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### **GCWUF Achieves Historic Ranking Milestone in 2024 THE Impact Rankings**

Congratulations! GCWUF Family.... By the Grace of Allah Almighty, Alhamdulilah! The Government College Women University Faisalabad has been ranked and secured a remarkable position in the Times Higher Education Impact Rankings 2024.

The GCWUF has significantly improved by 200 positions from the Last Year.

GCWUF Jumped up from a world rank of (801-1000) to (601-800) out of 2152 universities from 125 countries with an overall score of (68.4), last year's Score was (55.9).

GCWUF stands at 12 out of 89 Pakistani Universities.

The best scoring-wise positions are as under:

SDG-2 Zero Hunger:

World Rank 101-200, Among Women in World 1st, Pak Rank 5th, Among Women in Pak 1st,

SDG-4 Quality Education:

World Rank 301-400, Among Women in World 5th, Pak Rank 20th, Among Women in Pak 5th,

• SDG-5: Gender Equality:

The GCWUF has achieved a significant position worldwide in Gender Equality among the 2152 universities of the World

World Rank 12th, Pakistan Rank 3rd

SDG-6 Clean Water and Sanitation:

World Rank 201-300, Among Women in World 2nd, Pak Rank 6th, Among Women in Pak 2nd,

SDG-7 Grow Affordable and Clean Energy:

World Rank 401-600, Among Women in World 2nd, Pak Rank 14th, Among Women in Pak 2nd,

SDG-10 Reduced Inequalities:

World Rank 601-800, Among Women in World 3rd, Pak Rank 15th, Among Women in Pak 3rd,

SDG-11 Sustainable Cities and Communities:

World Rank 801-1000, Among Women in World 3rd, Pak Rank 24th, Among Women in Pak 3rd,

SDG-13 Climate Action:

World Rank 601-800, Among Women in World 2nd, Pak Rank 23rd, Among Women in Pak 2<sup>nd</sup>.

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Quality Enhancement Cell GCWUF is greatly thankful to our Worthy Vice Chancellor for putting her best efforts into the university's significant improvement. We are also thankful to all our deans/directors/heads of the administrative departments/hods of teaching departments and each staff member for their dedication and contribution to the GCWUF success. This would not have been possible without the efforts of each and everybody.

## GCWUF Celebrates Historic Achievement in WURI Rankings: Leading Innovation in Crisis Management

The World University Rankings for Innovation (WURI) evaluates higher education institutions based on their actual contributions to industry and society, emphasizing innovative education, research, and societal engagement.

Congratulations to Government College Women University Faisalabad for its remarkable achievements in the WURI rankings. The university has secured the 33rd position globally in the Crisis Management category, making it the first women's university in Pakistan to be ranked among the top 100 worldwide in this category. This recognition highlights the university's exceptional efforts in managing and responding to crises through innovative approaches and solutions.

Moreover, Government College Women University Faisalabad has attained the 184th position globally in the overall Global Top 300 Innovative Universities. This accomplishment also makes it the 2nd highest-ranked women's university in Pakistan, showcasing its commitment to innovation and its significant impact on both national and international levels.



Dr. Zill-I-Huma Nazli, Vice Chancellor of GCWUF, extends her heartfelt congratulations to all the teaching and non-teaching departments for their dedicated efforts and hard work. She acknowledges the significant contributions made by each member of the university in achieving excellence.

Furthermore, she expresses her deep appreciation for the Director of QEC, Dr. Aasma Khalid, and her team, praising their outstanding performance and diligent efforts in effectively highlighting the achievements and initiatives of GCWUF. She commends their commitment to excellence and their role in enhancing the university's reputation.

The Office of Research Innovation & Commercialization organised the Research Productivity Award 2023 in Jinnah Auditorium on 14 June 2024. The Chief guest of the ceremony was the Vice Chancellor of the university, Prof. Dr. Zill-i-Huma Nazli. Controller of Examination Ms. Rizwana Tanveer Randhawa, Registrar Mr. Asif A. Malik, Directors, Chairpersons & faculty members joined the ceremony.

The ceremony was marked with the distribution of cheques of the award money and certificates of appreciation for all remarkable researchers of the year 2023. Dr. Asma Aziz, Assistant Professor of Islamic Studies stood out as the top researcher of the year. A total of 82 faculty members received acknowledgment and awards for their valuable research contributions.



