also broadened the reach of Pakistan Studies in the US by recruiting several American scholars who had never traveled to Pakistan. In June, I had the good fortune of participating in the last two days of such a workshop at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill on Digital Humanities. AIPS’ Vice President, Matt Cook, had organized this workshop. All of Matt’s colleagues who traveled to Pakistan to conduct the first part of this workshop with him were new to Pakistan as were the others who helped mentor the Pakistan Junior faculty at UNC.

We are also proud of the fact that we were able to send twelve faculty members from American community colleges to Pakistan in June for a two-week faculty development seminar entitled: “Religion and Culture in the Postcolonial City.” The program sought to provide the participants with firsthand experiences of various cultural sites and practices in Lahore for incorporation in their future course development at their home institutions. They also visited Islamabad, attended lectures, and met with Pakistani faculty and researchers. We are thankful to CAORC (Council of American Overseas Research Centers) for having enough trust in us to provide us with this opportunity despite the security fears that persist. We will continue to work with the community college faculty to develop teaching resources about Pakistan.

During my visit to Pakistan in January of 2019, I spent time exploring the Punjab Higher Education Commissioners’ (PHEC) attempts at reforming degree colleges by turning some of them into American-style community colleges. AIPS started this community college initiative during Kamran Asdar Ali’s presidency by sponsoring visits of Pakistani faculty and college principals to US community colleges. The PHEC targeted five colleges in Punjab to pilot the Community College model. I visited two of these colleges: one in Lahore and one in Faisalabad (the hub of the textile industry in Pakistan). The principal of the college in Lahore was sent to Austin Community College on AIPS funds, and the vice principal of the Women’s College in Faisalabad went to Florida Community College with the support of the Fulbright/USEFP program. I was very impressed with the entrepreneurial spirit of the leaders of the two colleges and the team spirit of the faculty. They are a hardworking group who is taking maximum advantage of very meager resources to provide opportunities for their students.

AIPS is a small yet mighty organization that has accomplished a great deal despite toxic geopolitical dynamics that make it extremely challenging to achieve our mission. I am deeply thankful for the hard work of our directors in the US and Pakistan, Laura Nadaeem, and their dedicated staff that often go beyond the call of duty to ensure the success of our programs. Without the help of Matt Cook and continued support of Kamran Asdar Ali, many of the events sponsored by AIPS would not have been possible. I am also thankful to our Executive Committee and BoT for their continued support of AIPS’ mission.

Farhat Haq, AIPS President

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New Developments and Debates in Islamic Studies

Dr. Marcia Hermansen (Loyola University Chicago) led a five-day workshop titled “New Developments and Debates in Islamic Studies” at the International Islamic University Islamabad from October 22 to 26, 2018. This workshop addressed current trends in the academic study of Islam (Islamic Studies) to acquaint Pakistani academics in related fields with theories and practices, impacting the academic study of Islam, major debates in the field, innovative pedagogical strategies, and approaches from the academic study of religion. The goal was to prepare early career Pakistani faculty from diverse Pakistani universities for research publications and curriculum designs that fulfill local needs and interests while meeting international standards. Following the workshop, Dr. Hermansen participated in five other academic engagements, reaching over 800 people.

Language Teaching in the 21st Century

Under the umbrella title “Language Teaching in the 21st Century,” Dr. Patricia Pashby (University of Oregon) facilitated a series of seven workshops and ten individual mentorships for faculty teaching English or other language courses in Pakistan. The following sessions took place between December 5th and December 20th, 2018 at the University of Education, Lahore campus: Professional Development for Very Busy Instructors, Principled Language Learning & Teaching, Student-Centered Instruction, Backward Course Design, Creating Balanced Lessons, Flipped Learning & Multimodal Learning and Motivating Language Learners. A total of 38 participants attended one or more of the sessions. Dr. Pashby took a “hands-on” teaching approach to support and demonstrate her goal of encouraging interactive, student-centered learning. The curricula addressed themes of “action research” conducted by teachers, principles of language learning, and teaching and motivation in language learning. In addition to leading the above workshops, Dr. Pashby co-ordinated a session on Student-Centered Learning at the First Annual International Conference on English Literature, Linguistics and Teaching at the University of Education, Lahore and presented a keynote titled “Revisiting Motivation in Language Learning.”

History Workshops in Lahore and Islamabad

Dr. Robert Nichols (Stockton University), Dr. David Gilmarin (North Carolina State University) and Dr. Matthew A. Cook (North Carolina Central University) organized and led two workshops for junior Pakistani scholars working towards PhDs in History. The “History Dissertations Workshop” was held at the Punjab Higher Education Commission in Lahore on December 29-31, 2018 and the “History Research Methods and Proposal Workshop” was hosted at Quaid-i-Azam University in Islamabad on January 3-4, 2019. Thirteen different participants attended each workshop. AIPS solicited applications from multiple history departments in Pakistan, and the faculty organizers selected a range of participants who included representatives from across the diverse provinces, regions, and universities of Pakistan. Participants were graduate students and junior faculty at the proposal, research, and writing stages of their research projects/dissertations. They presented their projects and then received detailed feedback. Workshop sessions also opened conversations about research methods, scholarly literature and argumentation, and recent examples of successfully completed academic history books of interest to scholars, including histories of Pakistan-related issues, themes, and historical perspectives.

