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SHAIKH AHMAD HASSAN SCHOOL OF LAW



# WELCOMING A NEW YEAR



## DEAN'S MESSAGE

A very happy new year to the SAHSOL community. I would like to take this opportunity to extend my warmest wishes for good health and more success in 2023. As we begin the new Spring term, I want to acknowledge everyone for their dedicated efforts to carry out their work, research and study through what was a long fall semester. We have accomplished many things together in the first half of this academic year, and this effort will continue through the Spring term as well.

Members of the Shaikh Ahmad Hassan School of Law participated to a further extent than ever before in the summer semester offerings this year as well. Others were involved in research and study further afield. Curricular reform has been effectively implemented in a staggered manner so that incoming students for the batch of 2025 have been offered a fully revised programme of study for the 3 year LL.B component of their BA-LL.B degree. Alongside this, the structure of programme delivery has been revised so that core, fundamental classes are now almost exclusively being taught by permanent faculty members and we are able to offer a far more diverse set of elective courses organised in five clusters for our senior and super-senior students. Altogether, these changes have been envisioned as a means of enabling the school to grow in several directions – towards the offer of new joint programmes with other schools as well as specialised graduate programmes. Alongside this future planning, we have endeavoured to ensure that more targeted advising support is being delivered to our students, particularly drawing into the fold pre-law students as well as ensuring that vulnerable students are being tracked more closely over the course of their studies.

Here are a few updates from the fall semester of the academic year 2022-23, celebrating just some of the significant events of this time. As we look forward to the second half of this coming academic year, I hope that we'll grow closer and can draw upon mutual support as we face what seem like exceptionally difficult circumstances ahead for the country.

**DR. SADAF AZIZ**  
Dean & Associate Professor of Law  
SAHSOL, LUMS

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# LEGAL SCHOLARSHIP AT SAHSOL

A major set of events has been unfolding this year to commemorate the path-breaking research publications of SAHSOL faculty members. This comprises book discussions for volumes that have appeared in previous years as well as two book launches of new volumes by faculty members.

Faculty associated with the Shaikh Ahmad Hassan School of Law have been pioneers not only in forging a unique programme of study but in the development of outstanding legal scholarship. These books, two of which were launched here in the fall semester and others published over the last decade, are all outstanding contributions to the developing field of Pakistani legal scholarship.

Ranging over fields that include human rights, the laws of war, commercial finance, criminology and constitutional law and theory, these are contributions that have made an impact on the way we understand these fields while also informing global spheres of comparative legal studies. Over the coming spring semester, we are staging a series of events to showcase our faculty and scholars in conversation with interlocutors from practice and academia.

## Book Discussion: *Criminal Punishment and Human Rights Convenient Morality* (Routledge, 2019) by Dr. Adnan Sattar

This discussion was moderated by Mr. Saroop Ejaz and stressed the need for reimagining human rights scholarship and practice in a way that is more sensitive to the negative consequences of expanding the state's punitive power.



## Book Launches:

### *Pakistan and Human Rights* (Rowman & Littlefield, 2022) Edited by Dr. Satvinder S. Juss (Professor, King's College London, UK and Barrister at Law of Gray's Inn, London UK)

This groundbreaking volume edited by Professor Juss provides a critical perspective on the legal ordering of human rights issues at a time when the legitimacy and politics of national regulatory governance over the lives of people is in question as never before. In this launch event, Professor Juss was joined by the following contributors to the volume:

- Professor Uzair J. Kayani | HOD and Assistant Professor  
“The Law and Economy of Human Rights in Pakistan”
- Dr. Adnan Sattar | Assistant Professor of Law  
“Poverty, Bonded Labor, and Unaccountable Supply Chains: The Case of Brick Kiln Workers in Pakistan. (co-author Ms. Maleeha Sattar)”. “Taking Children’s Rights Seriously: Is Pakistan Ready?”
- Professor Marva Khan | Assistant Professor of Law  
“The Use of Special Criminal Courts and Tribunals in Pakistan”
- Ms. Reema Omer | Legal Advisor, Member International Commission of Jurists and Human Rights Commission of Pakistan  
“Enforced Disappearances in Pakistan: A Tool of Terror?”



### *Islamic Finance in the Financial Markets of Europe, Asia and America* (Routledge 2022) by Dr. Faiza Ismail (Assistant Professor, SAHSOL and PhD in Business Law, University College Dublin, Ireland)

This book is the first to offer an in-depth description of international financial centres and the growth of Islamic Finance in the Eurozone. The launch was moderated by Dr. Syed Aun Raza Rizvi (Associate Professor, Suleman Dawood School of Business) and attended by the eminent members from banking and business sectors. Dr. Ismail’s research interests examine legal and regulatory issues relevant to IMF, Anti Money Laundering Laws, Cyber Laws in Finance and Islamic Finance in the US, UK, and Pakistan.

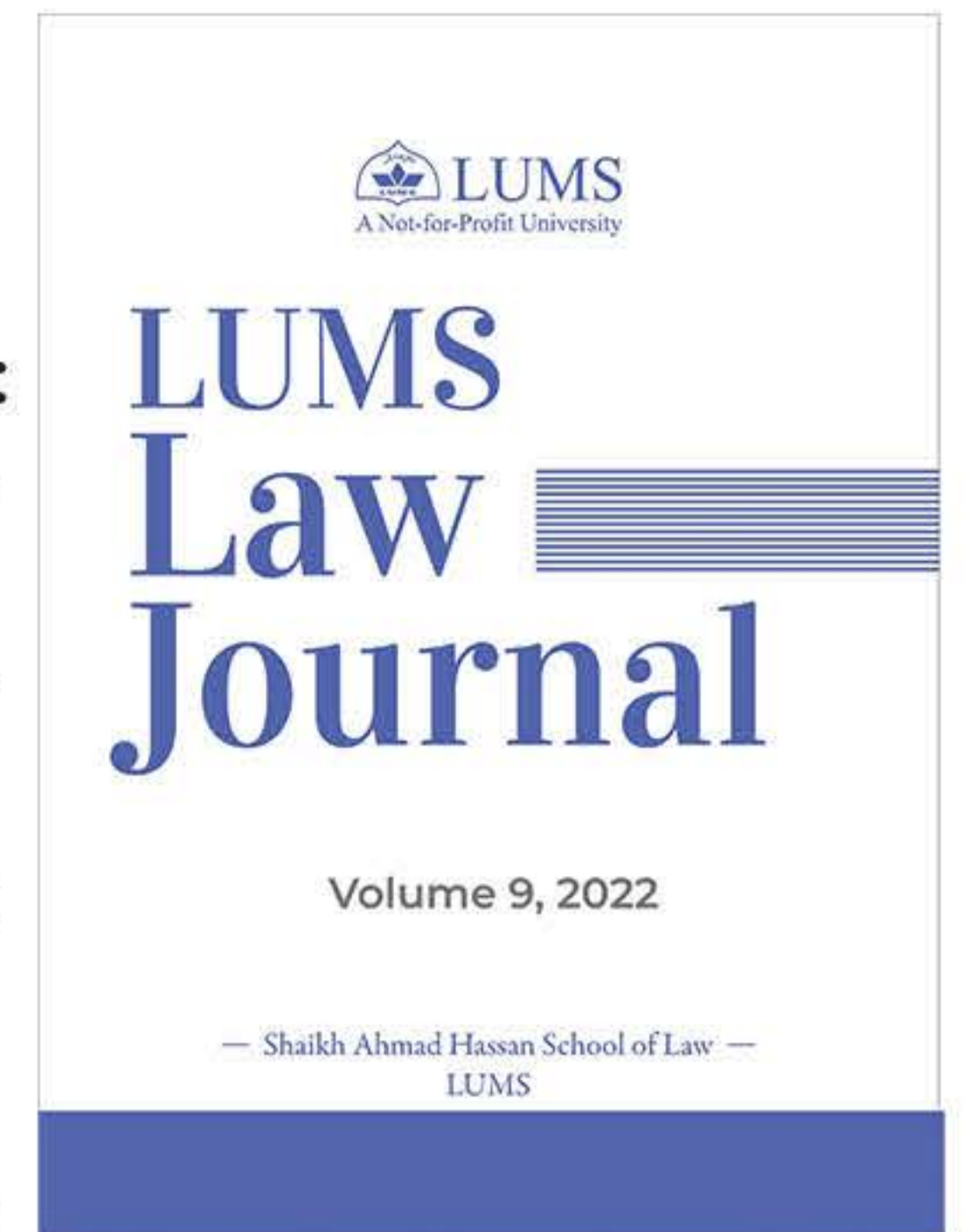




# LUMS LAW JOURNAL | VOLUME NO.9

This recent volume focuses on a range of legal matters, from arbitration and corporate law to criminal defamation and family law. Some of these exemplary works of legal scholarship include:

- **Death Penalty and Mental Illnesses in Pakistan's Courts by Muhammad Umar Ali Ranjha and Ariba Fatima:**  
This case note investigates one of the most significant judgments of Pakistan: Safia Bano v Home Department. It provides the detailed analysis of the trends in Pakistani courts on death penalty and mental illnesses.
- **Rights of a Child in Islam: Theory, Mechanism, Practices, and Convention on the Rights of Child by Dr. Shahbaz Ahmad Cheema:**  
This article highlights/ analyses the interaction of Islamic law and international law in contemporary Muslim state. It entails a discussion on adoption, marriage, and FGM under Islamic law.
- **Use of Artificial Intelligence in Arbitral Proceedings by Mahnoor Waqar:**  
This article highlights the importance and challenges of using AI in arbitral proceeding and the impact AI can have on legal proceedings.



