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ACTIVITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF **MASS COMMUNICATION**

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Learning by Doing

I am pleased to see the active role of the Department of Mass Communication, FUUAST Islamabad. In today's world, learning is not limited to the classroom; practical work is equally important, especially in the field of media and communication.

The department is providing students with practical opportunities through different activities, events and academic projects. Such activities help students improve their skills and also contribute to the better image and progress of the University.

I appreciate the efforts of the department and wish the students and faculty continued success.



Dr. Zabta Khan Shinwari(SI, TI)
Vice Chancellor FUUAST



Learning through practice

It has always been my effort, as a teacher and now as the Departmental Coordinator, to promote practical learning along with classroom education in the Department of Mass Communication. I believe that students learn better when they get opportunities to practice and experience media work by themselves.



Dr Sikander Zarren
Assistant Professor & Departmental Coordinator

For this reason, our department regularly organizes academic, research and media-related activities where students take part and develop practical skills. It is encouraging to see our graduates working in different areas of the media industry, while many of our current students are also working alongside their studies in fields such as film production, news media, production and opinion writing. Media Chronicle is a brief record of the academic, research, co-curricular and practical activities of the department during the Spring Semester 2026. It reflects the efforts of our faculty and students and the learning environment we continue to build in the department.



Call for Papers for Green Journalism Conference

March 3rd 2026



ONE DAY NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON

GREEN JOURNALISM

Brief details

The Department of Mass Communication announced the Call for Papers for the **1st ever Green Journalism Conference.**

The call invited researchers, academics, media professionals and students to contribute research papers on media, climate change and environmental issues.
Conference Secretary: Dr. Sikander Ali Zarren

ONE DAY NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON GREEN JOURNALISM

Organized by
DEPARTMENT OF MASS COMMUNICATION
Federal Urdu University of Arts, Sciences & Technology (FUUAST), Islamabad

In collaboration with
OIC COMSTECH (STI Policy Research Centre)

11 JUNE 2026
Venue: COMSTECH Secretariat, Shahrah-e Dastor, Islamabad

PATRON-IN-CHIEF
PROF. DR. ZABTA KHAN SHINWARI
Tamgha-e-Imtiaz, Sitara-e-Imtiaz Vice Chancellor,
Federal Urdu University (FUUAST)

JOIN THE DIALOGUE FOR A GREENER TOMORROW

ONE DAY CONFERENCE ON GREEN JOURNALISM
Media, Climate & Societal Responsibility

Session Time
11:00 to 12:00 Noon

Date : Thursday, 11 June 2026

Organized By,
Department of Mass Communication
Federal Urdu University of Arts, Sciences & Technology
Islamabad

In Collaboration with
Science Communication & Diplomacy, OIC-COMTECH

Venue : OIC-COMTECH Secretariat, Islamabad.

Patron in Chief
Prof. Dr. Zabta Khan Shinwari (VC FUUAST)

Patron in Chief
Prof. Dr. M. Iqbal Chaudhary CG, COMSTECH

Session (I) Media Experts

Distinguished Media Speaker
Javed Chaudhry

Distinguished Media Speaker
Azaz Syed

Moderator
Dr. Sikander Zarren

Session Chair
Prof. Dr. Javaid Khurshid

Keynote International Message
Dr. Margaret Otieno

Distinguished Media Speaker
Rauf Klasra

Distinguished Media Speaker
Mahnoor Qureshi

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Lectures by Polish Professor Dr. Maria Elenora

April 6th & 7th 2026

Brief details

Polish Professor Dr. Maria Elenora delivered lectures for the students of the Department of Mass Communication. The sessions provided students with an Opportunity to learn from an international academic and gain exposure to global perspectives In media and communication.

Organizers:

Dr. Faisal Javaid

Dr. Sikander Zarren



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Books Donation by Providenta Books Foundation (NPO)

April 15th 2026

Brief details

Providenta Books Foundation donated books to support the academic and learning needs of students.