Digital Humanities Workshop (Part 1 in Lahore)

Three U.S. scholars from North Carolina Central University (NCCU) led a Digital Humanities workshop in Lahore, Pakistan from May 6-8, 2019. The scholars - Matthew A. Cook, Collin futter, and Russell Robinson - are fellows of the NCCU-Duke Digital Humanities Initiative (https://sites. fi.duke.edu/nccudhfellows). They utilized the skills they developed as fellows to work with junior Pakistani faculty to build their digital humanities skills. The workshop focused around how to integrate these skills into teaching and classroom activities. Twelve Pakistani scholars participated in the workshop, which included one-on-one mentoring by the NCCU faculty. The Pakistani scholars participating were M. Ibrahim Khokhar (Shah Abdul Latif University), Marvi Shaikh (University of Sind), Shumaila Umer (Sarak Bahadur Khan University), Ayesha Akram (University of Education, Lahore), Sania Munir (University of Lahore), Hameed Jan (Hazara University), Fatima Billoquis (Lahore University of Management Sciences), Fumia Khan (Lahore University of Management Sciences), Naheela Shabazz Naeem Khan (Lahore University of Management Sciences), Antonio Marasco (Lahore University of Management Sciences), and Ali Usman Gasi (Lahore University of Management Sciences). The workshop in Lahore was the first part of a two-part program. The second part took place in North Carolina between May 20 and June 24, 2019.

Digital Humanities Workshop (Part 2 in North Carolina)

The following individuals traveled to the U.S. as the part of the second half of a digital humanities program that started in Pakistan during May of 2019. They attended multiple workshops in North Carolina, including one hosted by the Triangle Digital Humanities Network. They also engaged in a series of one-on-one mentoring sessions with faculty from North Carolina Central University.

M. Ibrahim Khokhar
Home Institution: Shah Abdul Latif University, Khairpur

Ayesha Akram
Home Institution: University of Education, Lahore

Shumaila Umer
Home Institution: Sarker Bahadur Khan Women’s University, Quetta

Marvi Shaikh
Home Institution: The University of Sind, Jamshoro

Sania Munir
Home Institution: The University of Lahore, Punjab

SASL Teacher Training

The following individuals traveled to the University of Wisconsin-Madison to attend the South Asian Language Teacher Training Program from June 10 to 21, 2019. This certificate program offered comprehensive pedagogy training, opportunities for teach ing observations and feedback, and job market training sessions.

Ashok Kumar Khatri
Home Institution: Punjab University, Lahore

Zahid Hussain
Home Institution: Lahore University of Management Sciences

Jahan Zeb Ahmed
Home Institution: University of California, Santa Barbara

Pakistan to U.S. Exchanges Individual Exchanges

The following individuals traveled to the U.S. for individual mentorship programs with the U.S. mentors listed below.

Saeed Leheri
Home Institution: University of Balochistan, Quetta

Field: Linguistics
U.S. Mentor: Elena Bashir
U.S. Institution: University of Chicago
Dates: 3/15/19 - 6/15/19

Henna Karamat
Home Institution: Shaheed Benazir Bhutto Women University
Field: English
U.S. Mentor: Cara Cilano
U.S. Institution: Michigan State University
Dates: 3/10/19 - 4/20/19

Nafoos Ahmed
Home Institution: Punjab University Field: Anthropology
U.S. Mentor: J. Mark Kenoyer
U.S. Institution: University of Wisconsin-Madison
Dates: 4/3/19 - 5/13/19

Muezuddin Hakal
Home Institution: Quaid-i-Azam University Field: Anthropology
U.S. Mentor: J. Mark Kenoyer
U.S. Institution: University of Wisconsin-Madison
Dates: 6/26/19 - 8/6/19

AIPS Junior Faculty Training and Exchange Program

Dear Student:

The American Institute of Pakistan Studies is pleased to invite you to apply for the AIPS Junior Faculty Training and Exchange Program (AFTEP). This program is designed for junior faculty members from Pakistani universities who are interested in furthering their academic and professional development by spending a semester in North America. The program offers the opportunity to engage in high-quality research, teach at a North American university, and participate in various professional development activities.

Eligibility:

- You must be a junior faculty member from a Pakistani university.
- You must have completed your PhD within the last five years.
- You must be fluent in English.
- You must be a citizen of Pakistan.
- You must be committed to the academic and professional growth of Pakistan.

Program Benefits:

- Fully-funded travel to the United States
- Living allowance while in the United States
- Housing, health insurance, and other benefits
- Opportunities for research and professional development
- Chance to engage with Pakistani scholars and faculty
- Participation in professional development activities
- Networking opportunities

Application Process:

- Submit a detailed CV and a statement of purpose (500 words) by October 1, 2019.
- Provide three letters of recommendation.
- Submit a dissertation proposal or a teaching dossier.

Contact Information:

AIPS Junior Faculty Training and Exchange Program
American Institute of Pakistan Studies
123 Main Street
City, State, Zip
Email: info@aips.org
Phone: 123-456-7890

Deadline: October 1, 2019
AIPS and U.S. Embassy Events

AIPS and the U.S. Embassy in Pakistan developed a multi-day and multi-week exchange and speaker program. It involved American and Pakistani academic and civil society organizations and aimed to strengthen people-to-people and inter-organizational ties between Pakistan and the United States. It addressed themes like the environment and other topics of international concern.

Dynamics of Countering Human Trafficking in South Asia

Dr. Hassan Abbas led two “Dynamics of Countering Human Trafficking in South Asia” workshops in Islamabad and Lahore, Pakistan from December 17th-23rd, 2018. They focused on fully understanding the nature and magnitude of human trafficking in the broader South Asian region and were geared towards developing local capacity to counter this challenge as well as studying the dynamics that allow this menace to thrive at a global scale. A series of structured discussions considered the personal and social consequences of trafficking (violence, health, post-traumatic stress disorder, etc.), the ways that trafficking affects children, and the strategies that victims adopt to survive. The groups also assessed a variety of efforts being made to help trafficked victims. Over 20 participants attended each workshop.

Air Quality in Pakistan

Greater awareness of the negative impacts of air pollution on public health has made this a prime issue in many countries. Pakistan currently has almost no air quality monitoring capabilities, so it is difficult to assess the true impacts of air quality on health and nearly impossible to determine and eradicate the sources of air pollution. In line with a continued USG policy of constructing air quality monitoring facilities on Embassies and Posts in vulnerable countries, the posts in Pakistan are bringing several testing facilities online. Dr. Filippelli, an Air Quality Fellow for the Embassy in Islamabad and an expert in air quality and health, delivered a series of lectures, workshops, and demonstrations to raise awareness of these issues and to build dialogues among university researchers, students, governmental, and non-governmental entities on this issue. Through these AIPS-sponsored series of events, which occurred in Karachi, Lahore, and Islamabad, Dr. Filippelli interacted with approximately 1000 people over 11 days.

