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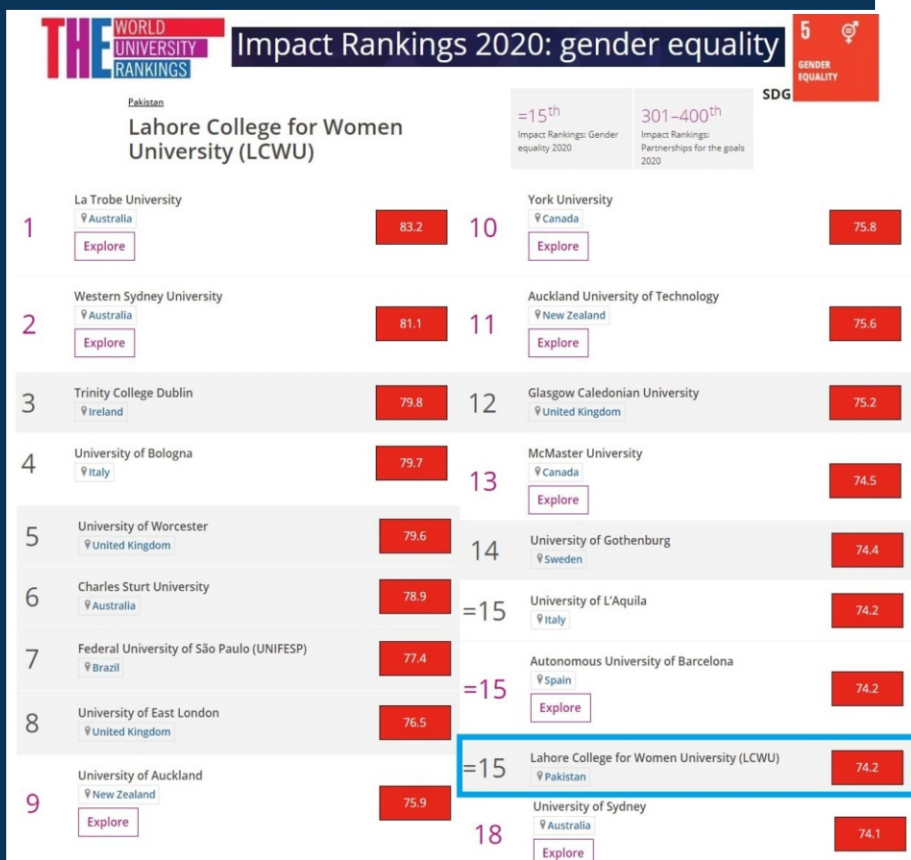
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UNIVERSITY HIGHLIGHTS

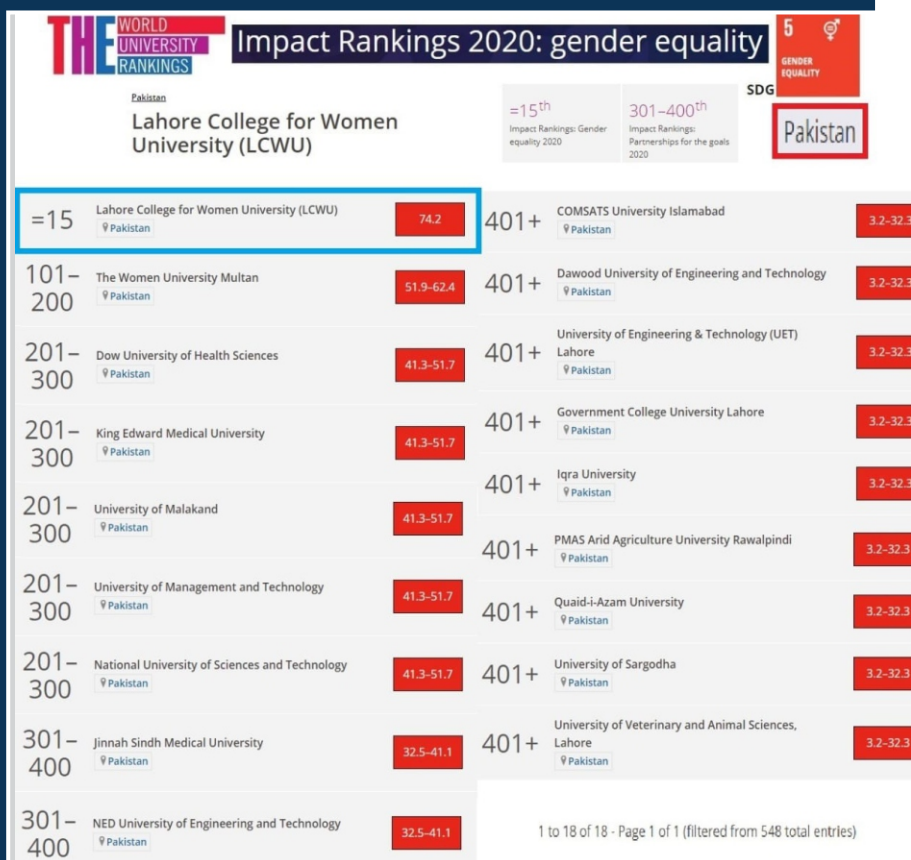
LCWU Makes It to World Rankings at SDG Level

The Times Higher Education Impact Rankings are the only global performance tables that assess universities against the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals in which it carefully calibrates the indicators to provide comprehensive and balanced comparisons across three broad areas: research, outreach, and stewardship. The World Ranking of Universities (2020 edition) was released in April 2020 and it ranked LCWU 1st among Pakistani Universities and 15th in world top universities at Sustainable Development Goal Level 5. In SDG 17, LCWU secured 10th place among Pakistani universities, and 301-400 internationally. LCWU is striving to achieve gender equality by providing quality education to female students. We have a large number of PhDs in the faculty and are producing more doctoral candidates every year, this leads to achieve another milestone in sustainable socio-economic development.