The activity encouraged reading and helped strengthen educational resources for the students of the Department.



Providenta Books Foundation donates books to Federal Urdu University, MoU signed

BY: Special Correspondent

ISLAMABAD— Providenta Books Foundation, a non-profit organization, has donated a collection of books to the Federal Urdu University to promote academic and research activities. The Foundation's Program Coordinator, Rabia Iqbal, along with other officials visited the university where a brief yet dignified ceremony was held for the handover of books. The books were formally received by Dr. Faisal Javed, Deputy Director ORIC and Head of the Department of International Relations and Mass Communication. On the occasion, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was also signed between the two institutions. Both sides expressed their commitment to collaboration in academic and research fields. Dr. Faisal Javed said the university is making a significant contribution in teaching and research, particularly in International Relations. He added that the university regularly organizes interna-



tional conferences, seminars and academic sessions. He further stated that the university is keen to work with the Providenta Books Foundation and plans to arrange visits of students to the think tank. He also appreciated the Foundation for donating the books. Rabia Iqbal said the Foundation is actively working in the fields of research and publication in Islamabad and Karachi. She added that they look forward to building academic and literary collaboration with the Federal Urdu University.

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نان پرافٹ آرگنائزیشن کی پروگرام کو آڈیو نیٹر کا اردو یونیورسٹی کا دورہ

یونیورسٹی کو کتابیں ڈونیت کیں، تقریب میں ڈپٹی ڈائریکٹر نے کتابیں وصول کیں

اسلام آباد (نیوز پورٹر) مقامی نان پرافٹ Providentia Books Foundation نے فیڈرل اردو یونیورسٹی اسلام آباد کو کتابیں ڈونیت کیں۔ نان پرافٹ آرگنائزیشن کی پروگرام کو آڈیو نیٹر بیچہ اقبال اور دیگر حکام نے منگل کو یونیورسٹی کا دورہ کیا۔ یونیورسٹی کو کتابیں ڈونیت کیں۔ کتابیں فراہم کرنے کی مختصر مگر باوقار تقریب منعقد ہوئی۔ یونیورسٹی کے ORIC کے ڈپٹی ڈائریکٹر اور صدر شعبہ آئی آر و ماس کمیونیکیشن ڈاکٹر فیصل جاوید نے کتابیں وصول کیں۔ اس موقع پر ایم او یو پر دستخط کئے گئے۔ دونوں اداروں نے تعلیمی و تصنیفی میدان میں باہمی تعاون کے عزم کا اظہار کیا۔ ڈاکٹر فیصل جاوید کا کہنا تھا فیڈرل اردو یونیورسٹی بین الاقوامی تعلقات کے شعبے میں قابل ذکر تعلیمی و تحقیقی حصہ ڈال رہی ہے۔ انٹرنیشنل کانفرنسز، سیمینار اور دیگر سیشنز کا وقتاً فوقتاً انعقاد کرتی رہتی ہے۔

Organized by:

- Department of Mass Communication
- Providenta Books Foundation



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Photo Exhibition at Pakistan National Council of the Arts

April 18th 2026

Brief details

Students and faculty participated in a photo exhibition held at PNCA in collaboration with the Embassy of Russia. The activity provided students with an opportunity to explore photography, visual communication and cultural representation.



Launching Ceremony of the 4th Edition of Deep Newspaper

April 24th 2026

Brief details

The fourth edition of Deep Newspaper, a student-focused departmental publication, was launched. The newspaper provides students with practical experience in news writing, reporting, editing and media production.

Organizer & Editor: Dr. Sikander Ali Zarren



Freedom of Press Rally

May 4th 2026

Brief details

The Department of Mass Communication Organized a freedom of the Press Rally to mark World Press Freedom Day. The rally was led by Vice Chancellor FUUAST Dr. Zabta Khan Shinwari and Vice Chancellor of Benazir Bhutto Women University Peshawar Dr. Safia. Faculty members and Students participated in the rally and raised slogans in support of freedom of the press and freedom of expression in Pakistan and around the world.