Worthy Vice Chancellor GCWUF Prof Dr. Zill-i-Huma Nazli congratulated all shining recipients of the award and encouraged them to be more vigorous in producing innovative research in the future.

She also motivated those faculty members who could not get their work published this year. Government College Women University Faisalabad values every little effort of its faculty in the overall development of the university.

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### **Development of the New Campus:DC's Visit**

In a significant development for the Government College Women University Faisalabad (GCWUF), Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Zill-i-Huma Nazli and Deputy Commissioner Faisalabad Mr. Abdullah Nayyar Sheikh paid a visit to the New Campus site of GCWUF. The visit highlighted key infrastructure needs critical for the institution's growth and accessibility.



During the visit, Vice Chancellor Dr. Zill-i-Huma Nazli requested the DCO for two crucial developments: the construction of a 2.1-kilometer road providing direct access to the new GCWUF campus from the main road, and the demarcation and clearance of a 41.5-acre piece of land near Interloop, which is currently marred by illegal constructions by local residents.

The DCO responded positively to these requests, assuring the Vice Chancellor of full cooperation and support in completing these tasks. This commitment marks a significant step towards enhancing the infrastructure and accessibility of the new campus, promising better connectivity and a conducive environment for academic activities.



Worthy Vice Chancellor was accompanied by Deputy Registrar Rana Musaib and Director of Planning and Development Dr. Sadia Asim.

This initiative is expected to play a pivotal role in the strategic development of GCWUF, fostering an improved educational environment for the students and staff. The university community looks forward to the swift implementation of these projects, which will greatly enhance the campus's infrastructure and operational efficiency.

#### Two Weeks Faculty Development Workshop

On 10-6-2024, department of Sociology initiated two weeks long series of workshops under the title of "Faculty Development in Summer 2024.Dr. Muhammad Luqman Khan, Associate Professor and head of department, Riphah International University, Faisalabad Campus was the speaker for first day. Workshop was started with the recitation of Holy Quran and Naat-i-Rasool Maqbool. Prof. Dr. Aysha Sameen, coordinator of Arts and Social Sciences gave a brief welcome address. Dr. Sajida Parveen, incharge department of Sociology introduced respected speaker to all the participants.



Dr. Muhammad Luqman Khan held an interactive session on Parenting in Pakistani Society and also discussed the patterns of Traditional Parenting Practices versus Modern ways of Parenting. Participating faculty members shared their parenting challenges and respected speaker gave them practical solutions. Prof. Dr. Saima Akram, coordinator of

Sciences and Ms. Ammara Javed, Incharge Media Cell also graced the event with their presence

In the continuation of two weeks long series of "Faculty Development in Summer 2024" organized by department of Sociology, a session on Yoga Practice in daily life was held on 11-5-2024.Mr. Naeem Yogi, founder and president of National Yoga Foundation, Pakistan was the presenter. After the welcome address by Dr. Sajida Parveen, incharge department of Sociology, Mr Naeem Yogi told the participants about easy and effective Yoga practices to maintain mental and physical health. He practically performed different Yoga postures also. Dr. Naushen Syed, coordinator of Management Sciences attended the session.



On 3rd day (12-6-2024) of the workshop, Muhammad Abrar Wahad was the guest speaker. He is working as HRD Consultant and career Counselor in multiple organizations. After welcome note by Dr. Sajida Parveen, incharge department of Sociology, the guest speaker conducted a very informative session on personality assessment and goal setting in professional and personal life. All the participants performed personality assessment tests. Dr. Rukhsana Bibi, coordinator for Humanities and Languages attended the session. At the end of the session Dr. Sajida thanked the guest and all participants.

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On the fourth day(13-6-2024) of "Faculty Development in Summer 2024" organized by department of Sociology, Dr. Binish Sarwar Khan, Lecturer/Consultant Dietition and Community Nutritionist was the guest speaker. She co-chairs Policy, Advocacy and Outreach Pak Korean Nutrition Center Agriculture University. After the recitation of Holy Quran, Dr. Sajida Parveen, incharge department of Sociology welcomed the guest and participants.