Recruitment of 114 Vacant Regular Posts

In line with the Government policy to fill vacant posts, LCWU filled 114 vacant regular posts including Professors, Associate Professors, Assistant Professors, Lecturers, Chief Security Officer and Senior Manager. Prof. Dr. Bushra Mirza, after her permanent appointment as Vice-Chancellor filled all the vacancies on merit and completed all the steps in a period of 6 months. In this regard, a ceremony was held at LCWU in which an offer letter was presented to 9 Professors, 1 Tenured Professor, 13 Associate Professors, 16 Associate Professors TTS, 17 Assistant Professors (including 4 for Jhang Campus), 53 Lecturers (including 15 for Jhang Campus), Chief Security Officer for Main Campus of Lahore, Sr. Manager, Chief Equipment Manager and 2 Lab Engineers.





CONFERENCES AND EXPOS

3-Day International Punjabi Conference

Punjabi Department, LCWU, organized a 3-day International Punjabi Conference on February 6-8, 2020. Governor Punjab Chaudhry Muhammad Sarwar was Chief Guest of the Conference. The purpose of the conference was to provide a platform for interaction between scholars, art lovers and experts of Pakistani Universities and Academic Institutions with Universities a broad. Speaking on the occasion, Governor Punjab Chaudhry Muhammad Sarwar said that Prime Minister Imran Khan has opened Kartarpur corridor and united the Punjabis. Vice Chancellor Prof Dr. Bushra Mirza while addressing the conference said that along with research in science and technology, Lahore College for Women University will continue to play its role in promoting language, literature, arts, and culture. 74 National and International Scholars presented their Research work in the conference including Dr. Marghoob Hussain Tahir Professor from Osaka University, Japan; Mrs. Rajwant Kaur Bajwa from Amritsar, India and Devinder Pal Singh, Director Cambridge Learning, Canada.



3-Day International Conference on Smart Plantation

3-day International Conference titled 'Smart Plantation: An Ultimate Solution to Climate Change' was organised by Department of Botany, LCWU, on March 2-4, 2020. The conference was organised in collaboration with Punjab higher education commission (PHEC). The conference highlighted the current environmental issues and their possible solutions including, green strategies working to combat the challenges of climate change. The Chief guest was Syed Yasir Gillani Chairman Parks & Horticulture Authority; many international speakers from USA, Canada, Tunisia, Saudi Arabia, India, Malaysia and Nigeria including Prof. Dr. Tarlok Singh Sahota, Prof. Dr. Munir Ozturk, Prof. Dr. Sabrine Nahdi, Prof. Dr. Elshafia, Prof. Dr. Adnan, Prof. Dr. Tahir Rashid and Prof. Dr. Khurram Joya participated in the conference and presented their research.





SEMINARS, WEBINARS AND SYMPOSIUMS

3-Day International 'Pak-Iran Relations' Seminar

3-Day International 'Pak-Iran Relations' Seminar was held at Lahore College for Women University from January 21 to 23, 2020. It was organised by Persian, International Relations, and Political Science Departments, LCWU. The seminar invited esteemed panelists including the Chief Guest Senator Talha Mahmood, Lt. (R) General Javed Hassan, and Iranian Consul General Raza Nazri. One minute of silence was observed for the Ukrainian plane crew on request of counsel General of Iran. On day one of the seminar, the Persian Department organised a Book Launch ceremony, titled "گام اول (اردو)", written by Mr. Raza Murad Sehrai, Vice president Saadi foundation, Tehran/Director for Higher Education Tehran, and his associates. All the guests in their respective speeches highlighted the role of Persian language in strengthening Pakistan-Iran relations. Other guests included Dr. Morteza Noor Mohammadi, Associate Professor, Allama Tabatabai University, Tehran-Iran; Mr. Imran Masood, Vice Chancellor, South Asia University, Lahore; and Mr. Razai Fard, Director General Iran Culture Centre.



2-Day International Aalmi Mushaira and Seminar

2-Day International Seminar titled 'Ghalib and Faiz: Two Times One Language' was organised by Lahore College for Women University in collaboration with Higher Education commission. This seminar was followed by an "Aalmi Mushaira". Eminent Pakistani poet Amjad Islam Amjad, presided the Aalmi Mushaira, which included renowned poets like Akhtar Shama, Abbas Tabash, Ashfaq Ahmad Waqar, Fakhir Abbas, Murali Chauhan, Saud Usmani, Rehman Faris, Dr. Hamira Irshad, Wafa Yazdan, and Agar Nadeem Sahar. Speaking at the event Vice Chancellor LCWU Prof. Dr. Bushra Mirza said that such literary activities should be arranged on a regular basis, as they can lessen the socio political tensions in the society. On the second day, an International Seminar titled "Persian and Urdu Resistance Literature" was organised in collaboration with Higher Education. Dr. Amjad Tufail and Jamil Ahmed Adeel shared their views on the event, which also featured personalities like Dr. Hamira Ashfaq, Dr. Afzal Butt, Dr. Tahir Abbas, Dr. Asif Ali Chatha and Dr. Ali Kamel Qazilbash.