The event organizer, Dr. Sikander Zarren, said that this was the first time the department organized the rally. He added that the Freedom of the Press Rally will now be organized every year on 3 May to highlight the importance of press freedom and freedom of expression.

Organizer: Dr. Sikander Zarren



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Participation in International Climate Change Conference

May 7th & 8th 2026

Brief details

Faculty members and students of the Department of Mass Communication participated in an International Climate Change Conference held at Serena Hotel, Islamabad. The participation supported the department's ongoing efforts to promote environmental awareness and protection through media and Green Journalism. It also provided students with an opportunity to learn about climate change, its social and environmental impacts, and the role of media in creating public awareness.



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Participation in National-Level Anniversary Ceremony of Marka-e-Haq

May 8th 2026

Brief details

Special Guest: Attaullah Tarar, Federal Minister for Information and Broadcasting

Students of the Department of Mass Communication participated in the national-level anniversary ceremony of Marka-e-Haq. During the event, students also had the opportunity to meet Federal Minister for Information and Broadcasting.



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E-Journalism Projects: Podcast Publication

May 13th 2026

Brief details

Students presented their E-Journalism projects in the form of podcasts. The activity provided practical experience in digital storytelling, audio production, content creation and podcast journalism.



Internship Opportunities and Interviews for Pakistan Matters Media Channel

May 22nd 2026Event

Brief details

Interviews were conducted for internship placement of students of the Department of Mass Communication at Pakistan Matters Media Digital Channel Channel. The initiative provided students with an opportunity to gain practical experience and exposure to the professional media industry



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PEHEL News First Anniversary Cake-Cutting Ceremony June 3rd 2026

Brief details

The Department celebrated the first anniversary of PEHEL News, the university's digital news channel managed by the Department of Mass Communication, with a cake-cutting ceremony. PEHEL News covers the university's day-to-day academic and other activities and also provides students with practical opportunities to learn digital journalism and media production. The anniversary recognized the efforts of students and faculty in making the platform active and useful.



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Farewell Party of the Department of Mass Communicationn

June 8th 2026

Brief details

The Students of the Department organized a farewell party to recognize and appreciate the graduating students. The event provided an opportunity for students and faculty to celebrate their academic journey together.



Tree Plantation Drive

June 9th 2026

Brief details

The Department of Mass Communication organized a tree plantation drive as a starter activity for the Green Journalism Conference. The activity highlighted the importance of environmental responsibility and encouraged students to take practical action for a greener environment.



Supervised by Dr.Sikandar Zarren



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International Green Journalism Conference
Theme: Green Journalism: Media, Climate & Societal Responsibility
June 11th 2026

Brief details

June 11th 2026Event: International Green Journalism Conference
Theme: Green Journalism: Media, Climate & Societal ResponsibilityBrief Details
The Department of Mass Communication organized Pakistan’s First Green Journalism Conference in collaboration with OIC–COMSTECH. It was the third major initiative of the Department on Green Journalism, following the introduction of a Green Journalism course and the publication of a Green Journalism magazine.
The conference brought together professors and researchers from different universities, leading journalists, media professionals and students. Federal Minister for Information and Broadcasting Atta Tarar was the Chief Guest. Students presented research posters and documentaries, while the conference received live coverage from major Pakistani media channels.Conference Secretary & Organizer: Dr. Sikander Ali Zarren



Internship Viva

June 17th 2026

Brief details

Internship viva examinations were conducted for students of the Department of Mass Communication. The activity provided an opportunity to assess students' practical learning and professional experience gained during their internships.

Supervisor: Dr. Sher Juni



Launching Ceremony of the 5th Edition of Deep Newspaper

june 30th 2026Event

Brief details

The 5th edition of Deep Newspaper was launched by the Department of Mass Communication. The publication reflects the practical work of students in journalism, reporting, writing, editing and digital media production.