## MAJOR EVENTS AT SAHSOL

Talks, Seminars, Podcasts and Guest Lectures

To help members of the university understand the structural causes of the catastrophic floods across the country in the early days of the semester, SAHSOL hosted Dr. Majid Akhtar from Kings College London for the talk 'A Century of Making and Breaking the Indus'.



The reading group "Populism, Culture and Capitalism" organised by Dr. Sarah Humayun, conducted a seminar to relate the insights of a wide-ranging body of literature on populism studies on contemporary Pakistani politics.

Join Us for a Symposium on

### Reading Stuart Hall: Politics, Culture and Theory

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, MAY 20<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>, 2022  
Venue: Faculty Lounge, VC Office, LUMS

Dr. Katharina De la Durantaye and Dr. Eric Steinhauer from Freie University, Berlin visited SAHSOL on November 1, 2022. SAHSOL conducted a roundtable discussion to further the possibilities of cross-national collaboration on research and advocacy efforts around data protection. Dr. Durantaye also delivered a public talk on Academic Practice and Information Infrastructure in the Digital Transformation; Current Developments in German/European Copyright Law.

Join us for a roundtable discussion on

### ACADEMIC PRACTICE AND INFORMATION INFRASTRUCTURE IN THE DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION

This discussion will examine the digital transformation in three adjacent and even overlapping areas, namely:

- The legal framework, especially in the areas of copyright, platform regulation and digital human rights.
- Academic and scientific practices.
- Digital cultural heritage and cultural heritage institutions, especially libraries.

**Katharina de la Durantaye**  
Professor | Freie University in Berlin, Germany  
Business Law, Competition Law and Intellectual Property

**Dr. Eric Steinhauer**  
Lawyer, Head of Hagen University Library,  
Honorary Professor | Humboldt University in Berlin

Professor Durantaye studied law and literature at Humboldt University in Berlin where she also received a PhD on Copyright Protection in Ancient Rome. After obtaining her LL.M. from Yale Law School, she held positions at Columbia Law School, Boston University School of Law, and St. John's University School of Law before returning to Germany. Among her research interests are intellectual property, especially copyright law, including its comparative and international aspects, the regulation of the digital economy, and (data) contract law.

Professor Steinhauer studied law and humanities in Münster and Hagen. His research interests include topics of cultural and higher education law as well as copyright and information law and questions of the digital transformation of academic working practices and publishing. He is the spokesperson for the Ombuds Committee for Scientific Integrity in Germany.

A talk on 'Police, Politics and Rule of Law' was delivered by Mr. Tariq Khosa (former IG police and Director General FIA), organized by Mr. Saroop Ijaz (Lawyer, Adjunct Faculty). It was attended by several members of the legal fraternity Justice (R) Asif Saeed Khan Khosa (former Chief Justice of Pakistan), Mr. Sarmad Saeed (former IG Police) and Syed Babar Ali (Founding Pro Chancellor, LUMS).



A talk on 'Constitution and the Local Government: A Contextual Analysis' by Mr. Ahmad Iqbal (Local Government Expert) and Mr. Ali Raza Shah (Advocate, Rule of Law Expert) was moderated by Mr. Muhammad Adil Chattha (BA-LL.B Class of 2017, Adjunct Faculty).

JOIN US FOR A LECTURE ON

### CONSTITUTION AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT: A CONTEXTUAL ANALYSIS

**AHMAD IQBAL**  
Guest Speaker

**ALI RAZA SHAH**  
Guest Speaker

**M. ADIL CHATTHA**  
Moderator

VENUE: 101 LAW SCHOOL  
TIME: 4-6 PM  
DATE: 23-11-2022 (WEDNESDAY)

A guest lecture on the contradictions and tensions around the status and role of women in the Pakistan Penal Code by Mr. Sohail Akbar Warraich (former member, National Commission on the Status of Women and a Senior Researcher on Law and Gender) was moderated by Ms. Hiba Akbar (Visiting Assistant Professor).





Over the summer, Advocate Mr Aneel Sagar, Head of Legal Advisory in Shaukat Khanum Memorial Cancer Hospital and Research Centre delivered a talk on ‘Medical Negligence in Pakistan’. The talk, organised by Dr Faiza Ismail explored the prospects and challenges for medical law in Pakistan.



A guest lecture on ‘The Independence of the Judiciary’ by Mr. Hamid Khan (Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of Pakistan) was organised by Mr. Usama Khawar (Advocate High Court, Adjunct Faculty).



A guest lecture on ‘High Court and the Administration of Justice’ by Justice Mamoon Rashid Sheikh (Former Chief Justice of Pakistan) was organised by Mr. Muhammad Adil Chattha (BA-LL.B Class of 2017, Adjunct Faculty).



Mr. Asad Farooq (Assistant Professor) appeared as a panelist to discuss the building of a strategy for Global Climate Justice and Climate Reparations hosted by BOL Worker, Washington DC.



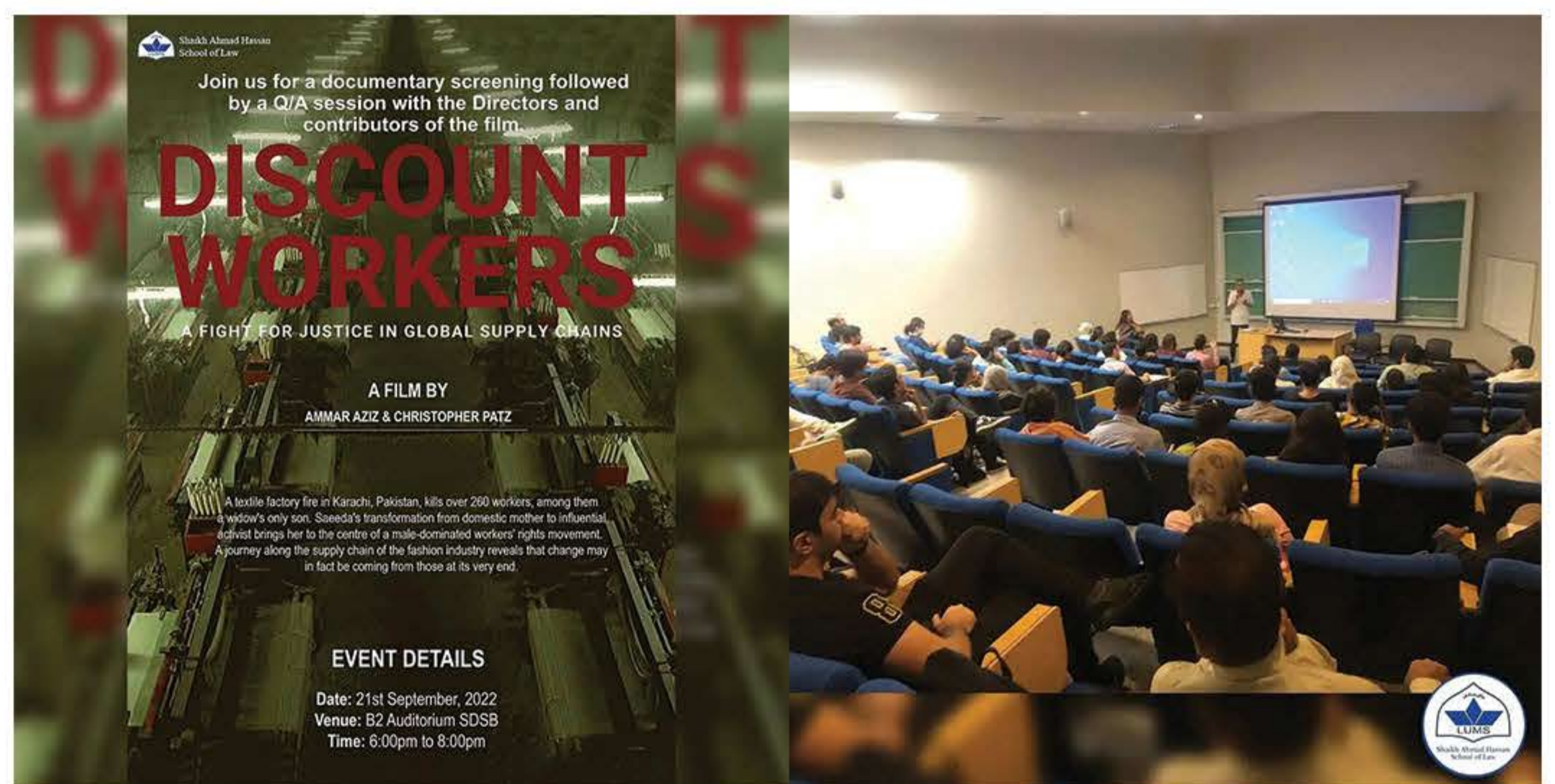
The Legal Aid Office organised a podcast on 'Empowerment and the Role of Clinical Education and Paralegal Programmes in Prisons' featuring SAHSOL members Ms. Angbeen Atif Mirza (Assistant Professor) and Mr. Omar Bashir Maniar (SAHSOL alumnus 2008, Legal Expert Development Sector). Watch here: <https://fb.watch/hYPLjKOO9/>



## 10 Years of the Baldia Town Tragedy: Movie Screening of "Discount Workers: A Fight for Justice in Global Supply Chains"

Focused on the fight to gain compensation for families of the victims of what is arguably Pakistan’s worst industrial disaster, ‘Discount Workers’ is a film that pays homage to the resilience and fortitude of those who keep up the fight.

