

MESSAGE FROM THE

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Exciting Updates and Celebrating Excellence



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SBBWUP

I am thrilled to share with you the latest issue of our Women's University Newsletter, covering the period from January to March.

Within these pages, you will find a wealth of engaging content, showcasing the remarkable achievements and endeavors of our university.

As we delve into the pages of this Newsletter, we are reminded of the unwavering dedication and commitment of our faculty, staff, and students. From groundbreaking research to impactful community initiatives, the contributions of each member of our university are truly commendable.

I encourage you to take some time to explore the pages of our Newsletter and celebrate the achievements of our university community. Together, we continue to strive towards our shared vision of excellence in education and research.

I want to express my gratitude to the editors of this newsletter for their dedication in compiling the news reports.

Shaheed Benazir Bhutto Women University Peshawar



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Workshops/ Sessions/ Conferences

WATER FOR FOOD GLOBAL CONFERENCE

Microbiology Department's Assistant Professors Dr. Sumaira Shah and Dr. Mahreen ul Hassan participated in Water for Food Global Conference at the University of Nebraska, USA.



SEMINAR ON THE ROLE OF FACULTY AS NATION-BUILDERS



On 17th October, 2023, the Department of Microbiology, SBBWUP in collaboration with Gujranwala Institute of Future Technologies (GIFT) held a seminar titled “ Role of Faculty as Nation Builders: Developing Nation Builders and Entrepreneurs for the Future”.

FIRST INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON RECENT TRENDS IN IMPROVING RESISTANCE AGAINST DISEASES USING MOLECULAR GENETICS AND OMIC TOOLS

Students of the Department of Microbiology, SBBWUP presented and attended their first International Conference on “ Recent Trends In Improving Resistance Against Diseases Using Molecular Genetics And OMICS Tools”, held at the Abdul Wali Khan University, organized by the College of Veterinary Sciences and Animal Husbandry.



A ONE-DAY SESSION ON “BASICS OF ANIMATION” UNDER NRPU PROJECT



A one-day session titled “Basics of Animation” on January 4, 2024, SBBWUP, led by Dr. Anbarin Fatima and Ms. Shumaila Ashee, delved into the transformative power of animation for Pakistani literature. Renowned 2D animator Najia Ali guided participants through theory and practice, equipping them with skills to animate literary heritage. The event concluded with a certificate ceremony, marking a significant step forward in the NRPU project's mission.

Workshops/ Sessions/ Conferences

TETANUS AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

The Departments of Microbiology and Political Science closely worked together to organize an awareness campaign on Tetanus in collaboration with the Directorate of General Health, KP. The campaign was aimed at spreading awareness among the students.



FIRST INTERNATIONAL WOMEN CONFERENCE IN KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA



SBBWU, Peshawar in collaboration with The UN Refugees Agency (UNHCR) and Sarhad Rural Support Programme (SRSP) organized the first International Women Conference, titled “Breaking Barriers, Building Bridges: Uniting Women’s Voices for a Better World” on 4th and 5th December 2023 at Serena Hotel, Peshawar. On the occasion, Ms. Saba and Ms. Nadia Liaqat, MS scholars from the Department of Microbiology presented their research paper titled “Biochemical Characterization and Antibiotic Resistance of Staphylococcus aureus in Different Clinical Samples from Khyber Teaching Hospital, Peshawar” and “Increasing Trends of Bacterial Infections in a Community” respectively.

WORKSHOP ON THE ROLE OF FACULTY AS NATION BUILDERS

On 17th October, 2023, an engaging and informative workshop titled "The Role of Faculty as Nation Builders: Developing Nation Builders and Entrepreneurs of the Future" was attended by Dr. Fouzia Jabeen, Head of Computer Science Department, Shaheed Benazir Bhutto Women University, Peshawar and Dr. Tabinda.



Workshops/ Sessions/ Conferences

TRAINING PROGRAMME ON DOMESTIC EMERGENCIES AND THEIR PREVENTION

From November 22nd to December 8th, 2023, the Civil Defence Training School conducted a training program entitled "Domestic Emergencies and Prevention." Dr. Fouzia Jabeen, the Head of the Computer Science Department at SBBWUP, was one of the participants.



A TWO-DAY TRAINING WORKSHOP ON “MACHINE LEARNING”



A two-day training workshop on “Machine Learning” was organized by the Department of Computer Science at CECOS University, Peshawar from 10th to 11th October 2023 which was attended by Ms. Rozina Zahir, senior computer lab assistant, SBBWUP.

SBBWUP'S DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE HOSTS GRAPHIC DESIGN WORKSHOP

On October 23rd, 2023, the Department of Computer Science at SBBWUP conducted a day-long orientation workshop dedicated to Graphic Design. Ms. Salma Mussaira, a senior student, served as the instructor for the workshop.