National Seminar on Kashmir Day

A National Seminar to commemorate the Kashmir Day was organised by Intermediate College, LCWU, on Feb 4, 2020. Ms. Mah Rukh Bukhari, Principal Intermediate College, LCWU, discussed the concept of right to self-determination and explained the Kashmir struggle in the light of basic human right. Uzma Kardar, Member Punjab Assembly and Kashmir Committee Punjab attended the seminar as a special guest. She shed light on the significant part played by the present Government to highlight Kashmir issue on International Forums; this includes a million signatory campaigns under the leadership of the Chief Minister. Prof. Dr. Mahboob Hussain, Chairperson History and Pakistan Studies Department, Punjab University; Dr. Amjad Abbas Magssi and Sadia Sohail Rana, Member Punjab Assembly also graced the event with their presence.

National Symposium on Biotechnology Entrepreneurship

A National symposium on "Biotechnology Entrepreneurship" was organised by the Department of Biotechnology, LCWU, on March 5, 2020. The symposium shared ideas on Bio-cosmetics and Micro propagation of medicinal and ornamental plants. Students also prepared a Lie Detector device in the forensic lab. All ideas were appreciated by Prof. Dr. Farkhanda Manzoor, Director ORIC, LCWU.



SEMINARS, WEBINARS AND SYMPOSIUMS

National Women's Day Event

Department of Mass Communication, Lahore College for Women University organised an event on "National Women's Day", on February 12, 2020, in collaboration with "Strengthening Participatory Organization" for celebrating achievements and contribution of women who make Pakistan Proud. The Chief Guests were Ms. Uzma Kardar, Member of Provincial Assembly and Chairperson Gender main streaming Committee, and former justice LHC Dr. Nasira Javed Iqbal. The eminent guests included Mr. Muhammad Yousaf, Deputy Secretary Human Rights and Minorities Department at Government of Punjab; Mr. Shah Nawaz Khan, Regional Coordinator SPO Lahore; Women Right Activists Ms. Mehnaz Rafi, Ms. Neelam Hussain and Syeda Ghulam Fatima; and Superintendent of Police Anti-riot and Dolphin force Ms. Aisha Butt. The event also hosted a theater performance on women protection act and role of police creating safe space for women by Satranga Theater.



Seminar on Role of Police in Society

Department of Mass Communication organised a seminar to create awareness on the 'Role of Police in Society' on February 19, 2020. The Head of the Dolphin squad, SP Ayesha Butt, alongwith five women constables attended the event. SP Ayesha Butt told the participants that the police department has taken strategic steps to maintain law and order situation in Punjab. The speakers and participants also asked the government to increase financial, human and technical resources of police in all districts. They proposed that the number of lady police constables and female officers be increased in all police stations in order to eliminate gender inequality. At the end, Dr. Anjum Zia paid tribute to the sacrifices of police and also praised the role of Anti Riots Force, and efforts of women working in Police department.



Awareness Seminar on Coronavirus

ORIC-LCWU, in collaboration with Zoology Department, conducted an awareness session on Corona virus for faculty members and students at Student Service Centre on March 10, 2020. Prof. Dr. Tahir Yaqub, Professor at the University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences, Lahore, was guest speaker at this event. He has 25 years of experience working with infectious diseases and discussed the emergence of Corona virus and its symptoms in detail.



Webinar on Post-Pandemic Higher Educational Research

LCWU hosted an international webinar on 'Post-Pandemic Higher Education Research: Reshaping Strategies & Policies' on June 16, 2020. Speakers at the webinar termed the pandemic as an opportunity in the time of crises for integrated research. The webinar was chaired by Vice-Chancellor LCWU Prof. Dr. Bushra Mirza and invited Dr. Najla Bouden from Tunisia, Professor Dr. Khalid Iqbal from the United States, Prof. Dr. Munir Oztruk from Turkey, Dr. Syed Skindar e Azam from Quaid Azam University and Prof Dr. Farah Khan Director Research. LCWU, as featured speakers. In her opening remarks Prof. Dr. Bushra Mirza highlighted the role of science and technology and how integrated research and internationalisation will enable us to meet new challenges. The webinar also hosted an e-poster competition, in which students from universities of China, Nigeria and Pakistan participated.





SEMINARS, WEBINARS AND SYMPOSIUMS

Seminar series on Innovative Solution for Sustainable Commercial Aquaculture in Pakistan

Department of Zoology collaborated with HEC to organise a seminar series on 'In-Pond Raceways System (IPRS) Technology; Innovative Solution for Sustainable Commercial Aquaculture in Pakistan' in different cities of Pakistan. the seminar was held on February 15, 2020 in Multan and February 24 and 26 2020 in Karachi. The Chief Organisers were Prof. Dr. Farkhanda Manzoor and Dr. Shafaq Fatima.



Talk on International Women's Day and Its Significance for Pakistani Women

English Department of LCWU organised a talk on the occasion of Women's Day (March 6, 2020) by Dr Nida Kirmani, Associate Professor in Sociology at LUMS and is also a veteran activist for Women's rights in Pakistan. The talk focused primarily on the issues such as economic independence of women, obstacles faced by Pakistani women in society and exactly what the marches on women's day can accomplish. Dr. Kirmani shared her insights regarding the observance of Women's day in Pakistan and stressed the importance of Pakistani women demanding equal economic and social rights, especially as the wage gap between Pakistani men and women is one of the most substantial in the world.



