

Special Issue

A look into a week of learning and new experiences



Summer Excellence Program

Salim Habib University conducted a **Summer Excellence Program** for students of **leading colleges** and **high schools**. The weeklong program, held from July 3 to July 9, 2023, consisted of mentoring & training sessions, motivational speaker sessions, professional development workshops, and a range of opportunities for learning and networking, allowing students to socialize and interact with their peers, engage in intellectual discourse, learn from industry experts, and ultimately, have a fun and enriching experience.

Participating schools and colleges included Karachi Grammar School, Beaconhouse School System, The City School, Nixor College, Cedar College, Whales College, Aga Khan Higher Secondary School, and more institutions of renown.



THE TRANSFORMATIONAL JOURNEY OF A LIFETIME

- ✓ Professional Development Workshops and Sessions on:
 - Effective Communication
 - e-Commerce & Freelancing
 - Digital Marketing & Entrepreneurship
 - The Art of Transformative Growth
 - AI-Robotics Fusion
- ✓ Motivational Speaker Sessions
- ✓ Rang-e-Zaryoun featuring Ali Zaryoun
- ✓ Day Trip to Dreamworld Resort



JULY 3-9, 2023

DAY 1

Day 1 of the Summer Excellence Program (Monday, July 3, 2023), consisted of the Opening Ceremony for the program, a motivational session titled *Drive to Thrive*, and GameQuest.

The Opening Ceremony, which took place in the University's MBB Auditorium, included addresses by **Dr. Muhammad Hussain Habib**, Director Education & Admissions, Marketing, HR & Admin, and **Mr. Kumail Raza**, Executive Outreach & PR. The ceremony set the precedent for how the rest of the week of the Summer Excellence Program would be.



Drive to Thrive, a highly interactive motivational session conducted by **Mr. Samad Abbas**, Corporate Trainer & Influencer, engaged the audience via physical activity and group activities as well as inspirational anecdotes and stories and had everyone present captivated.



GameQuest, a gaming segment of the program with both e-gaming and physical games that thrilled gaming enthusiasts and enabled them to exhibit their prowess, while giving participants a chance to relax and play, was the perfect end to the first day of the program.



DAY 2

The second day of the program had a lineup of incredible sessions, such as *From Pen to Podium*, *The Recipe for Success*, *Free from Fear*, and *Connect, Care & Contribute*.

From Pen to Podium was a workshop on Effective Communication that was conducted by **Mr. Asim Rashid**, CEO CreativeSwan and Lead Consultant, Pakistan Society for Training and Development, and was a huge success with the participating students.



The Recipe for Success, an interactive seminar that engaged the audience wholly, and taught them how to use what you have to be successful in life, was conducted by **Dr. Muhammad Hussain Habib**, Director Education & Admissions, Marketing, HR & Admin, Salim Habib University.



Following this, the celebrated philanthropist and President of Indus Hospital & Health Network, **Dr. Abdul Bari Khan**, gave a talk titled *Connect, Care & Contribute*, which was true to its name as Dr. Bari spoke about his vision, his goals, and his never-ending struggle to help the ailing people in Pakistan and to do something for humanity, and his drive to include the youth of Pakistan in his noble mission.



Mr. Kumail Raza, Executive Outreach & PR, Salim Habib University, also delivered a talk titled *Free from Fear* on this packed day.

Students were found to be enjoying this intellectually stimulating second day of the summer program.



DAY 3

Day 3 of the Summer Excellence Program was held on Wednesday, July 5, 2023.

The day consisted of the following sessions:

- *From Startup to Stardom* by trainers from Extreme Commerce Incubation Network, namely **Mr. Moiz Khan**, Co-Founder, Done Rightly, **Mr. Taha Zafar**, Technical Project Head, Extreme Commerce, **Mr. Syed Zaid Mustafa**, Digital Media & Strategy Head, Extreme Commerce, and **Mr. Shaharyar Shafiq**, Digital Marketing Head, Done Rightly.



- *The Art of Transformative Growth* by **Dr. Shamaila Burney**, Head, Career Placement & Industrial Liaison Office, and Assistant Professor, Business Administration, Salim Habib University, which also included a Paint Your Vision Board art activity that was loved by all participants.



Both seminars were highly motivational and used modern techniques to captivate the audience and engage them through practical, hands-on learning.



DAY 4

Day 4 of the program brought to our participants a range of knowledge and learning in the form of the following sessions:

- **The Rise of the Solopreneur: e-Commerce & Freelancing**, conducted by **Mr. M. Talal Raza**, Amazon Business Specialist and Growth Strategist from Extreme Commerce Incubation Network, which was a seminar on the science of entrepreneurship and the strategies behind successful freelance ventures, and effectively using online platforms to achieve rapid professional triumph and accelerated growth.