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WORKSHOP ON GOOGLE DEVELOPER GROUPS DEVFEST EVENTS

On December 17th, 2023, SBBWU's Computer Science Department organized a workshop to raise awareness about the upcoming Google Developer Groups DevFest event. Guest speakers Annie, a Google lead from Women Techmaker Peshawar, and Maheen Muzaffar, a University of Peshawar student, shared insights on the event's significance and opportunities. Students left inspired and ready to participate



SESSION ON PEACEBUILDING AMONG DIVERSE FAITH COMMUNITIES



On October 27th, 2023, SBBWUP welcomed a session on Peace Building, organized by Blue Veins NGO, aimed at promoting understanding and harmony among different faith groups.

CONFERENCE ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND WATER RESOURCES: BRIDGING THE GAP FOR SDG6

Ms. Shandana Syed, Lecturer at the Department of Economics, presented a paper in a two-day conference on "Climate Change and Water Resources: Bridging the Gap for SDG6" organized by Bahuddin Zikriya University (BZU), Multan in collaboration with the Center for Water Informatics and Climate Resilience, Institute of Management Sciences, Peshawar.



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CONSULTATIVE SESSION ON YOUTH ISSUES, SOLUTIONS AND WAY FORWARD

On November 1st, 2023, SBBWUP hosted a consultative session by PILDAT and UNDP, centered on youth engagement in elections. Mr. Saeed Khan from the Election Commission of Pakistan and 147 students attended. Dr. Sadaf Bashir led activities, emphasizing youth involvement, while Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Safia Ahmad highlighted their role in democracy. Participants stressed political parties' need to engage youth for stronger democratic processes.



TRAINING WORKSHOP ON PANEL DATA ANALYSIS USING STATS REPORT



The Department of Economics at SBBWUP organized a workshop titled "Panel Data Analysis Using Stats Report" at PIDE, Islamabad, on November 28th, 2023. Dr. Fariah, Dr. Khadija, Miss Saira Khan, and Miss Naila from SBBWUP were the organizers. Dr. Shujaat Farooq and Dr. Abida Naurin from PIDE were the resource persons. The workshop covered topics like first to second generation tests and fixed effect models, providing valuable insights to research students.

BOOK TALK ON "THE WEALTH OF FREEDOM"

A book talk for "The Wealth of Freedom" by Dr. Idrees Masood was held at ERCP, SBBWUP on February 28th, 10:00 AM. Organized by Dr. Khadija, Ms. Saira Khan Afridi, Ms. Sumera Shabnum, and Ms. Huma Johar, with Dr. Fariah, Dr. Hina Haram, Ms. Shandana, and Ms. Maryam Khattak as co-organizers. Dr. Idrees Masood spoke on economic freedom, socialist, and capitalist economies. He thanked the Economics Department faculty and the Vice Chancellor, SBBWUP. Ms. Saira Khan Afridi moderated. Dr. Masood received a certificate and souvenir.



Training Session / ACHIEVEMENTS

EMPOWERING EARLY CAREER FEMALE RESEARCHERS: INSIGHTS FROM THE DIGITAL HUMANITIES WORKSHOP

Ms. Shumaila Ashee and Ms. Beenish, from the Department of English participated in a workshop tailored for early career female researchers titled "Exploring Women in Digital Humanities in Pakistan," jointly organized by Teesside University (UK) and the Islamabad chapter of CWWA on February 23, 2024.



ANIMATING PAKISTANI LITERATURE: SBBWUP'S NRPU TRAINING SESSION

A one-day NRPU training session, led by Dr. Anbarin Fatima and Ms. Shumaila Ashee, showcased the power of animation in promoting Pakistani literature. Guest speaker Sir Syed Saifuddin shared expertise, while VC Prof. Dr. Safia Ahmad praised efforts. Students' animated clips impressed all, marking a promising step in the project.



RESPONSIBLE DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP WORKSHOP HELD AT SBBWU, PESHAWAR



The Centre for Excellence in Journalism (CEJ) at the Institute of Business Administration (IBA) held a training session "Responsible Digital Citizenship Workshop" on December 19th, 2023 at SBBWU, Peshawar. The event was organized by Dr. Sadaf Bashir, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science in collaboration with CEJ. Ms. Amber Rahim Shamsi, Director CEJ, while a multimedia journalist was the trainer. Around 50 students from the Departments of Political Science, Law, and English attended the workshop. Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dr. Safia Ahmad (T.I) also emphasized the importance of developing critical thinking skills of students to assess and verify online content.

VICE-CHANCELLOR PRESENTS SCHOLARSHIPS TO COMPUTER SCIENCE STUDENTS



The Computer Science Department at SBBWUP awarded scholarships to two deserving students, presented by Vice-Chancellor Prof. Dr. Safia Ahmed. The scholarships were generously funded by the department's faculty.

ACHIEVEMENTS

DR. SADIA NAZEER: A TRIUMPH IN ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT



Sadia Nazeer, Asst. Professor English Department, successfully completed her PhD Degree in English Literature from International Islamic University Islamabad.

