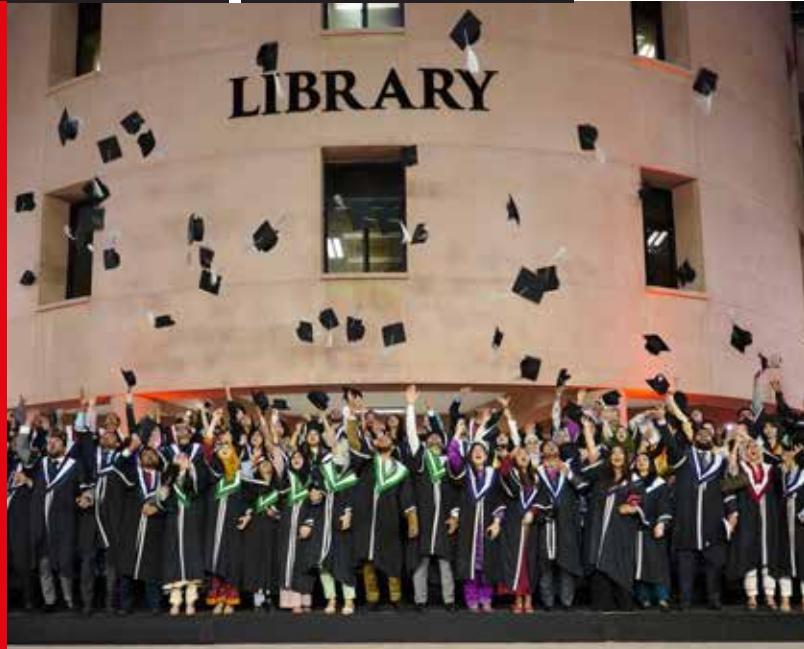


Special Issue

A glimpse into our historic 1st Convocation



Salim Habib University, Karachi, held its first Convocation on Saturday, June 3, 2023, in its MBB Auditorium. In the grand ceremony, degrees were conferred upon the University's graduates of the years 2021 and 2022 for the programs Doctor of Pharmacy, BE Biomedical Engineering, BS Computer Science, BS Biosciences, BS Accounting & Finance, BBA and MBA.

Successful graduates expressed their joy at being a part of the historic first Convocation of Salim Habib University, of witnessing their hard work paying off, and of now being a member of the alumni network of their university that has, through its unmatched educational facilities, ensured that their future will be bright.

ACADEMIC PROCESSION

It is a convention of Convocation ceremonies of higher education institutions that the Faculty members, as well as the policymakers, of the institution enter the Convocation hall in a formation known as the academic procession.

Our academic procession, true to tradition, was led by our

Registrar, Prof. Dr. Kaleem Raza Khan. Following him were the University's Lecturers, Assistant Professors, Librarian Ms. Sadia Arshad, Director QEC Mr. Syed Waqar Ul Hasan, Controller of Examinations Mr. M. Saleem Khan, Associate Professors, Professors & Deans including Prof. Dr. Aqeel Ahmad, Prof. Dr. M. Zeeshan Ul Haque, Prof. Dr. Rizwan Ahmed Khan, Prof. Dr. Rahela Ikram, and Prof. Dr. Mohammad Nishat, members of the Academic Council, members of the Board of Governors including Dr. Hasan Tharani, Mr. Ali Naqvi, Prof. Dr. A Q Mughal (SI), Former Member of the Commission and Research Professor, Greenwich University, Mr. Tariq Amin, Director & Company Secretary, The Salim Habib Education Foundation, Mr. Muhammad Abbas, Chief Operating Officer of The Salim Habib Education Foundation and Director Finance of Salim Habib University, and Dr. Muhammad Hussain Habib, Director Education & Admissions, Marketing, HR & Admin, Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Shakeel Ahmed Khan, and finally, the Honorable Chancellor, Dr. Iram Afaq, who is also the Deputy Chairman of Barrett Hodgson Pakistan (Private) Limited and the Chief Executive Officer and Founding Member of The Salim Habib Education Foundation.



