduate without the burden of debt.

A degree from AKU further enables socioeconomic upliftment and financial independence for graduates

and their families, while contributing to the healthcare workforce nationally and globally.

The growing global shortage of nurses and midwives poses a challenge to many countries. Your generosity will give talented youth of the country access to an education that will transform their future and prepare each of them for a life of service, leadership and impact!

“Studying at the Aga Khan University is a dream I get to now live everyday, thanks to the scholarship which is supporting my education. I hope one day I can give back to society with the skills I learn here, as my way of saying thank you.”

Bushra Shahab | Student, BScN '25

Facts

650+
currently enrolled
students

89%
students are on
financial assistance

80%
students
are female

4,500+
graduates
to date

99%
average financial
assistance provided per
student (Bachelor of
Science in Nursing)

All data is for AKU-SONAM Pakistan, 2021-2022 academic year.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Alumni Impact

Careers of our nursing alumni have taken many interesting paths, each with a significant impact on healthcare within Pakistan and abroad. Here are just a few examples:

- President, Afghan Nurses & Midwives Council
- President, Midwifery Association of Pakistan
- President, Pakistan Nursing Council
- Pakistan's first nurse-led clinic initiated at AKUH Karachi by alumna
- First Pakistani to obtain a PhD in nursing
- Pakistan's first nationally-qualified PhD in nursing
- 53 out of 60 nursing schools in Pakistan are being led by AKU-SONAM alumni

"AKU-SONAM paved the way for me to keep growing as a nursing professional. With the education, empowerment and support I got, I was able to pursue my dreams, have a fulfilling career and help make an impact to nursing academia in Pakistan!"

**Dr Khairunissa Ajani | Alumna, RN, BScN, MScN, PhD;
First PhD in nursing graduate of Pakistan;
Assistant Dean, Undergraduate Studies, AKU-SONAM**

Giving Opportunities

Named Endowed Scholarship Fund

Providing partial or full tuition, living expenses and associated costs, for one student, in perpetuity

USD 100,000

Expendable Scholarship

Providing partial or full tuition, living expenses and associated costs, for one student

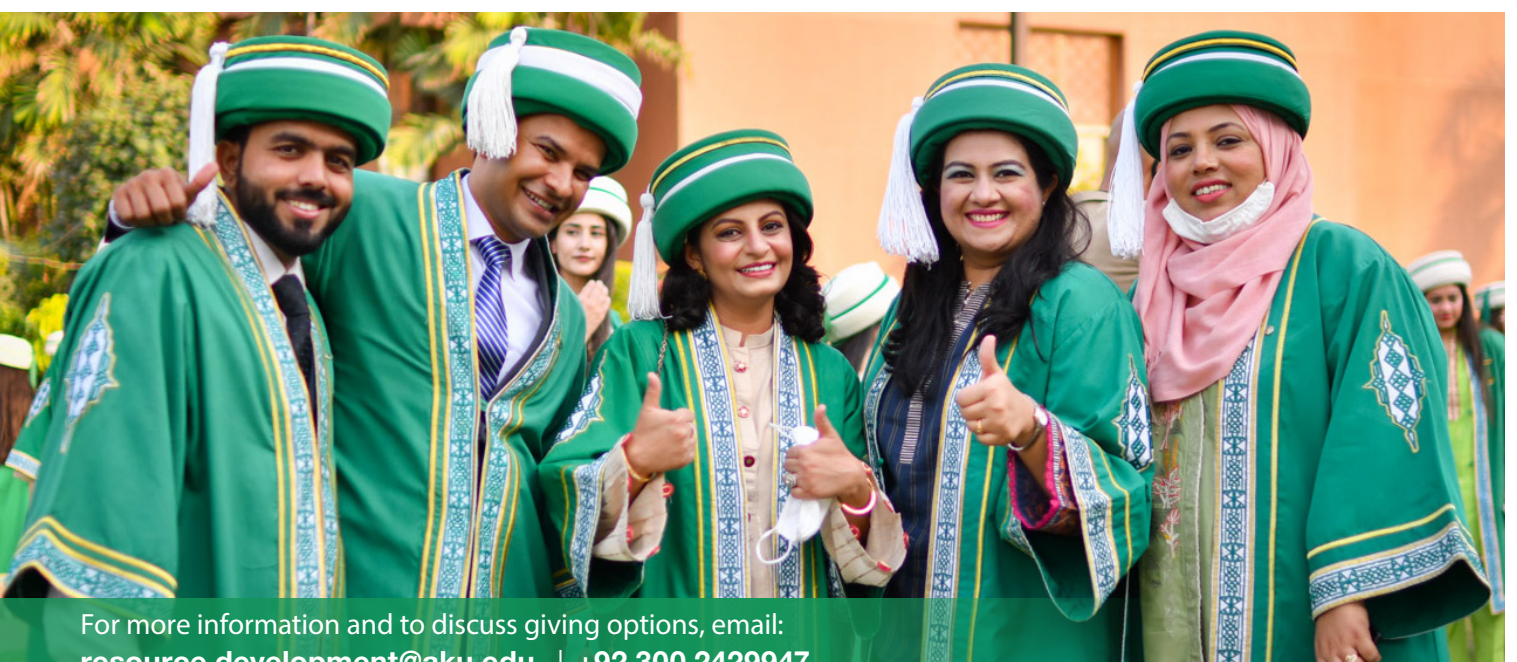
USD 5,000 + per year

(for 2 to 4 years depending on the academic programme)

Financial Assistance

Supporting tuition, living expenses, associated costs, and student hardship

Any gift amount



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