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1st Pakistan–Russia Student Research Conference

July 7th 2026

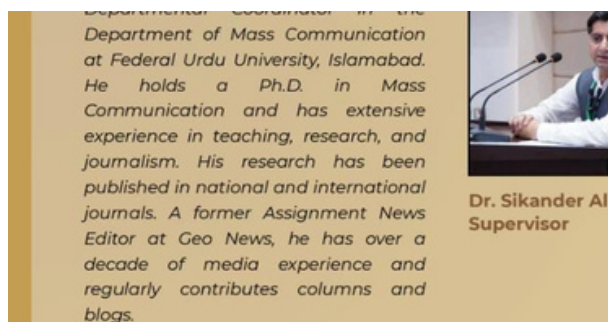
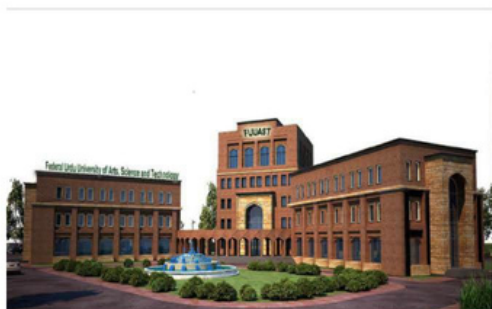
Brief details

The first Pakistan–Russia Student Research Conference was organized by the IR Department to provide students with an international platform for sharing their research ideas and academic work. The Students of Mass Communication presented their research paper under the supervision of Assistant Professor Dr. Sikander Zarren.



FUUA, Financial University Moscow, CAPES to hold Pakistan–Russia international student research conference

The Department of International Relations, Federal Urdu University of Arts, Science and Technology (FUUA), Islamabad, the Faculty of Social Sciences, Financial University under the Government of the Russian Federation and the Consortium of Asia Pacific and Eurasian Studies (CAPES) will jointly organize the Pakistan–Russia International Student Research Conference 2025–2026 on 6 July as an online conference.



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OUR GRADUATES

Students who completed their degree in Spring 2026

BS-Mass Communication Fall 2022-Spring 2026(Batch-3)

- 1.Syeda Sakina Aasma Kousar
- 2.Abdul Wahab Aslam
- 3.Afifa Naheed
- 4.Ahmed Mukhtiar
- 5.Anfal Fatima
- 6.Areeba Pervaiz
- 7.Ayesha Aftab
- 8.Ejaz Ahmed
- 9.Furqan Mustafa Minhas
- 10.Hafsa Aziz
- 11.Hasnain Ali Ahmed
- 12.Hassan Mehmood
- 13.Hira Tariq
- 14.Hira Zaidi
- 15.Irtaza Nasir
- 16.Jawad Ahmed Abbasi
- 17.Khizer Taj
- 18.Malik Mobeen
- 19.Mehran Ali
- 20.Mourij Javed
- 21.Mudassar Abdul Wahab
- 22.Muhammad Asif
- 23.Muhammad Hamza Saleem
- 24.Muhammad Waqas
- 25.Nayab Fatima
- 26.Noor Bibi
- 27.Rizwan Jehangir
- 28.Saqlain Naeem
- 29.Sehrish
- 30.Sohaib Jahangir
- 31.Syeda Hadia Jaffri
- 32.Syeda Mahnoor Naqvi
- 33.Syeda sakina Hussain
- 34.Umair Razzaq
- 35.Waseem Akram
- 36.Zain-ul-Abideen
- 37.Zakir Hussain



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OUR GRADUATES

Students who completed their degree in Spring 2026
Post ADP Mass Communication: Fall 2024–Spring 2026

1. Hadia Rubab
2. Khalida Naveed
3. Lubna Ijaz
4. Muhammad Hamza
5. Nimra Jabeen
6. Rubab Fatima
7. Shamayam Tariq
8. Sundas Naz



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