AIPS-Sponsored Participants Attend a Conference on fake news

Jill Filippovic, Ty McCormick, and Lauren Bohn conducted a series of workshops and lectures/discussions on a variety of topics related to journalism in conjunction with a conference on media in Pakistan. “Fake News and Facts in our Region” organized by the Institute of Regional Studies (IRS) in Islamabad. Filippovic, McCormick, and Bohn’s workshops and lectures, held in Islamabad, Lahore, and Karachi, brought together journalists, students and stakeholders in Pakistan, opening lines of engagement and information with the U.S. journalists and reached nearly 500 people. Concepts such as the right to free speech, free press, the free exercise of religion, and women’s rights were discussed in depth, as were misconceptions about Pakistan and local frustrations with American journalistic coverage. The American journalists were educated about the Pakistani press, including the robust journalistic traditions and ongoing challenges (financial, political and social) that Pakistani journalists face. The Pakistani journalists participated in the discussions and workshops aimed at bringing valuable skills and perspectives on issues including responsible sourcing, free speech, and the conscientious coverage of sensitive issues to increase the caliber of journalistic work in Pakistan. It is expected that this information will be passed on to other journalists in the country, furthering the reach of the program.

AIPS Pakistan Lecture Series 2018: Naiala Mahmood

Naiala Mahmood is a highly regarded visual artist, writer and documentary photographer from Karachi whose work on the complexities of urban space has been widely featured in gallery shows, museum exhibitions, and in print. Her work includes visuals, statistics and poetry; some of her projects constitute research projects, while others are more broad-ranging. She is also the founder and Director of the Vai Artists Association and a member of the Executive Council and adjunct faculty at the Indus Valley School of Art and Architecture. She led a series of presentations at North Carolina State University, Cornell University and Brown University from September 19 to 26, 2018 based on her work “The Inner Kitchens in Karachi: a Microcosm of the Crowded City.” Mahmood argues that kitchens in the inner city of Karachi are invisible, gendered spaces that are emblematic of social, spatial and gender inequality. In her presentations, she strives to chronicle the small fragments of life around these spaces, which have complex sociological layers, often missed in statistics. She featured photogaphs, texts and reflective poetry about the city of Karachi, Pakistan, its migratory history and urban citizenship. Although the pictures focused on the inner city kitchens, they were reflective of the broader issues of urban density and ensuing pressures.

Through this Pakistan Lecture Series, Naiala Mahmood was able to reach well over 200 participants – scientists, scholars, photographers, architects, etc. Sharing her work and talking about possible collaborations helped open up new avenues and directions for future projects and brought valuable feedback.

9th Annual University of Michigan Pakistan Conference: “Spaces of Capital”

On Saturday, March 30th, 2019, the Center for South Asian Studies at the University of Michigan hosted its 9th Annual Pakistan Conference. The annual conference is an initiative aimed at fostering an alternative intellectual and political discourse on Pakistan. This year’s conference focused on the theme of political economy concerning Pakistan and was titled “Spaces of Capital.” Around 70 people attended, including undergraduate students, graduate students, faculty, and members of the general public. This multidisciplinary conference explored the interconnectedness between capital, state, and infrastructure to uncover the everyday relations and social formations in Pakistan, how they shape capital flows and are shaped by them. It brought together academics, activists, journalists, and artists from Pakistan, Europe, and the United States in a discussion of capitalist spaces and emerging formations through addressing topics such as rural paranoage, hydropolitics, bureaucracy, urban infrastructural politics, and visual cultures in Pakistan.

In the final panel, Dr. Aiman Jaffer (LUMS) and Dr. Maia Hayat (Stanford University) presented their papers related to urban agriculture and the politics of waste management and water, respectively. The second panel examined the relation between contemporary rural economic arrangements and long-standing social groups, such as caste and lineage, through paper presentations by Dr. Muhammad Ali Jan (Oxford University) and Dr. Nicolas Martin (University of Zurich). Following, artist Saima Zaide (Habb University) gave an extended talk and visual presentation on the work of her design group in Lahore’s Old City. The conference concluded with a film screening of the award-winning documentary by Mahera Omar, “The Rebel Optimist,” on the life and murder of Karachi-based architect, urbanist and activist, Perwez Rahman, a former participant in the UMich Pakistan Conference.
IPS hosted its third Junior Scholars Conference on October 11, 2018 (in conjunction with the Annual Conference on South Asia). This conference showcased the new research by Junior scholars in the Social Sciences and Humanities fields (both Ph.D. candidates with ABF status and recent Ph.D. recipients) related to Pakistan. AIPS senior scholars read the accepted papers and provided feedback, mentorship, and guided discussion after the presentations. These conferences have been central in enabling emerging scholars to network with others in their fields and have resulted in significant outcomes, including multiple projects started, mentorships forged, articles written, and dissertations revised, edited, and completed.

2018 Participants

Ahsan Kamal, Ph.D. Candidate, Department of Sociology, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Paper Title: Saving Sindh: River Defense Movements Along the Indus River in Pakistan

Amna Qayyum, Ph.D. Candidate, Department of History, Princeton University
Paper Title: Co-operatives and Contraceptives: Family Planning and Theories of Rural Development in Comilla, East Pakistan

Sohaila Baig, Ph.D. Candidate, Department of History, University of California-Los Angeles
Paper Title: What Makes a Hanafi?: The Juridical Boundaries of the Hanafi School of Law across Thatta and Medina in the 18th Century

Michelle Grisé, Associate Policy Researcher, RAND Corporation
Paper Title: Inside the Nuclear Labyrinth: Understanding the Consequences of Nuclear Weapons Development in Pakistan, 1972-1998

Maslail Malik, Ph.D. Candidate, Department of Political Science, Stanford University
Paper Title: Political Violence and Ethnocentric Trust in Multiethnic Megacities: The Case of Karachi