Seminar on Two Nation Theory and Rise of Hinduvta in India

Department of Pakistan Studies organised a Seminar titled 'Two Nation Theory and Rise of Hinduvta in India'. The purpose of the seminar was to highlight the importance of Two-Nation Theory and to expose the growing Hinduvta thinking in India. Provincial Minister of Information Punjab Fayaz-ul-Hassan Chohan attended the seminar as the chief guest. Addressing the seminar, he said that Quaid-i-Azam, Allama Iqbal and other Muslim leaders of the subcontinent had initiated their struggle after realising that Hindus and Muslims were two separate nations with distinct civilisations, ways of living, traditions and customs. We need to understand the ideology of the BJP and Modi. Addressing the seminar, Syed Asadullah said that the two-nation ideology had begun with the liberation war of 1857 and Pakistan was the fruit of that struggle.





MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING, PROJECTS AND GRANTS

Mass Communication Department Signs MOU with Strengthening Participatory Organisation

Department of Mass Communication, LCWU, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on January 13, 2020 with Strengthening Participatory Organisation to foster academic collaboration and develop contemporary programs in the field of mass communication. The MOU was signed by Professor Dr. Bushra Mirza Vice Chancellor LCWU and Mr. Shahnawaz Khan Regional Head, SPO-Lahore. SPO will organise and facilitate internship programs for students of Department of Mass Communication, LCWU, on a yearly basis and award certificates to the students who will complete minimum 8 weeks internship program.



Faculty of Engineering and Technology Collaborates with Higher Education Commission of Sweden

The Faculty of Engineering and Technology has won a competitive proposal of approx. worth PK 2.5 Million Rupees from the Higher Education Commission of Sweden. An academic collaboration was launched officially between Lahore College for Women University and Department of Software Engineering, Karlstad University, Sweden which will foster research and development culture for women empowerment in the engineering sector of Pakistani universities. The proposal was jointly submitted by Dean Prof. Dr Intesar Ahmad & Dr. Muhammad Mohsin Nazir Associate Professor, LCWU. This proposal includes faculty and student exchange programs, strengthening and preparation of curriculum on emerging disciplines with a focus on sustainable research commercialisation, including joint conferences and workshops in computing and allied engineering disciplines.

WORKSHOPS AND TRAININGS

Data Visualization and Optimization of Generalized Models Workshop

Laboratory for Interdisciplinary Statistical Analysis, LCWU (LIZA-LCWU), organized its first one-week workshop on 'Data Visualization & Optimization of Generalized Models through MATHEMATICA' from February 24-28, 2020. The workshop was organised by the Statistics Department, LCWU, in collaboration with LIZA 2020 network. Prof. Dr. Ayesha Roohi (Former HoD Statistics Department, LCWU) was chief guest of the event. The workshop was conducted at two levels. The first level introduced the Data Simulation & Visualization, and the second level discussed Generalized Linear Models, Likelihood & its Optimization.

Cognitive Behaviour Therapy Workshop

Department of Applied Psychology organized Cognitive Behaviour Therapy (CBT) workshop titled "Role of Cognitive Behavioural Interventions in Improving Psychological Impact of Parents of Children affected with Emotional and Behavioural Disorders" on March 6, 2020. The Guest speakers were Prof. Dr. Muhammad Irfan, Head of Department of Psychiatry, Peshawar Medical College and Dr. Madeeha Latif, Assistant Professor of Clinical Psychology, Dow University of Health Sciences (DUHS).





WORKSHOPS AND TRAININGS

Workshop on How to Build Successful Teams and Businesses

Office of Research, Innovation and Commercialization (ORIC- LCWU) in collaboration with Inter University Consortium for Promotion of Social Sciences organised a Startup Founder Workshop on "How to Build Successful Team and Businesses" on March 3, 2020. The resource persons of the workshop were Ms. Eileen Brewer from America, who has helped to develop and market over 100 enterprise software and hardware products; Ms. Cathy Simpson, a certified scrum trainer and agile coach was also invited. Ms. Eileen Brewer & Ms. Cathy Simpson, discussed High performance team techniques for improving efficiency, impediment removal, team management and 21st century job trends. Speaking at the occasion Prof. Dr. Bushra Mirza, Vice Chancellor LCWU, emphasized the need to promote entrepreneurship, technical knowledge and skills. Participants from eleven other women universities also attended the workshop.



3-Day Workshop on Survey Data and Panel Data Analysis in STATA

The Department of Economics organised a 3-day workshop on 'Survey Data and Panel Data Analysis in STATA' from January 29-31, 2020. The resource person for the workshop was Dr. Muhammad Azmat Hayat (Assistant Professor, University of Punjab). The participants of the workshop included MS Economics students and faculty members from the Economics Department, Statistics Department and the Mass Communication Department. The main objective of the workshop was to familiarize students and faculty members with the application of one of the latest statistical software, STATA.



2-Day Workshop on Biostatistical Tools and Data Analysis

A 2-Day Workshop on Biostatistical Tools in Biological Research and Data Analysis was organized by the Department of Zoology on January 23-24, 2020. The chief organiser for the workshop was Prof. Dr. Farkhanda Manzoor.



Self-Management and Leadership Skills Workshop

Department of Applied Psychology organised a workshop on Self-Management and Leadership Skills on January 14, 2020. The guest speaker was Ms. Sahera Hashmi, Department of Applied Psychology.





EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

LCWU Launches Web TV for COVID-19 Awareness

Department of Mass Communication, LCWU, launched LCWU Web TV on April 3, 2020, under the supervision of Dr. Anjum Zia, Chairperson Department of Mass Communication, along with team members Naveed Iqbal Assistant Professor, Film & TV, and Ahmad Kazim, TV Engineer. The purpose of this Web TV is to create awareness among 14000 LCWU students in particular and public at large regarding COVID-19. It will bridge the communication within teachers and students and also serve as source of education/counselling services to citizens. Research based activities in the university would be shared through Web TV. It will broadcast all the Conferences, Seminars, Symposiums, and Lectures held at the University.



Kashmir Solidarity Event

Kashmir solidarity event was organised by the Department of Mass Communication, LCWU, to draw attention towards the atrocities being inflicted on innocent Kashmiris. The panel guests included Syed Fakhar Imam, Chairman Parliamentary Committee for Kashmir Affairs; Uzma Kardar, Member Punjab Assembly and Kashmir Committee Punjab; Analyst Sajjad Mir, Senior Journalist Salman Ghani and Prof. Dr. Bushra Mirza. The panelists voiced their concerns on the current lockdown in Kashmir and reinforced Pakistan's commitment to liberating Kashmir from the inhumane Indian occupation and provide them with their innate right of self-determination.



Visual Arts Solo Show and Artist Talk: 'Decoding Silence'

The Department of Visual Arts arranged a Solo Show entitled "Decoding Silence" by Zaib un Nisa at Coopera Art Gallery, Lahore, in collaboration with Artist's Association of Punjab, from January 16-25, 2020. The Chief Guest of the Show was the worthy Vice Chancellor of Lahore College for Women University, Prof. Dr. Bushra Mirza. The artworks displayed at the show were a part of her thesis project of MS (Studio Practice), which were produced under the supervision of Prof. Dr. Rifaat Saif Dar, the chairperson of Visual Arts Department. On the last day, the department arranged an Artist Talk with her, moderated by Arfan Javed Augustine.

Awareness Walk for Corona Virus

ORIC-LCWU, in collaboration with the Department of Zoology, conducted an awareness walk on the Coronavirus for faculty members and students on March 10, 2020.



EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

Exploring the World of Fiction — An Afternoon with Sana Munir

Shaukat Ara Niazi Literary Society, LCWU, held a talk on the topic of short fiction with Sana Munir, notable author of 'Unfettered Wings' and LCWU alumna on February 14, 2020. Prof. Fareeha Basit Khan, Director Sabiha Mansoor Institute of Languages and Culture, graced the event with her presence. Sana Munir engaged the audience in a series of creative activities with short video clips following a detailed discussion on the steps of writing a good short story. Other guests included Ms. Iffat Saeed, University of the Punjab, and well-known poet, Ali Mazhar, who recited a beautiful poem for the audience.



Humaray Jawaan Humari Shaan — Rally to Glorify Pakistan Army

LCWU organised a rally on February 21, 2020, to commemorate the successful action against the two Indian Jets violating the aerial boundaries of Pakistan on Feb 27, 2019. Ms. Bushra Nadeem, Director Student Affairs, led the rally while Heads of departments, faculty members and many students participated in the rally. The rally's slogan "Humare Jawaan Humari Shaan" was a tribute to the Pakistan Army. Dr. Aliya Farooq, Associate Professor Department of Urdu, and senior Student Council members also addressed the participants.



TEDxLCWU Hosted the 1st Virtual TED Circles Session: 'Who Has Power?'

TEDxLCWU hosted the first virtual TED Circles Session on March 27, 2020, for the very enthusiastic students and faculty of LCWU. The theme for the month of March 2020 was 'Who Has Power?', and the session was conducted by TED Circles Licensed host Ms. Shagufta Moghal, who is also the Co-Organizer for TEDxLCWU. The selected video was by Eric Liu, titled, "How to Understand Power", which focused on how power operates in the civic arena. The session discussed how to 'read and write' in the literacy of power and how to develop skills which allow us to exercise our power.



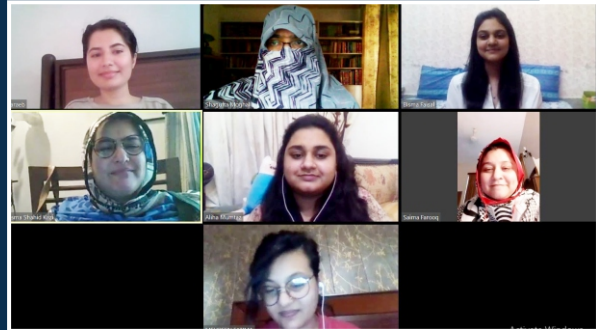
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EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

TEDxLCWU Virtual TED Circles April 2020 Session on the Theme 'A Changing World'

TEDxLCWU hosted their second virtual TED Circles Session on April 23, 2020, for the very enthusiastic students and faculty of LCWU. The hosts and participants managed to talk, interact, and exchange ideas for 65 minutes, with great success, about April's theme 'A changing world'. The selected video was by Eddie Obeng, titled, "Smart Failures for a fast-changing World", which focused on how the rules of the world had drastically changed over the years. The talk promoted Smart Failure, and the speaker said such failure is the way of the future and should be rewarded.