THE CEREMONY

The Convocation ceremony, conducted by Prof. Dr. Kaleem Raza Khan, Registrar, commenced officially when Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Shakeel Ahmed Khan requested the Honorable Chancellor Dr. Iram Afaq to declare the Convocation open, and she did so.



Following this, the program proceeded with beautiful recitation from the Holy Quran by Hafiz Haris Ijaz Yazdani, a graduate of the Biomedical Engineering program at Salim Habib University, and a heart-touching rendition of a Naat by Mr. Muhammad Atiq, Assistant Manager Systems, Department of Information and Communication Technology, Salim Habib University.

Degrees were then conferred upon graduates via the traditional process, through which Registrar Prof. Dr. Kaleem Raza Khan asked the Dean of each Faculty to present to the Vice Chancellor those candidates who have passed the examinations of their particular degree program and have been found qualified for the Degree, and the Deans, in turn, presented said successful candidates to the Vice Chancellor. Prof. Dr. Shakeel Ahmed Khan, then, by the virtue of the authority vested in him as the Vice Chancellor of the University, declared that he admits each student to their particular degree and charged them to ever in their lives and conversation prove themselves worthy of the same.

It is no exaggeration that the momentous ceremony had the audience enthralled throughout the conferment of degrees and awarding of medals till the moment Chancellor Dr. Iram Afaq declared the Convocation closed.

The host for the ceremony, before the Convocation was declared open and after it was declared closed, was Ms. Sibgha Raza Khan.

AWARDING OF DEGREES AND MEDALS

At the Convocation, degrees were awarded to 113 students, while 14 high achievers received gold medals, and 12 were awarded silver medals.

In addition to these, two gold medals were awarded to the best students of the BE Biomedical Engineering program by the Institution of Engineers Pakistan (IEP), while Analytical Measuring Systems (AMS) (Private) Limited presented cheques of Rs. 50 thousand to both of these outstanding students.

We offer our warmest congratulations to our gold and silver medalists, listed below:



GOLD MEDALISTS

Areeba Tariq B.E. Biomedical Engineering	Unsa Akber Ali BBA
Lizna Tharani BBA	Syeda Qanita Shams BS (Biosciences)
Umme Hania BBA	Farrukh Shehzad MBA 1.5 Years
Muhammad Rizwan B.E. Biomedical Engineering	Hameed Khan MBA 2 Years
Ayesha Siddiqi BS A&F	Afifa Faisal MBA 1.5 Years
Maheen Hussain Mithani BS (Biosciences)	Abdul Rafay Shaikh MBA 2 Years
Abdul Aziz Farid BSCS	Sidra Taimuri MBA 2 Years



SILVER MEDALISTS

Osama Asif B.E. Biomedical Engineering	Sana Kamran BS (Biosciences)
Muhammad Umair Tasleem BBA	Sheharyar MBA 1.5 Years
Zunaira Namal B.E. Biomedical Engineering	Nimra Ajiaz MBA 1.5 Years
Kumail Raza BS A&F	Khulood Aysha MBA 2 Years
Sana Minai BS (Biosciences)	Tehreem Haque MBA 2 Years
Eman Ahmed BSCS	
Tehseen Zahra BBA	

We also congratulate our graduates, and wish them the best of luck for the future.

ADDRESSES

Convocation 2023 included addresses by several dignitaries.

Chancellor Dr. Iram Afaq, Deputy Chairman of Barrett Hodgson Pakistan (Private) Limited and Chief Executive Officer and Founding Member of The Salim Habib Education Foundation, addressed the audience in a powerful and moving speech. She expressed her happiness and pride at seeing her students graduate, and in her talk, celebrated their academic achievements. She encouraged them to dream big and to follow their passions, and assured them that through hard work and perseverance, nothing is impossible.



