



**ENGLISH**

**DEPARTMENT**

UNIVERSITY OF JHANG



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# MESSAGE OF HEAD OF ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

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English department is one of the largest departments at University of Jhang. We not only offer bachelors programs in English language and literature, but also cater for the language needs of 22 academic departments. In this regard, one part of our job includes coordination with different departments on regular intervals throughout the academic year for fulfillment of their degree requirements smoothly. Every semester, the department organizes various seminars and talks to strengthen knowledge base of its students and faculty.



Department of English is trying to foster critical thinking among its students, so that they are able to become problem solvers for their people. We are playing our role in producing social scientists who are equipped to generate discourses on human development for the people of this region and beyond.

We are pleased to be presenting this newsletter to you which showcases the glimpses of activities, events and updates from English department. Wishing everyone a productive and peaceful start of Fall-2022.





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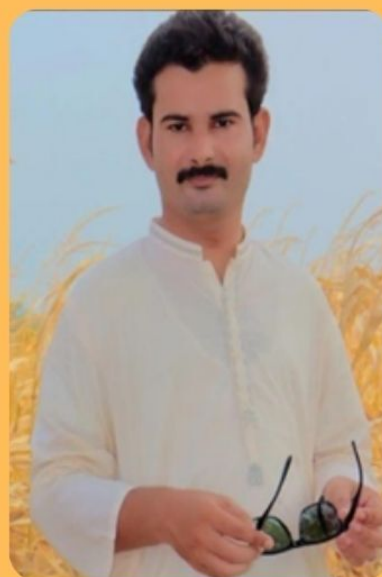
# W E L C O M I N G N E W V I S I T I N G F A C U L T Y

## MS.ASIFA IQBAL

Ms. Asifa Iqbal is working as a visiting lecturer in English at the department of English language and literature, university of Jhang. She has been associated with Government Degree College Pirmahal, United College Cantt and Chenab College Shorkot. She has completed her M.phil Linguistics from Government College University Faisalabad. Her area of interest includes stylistics and activity based learning. She has published an article in International Journal of Arts Humanities and Social Sciences.

## MR. SHAHZAIB HAYAT

Mr. Shahzaib Hayat has recently joined University of Jhang. He has been performing duties as HOD English department, United College. He has supervised many of the projects such as formation of Greek Street. He has also received the award of best lecturer for the year 2022 at his college. He is a valuable addition in the department of English UOJ and we wish him best of luck in his career.



# DEPARTMENTAL MEETINGS



Department of English is one of the largest departments of the university. The faculty members are working vigorously for the improvement of the department. English department believes that effective departmental meeting creates harmony among team members and provide space to voice concerns that may arise. Further they provide clarity of vision ahead.



## 17TH AND 18TH MEETING

The 17th meeting of the Department of English was held on 07 March, 2022 in the committee room, University of Jhang. Meeting was held to discuss certain updates from the administration.

Dr. Muhammad Abdullah encouraged faculty members to organize healthy academic activities and seminars for better exposure of students and to build a professional rapport with fraternity of English department across Pakistan.

The 18th meeting of the Department of English was held on 24 March, 2022 in the faculty lounge, University of Jhang. Meeting was held to discuss the progress on thesis topics sent to Lahore College for Women University.

Dr. Muhammad Abdullah advised all members to motivate their supervisees to complete their research projects for timely completion of their degree.



## 19TH AND 20TH MEETING

The 19th meeting of the Department of English was held on 01 June, 2022 in the HOD office, University of Jhang. Meeting was held to discuss timely submission of result, planning of summer semester and overall progress of English department during Spring semester. Dr. Muhammad Abdullah also advised faculty members to focus on their professional development by enhancing their research portfolios.



The 20th meeting of the Department of English was held on 13 June, 2022 in the HOD office, University of Jhang. Meeting was held to discuss and plan for Fall semester 2022. Dr. Muhammad Abdullah advised that faculty members should encourage their supervisees to speed up thesis writing process.





## 21ST AND 22ND MEETING

The 21st meeting of Department of English was conducted on 24 July, 2022 via Zoom. Dr. Muhammad Abdullah, the head of the department greeted all attendees and shared agenda of the meeting. Dr. Abdullah encouraged faculty members to share their concerns in the question/answer session. The 22nd departmental meeting of the Department of English was held on 27 July, 2022 in committee room. Almost all permanent and visiting faculty joined the meeting. Dr. Muhammad Abdullah advised to all faculty members to be vigilant in paper setting, invigilation and paper marking. Continuous professional development (CPD) has been an initiative of department of English and numerous opportunities have been shared with faculty in this regard. Dr. Muhammad Abdullah concluded the meeting with the remarks that the department completely trusts its faculty members and is ready to help/guide wherever necessary.