Dr. Binish Sarwar Khan conducted an interactive session with faculty and gave a very informative lecture on "Best Nutritional choices for mental and physical Health. She shared the benefits and power of balanced diet. All the participants eagerly questioned regarding their health challenges and the possible management of those challenges through diet. At the end, Dr. Sajida Parveen thanked respected guest and participants.

On the last day of the 1st phase of" Faculty Development in Summer 2024" organized by department of Sociology, Ms. Samia Khan Niazi, a well known beautician and hair expert was the guest speaker. She is currently working as trainer and mentor for junior makeup artists. After recitation of Holy Quran, Dr. Sajida Parveen started the session with introduction of the guest. Ms. Samia Niazi discussed many topics regarding self-care and grooming of the working women. Major topics were 'color choice in dressing, skincare practices and haircare tips.



She also gave a brief lecture on importance of body language and sitting postures in our physical impression on others. All the participants shared their queries about skincare and haircare products. Guest speaker shared best self care routine at home also. Dr. Sajida Parveen thanked all the participants. The 2nd phase of this workshop series will start on 8 July 2024.Dr. Sajida invited all the participants in coming phase.

### GCWUF Graphic Design Degree Show Celebrates Student Creativity and Excellence

The Graphic Design Degree Show was officially opened on June 13th by Dr. Zill-i-Huma Nazli, Vice Chancellor, in a ceremony attended by esteemed guests and faculty members.

Projects spanned various aspects of graphic design, including branding, visual communication, typography, and design principles. Dr. Zill-i-Huma Nazli praised the students' talent and hard work, commending their supervisor, Ms. Zain Manzoor, and the Art and Design department for their dedication to excellence.

The event was attended by Registrar Asif A. Malik, Coordinator Science and Technology Prof. Dr. Saima Akram, faculty members, students, industry professionals, and media representatives.



Dr. Zill-i-Huma Nazli's said that she is impressed by the students' talent and hard work. The department has done an excellent job in nurturing their skills.

Graphic design is a vital part of our visual culture, and I am confident that these students will make a significant impact on contemporary digital art.

The Graphic Design Degree Show was a resounding success, showcasing the students' exceptional talent and the department's commitment to excellence. The event highlighted the importance of graphic design in visual culture and the potential impact of these emerging designers on the industry.

The Graphic Design Degree Show at Art and Design Department at GC Women University Faisalabad was a resounding success. The students showcased their impressive skills and creativity, and the jurors provided valuable feedback and guidance. The program's strong foundation in design principles, color theory, and typography was evident in the students' work. The visitors appreciation and recommendations will surely encourage and motivate the students to continue excelling in their field. With this milestone achieved, the students are now ready to embark on their professional journeys, making meaningful contributions to the world of graphic design.



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## GCWUF's Prof. Dr. Saima Akram Highlights Cutting-Edge Research at International Mathematics Conference

The chairperson of the Mathematics Department, Prof. Dr. Saima Akram, recently graced the two-day International Conference on Recent Trends in Mathematics as an invited speaker. A prestigious conference took place at the Abdus Salam School of Mathematical Sciences, GCU Lahore, on June 1-2, 2024 where prominent mathematicians from all over the world gathered.

Prof. Dr. Saima Akram is skilled in numerical analysis, which is crucial for the development of cutting-edge technologies and backbone in developing artificial intelligence algorithms. During the event, her title talk on "A Family of Eighth Order Iterative Techniques for Unknown Multiplicity with Applications in Osteoporosis, Beam Design, and Root Clustering Model" captured a lot of attention.

Prof. Dr. Saima Akram not only delivered an engaging presentation, but also had the chance to take part in interviews. She emphasized the department's significant advancements in mathematics education, which include the addition of new specializations in BS program in data science. It is worth mentioning that the department's dedication goes beyond undergraduate studies, as it will be launching a PhD program in Fall 2024-2025.



This conference was an exceptional event, promoting cooperation and the sharing of knowledge among mathematicians. Prof. Dr. Saima Akram's work remains influential in the field of mathematical research and education.