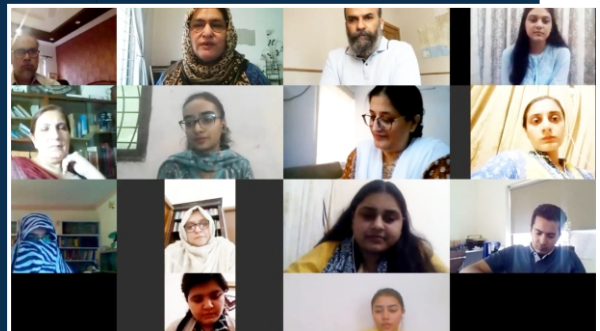


TEDxLCWU Virtual TED Circles May 2020 Session on the theme 'Living life to the fullest'

The organizers of TEDxLCWU hosted their third virtual TED Circles Session on May 31, 2020. The participants represented the Department of Professional Studies, TESOL Department, Department of Chemistry, Department of Pakistan Studies, Department of Social Work and the Department of English Literature of LCWU. The selected video was by Robert Waldinger, titled, "What makes a good life? Lessons from the longest study on happiness", which focused on an extensive 75 years long study about human interaction and what were the actual factors that led to happiness. The session focused on dialogue about how individuals can stay optimistic even in the darkest times especially while living in quarantine in the wake of COVID-19.

TEDxLCWU Virtual TED Circles June Sessions themed 'Resilience'

TEDxLCWU hosted two sessions for TED Circles, on June 13 and 20, 2020, based on the theme of 'Resilience'. The featured talk was from award winning psychologist Dr. Susan David, Harvard School of Medicine. Her TED Talk, "The Gift and Power of Emotional Courage" highlighted the importance of emotional agility, emotional well-being, and accuracy in identification of emotions and most importantly its link to things and people we hold dear. The session was graced by the Ex-VC of Lahore College for Women University, and current VC of Women University Multan, Prof. Dr. Uzma Qureshi. Other eminent participants included Mr. Aftab Khan and Ms. Mussrat Mashadi, speakers from TEDxLCWU 2017, and Dr. Khurram Sadiq, who presented a talk in TEDxLCWU 2019. A very productive exchange between the participants ensued which addressed everyone's take on adversity. The sessions drove home how in order to mitigate a conflict of inner emotions with the outer world, we must step back, conduct objective analysis, understand everyone's perspective, clarify expectations and develop an emotional muscle.



LCWU Launches Learning Management System

LCWU successfully launched its Learning Management System (LMS) on June 12, 2020. The LMS has provisions of content delivery and assessment with integrated monitoring mechanisms, with. The Online LMS is accessible from home and the faculty, as well as students, may benefit from its responsive environment. The IT Directorate of the LCWU acquired and configured the LMS in a record time of less than 2 months. The faculty and students of the University have also been provided with hands-on training on LMS by the IT Team. A total of 46 Departments, more than 600 faculty members and 11200 students will benefit from this LMS. The LMS is available for online classes of more than 1769 courses of BS, MA/MSc, MS/ M Phil and PhD levels for both the campuses of the University, Lahore as well as Jhang.





MEMBERSHIPS AND RECOGNITIONS

Department of Statistics Becomes an Official Member of LIZA-LCWU

Department of Statistics became official member of Laboratory for Interdisciplinary Statistical Analysis (LIZA) in May 2020. Dr. Asifa Kamal was granted full membership of LIZA 2020 network and the department organized a one-week workshop under the platform.



Grant of Patent from Intellectual Property Organization, Pakistan

Dr. Neelma Munir, Assistant Professor, Department of Biotechnology LCWU, along with Prof. Dr. Shagufta Naz, Dean Faculty of Science and Technology and Chairperson of the Department, LCWU, have been granted patent from Intellectual Property Organization, Pakistan. This patent was filed through the relentless efforts of ORIC team in April 2015.



Three Batches of BE Electrical Engineering Accredited from PEC

The Pakistan Engineering Council (PEC) has accredited BE Electrical Engineering Batches 2014-2018, 2015-2019 & 2016-2020. This is the first time in the history of LCWU that 3 batches got accreditation from Pakistan Engineering Council (PEC) simultaneously. To meet the PEC criterion, Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr Bushra Mirza recruited qualified staff and upgraded the laboratories.

The Smart University Project in Collaboration with HEC Pakistan

The Smart University Project has been initiated in Lahore College for Women University, Lahore in collaboration with Higher Education Commission of Pakistan. Under this Project, more than 150 Access Points will be installed in around 7 Major Buildings of the University with full access to Wi-Fi blanket. Internet Bandwidth of the University will also be increased which will further improve the access and speed of internet in the University. The newly constructed building of Social Sciences and all hostels will also be facilitated in the project. The project will facilitate LMS, Online Course Directory, and Online Examination and university portals as well.

All Pakistan Declamation Competitions of KEMU and UCP

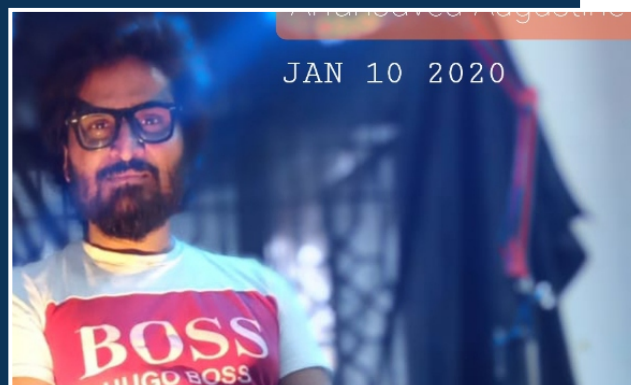
The speakers from English Debating Society (EDS), LCWU, participated in All Pakistan Declamation Competitions of King Edward Medical University and University of Central Punjab on February 19 and 28, 2020, respectively.