Neelum Sohall, Ph.D. Candidate, Department of History, Tufts University
Paper Title: Lord of the District and Next to God: Policing and Governance in the Punjab

Shahram Mohriar, Ph.D. Candidate, School of Journalism and Communication, University of Oregon
Paper Title: Gender & Sexuality of the Other: Under the Gaze of Transnational Documentary

Ghazal Asif, Ph.D. Candidate, Department of Anthropology, Johns Hopkins University
Paper Title: Women’s Work: Ethnography of a Pakistani Vocational Center

CAORC and AIPS Hosted a fully-funded faculty development seminar for community college and MSI faculty in Lahore, Pakistan this June. Security Studies, Religious Studies, Urban Studies, Cultural Studies, and History all have various interests in and viewpoints on Pakistan. This seminar, Religion and Culture in the Postcolonial City, sought to add nuance and context to these understandings by providing participants with firsthand experiences of various cultural sites and practices in Lahore, including its medieval walled city and its colonial architectural landmarks, as well as facilitating meetings with local scholars, artists, and others. Through encountering Lahore’s urban geography, participants glimpsed how religious diversity, political struggle, and cultural expression fold into each other in this ancient city of over ten million people. Upon returning to their respective institutions in the US, the participants can create and develop curricular materials on Pakistan to be used in the classroom.

UPCOMING AIPS EVENTS

Pakistan Lecture Series 2019
Ms. Shaema Kermani, a feminist public intellectual and dancer/theater performer in Pakistan, has been awarded to participate in the 2019 Pakistan Lecture Series. She will be presenting her work on “Identity, Performance and Gender in Pakistan” in October 2019 at Michigan State University, the University of Chicago and Monmouth College. She will then complete her program by attending the Annual Conference on South Asia in Madison, Wisconsin.

Junior Faculty Training and Exchange Program
The following Pakistani to U.S. exchanges will be occurring as part of AIPS’ Junior Faculty Training and Exchange Program:

Rabbia Murtaza
Home Institution: COMSATS University Field: Urban Health U.S. Mentor: Gabriel Filippelli U.S. Institution: Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis Dates: August-September 2019

Muhammad Zahr
Home Institution: COMSATS University Field: Urban Health U.S. Mentor: Gabriel Filippelli U.S. Institution: Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis Dates: August-September 2019
New Pedagogies Workshop Series

M s. Sarah Beckham and Dr. Gwendolyn Kirk facilitated a "New Pedagogies Workshop Series" in September of 2018 at the Lahore University of Management Sciences as part of the Berkeley Urdu Language Program in Pakistan-AIPS (BULP-AIPS). The series consisted of a set of instructor training workshops introducing the concepts of Project-Based Language Learning (PBLL), Flipped/Bленded Learning, and the core principles of student-centered learning, with a specific focus on how these approaches can be implemented in the teaching of less commonly taught languages (LCTLs) in Pakistan. In these workshops, 15 instructors applied these methods in the development of course materials and curriculum for feedback from colleagues and facilitators. While this project was primarily targeted towards the instructional staff on the Berkeley Urdu Language Program in Pakistan-AIPS, Beckham and Kirk were able to enlist a diverse selection of other participants as well, including Paishto, Sindhi, and Punjabi language professionals. In addition to the group sessions mentioned above, the two facilitators also conducted course observations and held one-on-one mentoring sessions with participants, discussing the participants’ pedagogical approaches and professional development opportunities, as well as reviewing feedback from the course observations for those participants currently teaching LCTLs as second languages in Lahore.

This program was co-sponsored by AIPS’ Junior Faculty Training and Exchange Program and supported administratively by the German Centre for Languages and Literature at LUMS.

2018-19 Berkeley Urdu Language Program in Pakistan-AIPS

In Fall 2018, the BULP-AIPS Urdu Language Program hosted its fifth batch of students in Lahore. A cohort of seven, these students came from a variety of departments and programs (Political Science, Religious Studies, Public Health, Women Studies, Physics, Asian Languages and Literature, and International Studies) and institutions (University of Washington, Pomona College, University of Michigan, Smith College, University of Chicago, California State University of Long Beach, and University of Maryland). The students spent approximately fifteen weeks on the campus of the Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS) undergoing intensive Urdu language training under the tutelage of the program’s highly regarded Urdu teachers—Umair Anjum (who has been with the program since the Fall of 2015) and Sidra Azfar (who joined this past year). The Program Manager was Ms. Sallika Parviz, a previous BULP-AIPS Program Fellow who received her M.A. in Asian Studies from the University of Texas at Austin. Although students and program personnel alike had to take basic security precautions, none missed an opportunity to explore Lahore, meet residents of the city, and pursue their research.

By all accounts, the program highlights were the weeklong road trip and the weekly speaker series. The series hosted historian Dr. Anfa Syeda Zehra, lead drummer for Coke Studio Season 11 Kamran Paul, City 42 crime reporter Ehsa Khan, founder of at-home salon services provider GharPar Shamaela Ismail, certified Zumba instructor Nasrullah Ansari, calligrapher Abdul Ba- sit, traditional Punjabi wrestlers, shoemaker Hamid Bilal, founder of Harness Energy Muhammad Shahnawaz, Assistant Director of Environment Protection Department of Punjab Ifrah Ali, among others. Reflecting on their experience, individual students noted: “I wanted to improve my Urdu in this program, and I feel I have done that. However, what made this program wonderful were the friendships I created with my entire cohort.” “I have previously completed other pro- grams, and this one has been exceptionally run in terms of responsiveness to feedback, access to resources, logistical and living support being provided.” “The people I met, and the people who attend LUMS made this the best experience for me. I think I gained the opportunity to see Pakistan through their perspective, while also educating them on so many concepts like feminism and race.” For more information about the program, please contact Ms. Behnaz Raulfi (behnazaraulfi@berkeley.edu) or visit: http://southeast.berkeley.edu/BULP/AIPS

AIPS Islamabad Center Highlights

Mr. Nadeem Akbar, AIPS Pakistan Director, visited Turkey along with Pakistani delegates and South Asia participants for a “South Asia Higher Education Symposium” hosted by the Hootings Center for International Dialogue, Istanbul, Turkey, April 23-28, 2019.

