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# LUMS URDU LANGUAGE PROGRAM: INFORMATION FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS



# PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Located on the campus of the prestigious Lahore University of Management Sciences, the program features Urdu language instruction at all levels. Students will have the opportunity to study Urdu in an immersive environment, with four hours of daily instruction, and also to be introduced to Pakistani society and culture through living in and exploring a major South Asian metropolis. The program also includes field trips, guest speakers, and personal tutorials in addition to classroom instruction. This course emphasizes the four skills of reading, writing, listening, and speaking, with a pedagogy that takes an active learning, student-centered approach. Our faculty boast years of experience teaching Urdu as a second language both in the US and Pakistan.

Consistently ranked as one of the top universities in South Asia, LUMS boasts a secure campus where students will be housed in hostels, and have access to the library, gym, swimming pool, dining facilities, medical centre, and other university amenities and student services. The LUMS Urdu Language Program is housed in the Mushtaq Gurmani School of Humanities and Social Sciences, and is a cooperative effort of the Centre for Continuing Education Studies, the Gurmani Centre for Languages and Literature, and the LUMS International Office.

In Lahore, students will have the opportunity to be immersed in a world of Urdu both inside and outside of the classroom. Not only they will be able to explore the city of Urdu literary giants such as Sir Allama Iqbal and Saadat Hasan Manto, but also have the chance to be surrounded by Urdu in public spaces and media, and most importantly to experience daily interactions in the language.

# CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION



## SPRING SEMESTER SESSION 2022: JANUARY 18 - MAY 11

Students may opt to do a single semester or both fall and spring semesters, and instruction is offered at all levels. Students can expect two to three hours of instruction per day, five days per week, including personal tutorials and opportunities to interact with monolingual guest speakers. The program also features several class trips in and around Lahore.

In addition to their language studies, students are encouraged to take advantage of their time at one of the leading universities in South Asia to audit a content class of their choice, relevant to their own academic interests. A sample of potential options, taken from the Spring 2021 catalog, is listed below:

- Mir and Ghalib
- Aag Ka Darya: A Close Reading
- Naya Urdu Afsana
- Explorations in Pakistani Cinemas
- Foundations in Modern South Asian History
- History of Miniature Painting
- The Art of Healing in Medieval Islam
- Constitutionalization of Gender in Pakistan
- Politics of South Asia
- Political Islam: Ideology and Politics
- Politics of Pakistan
- Pakistan's Foreign Relations
- Constitutional Development in Pakistan
- Islamicate Poetry in South Asia

## SUMMER SESSION 2022: BEGINNING EARLY JUNE DATES: (TBA)

This course offers intensive language instruction at the intermediate and advanced levels. Students can expect three to four hours of instruction per day, five days per week, including personal tutorials and opportunities to interact with monolingual guest speakers. The program also features several class trips in and around Lahore.





# TUITION AND OTHER COSTS

Student tuition covers all classroom instruction, group excursions, and guest speakers. This fee also includes LUMS student services, gym, clinic, library, administrative support, class trips, cultural events and speakers that will be organized by the program. We believe our location on a secure university campus with a great deal of amenities makes our program an extremely attractive option in terms of cost, as illustrated below. Here we have a breakdown of the major costs that students can expect to bear on the trip:

- Tuition \$7,000 per academic year, \$3,500 for summer
- Hostel Fees \$300 per summer/semester (PKR 47450)
- Hostel Laundry Package \$10 per month (PKR 1400)
- Travel Medical Insurance \$30 per month (estimated)
  - Students on the Urdu Language Program are required to purchase some form of travel medical insurance; many universities have subsidized plans for students studying abroad.
- Food and Incidentals \$300 per month
  - This amount would cover all meals on campus, phone package, books/supplies, some travel in Lahore; students may want to budget a little more for souvenirs, clothes shopping, meals out, etc
- Airfare \$2000 (estimated)
- Visa Fee \$90
  - This is the current fee for US applicants; students from elsewhere should check the Pakistani consulate website for their country for information

## Estimated Student Costs (USD)

	Summer	Single Semester	Annual
<b>Tuition &amp; Fees</b>	3500	3500	7000
<b>Hostel</b>	250	250	500
<b>Travel Medical Insurance</b>	80	160	360
<b>Food and Incidentals</b>	600	1200	2700
<b>Airfare</b>	2000	2000	2000
<b>Visa Fee</b>	90	90	90
<b>Total</b>	\$6520	\$7200	\$12650

# PROGRAM STAFF

## INSTRUCTOR: DR. FAIZA SALEEM



Faiza Saleem has an extensive and diverse experience teaching Urdu as a foreign language at graduate and postgraduate levels. Faiza is currently teaching Beginning Urdu at the school of Continuing Education at LUMS. She has taught on the Berkeley Urdu Language Program in Pakistan since 2014, at the University of Virginia, and also at the University of Wisconsin-Madison's South Asia Summer Language Institute. Faiza completed her PhD in Linguistics in 2019. Her research interests include language pedagogy, language and gender socialization, and early childhood gender socialization in primary schools. She was awarded the Fulbright FLTA scholarship for the year 2013-14 as well as the Berkeley Urdu Teaching Training Fellowship, which was hosted at the University of Texas at Austin in 2017. Faiza loves sharing not just the Urdu language but also South Asian culture with students, and above all works to make learning fun!

Umar Anjum has taught at Michigan State University and the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and has received specialized Urdu pedagogy training at UC Berkeley. He has also worked in Lahore School of Economics and at Forman Christian College University. He has been attached with UC Berkeley for their study abroad program in Pakistan. In addition, he is a co-founding member of the Punjabi Boliyan Research Initiative (PBRI). He is a TED. Ed fellow and a TED translator

## INSTRUCTOR: MR. UMAR ANJUM



## ACADEMIC DIRECTOR: DR. GWENDOLYN S. KIRK



Gwendolyn S. Kirk is a linguistic anthropologist whose research focuses on language, power, and public culture in Pakistan. In addition to her work on Punjabi and Urdu language, literature, and cinema, she has been involved in Urdu language pedagogy and program management since 2014, and has taught Urdu language and literature at Indiana University Bloomington, the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and at LUMS