PARTICIPATION IN EXTERNAL EVENTS

Artist Talk by Mr. Arfan Javed Augustine

Arfan Javed Augustine is a practicing visual artist and currently working as a Lecturer at the Department of Visual Arts, LCWU. He was invited as a jury member for the category of Conceptual Painting at the Aitchison College Art & Performing Arts Festival, 2020. He also shared his artistic journey and shed light on the conceptual understanding of his art practice with phases of transformation.



Participation in the 34th Annual Exhibition by the Artists' Association of Punjab

The Artists' Association of Punjab held its 34th Annual Exhibition of Paintings, Prints, Sculpture, Graphic Arts and Installations 2020 at the Alhamra Art Gallery from February 7-8, 2020. Faculty members of Visual Arts Department including Dr. Rifaat Saif Dar, Farah Khan, Arfan Javed Augustine and Sidra Liaqat participated in the Exhibition with their exquisite artworks.

The artwork of Ms. Sidra Liaqat, Lecturer Department of Visual Arts, LCWU, was selected and awarded with "Excellence Award" on February 18, 2020.



Participation in Collaborative Shows "1x1" by Mr. Shiblee Munir

Mr. Shiblee Munir, a contemporary Miniature Artist and lecturer Department of Visual Arts, LCWU, participated in a collaborative Group Show titled "1x1". The show was organised under the curatorship of three different expert curators in the field of Arts. It was opened for the public on March 13, 2020 at O' Art Space, in Lahore; March 6, 2020 at Full Circle in Karachi; and March 19, 2020 at the Embassy of France, Islamabad.

Research Paper Presentation at European Geophysical Science (EGU) General Assembly Session 2020

Dr. Rozina Ch. (Associate Professor of Physics LCWU) presented talk on her research paper titled "Magnetic field quantization in pulsar" at "European Geophysical Science (EGU) General Assembly Session 2020 held Online Copernicus Meetings, Vienna, Austria, on May 4-8, 2020. The session was Convened by Rongsheng Wang (University of Science and Technology of China) and Co-conveners were Rumi Nakamura (Space Research Institute, Austrian Academy of Sciences Austria) & Yuri Khotyaintsev (Swedish Institute of Space Physics, Uppsala Sweden). The Live chat session was attended by a great number of researchers & scientists such as Kyoung-joo Hwang (Southwest Research Institute USA) Takuma Nakamura (Space Research Institute (IWF) / Austrian Academy of Sciences), Sadie Robertson (Imperial College London, Physics, United Kingdom), Julia E. Stawarz (Imperial College London, London, United Kingdom), Stephen Fuselier (Southwest Research Institute, Space Sciences and Engineering USA) etc. from world renowned universities & institutions.

Participation in Group Show "Evolve-A Virtual Exhibition"

A virtual Group Show titled "Evolve-A Virtual Exhibition" was arranged for EHF (Eleven Hearts Foundation). Shiblee Munir, a contemporary Miniature Artist and lecturer Department of Visual Arts, LCWU, participated and his work was one of the highlights of the show.

Worthy Vice Chancellor LCWU in Talk show 'Hum Log' Saama TV

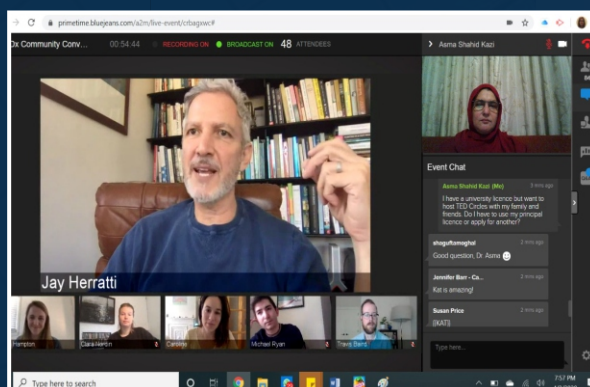
Prof. Dr. Bushra Mirza, Vice Chancellor LCWU, made a guest appearance in a talk show 'Hum Log' on Saama TV on June 27, 2020. She provided her valuable insight on the role of parents in keeping educational activities of their children ongoing during the pandemic lockdown situation that has long halted the on-campus education.



PARTICIPATION IN EXTERNAL EVENTS

Participation in the International Hangout Meeting with Global TED and TEDx Organizers

The Organizing team of TEDxLCWU, Dr. Asma Shahid Kazi and Ms. Shagufta Moghal joined the main Organizers of TED and TEDx for a Hangout meeting regarding TED Circles on April 2, 2020. Jay Herratti, Executive Director of TEDx, and Alyssa Hampton, TED Circles Program Manager (Global), led a discussion on how to increase interaction and connectivity in the current time of isolation. The highly interactive discussion focused on how TED Circles can really initiate change in our local societies and contribute to global trends. There were more than 150 TED and TEDx Organizers who participated in the meeting and shared their experiences and views about this new format for TEDx events.