Joshua White, Associate Professor, SAIS, JHU, brought SAIS students and faculty from SAIS together with faculty and researcher- ers of CORD, COMSATS for a dialogue on “Climate Change and Energy Issues”, COMSATS, Islamabad, January 17, 2019.

High Tea Reception in Honor of Ms. Wajihah Ikram, Parliamentary Secretary for Federal Education, Government of Pakistan, at Islamabad Club, January 4, 2019. AIPS President, Dr. Farhat Haq, AIPS Vice President, Dr. Matthew Cook, AIPS Trustees: Dr. Robert Nichols, Dr. David Gilmartin, and Dr. Paula Newberg, were present, along with Deans, Directors, Chairs, and officials from higher education leader- ship in Pakistan.

AIPS visiting scholars along with Dr. Farhat Haq, President AIPS, at the lialb International Institute for Research and Dialogue, Inter- national Islamic University, Islamabad, hosted by Dr. Husnul Amin, Executive Director, IRD, at IUI Faisal Campus Islamabad, Jan 2, 2019.

AIPS President, Dr. Farhat Haq, and Vice Chancellor, Gomal Uni- versity, Dr. Khan, signed a MoU on January 4, 2019 at Islamabad Club, Islamabad.

AIPS organized a pre-departure orientation for Pakistani delegates on behalf of Hollings Center for International Dialogue, November 29, 2018, Mangala Hotel, Islamabad. Ms. Asli Mutlu, Sr. Program Offi- cer, Hollings Center, was also present.
AIPS Islamabad
Center News

The CAORC Community Colleges Faculty visitors at Pakistan-Fachhochschule Institute of Applied Sciences & Technology, Haripur, with Dr Nasser Ali, June 17, 2019.

The CAORC Community College delegates attended a briefing at Lahore Garrison University, Lahore, hosted by the Vice Chancellor and members of the Board of Governors, June 21, 2019.

AIPS, University of Education, Lahore, and IUCPSS hosted a joint reception, attended by the newly appointed Vice Chancellors of Punjab and visiting AIPS scholars, July 19, 2019. The Provincial Minister, Higher Education, Raja Yasir Humayan Sarfraz, welcomed the visiting scholars and Vice Chancellors.

Jill Filipovic, U.S. journalist, led a Journalism workshop with students from the Lahore University of Management Sciences in Lahore on April 30, 2019.

Dr. Gabriel Filipelli, Professor & Director, Urban Health, Department of Earth Sciences, Indiana University-Purdue University Indiana, speaking at the National Institute of Health, Islamabad, Pakistan, April 24, 2019.

Amber Abbas


Hassan Abbas
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Abdul Aljaz

Harrison Akins


Kamran Ali


Andrew Amstutz

Yelena Biberman


C. Christine Fair

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Shenila Khosta-Mojoii

Frank Korom


Bandana Purkayastha

Julie Flowerday

Syed Gul Kalash

Danish Khan

Sonali Khullar

John Mock

A. Azfar Moin

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Julie Flowerday

Hasanullah

Abdul Hamid

Farhat Haq


William Richter

Rob Rozehnal

Sehba Sarwar


Jeffrey Redding
Redding, Jeffrey. “Courts.” Public lecture in Australia India Institute’s "Keywords for India." Lecture Series, Melbourne, Australia, November 2018. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2VBBwB6VYwkc


Aqil Shah

Syliva Vatuk

Moed Yousuf

2019 AIPS BOOK PRIZE AWARD WINNER

E
ceh year, the American Institute of Pakistani Stud- ies seeks submissions of books published within the last three years for its Annual Book Prize award. AIPS is pleased to announce the winner of the 2019 Book Prize as Dr. Ammara Maqsood for her book titled The New Pakistani Middle Class. Congratulations to Dr. Maqsood! Dr. Maqsood’s book was chosen for its relevance to Pakistani Studies, as well as the impressive way it weaves together ideas of religious identity, piety, consumption, and modernity into an enjoyable and accessible narrative. The work addresses key issues (e.g., religion and class) without overlooking the everyday details that entertain the reader. In this way, Maqsood tells a story about life in contemporary, middle-class Lahore that is at once local and global. Read more about this publication and the other AIPS Book Prize award winners on the AIPS website: http://www.pakistanstudies-aips.org/content/2019-aips-book-prize-winner.

AIPS is now accepting applications for its 2020 Book Prize competition! This is an exciting opportunity to help publicize your new book and contribute to AIPS mission. For more information on the prize, please see the AIPS website or contact AIPS directly.
AIPS Member Highlights

Maira Hayat
Postdoctoral Fellow, Stanford University
Maira Hayat was awarded the 2018 Sylvia Forman Prize for Outstanding Graduate Paper from the Association for Feminist Anthropology. Her paper was titled, "The Gender of Corruption: Bureaucrats, Bodies, and the Female Complaint in the Punjab Irrigation Bureaucracy." http://afa.american.org/2018-sylvia-forman-prize-winner-graduate-paper/

Iqbal Akhtar
Assistant Professor, Florida International University
Iqbal Akhtar, Director of Western Indian Ocean Studies at FIU, will be a Fulbright scholar in Pakistan for the spring term of 2020. He will teach a course on comparative historiography at UMT in Lahore and continue to research in Islamabad. His focus is on capacity building of Pakistani academics to write for a global audience, apply for international grants, develop US-Pakistani academic relationships, and to develop a more rigorous perspective of Pakistan's history in its humanities disciplines.

Andrew Amstutz
Assistant Professor, University of Arkansas at Little Rock
Andrew Amstutz joined the Department of History at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock as an Assistant Professor. Dr. Amstutz received his Ph.D. in 2017 from Cornell University where he went on to be a Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He will teach courses on world history, South Asia, Islam and science, and public history in Asia.