DR. SADIA BUTT HONORED WITH SHAUKAT KHANUM INSTITUTIONAL AMBASSADOR SHIELD FOR BLOOD DONATION INITIATIVES

Shaukat Khanum Memorial Hospital presented Dr. Sadia Butt with the Shaukat Khanum Institutional Ambassador Shield in recognition of her dedication and initiative in organizing blood donation camps at the university.



COMPUTER SCIENCE STUDENTS SHOWCASE PROJECTS AT USAID EVENT



On November 7th, 2023, the Department of Computer Science at SBBWUP presented their innovative projects at a USAID-organized event held at Serena

ACHIEVEMENTS / PUBLICATIONS

MS. DUA FROM SBBWUP WINS THIRD PRIZE IN DEBATE ON YOUTH AND CLIMATE CHANGE AT NATIONAL STUDENTS CONVENTION 2023

On November 17th, as part of the National Students Convention 2023, Shah Abdul Latif Bhatti University, Khairpur, Sindh, organized a debate competition. Ms. Dua, representing the Computer Science Department of SBBWUP, participated and was awarded the third prize. The competition delved into the topic of 'The Role of Youth in Addressing Climate Change Challenges and Promoting Peace.'"



SUCCESS STORY: MS. HINA GUL DEFENDS MS THESIS IN MICROBIOLOGY AT SBBWUP



Dr. Nadia Bibi supervised Ms. Hina Gul, an MS scholar from SBBWUP's Department of Microbiology, as she successfully defended her MS thesis.

RESEARCH MILESTONE: MS. SAIMA RAMZAN PUBLISHES PAPER ON NEWS ARTICLE CLASSIFICATION

Ms. Saima Ramzan MS (CS) scholar published her research paper titled “Advancements in News Article Classification: Approaches in Machine Learning and Deep Learning across Sports, Entertainment, Politics, Business, and Weather Domains” in Y category journal; VAWKUM Transaction on Computer Sciences under the supervision of Dr. Fouzia Jabeen.

ACHIEVEMENTS/ EVENTS

PHD ACHIEVEMENT: ADVANCING UNDERSTANDING OF ESG FACTORS IN INVESTMENT DECISIONS

Dr. Mehwish Bilal, dedicated academician, Department of Management Sciences. She recently completed her PhD, focusing her research on the impact of Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) factors on investment decisions.



EXPLORING ECOCRITICAL DISCOURSE IN KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA'S ENGLISH TEXTBOOKS



Shumaila Ashee, a Lecturer in the Department of English, presented her paper titled "Ecocritical Discourse Analysis of Representation of Man-Nature Relationship in English Textbooks of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa" at the International Conference "Breaking Barriers Through Diversity and Inclusivity," held from February 26th to 29th, 2024. The paper was co-authored by Ms. Shandana, a BS student from Shaheed Benazir Bhutto Women University Dr. Maria Staton who is an Overseas Collegiate Professor, University of Maryland Global Campus, Asia Division, Okinawa, Japan

CONDUCTION OF FIRST MS VIVA BATCH-2019 MICROBIOLOGY

On 27th December, 2023 the Department of Microbiology, SBBWUP proudly conducted their first MS viva for the batch of 2019 supervised by Dr. Sadia Butt and Dr. Mahreen-ul-Hassan.



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CONDUCTION OF FIRST MS VIVA BATCH-2020 MICROBIOLOGY



The Department of Microbiology, SBBWUP conducted their first MS viva for the batch of 2020 under the supervision of Dr. Mahreen-ul-Hassan.

ANNUAL BLOOD DONATION CAMP: COLLABORATION WITH SHAUKAT KHANUM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

On November 21st, 2023, the Department of Microbiology collaborated with the SBBWUP Blood Donation Society to host a blood donation camp in conjunction with Shaukat Khanum Memorial Hospital. The camp was led by Dr. Sadia Butt, the Shaukat Khanum Institutional Ambassador (2022-2024). Her ongoing dedication to organizing and supervising this annual event ensures that blood donors receive 17 complimentary blood tests and a certificate of appreciation.



6TH DOSTI PESHAWAR DEBATE ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND PROMOTING ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

On 16th January 2024 the Department of Economics, Shaheed Benazir Bhutto Women University, Peshawar, in collaboration with the Dosti Welfare Organization and National Commission for Human Development, NCHD proudly wrapped off the 6th Dosti Peshawar debate session, exhibiting a captivating conversation on climate change and promoting sustainability. Mr.Afsar Khan, Deputy Director of Climate Change, EPA was the chief guest on the occasion. Organizers were Dr.Fariha Sami, assistant professor, Department of Economics, SBBWUP, and was moderated by Ms.Saira Khan Afridi, lecturer of Economics. Dr.Sami-ur-Rehman, Ms.Shandana Syed(lecturer of Economics), Dr.Sadaf Bashir, Dr.Zarmina Baloch, and Ms.Sapna Abid(M.phil student) were the panelists.





SHAHEED BENAZIR BHUTTO WOMEN UNIVERSITY PESHAWAR