International Virtual Exhibition — Online Group Show

Ms. Aasma Majeed and Ms. Sidra Liaquat, faculty Visual Arts Department, LCWU, participated in an Online Group Show "International Virtual Exhibition" arranged by Virtual International Development of Art.



Internship at Key Positions with Rizq Enterprise

Kashaf Noor and Yusra Khalid from LCWU completed an internship program with Rizq from 1 January 11-31, 2020. They held key positions and carried out responsibilities in Fund raising and community mobilisation Departments. Their efforts were recognized and they were provided with certificates and letters of recommendation by the founders.



16th Annual and 1st Online Exhibition for Young Artists-2020

Ms. Sidra Liaquat participated in the 16th Annual and 1st Online Exhibition for Young Artists 2020, titled on June 12, 2020. The exhibition was organized by Alhamra Art Gallery, Lahore.



COMMUNITY SERVICE AND RELIEF ACTIVITIES

LCWU Donates 1.5 Million in PM Corona Relief Fund

Professor Dr. Bushra Mirza, Vice-Chancellor LCWU, presented a cheque of Rs 1.5 million to Governor Punjab Ch. Muhammad Sarwar for the Prime Minister Corona Relief fund. All Teaching and Non-Teaching staff of 17 Scales and above of Lahore College for Women's University donated a day's salary to the Prime Minister's Corona Relief Fund. Moreover 350 bottles of sanitizers prepared by the Institute of Pharmacy were also presented to the Governor for the relief efforts. Vice-Chancellor Lahore College for Women University briefed the Governor Punjab Chaudhry Muhammad Sarwar of the steps taken by the university to prevent the Corona virus till date. Governor Punjab Chaudhry Muhammad Sarwar thanked the Vice-Chancellor Prof. Dr. Bushra Mirza and the Teaching and Non-Teaching staff of the University.



RIZQ LCWU Activities for COVID-19 Relief

The enthusiastic team of Rizq Alliance of Students against Poverty (ASAP) LCWU took action to help the poor during Corona Virus Lockdown 2020. During the initial period of the spread of the epidemic, the team raised awareness and collected funds, inside the university, and through online messaging, to contribute to the 'Ehsaas Karo' Campaign by Rizq Enterprise. In this regard the team collected and contributed Rs. 40,000 in March and April 2020. This effort was highly appreciated by the founders of Rizq, who called to thank the Rizq ASAP LCWU advisor Ms. Shagufta Moghal directly.

The team also visited the headquarters of Rizq and took part in the packaging of food items and allocation of resources to different areas of Lahore. The team is currently working from home, and handling data entry on various forms needed for maintenance of records, donations, fund raising, collaboration and also identification of deserving individuals and families who are directly affected by COVID-19.

LCWU Launched Online Counselling in Collaboration with International Young Psychologists Society

LCWU in a joint venture with International Young Psychologists Society launched Online Counselling in the light of the spread of COVID-19, corona virus. The objective behind this project is to help those in need on a smaller scale, initially without cost. The main target will be public, who is going through pressure and mental health issues. The project will facilitate in Corona Consultation, briefing about corona and precautions, counselling quarantine patients and caregivers, dealing with stress, anxiety and depression, addressing psycho social aspects of corona, bereavement counselling to families, health tips to boost immunity.

Far-reaching Impact of TEDxLCWU — Collaboration between 'Mother and Baby in Need' (MABIN) Organization and 'Rizq Enterprise'

A very positive and promising outcome of the TEDxLCWU event hosted on December 21st, 2019, came to light in the form of a recent collaboration between 'Mother and Mother And Baby In Need' (MABIN) Organization and 'Rizq Enterprise' (April 2020). Dr. Sadia Malick a leading Obstetrician and Gynecologist working in Saudi Arabia and Pakistan, was one of the featured speakers of TEDxLCWU 2019, talking about maternal and infant mortality. She worked constantly with many government and private organizations, and has succeeded in developing the birthing kits to be used in home deliveries by lady health workers and dais. Dr. Sadia Malick with the organizers of TEDxLCWU, entered an agreement with Rizq Enterprise, who have teams of workers delivering food and rations to the needy and deserving families in the major cities of Pakistan. In this collaboration the birthing kits will be supplied free of charge by 'Mother and Mother And Baby In Need' (MABIN) Organization, and the Rizq team will take charge of collecting information about the families where there may be an imminent birth, and then delivering the birthing kits well in time for the birth. Dr. Sadia Malick is currently working on developing tutorials and an app which will guide the health workers about how to use the birthing kit.

Rizq LCWU Qurbani Drive and Donations for LCWU Guards 2020

Rizq LCWU, in collaboration with Rizq Enterprise, started an online qurbani portal and took the responsibility of distributing Qurbani among the deserving on the occasion of Eid ul Adha. Two of our brightest students, Kahaf Noor and Ermaan Mehmood, led the Rizq LCWU team in this campaign. Rizq ASAP LCWU helped Rizq in generating 100+ kg Qurbani meat for donation. Both of our ambassadors were recognized by Rizq for their hard work and were granted e-certificates for their contributions.

The Rizq LCWU also collected and donated Rs. 40,000 among the most deserving non-teaching staff members and guards of the university. The entire process was carried out under the supervision of Dr. Asma Shahid Kazi (Rizq LCWU Supervisor), Ms. Shagufta Moghal (Rizq LCWU Advisor and Coordinator), with the facilitation of Ms. Bushra Nadeem, Director Student Affairs.