Brian Bond
Ph.D. Candidate, City University of New York
Brian Bond received the Charlotte Newcombe Dissertation Completion Fellowship (Woodrow Wilson Foundation) for his dissertation project, A Heavy Rain Has Fallen Upon My People: Sindhi Sufi Poetry, Performance, Ethics, and Islamic Reform in Kachchh, Gujarat. Bond presented aspects of his research at the 2018 Society for Ethnomusicology Conference in a paper entitled "Teaching Islam in Sindh: Sindhi Qâ‘it Performance on India's Western Border." This research was possible in part because of his AIPS Junior Research Fellowship.

Lauren Hennelly
Ph.D. Candidate, University of California-Davis
Lauren Hennelly is currently in collaboration with PMAS-Arid Agriculture University to study wolves in Pakistan. Hennelly and her co-Pi Hira Fatima (a Ph.D. scholar from PMAS Arid) have received a grant from the Ruford Foundation for Nature Conservation to support their research. Additionally, graduate students at the Department of Wildlife Management of PMAS Arid Agriculture University have acquired five camera traps and research supplies to further support this ongoing research.

Danish Khan
Ph.D. Candidate, University of Massachusetts-Amherst
Danish Khan was awarded the Solomon Bankin Graduate Fellowship Fund Award by the Department of Economics, University of Massachusetts-Amherst in recognition of outstanding Ph.D. dissertation research. The award is given to a graduate student whose research "has the potential to contribute to improving the conditions of working people."

José Cabezón
Professor, University of California-Santa Barbara
In November 2018, José Cabezón was a respondent at a panel on his recent book, Sexuality in Classical South Asian Buddhist Wisdom (Publications, 2017) at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Religion. At that same meeting, he became President-Elect of the AAR. He spent the month of December touring various Buddhist sites and major museum collections of Buddhist art in Pakistan.

Maria-Magdalena Fuchs
Ph.D. Candidate, Princeton University
Maria-Magdalena recently won the AAS South Asia Graduate Student Paper Prize 2018 for her paper entitled "Act in the Living Present: The Anjuman-i-Himayat-i-Islam Lahore and the Quest for a Modernist(s) Islam." Maria-Magdalena's paper explores how Islam is understood and debated by members of the Anjuman-i-Himayat-i-Islam (Society for the Defense of Islam), the largest and most well-known Muslim voluntary association of colonial north India.

Masahid Malik
Ph.D. Candidate, Stanford University
Masahid Malik was awarded the National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant to support a project on why ethnic parties succeed or fail in mobilizing their co-ethnic base. The funds will support a survey - with an experimental component - of Histories and Pashtun population in Karachi, Pakistan.

Michael Toller
Intern Program Head, Aga Khan Documentation Center, MIT Libraries
Michael Toller received the Mohammad Ali Prize from the Tapanoz Excellence Awards on behalf of the Aga Khan Documentation Center. The award is named in honor of distinguished Iraqi architect and urban planner Mohammad Sa’id Makiya who donated his archive to AKIOD in 2012, the first of several major archives that now are part of the AKIOD collection. https://libraries.mit.edu/akiod/2018/01/06/aga-khan-documented-center-at-mit-wiss-the-mohammad-makiya-prize-for-architecture/

Miriam Golden
Professor, University of California-Los Angeles
Starting in September 2019, Miriam Golden will assume the Peter Mayer Chair in Comparative Politics at the European University Institute in Florence, Italy. The EU is the social science graduate institution for the member states of the European Union. Citizens of non-EU countries can apply if they have already received an M.A. Miriam Golden particularly encourages highly qualified Pakistani applicants to consider working with her and review the application process on the EU’s website: https://www.eui.eu/Departments/AndCentres/PoliticalAndSocialSciences/Doctoralprogramme

Naeem Mahaleem
Ph.D. Candidate, Columbia University
Naeem Mahaleem was a finalist for Britain’s 2018 Turner Prize for his three-screen film Two Meetings and a Funeral (2017), which pivots between the 1973 Nakshalait Movement meeting in Algiers, and the 1974 Organization of Islamic Cooperation meeting in Lahore.

Shahnaz Rouse
Professor, Sarah Lawrence College
Shahnaz Rouse recently appointed the Campbell Chair in the Humanities at Sarah Lawrence College for a five-year position. Shahnaz also recently returned from a trip to Pakistan where she gave a talk on “The State of Colonial Lahore: A Political Economic Perspective” at the Lahore School of Economics. This talk was part of a colloquium on Economic History at the Graduate Institute for Development Studies, LSE, Lahore.
AIPS Fellows and Grantees

AIPS granted the 31 awards below for research fellowships and conference travel in the last year. AIPS Fellowships, Short-Term Research Grants, and Conference Travel Grants are available to AIPS members on an annual basis. The review committees comprise a combination of AIPS Executive Committee members and Trustees.

AIPS Fellowships 2019-20
Each year, AIPS awards long-term junior (pre-doctoral) and senior (post-doctoral) fellowships that are two to nine months in length. Due to security restrictions, U.S. citizen applicants applying for Junior Fellowships are required to conduct research in countries other than the U.S. and Pakistan. Non-U.S. citizen applicants and U.S. citizen Senior Fellows, however, can research in Pakistan or countries other than the U.S. Funding is provided by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA) of the U.S. Department of State through a grant from the Council of American Overseas Research Centers (CAORC) and by AIPS- Unrestricted Funds. These awards have been extremely competitive, and AIPS is excited to announce the recently awarded fellows below. Full abstracts and final reports for all fellows are accessible on the AIPS website (www.pakistanstudies-aips.org/content/fellowship-archives).

1. Andrew Amstutz
   Institution: University of Arkansas at Little Rock
   Field: History
   Project Title: Unearthing Pakistan: Buddhist Art, Muslim Nationalism, and Global Public History, 1947-1977
   Fellowship Type: Senior Fellowship, 2.5 months in Italy

2. Zayed Bangash
   Institution: George Washington University
   Field: History
   Project Title: The Army, Military Education, and State Sovereignty
   Fellowship Type: Junior Fellowship, 2 months in the U.K.