In the discussion that followed the film, Directors Christopher Patz and Ammar Aziz spoke of the politics that informed the making of the film and the gains since this litigation lost — such as new legislation in Germany that makes retailers responsible for conditions in their supply chains. SAHSOL faculty members, Dr. Muhammad Azeem and Professor Hiba Akbar contributed an expert opinion to litigation that was undertaken in Germany, and spoke further of that experience.



## Workshop on Navigating the Law in Pakistan as a Microentrepreneur

A half day workshop for female microentrepreneurs was convened on November 28, 2022. As a collaboration between Kaarvan Crafts Foundation and SAHSOL, the sessions intended to offer female artisans and entrepreneurs a chance to build a legal acumen and maneuver their way in the local business market. The sessions were led by SAHSOL faculty members, Ms. Angbeen Atif Mirza (Assistant Professor), Dr. Shehar-yar Sikander Hamid (Assistant Professor) and Ms. Maria Furrukh Irfan Khan (Adjunct Faculty).





## SAHSOL Signs MoU to Support a BA-LL.B Scholar

Mr. Faisal Sabir Raja (LUMS MBA 2002) signed an MOU to establish the 'Justice Raja Muhammad Sabir Scholarship' to support one National Outreach Programme scholar at SAHSOL, LUMS for the academic year 2022-23. Dr. Arshad Ahmad (Vice Chancellor, LUMS), Professor Sikander Ahmad Shah (Assistant Professor) and Ms Angbeen Atif Mirza (Assistant Professor) attended the ceremony. Established in the memory of his late father, this scholarship is a tribute to the late Justice Mr. Raja Muhammad Sabir's exemplary philanthropic efforts and generosity towards the less fortunate throughout his life. Read more: <https://lums.edu.pk/.../lums-alumnus-donates-national...>



## SAHSOL Dean's Honour List Award Ceremony



Awardees from the BA-LL.B class of 2023



Dr. Sadaf Aziz addressing the gathering



Law faculty at the DHL ceremony



SAHSOL Dean's office arranged a breakfast for its community to mark the end of fall semester.

Latest op-eds from Professor Sikander Ahmed Shah are 'Trade in Iran' and 'Citizens Refugee' published in DAWN Newspaper. Read more:

<https://www.dawn.com/news/1697633/trade-with-iran>  
<https://www.dawn.com/news/1727999/citizen-refugees>

**TODAY** December 24, 2022  
**DAWN EDITORIAL**



## FACULTY NEWS

Dr. Muhammad Azeem has been granted tenure and promoted to the position of Associate Professor. This is great news for the law school as he has been an amazing advocate for so many constituencies across the University and well it. In addition, Dr. Azeem's scholarship and contributions to debates in international law, domestic social protection and in other fields is of considerable value to all of us, to academic communities everywhere and of course, to his students.



Professor Sikander Ahmad Shah successfully defended his PhD in Social Sciences at Indiana University, USA during Fall 2022. His thesis investigated liberal legalism and local centripetalism in Pakistan.



Our faculty has been exploring international linkages for interdisciplinary endeavours between Shaikh Ahmad Hassan School of Law, LUMS and Maldives National University. Senior Management at MNU invited Mr. Uzair J. Kayani (Head of Department, Assistant Professor) for a discussion regarding the collaborations between the universities on areas of mutual interest. Professor Kayani will work with the faculties of law, Shariah, and Islamic studies to review the curriculum of MNU's law programme and discuss areas of broader collaboration between LUMS and MNU.





Dr. Faiza Ismail presented 'History of English Commercial Courts and Islamic Finance' at INCEFI, Malaysia and 'Challenges of Globalization: FATF and Money Laundering Laws in Pakistan' at the Asian Law and Society Association's annual conference in Vietnam. She also participated in a conference 'Beyond the Greylist' organised by RSIL and contributed on regulations of virtual currencies by the State Bank of Pakistan. Dr. Ismail received FIF 2022 for a case study on Money laundering laws in Pakistan and FTG first quarter for a visit to Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.



Dr. Adnan Sattar has been nominated as a member of the committee constituted by the Social Welfare Department, Government of Punjab for deliberation upon the Child Protection Bill of 2021. Dr. Sattar also participated in a consultation with legal experts on abortion law in Pakistan organised by IPAS (a global reproductive rights NGO) in Karachi.



Dr. Sadaf Aziz (Dean & Associate Professor) has been nominated as a member of the Advisory Committee constituted by the Directorate of Legal Education by the Pakistan Bar Council. She has also been named Senior Fellow with the Cluster of Excellence, Contestations of the Liberal Script at Freia University Berlin, Germany.



## Human Rights Clinic

Our second cohort of students have enrolled in the collaborative Birmingham City University (BCU) & SAHSOL Externship Programme. Run through the Human Rights Clinic of BCU, the programme offers these students the chance to work towards developing stakeholder reports for the UN's Universal Periodic Report. This year's project is being overseen by Dr Alice Storey (Senior Lecturer, Associate Director Centre for Human Rights, BCU) and our three students, Ms. Rohma Fatima Qayyum, Ms. Haanya Channa and Ms. Minahil Tariq (BA-LL.B Class of 2023) will be looking at protections against domestic abuse in Chad, Mexico and Afghanistan.



## TEACHING AND RESEARCH COLLABORATION

SAHSOL and ILO/International Training Center of the International Labour Organization in Turin, Italy is collaborating to deliver courses on social dialogue and industrial relations in 2023. The aim is to enhance the understanding and capacity of professional participants from trade unions, employers' organisations, governments and others who are employed in the areas of labour relations and social dialogue.



## STRENGTHENING OUR PROGRAMME

### Legal Aid Clinic Centre

SAHSOL continues to hold consultations and engage in infrastructure development for the launch of a pro-bono legal aid clinic in the coming year.

## New Innovative Law Elective Courses

SAHSOL offered the following new elective courses under its advanced streams in Fall 2022 semester:

**International Trade Law**

**Law and International Development War Law**

**National Security, Intelligence, and the Law**

**Criminal Law Practicum: Police Accountability and Reform in Pakistan**

**Death, Rebirth, and Renewal: The Fragile Life of Pakistan's Constitution**

**The Environment in Theory and Practice**



# IN CONVERSATION WITH

## Ms. Aisha Ahmad Assistant Professor at SAHSOL



### Describe your journey to becoming a legal academic? Was it a career path that you intended to take?

Like many other Pakistani children, I grew up thinking I would one day become a doctor. My personal rebellion was law—a profession without medicine’s constant reminders of mortality but a profession nonetheless! I almost switched to a study of classical languages (nerd) but stuck to law to honour my promise to my brave and wonderful single mother. Having studied international development after my law degrees, I am a socio-legal researcher and academic for now.

### Are there particular challenges associated with being a legal academic in Pakistan?

Every profession in Pakistan comes with its attendant challenges. As far as legal academia is concerned, there is a lack of overlap between those interested in law and those curious about its theoretical and historical underpinnings. Moreover, while scholarship in the social sciences is seeing a resurgence, the relationship between sociological phenomena and the legal world is still significantly understudied. Being a legal academic in Pakistan today means having underdeveloped conversations with very few people. I see this changing soon (fingers crossed).

### What have you brought to the law department that is uniquely yours?

While I do bring an interest in the political economy of law, socio-legal research and critical legal theories to the department, I do not believe them to be uniquely ‘mine’. Any current skills or interests or expertise I bring to SAHSOL today have been shaped and nurtured by so many, not least my colleagues at the law school who were once my professors. Sadaf Aziz’s courses on legal theory, Asad Farooq’s courses on socio-legal research, Sikander Shah’s courses on public international law all shaped my research interests. All three made me much smarter than I was going into law school and I am forever grateful to them for their intellectual guidance and tutelage.

### What have you read recently that has helped your work or otherwise inspired you?

So much! I like thinking big and Liu Cixin’s “Three Body Problem” trilogy has been the most thought-provoking, challenging and exciting thing I’ve read in recent years.

### Please share your current research interests/work?

My current research pertains to the legal infrastructure around housing and real estate speculation in Lahore, Pakistan. In broader theoretical terms, I am interested in the relationship between law and capital accumulation—to what degree does the law in economies of the global south facilitate profit-making ventures? Instead of seeing real estate development in Pakistan as illegal and dominated by lawless mafias, I am interested in highlighting how the most robust articulations of the rule of law produce the housing crisis Pakistan finds itself in.