Dr. Iram Afaq

Chancellor, Salim Habib University

Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Shakeel Ahmed Khan spoke at the event as well, taking the audience through the history of the University and its significant accomplishments, as did Prof. Dr. Arshad Ahmad, Vice Chancellor, LUMS, who gave an inspiring Keynote Address that captivated the audience. Mr. Muhammad Ismail Rahoo, Minister for Universities & Boards Department, in turn, lauded the graduates for their achievements and urged them to continue to seek knowledge, as education is the only way to a better tomorrow for all.



Prof. Dr. Shakeel Ahmed Khan
Vice Chancellor, Salim Habib University



Prof. Dr. Arshad Ahmad
Vice Chancellor, LUMS



Mr. Muhammad Ismail Rahoo
Minister for Universities & Boards Department

BEST UNIVERSITY TEACHER AWARD



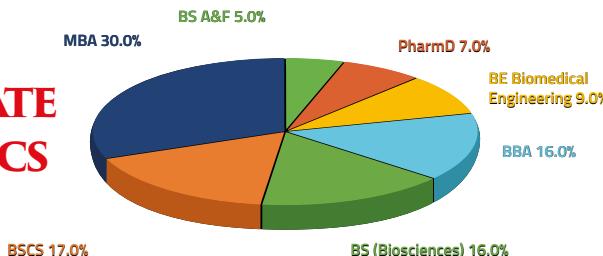
One of the highlights of the Convocation was when Prof. Dr. Rizwan Ahmed Khan, Dean, Faculty of Information Technology, was awarded the Best University Teacher. The award was presented to him by Chancellor Dr. Iram Afaq.

OUR ESTEEMED GUESTS

Mr. Shahid Khan Afridi, Former Cricketer and Captain, Pakistan National Cricket Team, graced the event with his presence, as did dignitaries from all over Pakistan, including Vice Chancellors of universities and personalities of note from both the education sector and industry. Ms. Fatima Afaq, after whom Salim Habib University's Fatima School of Business Management & Computer Sciences is named, was present at the grand ceremony as well. The Convocation was also attended by the parents and loved ones of our dear graduates, and the devoted staff of Salim Habib University.



GRADUATE STATISTICS



Programs	No. of Graduates
MBA	34
BS (Biosciences)	18
BE Biomedical Engineering	10
BS A&F	6
BBA	18
BSGS	19
PharmD	8
Total Graduates	113

ABOUT SALIM HABIB UNIVERSITY

Salim Habib University (SHU) is a not-for-profit institution of higher learning committed to providing quality university education to the Pakistani youth, no matter what their financial constraints.

Established through a charter granted by the Provincial Assembly, Sindh, in 2015, Salim Habib University is supported by The Salim Habib Education Foundation (TSHEF), a not-for-profit organization that focuses on providing the people of Pakistan with safe and easy access to international-standard educational and healthcare facilities. TSHEF has two large-scale projects in Pakistan: Salim Habib Education Complex, Toba Tek Singh, and Salim Habib University, Karachi.

Salim Habib University, founded by the dynamic Dr. Muhammad Salim Habib (Founder of TSHEF and Life Chairperson, SHU), and the charismatic Dr. Iram Afaq (Chief Executive Officer and Founding Member, TSHEF, Deputy Chairman, Barrett

Hodgson Pakistan, and Chancellor, SHU), is located at Korangi Creek, Karachi, and spans over six acres of lush landscaping. It boasts ultra-modern infrastructure featuring a five-story academic block with thirty-three state-of-the-art labs, a uniquely-built four-floor library, and world-class sports facilities.

The University offers programs that are both quality-driven and market-competitive, and ensures that its graduates emerge as well-rounded, competent individuals who harbor the passion to engage in continual learning and have the ability to lead future generations to prosperity.

Salim Habib University is chartered by the Government of Sindh and recognized by HEC. Its programs are accredited by the Pharmacy Council of Pakistan (PCP), the Pakistan Engineering Council (PEC), and the National Computing Education Accreditation Council (NCEAC).



SCIENCE BS Biosciences	PHARMACY Doctor of Pharmacy	ENGINEERING BE Biomedical Engineering	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY BS Computer Science	MANAGEMENT SCIENCES BBA BS Accounting & Finance MBA (Weekend)
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