3. Chad Haines
   Institution: Arizona State University
   Field: Anthropology and Religious Studies
   Project Title: Urban Informality, Everyday Ethics, and Refugeehood Re-Creating Community in Lahore
   Fellowship Type: Senior Fellowship, 3.5 months in Pakistan

4. Maira Hayat
   Institution: Stanford University
   Field: Anthropology
   Project Title: Ecologies of Water Theft in Pakistan: The Colony, the Corporation and the Contemporary
   Fellowship Type: Senior Fellowship, 5 months in Pakistan

5. Salman Hussain
   Institution: University of Michigan
   Field: Anthropology and History
   Project Title: Gufi Family Gangsterism: Masculinity and Migration in Pakistan
   Fellowship Type: Junior Fellowship, 5 months in U.A.E.

6. Zehra Husain
   Institution: City University of New York - The Graduate Center
   Field: Anthropology
   Project Title: Race, Visibility, and Vernacular Cosmopolitanism in a Pakistani Port Town
   Fellowship Type: Junior Fellowship, 9 months in Pakistan

7. Fatima Tassadqin
   Institution: University of Pennsylvania
   Field: Anthropology
   Project Title: Moving Lahore: Mass Transit, Democracy and Materiality of Politics in Pakistan
   Fellowship Type: Junior Fellowship, 2 months in Pakistan

AIPS Short-Term Research Grants to Pakistan 2019
Since 2012, AIPS has been able to offer Short-Term Research Grants to AIPS members, regardless of citizenship. This year, AIPS allocated ten Short-Term Research Grants to allow scholars to do preliminary and/or exploratory research in Pakistan for one to three months. They are funded by AIPS Unrestricted Funds. Abstracts and final reports for these projects are available on the AIPS website (http://www.pakistanstudies-aips.org/content/short-term-research-grant-archives).

1. Ghalaz Asif
   Institution: Johns Hopkins University
   Field: Anthropology
   Project Title: The Dait Movement in Sindh
   Fellowship Type: Short-term Research Fellowship, 3 months in Pakistan

2. Jennifer Dubrow
   Institution: University of Washington
   Field: Asian Language and Literature
   Project Title: Voice and Dissent: Urdu Literary Modernism and the Progressive Writers in 20th-century South Asia

3. Sardar Hussain
   Institution: University of Texas at Austin
   Field: Anthropology
   Project Title: Sociospatial Transformations in the Old City of Lahore, Pakistan

4. Hamza Iqbal
   Institution: University of Texas at Austin
   Field: Comparative Literature
   Project Title: Comparative Literature Assessment of Junal Eta

5. Danish Khan
   Institution: University of Massachusetts-Amherst
   Field: Economics
   Project Title: Political Economy of Slums in Islamabad: Class, State, and Judiciary

6. Zainab Kumal
   Institution: University of California-Davis
   Field: Cultural Studies
   Project Title: Madness in the Long Durée

7. Suneel Kumar
   Institution: University of Georgia
   Field: Anthropology
   Project Title: Life in the Indus River: A More-than-Human Ethnography

8. Alan Lee
   Institution: University of Wisconsin-Madison
   Field: Anthropology
   Project Title: Early Iron Production in Northwestern South Asia: Technology and Power in the Early Historic Period, 800 BCE to 400 CE

9. Anna Qayyum
   Institution: Princeton University
   Field: History
   Project Title: Debating “Abadi”: Population Control, Food Production, and Islamic Thought in Pakistan, 1947-71

10. All Mehal Zaidi
    Institution: University of Washington
    Field: South Asian Studies
    Project Title: The Work of the Dead and Living: Hazaras of Quetta

AIPS Conference Travel Grants
AIPS awards travel grants to help facilitate its members’ participation in international and domestic conferences. Awards for U.S. citizens are funded through grants from either the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA) of the U.S. Department of State or a grant from the Council of American Overseas Research Centers (CAORC). Non-U.S. citizen travel grants are funded by AIPS’ unrestricted funds. Abstracts and final reports for these projects can be found on the AIPS website (www.pakistanstudies-aips.org/content/travel-grant-archives).

1. Dean Acardi
   Institution: Connecticut College
   Conference Name: 47th Annual Conference on South Asia
   Conference Dates: October 2018
   Title of Paper: Interdisciplinary Approaches to Kashmir’s Invoked Pasts

2. Nabeela Chaudhry
   Institution: University of Wisconsin-Madison
   Field: Anthropology
   Project Title: Early Iron Production in Northwestern South Asia: Technology and Power in the Early Historic Period, 800 BCE to 400 CE
   Conference Dates: October 2018
   Title of Paper: Home, Mobility, and the ‘New Woman’: Dobara Phir Se and the ‘New’ Pakistani Film

7. Elizabeth Lhost
   Institution: University of Wisconsin-Madison
   Conference Name: Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference
   Conference Dates: March 2019
   Title of Paper: Taking Marriage into Account: Legal Forms and the Matter of Money in Early Twentieth-Century South Asia

8. Sohail Khan
   Institution: Hobart and William Smith Colleges
   Conference Name: International Studies Association Annual Conference
   Conference Dates: March 2019
   Title of Paper: Meet your new Islamic Banker, the same as your old Islamic Banker? Assessing Pakistan’s rebootted Islamic Banking System

9. Safoora Arbab
   Institution: University of California-Los Angeles
   Conference Name: MLA International Symposium
   Conference Dates: July 2019
   Title of Paper: Nonviolence, Anarchy and the New Story: The Resistance Literature of the Khudai Khidmatgars in the North West Frontier of British India

2019 AAS-in-Asia Conference
The scholars below will be hosting a panel on “Neoliberalism and Processes of Marginalisation in Pakistan’s Cities” at the 2019 AAS-in-Asia Conference from July 1 to 4, 2019 in Bangkok, Thailand.