### Do you involve students in your research or policy work?

I do but want to do more of that! The students I’ve had at SAHSOL so far have been so very impressive—not just in terms of their abilities to think, argue and read critically, but in their compassion, their extracurricular curiosities and their approach to learning.

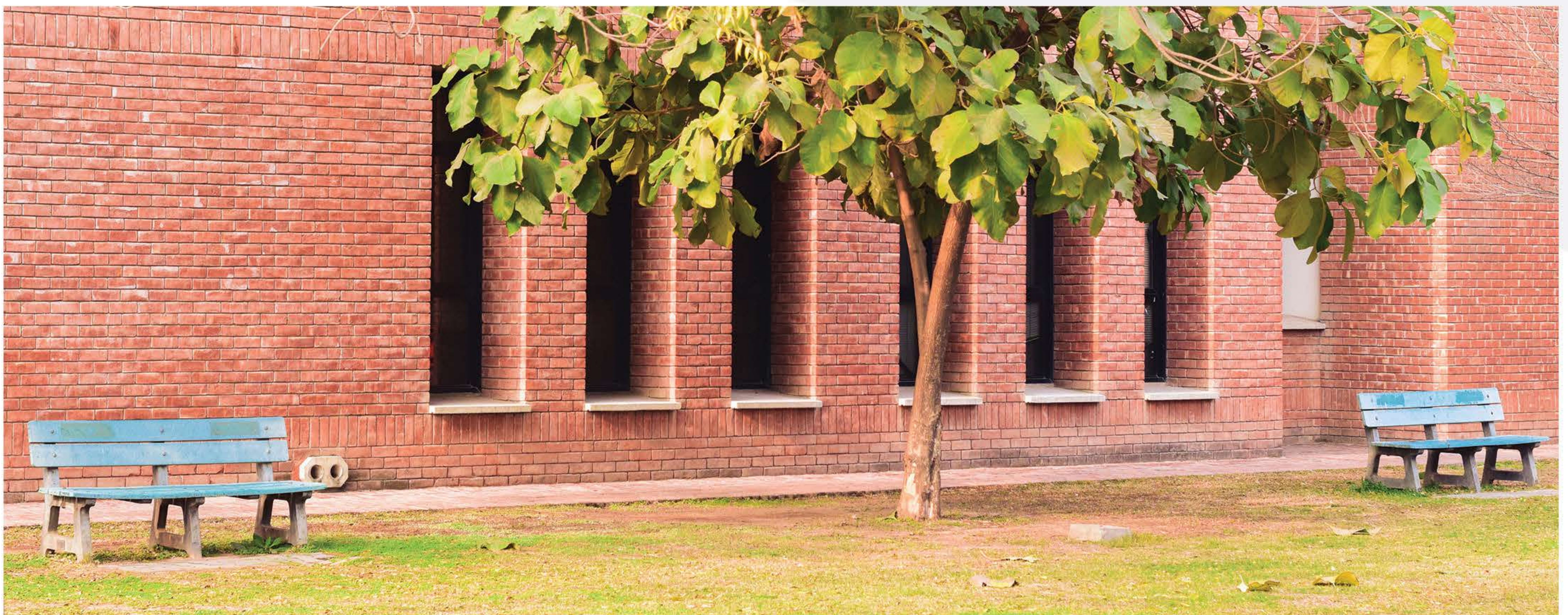
### Tell us about a time you implemented feedback from your students in your teaching methodology?

Less reading! (still a work in progress)

### What do you see as Pakistan’s most pressing problems that you can contribute to address?

In my view, one of Pakistan’s most pressing problems is the depoliticization of the economy—in our discourse, in our politics, and in our day-to-day consciousness. I hope to help create a new consciousness—one in which today’s economic order and its attendant ideological dimensions, material underpinnings and juridical avatars can be understood, debated and transformed by 99%.

“The mediocre teacher tells. The good teacher explains. The superior teacher demonstrates. The great teacher inspires. I am working on being a great teacher someday.”





# VICE CHANCELLOR'S ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS FOR THE YEAR 2022

SAHSOL takes great pride in sharing that Mr. Saroop Ijaz (BA-LL.B Class of 2008, Lawyer, Human Rights Watch and Adjunct Faculty) and Mr. Altamush Saeed (BA-LL.B Class of 2020, Candidate of LL.M, Lewis Clark Law School, 2022-23) have won the LUMS Vice Chancellor's Alumni Achievement Award for the year 2022.

Mr. Ijaz joined the BA-LL.B program at its inception and was quickly recognised for his diverse talents. In 2013, he was appointed as the Chairperson of the Committee on International Human Rights, Lahore High Court Bar Association and appointed as an Amicus Curiae (Friend of the Court) in several important constitutional cases including the full bench hearing on delimitations of constituencies in the local government elections. He was appointed as a member of an expert group constituted by the National Police Bureau and the United States Institute of Peace on police reforms in Pakistan. In addition to all this work, Mr. Ijaz has also been a diligent instructor at SAHSOL over the last many years providing instruction in areas pertaining to policing powers and oral advocacy.

Mr. Saeed is currently pursuing an LL.M in Animal Law at the Lewis and Clark Law School, Centre for Animal Legal Studies on fully funded Brooks Institute Scholarship (first Pakistani to receive this scholarship). His commendable academic excellence includes International & Comparative Law Scholarship (2021-22) in areas of law, Myint Zan LL.M winner/student of the year (2021-22) for his exemplary interdisciplinary interests and commitment to social and justice in easing the plight of disadvantaged members of the society and excellence in pro-bono service award (2021-22) which has posited extraordinary commitment to pro-bono service at the Michigan Law School.



Read more: <https://lums.edu.pk/news/meet-2022-winners-vice-chancellors-alumni-achievement-awards>

## SAHSOL ALUMNI ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Ms. Momal Malik (BA-LL.B 2022), Ms. Fartash Tariq (BA-LL.B 2022) and Mr. Ali Hussain Gilani (BA-LL.B 2021) were appointed as Law Clerks at the Supreme Court of Pakistan, succeeding in a pool of 840 candidates. Mr. Hassan Kamal (BA-LL.B 2021) was appointed as a Law Clerk in the Islamabad High Court.



Mr. Ali Afzal Sahi (BA-LL.B 2016) took oath as Punjab Minister of Communications and Works.



Mr. Hassan Ali (BA-LL.B 2014) has been promoted to the rank of Partner at Axis Law Chambers in Lahore.



Mr. Muhammad Usman Sheikh (BA-LL.B 2014) has been promoted to the rank of Associate Partner at Minto & Mirza Advocates and Solicitors.



Mr. Usama Khawar Ghumman (BA-LL.B 2013) has been awarded the I.A. Rehman Research Grant by the Human Rights Commission of Pakistan to continue his research and litigation.



Ms. Hira Jaleel (BA-LL.B Class of 2017) has appointed as Teaching Fellow at the Centre for Animal Law Studies at Lewis and Clarke Law School, USA.



Mr. Asghar Leghari (BA-LL.B 2013) has been appointed as an independent Director by Ministry of Energy (Power Division), GOP on the board of Multan Electric Power Company Limited.



In addition, our alumni continue to be prolific contributors to public debate and deliberation on a range of matters.

At the Asma Jehangir Memorial Conference 2022, Mr. Saroop Ijaz (BA-LL.B 2007 and Adjunct Faculty) was the Chair on several panels. Ms. Reema Omar (BA-LL.B 2008), Senior International Legal Advisor with the International Commission of Jurists was a panelist for 'Transgender Rights Law Under Threat and the Plight of the Community in Pakistan'.







Ms. Shmyla Khan (BA-LL.B 2013 and Adjunct faculty) a speaker at a podcast organised by Research Institute of International Law on ‘The role of social media in conflict’.

Watch here: <https://youtu.be/ftBnGhJe574>



Mr. Muhammad Aafaq Lone (BA-LL.B 2022) guest speaker for Youth Leadership Symposium on ‘Anti-discrimination’ organised by the LUMS Community Service Society.



Mr. Ehsan Shah (BA-LL.B 2015, Legal Manager Global Contracts at Getir) one of the speakers for Jus Mundi Panel this year at the Istanbul Arbitration Week focusing on Interplay of Arbitration and Technology.