- **The AI-Robotics Fusion: Powering Innovation**, a workshop that gave participants deep insight into the world of artificial intelligence and the advances being made in the field of biomedical engineering because of developments in AI, which was a collaborative session conducted jointly by faculty members from Computer Science, including **Prof. Dr. Rizwan Ahmed Khan**, Dean, Faculty of IT, **Dr. Samita Bai**, Assistant Professor, **Ms. Saadia Karim**, Lecturer, **Ms. Sidra Nasir**, Lecturer, and Research & Teaching Associates **Mr. M. Owais**, **Ms. Sania Mariam**, and **Mr. Waseem Abdul Rauf**. **Engr. Hassan Ali**, Lecturer, Biomedical Engineering, also conducted a segment of the session.



- **From Setbacks to Comebacks** by **Mr. Salman Qayyum Galani**, Lecturer, Department of Accounting & Finance, Faculty of Management Sciences, Salim Habib University.



CLOSING CEREMONY

The Closing Ceremony of the Salim Habib University Summer Excellence Program, at which the formal segment of the program came to an end and certificates were awarded to participants and volunteers, took place on Thursday, July 6, 2023.



Ms. Dua Siraj and **Ms. Javeria Naqi** from Cedar College and **Mr. Zayed Jabbar** from Karachi Grammar School, participants of the Summer Excellence Program, spoke at the ceremony, sharing their thoughts on the program and their journey at it. **Mr. Kumail Raza**, Executive Outreach & PR, addressed the audience as well. Registrar Prof. **Dr. Kaleem Raza Khan** gave the closing remarks.

Notably present were Vice Chancellor **Prof. Dr. Shakeel Ahmed Khan**, **Dr. Muhammad Hussain Habib**, Director Education & Admissions, Marketing, HR & Admin, and management, faculty, and staff from Salim Habib University.



DAY 5

The highlight of the fifth and second-last day was *Rang-e-Zaryoun*, an intense and soulful mushaira by **Ali Zaryoun**, which the audience enjoyed immensely. Poetess **Sidra Karim** also entranced the audience with some beautiful verses.



DAY 6

The final day of the Salim Habib University Summer Excellence Program consisted of a trip to **Dreamworld Resort, Hotel & Golf Course** for all participants and volunteers, who had a splashing good time! The trip had them indulging in water activities, swimming in sparkling aquamarine pools, bowling, trying their hand at archery, playing games, and a lot more.

We couldn't have asked for a better end to a great week that truly had all the elements of both learning and fun.

All in all, the Summer Excellence Program was a great opportunity that allowed participants to add value to their portfolios and groom themselves both on a professional and personal level.



WHAT DO OUR PARTICIPANTS HAVE TO SAY ABOUT THE SUMMER EXCELLENCE PROGRAM?

Zayed Jabbar

Karachi Grammar School

"The summer program by Salim Habib University has been nothing short of transformative, expanding my horizons and empowering me in ways I never thought possible. From the motivational talks to the interactive activities, I enjoyed every minute of my experience."

"Was an amazing experience. The programs and workshops were excellent. The community was fabulous. Thanks for this wonderful week!"

Luv Kumar Lohano
The City School
(PAF Chapter)

M. Zain-ul-Abideen Hussain

Beaconhouse School System
(Jubilee Campus)

"Thank you, Sir Kumail and team. It was a learning experience full of fun and enjoyment. A week full of excitement."

"A truly great experience! Got to know some of the best people and truly made amazing memories with them. I got to learn a lot from this experience and hats off to Sir Kumail Raza for organizing this program. Thank you so much for this opportunity!"

Javeria Naqi
Cedar College

Kanwal Zehra

Habib Girls College

"The seminars, motivational speeches, and discussions held by the legends we were in the presence of at this Summer Excellence Program were incredibly effective in moulding the mindsets of the youth. I would like to thank Salim Habib University for their efforts in hitting just the right level for the audience."

"Thank you so much for making our summer vacations useful for us! This entire journey was a great experience. From making new friends to listening to the best speakers, everything was perfect. This whole week was the best week of my vacations!"

Yusra Amin Bhatti
Aga Khan Higher Secondary School

Waleed Asif

Blue Jays School
Hyderabad

"It was an excellent journey with you all. Traveling from Hyderabad to Karachi just to take part in this program was surely the best decision of my life. Once again, thank you to all the volunteers and students for standing alongside us and enjoying with us and making our vacations wonderful."

Special Mention: **Mr. Kumail Raza**, Executive Outreach & PR, Salim Habib University, and the Outreach & PR Society, for their extraordinary efforts in making this program a success



ABOUT SALIM HABIB UNIVERSITY

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

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

Salim Habib University, founded by the dynamic **Dr. Muhammad Salim Habib** (Founder of TSHEF and

Life Chairperson, SHU), and the charismatic **Dr. Iram Afaq** (Chief Executive Officer and Founding Member, TSHEF, Deputy Chairman, Barrett Hodgson Pakistan, and Chancellor, SHU), is located at Korangi Creek, Karachi, and spans over six acres of lush landscaping. It boasts ultra-modern infrastructure featuring a five-story academic block with thirty-three state-of-the-art labs, a uniquely-built four-floor library, and world-class sports facilities.

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



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