1. Shermer
   Institution: University of Management Technology
   Title of Paper: AAS-in-Asia Panel on ”Neoliberalism and Processes of Marginalisation in Pakistan’s Cities”

AIPS Fellows and Grantees
Brown University

Brown University hosted an international symposium featuring Ifthikhar Dadi on October 26-27, 2018. (https://brown.edu/academics/humanities/how-secular-is-art) The symposium positioned itself at the cusp of two dominant discourses in the field of South Asian art history: one, a lingering trend of Orientalist and nationalist projections that emphasize the quintessentially “religious” nature of South Asian artistic traditions as against the secularization of art in the West; the other, a counter-assertion of the powerful place of art within the modern secular life of nations that takes for granted the transitions of objects from earlier religious to new artistic denominations within the disciplinary fields of museums and art histories. One of the concerns of the symposium was to question these temporal, spatial and cultural binaries between the “religious” and the “secular” and look at the current forms of interlocutions and interpellations and the “secular” and look at the current folds of museums and art histories.

The trip was conducted under a memorandum of understanding between Johns Hopkins University and LUMS. The three universities look forward to exploring further academic and research collaborations related to energy, environment, and political economy topics. AIPS staff in Islamabad and Lahore provided support and facilitated meetings with academic counterparts.

University of Oregon

The University of Oregon has received a grant from the U.S. Department of State, through the U.S. Embassy in Islamabad, to collaborate with Karakoram International University on “Promoting Women’s Entrepreneurship Networks in Gilgit-Baltistan.” This one-year project is assisting KIU in enhancing and promoting women’s entrepreneurship through capacity building of the KIU Centre for Sustainable Entrepreneurship and the KIU Business Incubation Centre, direct outcomes of the KIU-UO University Partnership (2015-17). Despite the high literacy rates and mobility enjoyed by women from GB, few of them have taken advantage of KIU’s efforts in the area of entrepreneurship. The goal is to enhance educational opportunities at KIU in sustainable entrepreneurship by bringing women into the mix and change the prevailing mindset in the region about women entrepreneurship. KIU will train local women in basic business practices associated with entrepreneurship, provide training in their respective sectors, offer awareness sessions as well as training and development programs, and create specific courses and opportunities for women. KIU will develop a Women’s Resource Centre as part of its nascent Gander Studies Department and create a communications network to enable local women entrepreneurs with the opportunity to engage one another, strengthen their competitiveness, participate in specialized workshops, avail printed materials, and make visible their activities to outsiders coming into the area.

The project brought three KIU faculty to Oregon in April 2019 to expand their expertise and networks in entrepreneurship and course development. Two UO faculty, accompanied by the UO’s AIPS Institutional Trustee Anita Weiss, will visit Gilgit in June to offer additional hands-on suggestions and judge an entrepreneurship competition. Three Oregon entrepreneurs will travel to Gilgit in August with Professor Weiss to share their experiences and expertise. Two winners of KIU’s business plan competition will visit Oregon in October with a KIU faculty member to experience the various business competitions and activities held there and assist with such future competitions in GB under the guidance of KIU faculty.

Stanford University

Stanford’s Center for South Asia launched its annual newsletter, entitled Awaaz, in October 2018. The publication highlights the center’s most recent events and initiatives and also features interviews with its new faculty and field reports from student grant recipients. The newsletter can be viewed online: https://southasia.stanford.edu/about/annual-report.

Syracuse University

The South Asia Center at Syracuse University continues to highlight the contentious geopolitics between Pakistan and India through selected talks. On Thursday, March 29, 2019, the South Asia Center held a roundtable discussion with Hassan Abbas (National Defense University); Gaurav Kampani (University of Tulsa), and Raza Rumi (Cornell University) to discuss the impact of the 1998 Nuclear Tests. The event was titled, “Nuclear South Asia at 20: The Strategic and Social Impacts of the 1998 Nuclear Tests.”
Funding Opportunities for AIPS Member Institutions and Individual Members

The AIPS grants below are open to faculty from any AIPS Member Institution and AIPS Individual Members. A scholarly committee reviews all applications. Please check for updates and application instructions in the AIPS announcements or contact AIPS for more information! Funding for these grants comes from the US Embassy, CAORC, and/or AIPS unrestricted funds.

Institutional Member Opportunities

1) Program Support for a Workshop/Conference on Pakistan in the US

AIPS has funds to support a Pakistan-related conference ($4,000) that will take place in the US. These funds may be used to support airfare and other direct conference expenses.

2) Conference on Pakistan in the US in Collaboration with a Minority-Serving Institution (MSI) or Community College

AIPS provides small grants ($4,500) to support a collaborative conference on Pakistan in the US with an MSI or Community College. The budget can fund travel or can be used to assist an MSI in organizing a conference/workshop. This workshop must be collaborative with (or applied for by) an MSI or Community College.

3) Conference in Pakistan in Collaboration with an MSI

AIPS currently has seed money ($6,000) to organize workshops or conferences at a Pakistani university. This award requires that you invite or collaborate with at least one individual working at a minority-serving institution or community college located in the United States.

Individual Member Opportunities

4) Conference Travel Grants

AIPS Conference Travel Grants fund travel to scholarly conferences for the presentation of papers or organization of panels on topics relevant to Pakistan Studies. They are reviewed quarterly. To apply, please see the AIPS website: http://www.pakistanstudies-aips.org/content/conference-travel-grants.

5) Research Fellowships

AIPS offers Senior and Junior Research Fellowships annually to support two to nine months of research on the topic of Pakistan Studies. Award amounts and eligibility requirements vary. For more information, please visit the AIPS website: http://www.pakistanstudies-aips.org/fellowship.

6) Short-Term Research Grants

AIPS offers short-term research travel grants to Pakistan ($3,000award) each year to support up to three months of research. This grant is open to AIPS members, regardless of citizenship, and applications are reviewed annually. A description of this grant is available on the AIPS website: http://www.pakistanstudies-aips.org/content/short-term-research-grants.

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