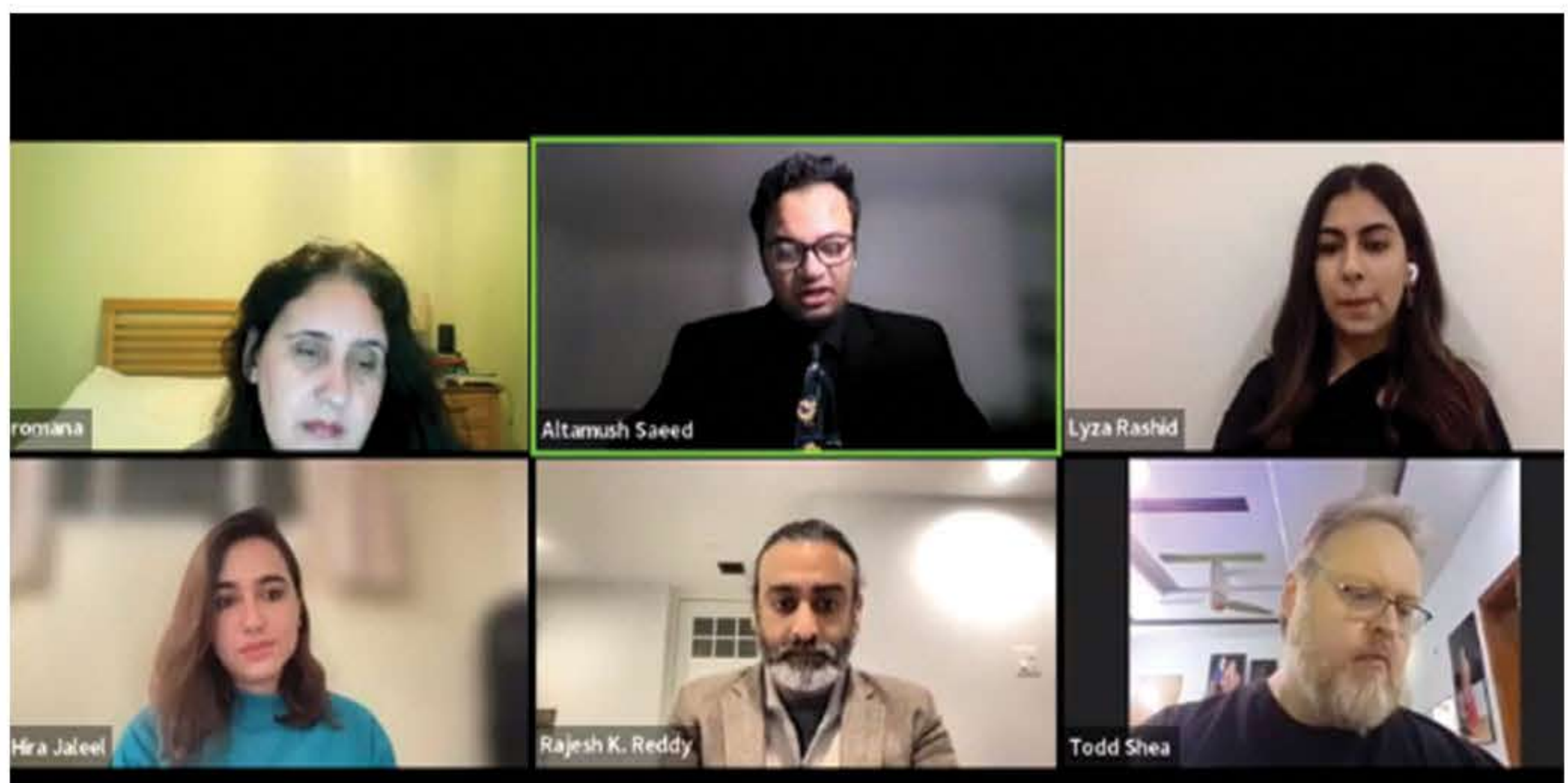


Mr. Zarak Asad Khan (BA-LL.B 2023) moderated a talk show on analyzing the new movie ‘Maula Jatt’ organized by the Conflict Law Center at RSIL. Panelists included Mr. Raas Nabeel (BA-LL.B 2021) and Ms. Ayesha Malik (Team Lead CLC).

Watch here: <https://youtu.be/F7EvJmrNbqE>



Mr. Ammar Athar Saeed (BA-LL.B 2008) was one of the panelists for ‘Embarking on your start-up journey in Pakistan’ organised by National Incubation Center at LUMS.



Mr. Altamush Saeed (BA-LL.B 2021) and Ms. Hira Jaleel (BA-LL.B 2017) panelists at the webinar on ‘Animal Welfare in Pakistan’ organised by the Center of Business Society at LUMS. They highlighted the critical aspects of wildlife, livestock and domestic animals and gave recommendations to strengthen the legal framework for their development.

## Publications in the Research Society of International Law



‘Decoupling Gilgit Baltistan from the Kashmir Dispute’ by Mr. Karim Ahmad (BA-LL.B 2022). The article makes a case for mainstreaming the governance of GB and Kashmir within the provincial framework. Read more:

<https://rsilpak.org/2022/the-case-of-gilgit-baltistan/>



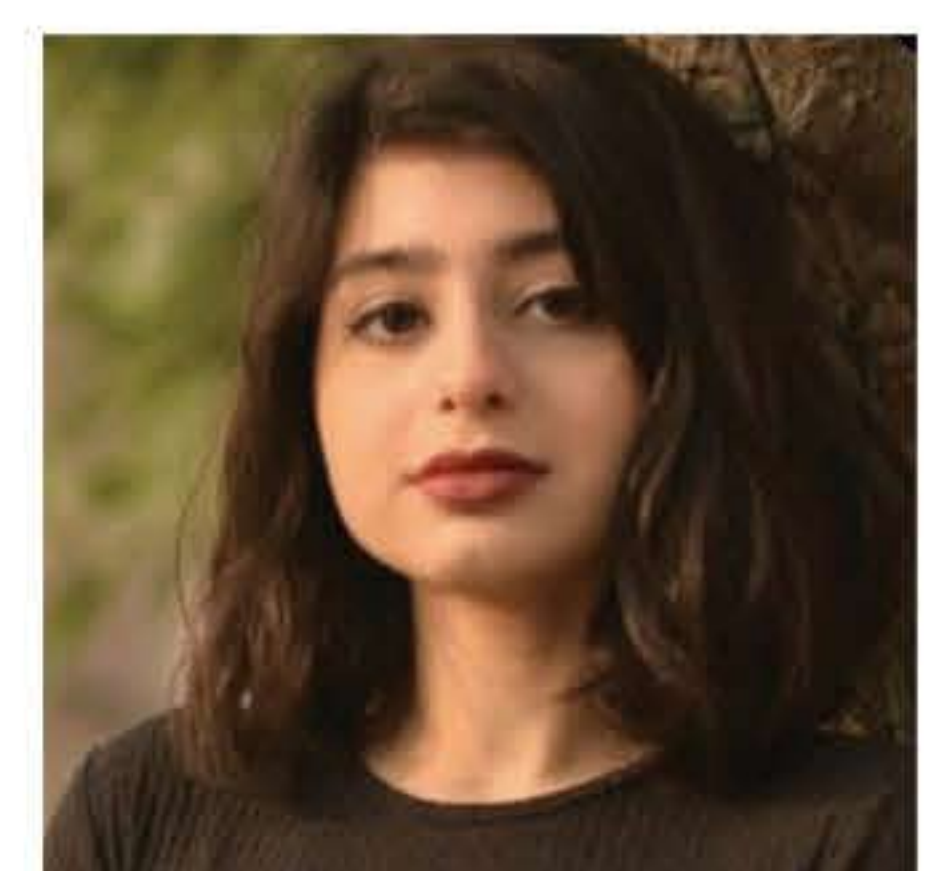
‘The unwilling or unable doctrine and the view from Pakistan’ by Mr. Raas Nabeel (BA/LLB Class of 2021). This paper analyses what Pakistan and the Global South need to do in order to prevent this doctrine from ever becoming law. Read more:

<https://youtu.be/F7EvJmrNbqE>



‘An Introductory Insight into Human Trafficking’ by Ms. Safa Imran (BA-LL.B 2023). This paper puts emphasis on the fundamental importance for countries like Pakistan to identify the means through which trafficking occurs in this region.