# Dr. Aasma Khalid Highlights the Role of QECs and SDGs in Higher Education at GCUF Seminar

Dr. Aasma Khalid, Director of Quality Enhancement Cell (QEC) at Government College Women University Faisalabad (GCWUF), attended a seminar as a Resource Person at Government College University Faisalabad (GCUF) on June 13, 2024. The seminar focused on the "Role of QEC and the Importance of Sustainable Development Goals in Higher Education Institutions (HEIs)."





Dr. Aasma Khalid delivered a comprehensive lecture on the significance of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) within HEIs. Her presentation covered the details of the 17 SDGs, highlighting the extensive work done by the United Nations globally, and how these efforts are being mirrored in Pakistan, particularly in Pakistani HEIs. She emphasized the critical role that universities play in advancing the SDGs, advocating for their implementation at the university level to drive broader societal changes. She outlined a model whereby the adoption of SDGs by universities could lead to city-wide, national, and ultimately global progress towards sustainable development.

Prof. Dr. Hafiz Naeem Asghar, Director of QEC at University of Agriculture Faisalabad (UAF), was the second Resource Person at the seminar. His presentation focused on the importance of Quality Enhancement Cells in HEIs.

The seminar concluded with a vote of thanks from Prof. Dr. Asim Mansha, Director of QEC at GCUF. He expressed gratitude to both speakers for their valuable contributions and insights. To honor Dr. Asima Khalid for her significant lecture, Prof. Dr. Asim Mansha presented her with a shield, acknowledging her efforts and the importance of her message on sustainable development in higher education.



### GCWUF Students Shine in Graphic Design Jury for 2020-24 Batch

To evaluate the graphic design work of students for the award of degree of Bachelors of Graphic design, 2nd batch 2020-24, was held on 12th june 2024.Ms Zain manzoor assistant Prof (visiting) was the supervisor and internal juror of the students while Ms Farwa Batool Assistant professor GC University Faisalabad was invited as external juror of the batch.

26 students displayed their graphic design projects, showcasing their skills in visual communication, creativity, and technical proficiency.

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Strong understanding of design principles, color theory, and typography- Effective use of visual elements to communicate message and Innovative approach to design challenges was appreciated by the jurors.



The graphic design jury for the Bachelor of Graphic Design program at GC Women University Faisalabad was a resounding success. The students showcased their impressive skills and creativity, and the jurors provided valuable feedback and guidance. The program's strong foundation in design principles, color theory, and typography was evident in the students' work. The jury's appreciation and recommendations will surely encourage and motivate the students to continue excelling in their field.

The Rollout Ceremony of CYBERABAD, an ambitious initiative by the Faisalabad Chamber of Commerce and Industry (FCCI), took place with great fanfare. Ms. Ammarah and Ms. Sadia Riaz from the Computer Science department of GCWUF attended the event, adding academic insights to the proceedings.





Dr. Mehmet Pacaci, Ambassador of Türkiye, was the Chief Guest. Distinguished guests included representatives from PITB, PSEB, Youth Program, and PASHA. CYBERABAD aims to transform Faisalabad into a hub of innovation through advanced GenAI technologies, enhancing sectors such as textile, healthcare, and finance by providing specialized training and fostering collaborations between technologists and venture capitalists.

# **Empowering Women in Business: GCWUF Faculty and Students Participate in Digital Transformation Symposium**

Ms. Suneeza Hamid HOD IT, Ms. Ammarah Maqbool and Ms. Sadia Riaz from the CS department of GCWUF, and Ms. Madiha from the IT department of GCWUF, attended an impactful symposium on "Digital Transformation for Women Businesses" on June 5, 2024, at the FCCI Auditorium, Canal Road, Faisalabad. 13 students from the Department of Computer Science and 12 students from the Department of IT accompanied their teachers.



The Faisalabad Women Chamber of Commerce and Industry (FWCCI) organized this symposium with the support of the Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FPCCI), State Bank of Pakistan (SBP), Trade Development Authority of Pakistan (TDAP), Small and Medium Enterprise Development Authority (SMEDA), E-Commerce Platforms, micro-finance banks, and non-banking organizations. The symposium aimed to raise awareness about the importance of digital transformation for women-owned businesses and provided insights into its opportunities and challenges.

Kudos to our faculty and students for their active participation in such a significant event aimed at empowering women entrepreneurs!

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