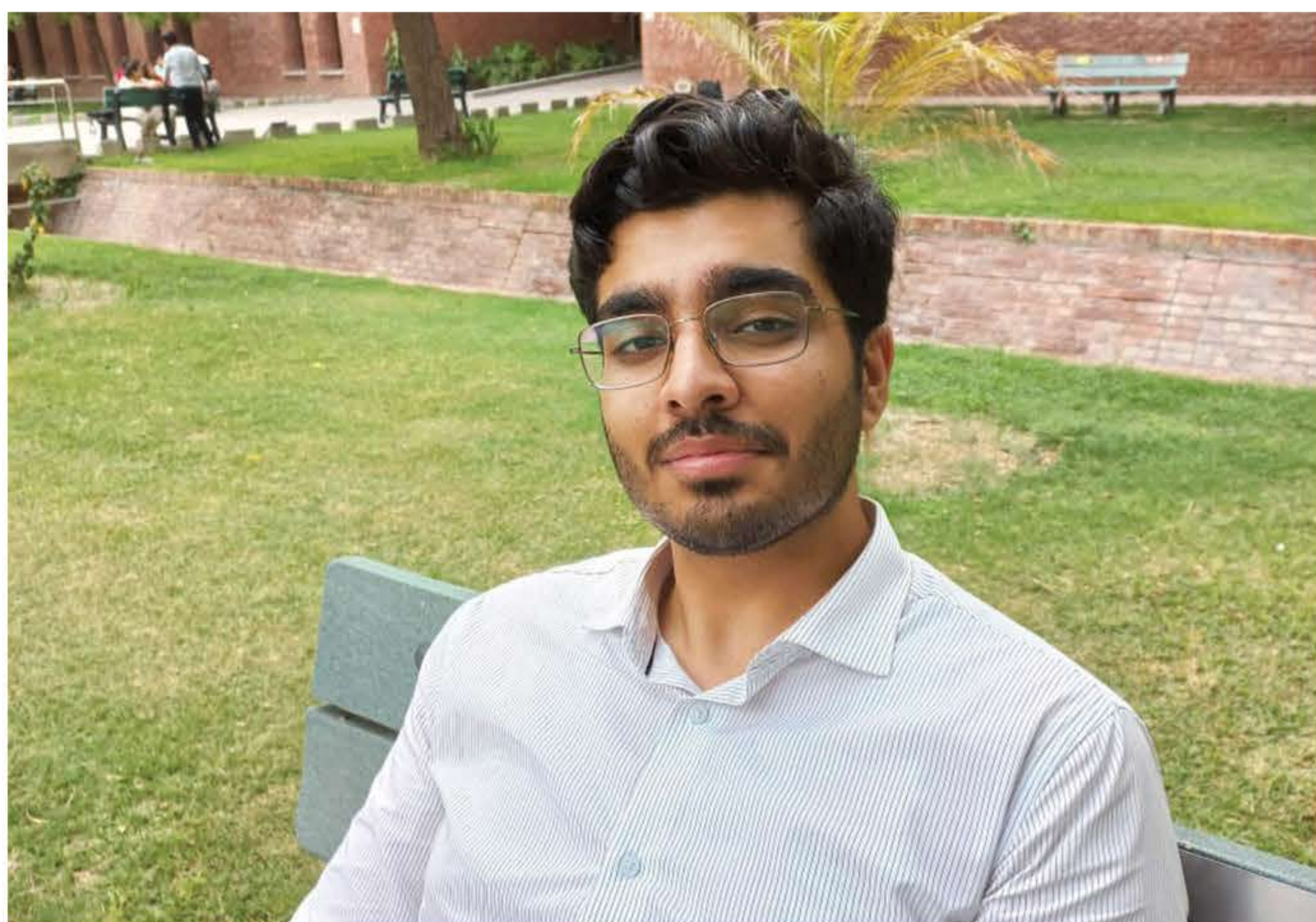
Read more: <https://youtu.be/F7EvJmrNbqE>





# POSTCARDS FROM OUR GRADUATES

## IN CONVERSATION WITH



### **Mr. Yahya Assad Rana**

(Class of 2022)

Analyst, Impetus Advisory Group, Islamabad

#### **Why did you join LUMS?**

Thinking more deeply about issues that I faced in my personal and professional life, and as a person as a whole. I also found that the LLB degree imparted me with a more empathetic view of the world around me, opening my eyes to realities and real experiences that I couldn't even fathom before.

#### **What do you like most about the law school?**

The law school was an incredible experience for me. I have never been in an environment before, where everyone from the classroom staff to the instructors to the administration to the Dean herself felt personally invested in my development and success. The atmosphere was uniquely supportive.

#### **Why should anybody choose a BA-LL.B degree and what are the other opportunities one can avail while studying law?**

The LLB opens up possibilities in almost any career and path that can be imagined. The skills that it imparts; critical thinking, communication, analysis; are useful universally and opens doors for you outside of law that you can capitalise on in almost any environment. With the problems we face as a society becoming more and more complex, having an adaptable and flexible skillset becomes more useful (and necessary) by the day.

#### **Any guiding tips for new students on spending their academic life at LUMS?**

My advice would be to understand that academics, particularly in the law school, is not just to prepare you for a job. If you let it, university can teach you how to learn, how to be more empathetic, how to be more mindful of your actions, how you play a role in the society and open brand new ways of thinking. Don't look at it as office job boot-camp, look at it as an opportunity to understand even the tiniest bit of the world you live in.



### **Ms. Eman Haider**

(Class of 2022)

Master's in Law, LSE, UK (2022 to present)

#### **What do you think is your biggest achievement at LUMS/-SAHSOL? (academic or personal) such as in any leadership position of societies, debates, sports and extra-curricular activities?**

Over the past 5 years, I have grown both professionally and personally into a confident young woman with the capability to engage with people from all walks of life, both learning and contributing along the way. I strived hard and eventually rose to the position of a project head for the Social Outreach Programme inside the LUMS Entrepreneurial Society.

#### **What Challenges did you face when you entered LUMS?**

I hail from the small city of Muzaffarabad, attended urdu speaking schools, and was not enrolled in any academic institution for two consecutive years due to the earthquake during my teenage years. I overcame this by scouring through books and learning not just English but developing a passion for law.

#### **How do you see yourself in the coming years?**

I see myself working pro-bono cases for minorities in Kashmir and women across Pakistan at a socially impactful all female law firm. The first day I entered law school moot court, my mind opened to new possibilities and my ambition to succeed in the legal realm was bolstered.

#### **Tell us about a complex legal issue that you have enjoyed working on?**

I wrote a petition against the TikTok ban and challenged current social media rules. This helped me understand the myriad ways of leveraging complexities in constitutions to achieve desired outcomes. I worked with London based barristers exploring the impact of banning the network on education system and consequently the intellectual development of youth in Jammu and Kashmir.



# LUMS LAW ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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## Law Careers:

Insider Perspectives on Careers in Law and Regulation organised by LUMS LAW ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.



Mr. Syed Shahab Qutub (Partner, Axis Law), Mr. Syed Reza Ali (Partner, Ali & Ali Barristers and Consultants), Ms. Mehvish Muneera (Company Secretary and General Counsel, HBL Microfinance Bank), Ms. Sadia Khan (Commissioner, SECP) and Mr. Zaki Rahman (Partner, FGE Ebrahim Hosain & Adjunct Faculty SAHSOL)

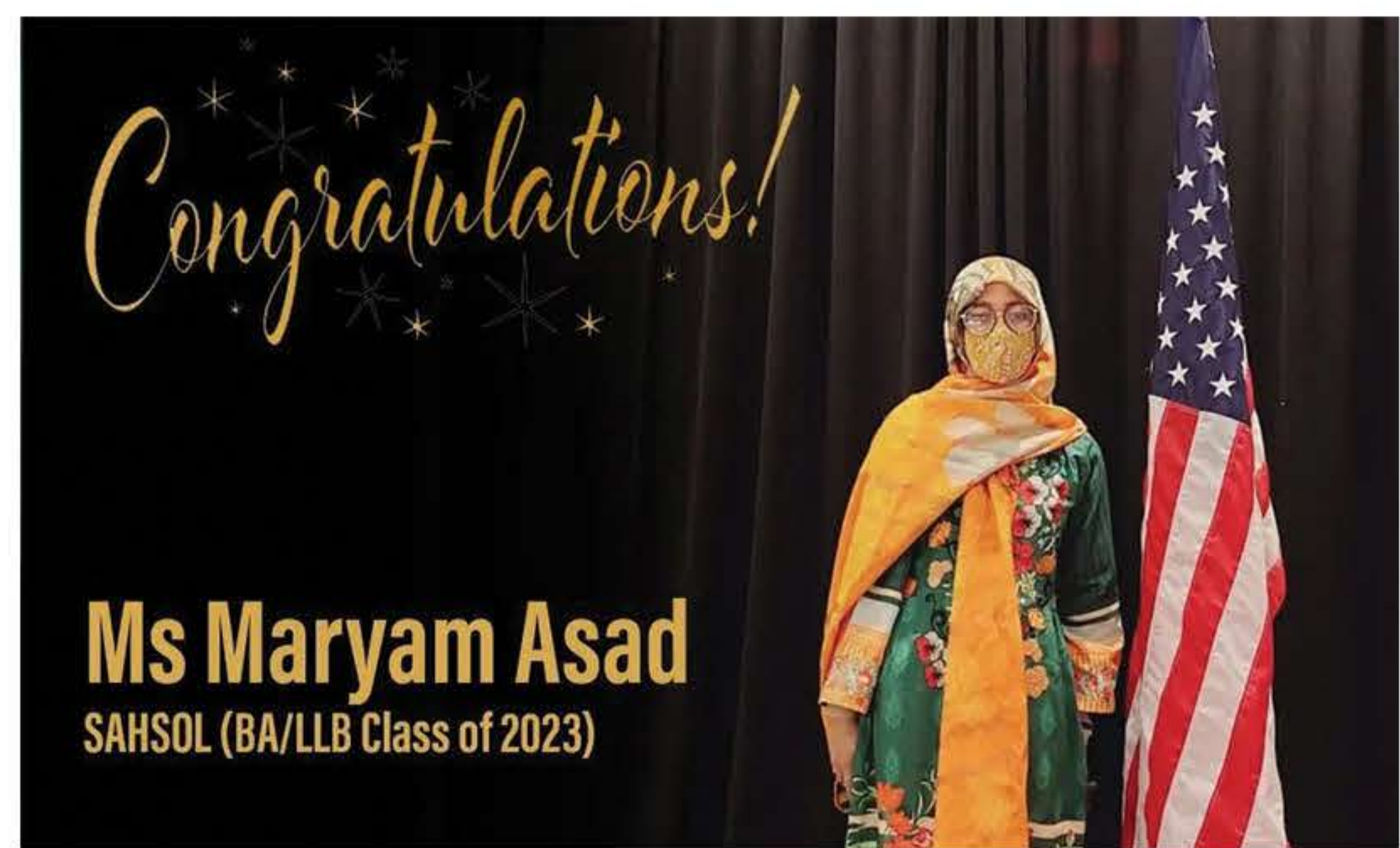


# SAHSOL STUDENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The LUMS SAHSOL Mooting Team comprising of Ms. Aleezay Saeed (President Law and Politics Society), Ms. Laiba Amjad Lone (Lead Speaker 1), and Mr. Syed Qasim Abbas took part in the regional rounds of the 16th Henry Dunant Moot Court Competition organised by the International Committee of the Red Cross - ICRC Dulikhel, Nepal. The team was selected for representing Pakistan in this competition after it had won the national rounds that were organised by the ICRC in Murree, Pakistan. National winning teams from Nepal, India, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, and Pakistan took part in the regional rounds. Furthermore, the team secured second position qualified for the prestigious Asia Pacific Rounds scheduled to be held this year in Hong Kong. The judges of the competition included serving Justices from the Nepal High Court and Supreme Court who greatly acknowledged the SAHSOL mooting team's expertise and skills in the field of law. From the school's administration, Mr. Muhammad Imran (Deputy Manager, SAHSOL) accompanied the students at both the rounds.



Another Mooting team (Mr Musa Saeed, Ms Laiba Tariq and Mr Waqar Akbar) participated at the Demmings Law School Moot court competition.



Ms. Wardah Noor (BA-LL.B 2023) was awarded the Youth Excellence Award by the Prime Minister of Pakistan in August this year. Ms. Noor is the founder of KhudKaar, an organisation dedicated to capacity building and poverty alleviation in Layyah.

Ms. Maryam Asad (BA-LL.B 2023) will be representing LUMS as a Cultural Ambassador of Pakistan in U.S Department of State in their Global Undergraduate Program for Fall 2022.



Mr. Muhammad Aun Abbas and Mr. Muhammad Rafeh (BA-LL.B 2023) published an article on 'Disability Laws in Pakistan: A Critical and Contextual Study' in the South Asian Law Review Journal (volume 8), by the Law Brigade Publisher. Read more: <https://sal-rj.thelawbrigade.com/articles/disability-laws-in-pakistan-a-critical-contextual-study/>

Ms. Faqiha Amjad and Mr. Syed Qasim Abbas (BA-LL.B 2024) are representing Pakistan in Washington D.C through their fully funded Global Undergraduate Exchange Programme. Both will be enrolled in Endicott College, Massachusetts and Winona State University, Minnesota for the Spring 2023 semester, respectively.



Ms. Aleezay Saeed (BA-LL.B 2024) moderated a discussion session to raise awareness in establishing a comprehensive National Youth Policy Framework at the Youth General Assembly in Lahore.



# THE LAW AND POLITICS SOCIETY

A talk on ‘Our Economic Conundrum: A Cyclical Affair’ by Barrister Hammad Azher (Former Energy Minister) and it was moderated by Professor Uzair J. Kayani.



A talk on the ‘NAB Laws’ by Justice Asim Hafeez and moderated by Ms Angbeen Atif Mirza (Assistant Professor).

A discussion on Shahrugh Jatoi’s acquittal. Panelists included; Mr. Asad Rahim Khan (Lawyer, Adjunct Faculty), Mr. Saroop Ijaz (Lawyer and Adjunct Faculty) and Ms. Sarah Belal (Founder Justice Project Pakistan). The session was moderated by Ms. Hiba Akbar (Visiting Assistant Professor).

A talk on ‘Judicial Appointments’ at the opening of the 2nd Intra LUMS Moot Court Competition 2022. Panelists included Mr. Senator Raza Rabbani, Advocate Mr. Irfan Qadir, Ms. Nida Usman Chaudhary and Mr. Salahuddin Ahmad. It was moderated by Mr. Bakhtawar Bilal Soofi.

LPS organized a legal awareness workshop at the Nur Leadership Program, Fatima Memorial Hospital, Lahore.

## STUDENT SUPPORT AT SAHSOL

### Pod PALS at SAHSOL

We have hired 12 Pod Pals to mentor students and to help manage the program and to develop manuals and SOPs.



### A Survey of Legal Firms in Pakistan

Over the months of September & October 2022 our staff conducted comprehensive interviews with leading law firms, NGOs and other partners for student placement in Lahore. The endeavor is to compile a searchable database for students seeking to develop strategies for their own career development. The firms and organisations were asked to share information about areas of practice, corporate structure, hiring and advancement criteria and processes.

In addition, they were asked to share feedback about SAHSOL graduates and input for further programmatic development. In all, over 19 law firms and three NGOs were thus interviewed, and we plan on carrying out a similar exercise with organisations in other parts of Pakistan. Soon, the cumulate results of these surveys will be posted online in a searchable form for students to be able to make informed decisions as they start to navigate the legal job market.

### Faculty Batch Representative System

Amongst SAHSOL faculty Ms. Hiba Akbar and Ms. Madiha Talat are batch reps advising our current pre-law students in ways to navigate their early years of education at LUMS.



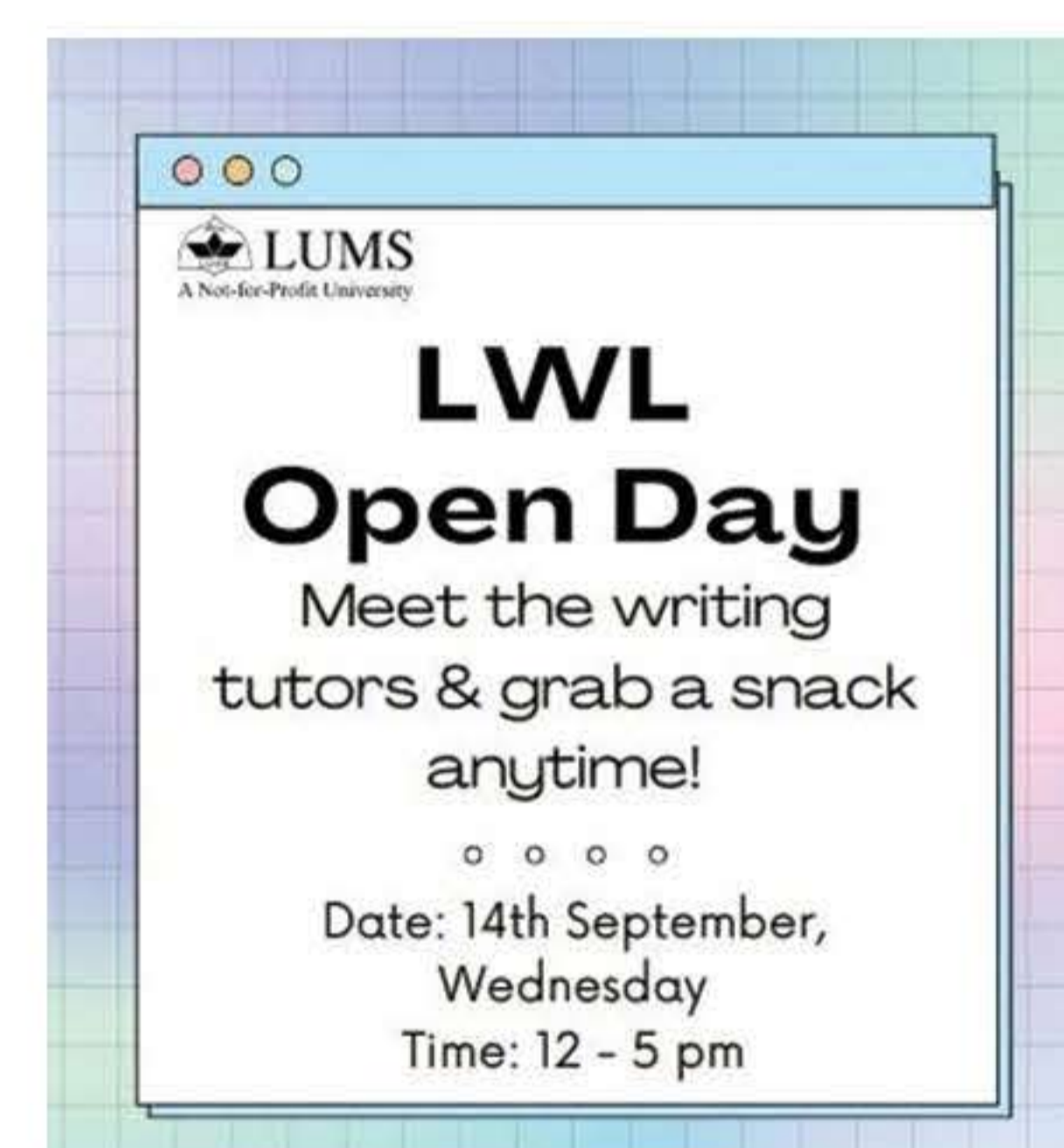
Hiba Akbar



Madiha Talat

### Legal Writing Lab at SAHSOL

The Legal Writing Lab instructors from the previous year worked over the summer to produce legal writing manuals. These will be of immeasurable aid to the second cohort of legal writing lab tutors who were trained over the summer months. Some members of the lab will now be working with central advisement unit at LUMS who will provide training to our tutors regarding argumentation & logical reasoning for papers and presentations.



#### SECOND COHORT OF LEGAL WRITING LAB TUTORS



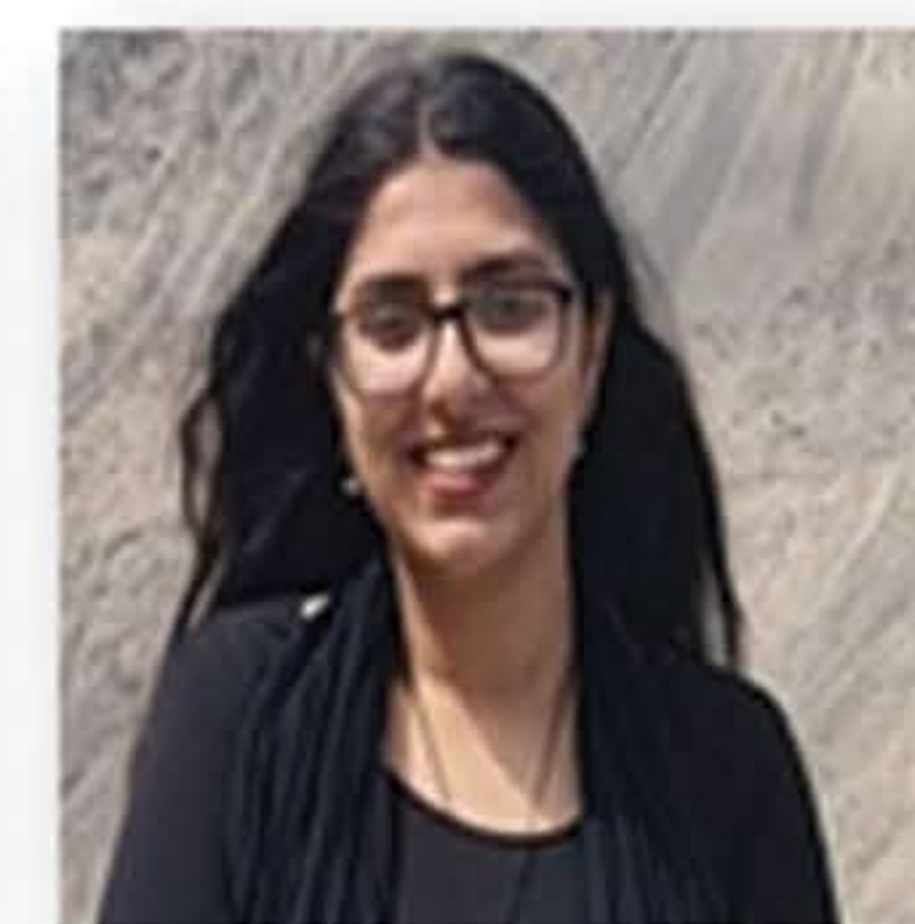
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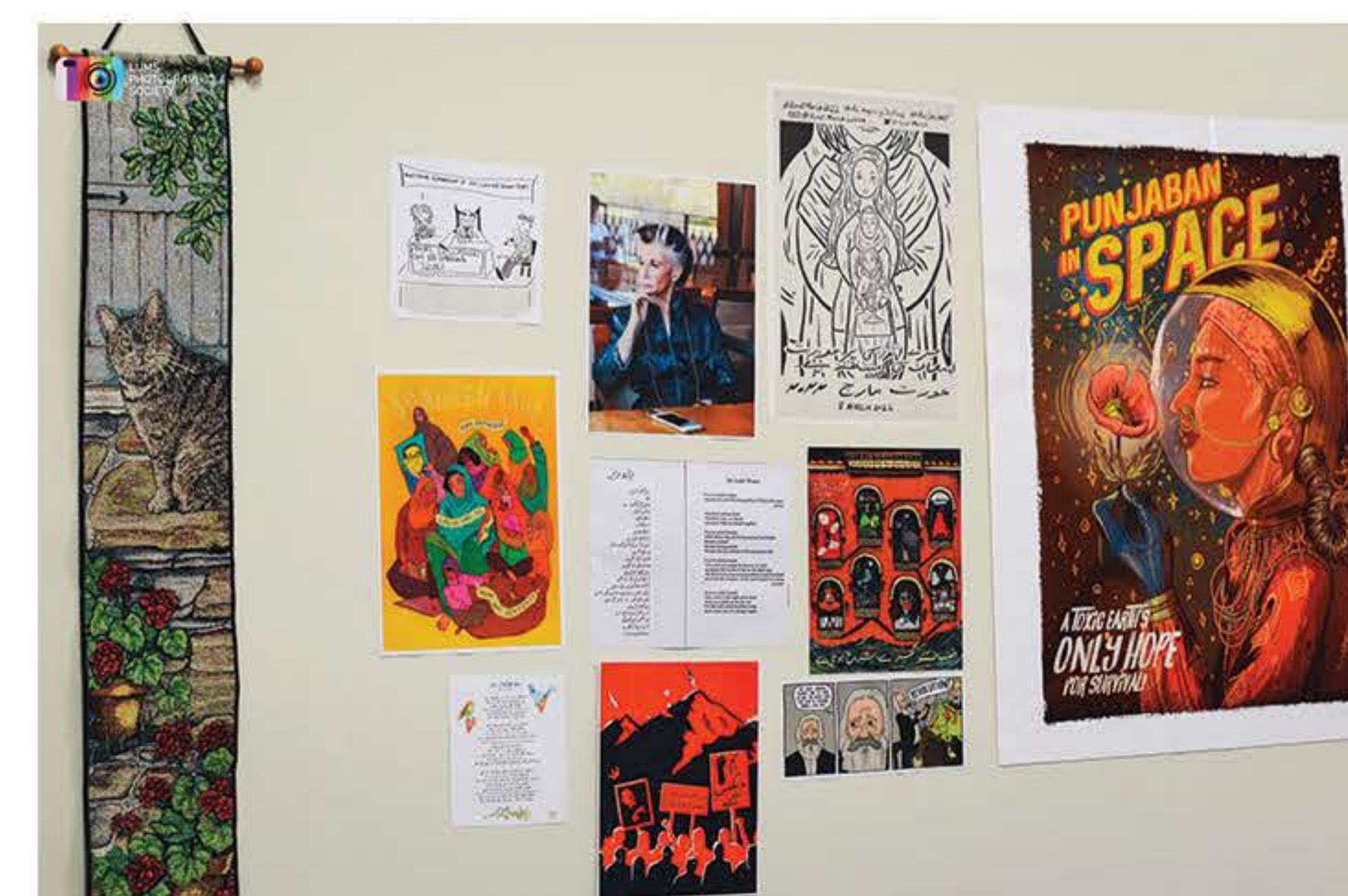
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### Faculty Advising

Last year, our advising unit designed and introduced a reflection form for students to complete prior to meeting with their assigned faculty advisor to encourage a more meaningful and structured interaction. In fall 2022, this system is being further enhanced by implementing Zambel blocks or “advising holds” for all super-senior year students so that every student has an opportunity to receive professional guidance before they graduate from the law school.





# EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

## Student visit of Investigation Branch of District Lahore

Mr. Saroop Ijaz, Instructor of the course Criminal Law Practicum: Police, Accountability and Reforms in Pakistan, arranged a class visit of Lahore Investigation Headquarter where students of the class met with DIG, SSP and SP (Investigation Branch of the District Lahore).



## Trip to National History Museum, Great Iqbal Park, Lahore

Ms Hiba Akbar, Instructor of the course Pakistan Legal System arranged a class tour to National History Museum, greater Iqbal Park. The various displays and installations provide a wonderful opportunity to enliven the discussion of the nations founding.



## A Day trip to District and Session Court

SAHSOL arranged two trips to district & session courts for the BA/LLB Class of 2024 and 2025 separately. The trip enriched our students' understanding of law in practice and judicial functions in courts.

# A FLASHBACK AND FAREWELL NOTES TO LAW CLASS OF 2022



"I can't wait to see you all through your journeys in practice, further study, and service. You folks made lasting contributions to our program and structure at a very challenging time. Don't give in to the dark side of the force and keep in touch."

Professor Uzair Kayani

You're truly special since you rode through the punishing trials and tribulations thrown up by the pandemic to complete your graduation. Pursue your passions and stay true to yourselves!"

Dr Adnan Sattar

"You make LUMS what it is! Congratulations on entering a new phase of life in which you will always be welcomed by us at LUMS to face the challenges and celebrate the successes ahead of you!"

Dr Faiza Ismail

"In this batch, I have come across some of the brightest and kindest human beings. Hoping the future holds exceptional opportunities for all of them. Happy graduation!"

Ms. Marva Khan





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