## BOS 3rd Meeting

The 3rd board of studies meeting for the department of English was held on 10 February 2022, to discuss and seek approval for exam rules and launch of Certificate and Diploma courses in English. The meeting consisted of Prof. Dr. Mazhar Hayat, Dr. Ghulam Murtaza and Dr. Aleem Shakir as the external members of the panel. It was agreed upon that a uniform examination policy should be developed across university while individual needs of subjects/degree programs should be incorporated as well.



All members focused on the importance of continuous & integrated assessment of students in these two English language courses..





## TRIP TO LAHORE



When an exhilarating journey of 4 years approaches to an end, its riders try to elevate it. To gladden the expedition, two of the last year students, Kainat Farooq and Maryam Kamal, under the guidance of Dr. M. Abdullah and the leadership of Ma'am Saima Yasin arranged a trip to Lahore on 26th February, 2022. Miss Noor-ul-Ain, Miss Mahrukh Ali, Miss Ammara Mehmood and Miss Iqra Yousaf joined us to beautify the tour. A representative group photo was captured to add a reminiscence of the Emperor Mosque, inside Walled City of Lahore. Although Lahore is a frequently visited place and it seems somewhat boring to plan touring it, the memories created with friends are never attached to place or time, these are connected to hearts. – Maryam Kamal



## جھنگ کے ستارے

University of Jhang was pleased to invite all the renowned personalities of Jhang in its special event titled as "Jhang kay Sitaray" season 2, on 23rd Feb, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. The event was moderated by head of English department Dr. Muhammad Abdullah. The purpose of this program was to highlight purposeful and value of skill oriented, higher education is the key to alleviate poverty. Moreover, the aim of Higher education is to help individuals identify their talent, invest in their own abilities in order to achieve a respectable status in society. Also, for UOJ students, it was a fortunate chance to know about their exemplary figures.

## SEASON 2



# SPRING GATHERING



On 23rd February 2022 semester 4 of English department organized a welcome party for freshers. The party was arranged to give a warm welcome to the new students of the department. Party began with a welcome note by a student representative and humorous speech to amuse the audience. Head of the department, Dr. Muhammad Abdullah and other faculty members also joined this party. HOD delivered a talk at the end of the party in which he addressed students and said that such parties are a breath of fresh air and also provide a chance for students to express themselves through creative means. Active participation of students made it a fervent and impressive event.





## Play Performance: Hamlet

Hamlet, a renowned play of Shakespeare was performed by the students of English Department, semester IV at University of Jhang. Shakespearean Drama is part of the course of BS English, semester 4. Under the supervision of Ms. Nida Zahra the students presented a manifestation of Hamlet. The play was performed in English and Urdu on alternative days (3rd & 8th March 2022) to facilitate the audience. Students worked well in the teams and were thoroughly involved in performing certain roles as script writers, actors, makeup artists, costume, prop managers, music and stage management.



Dr. Muhammad Abdullah, head of department, and Ms. Saima Yasin, head Dramatic Club UOJ, encouraged and commended the efforts of the students. Moreover, the students did their best and turned class activity into an event.



# ADIEU TO ALL



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'It's hard to bid farewell', this proverb was cordially felt on 22nd March, 2022 when a wonderful farewell party was hosted by students of batch 2019-23 for students of batch 2018-22, as a token of love and souvenir for memories, under the guidance of Ms. Tayyiba Maryam. The Royal Marquee was scented with genuine love and cheerful gathering of friends and fellows. The presence of entire staff of English department cherished the liveliness of the event. –Maryam Kamal



# ANNUAL DINNER



Memories remain same with the passage of time. But the conditions change and lead everyone to flee towards their future. A memory that will remain in our conscious is the day of Annual Gathering of Department of English, University of Jhang. It was organized under the supervision of respected Head of Department of English Dr. Muhammad Abdullah and worthy teachers of department. To celebrate the day Anwar Marquee Palace was hired on March 29, 2022. Students from all the semesters of co-education took part in the event to make the event joyful and ever remembering. Event Management Committee was designed under the care of Ms. Nimra Zafar, Ms. Iqra and Ms. Tayyiba Maryam to make the conditions favorable for the event to take place.





The music overloaded the joy and happiness of audience when students of semester 4 and 6 respectively showed their moves on the stage. M. Moosa with his team rocked the stage. Ali Sajjad and Taimoor Hassan also showed their moves on item songs and everyone enjoyed it. Joy, cries, laughter and claps from teachers and students added to the beauty of the performance and also enthusiastic the performers. Appreciations with music beats moved across each corner of the hall. - Bilal Qasim and Suleman Haidar





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## ROLE OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN COMBATING ISLAMOPHOBIA

University of Jhang organized a seminar on “Role of Higher Education in combating Islamophobia” April 13, 2022. Higher education plays pivotal role in combating the menace of Islamophobia by creating understanding of various religions, customs and ethics in multiculture society. It helps to fight Islamophobia by teaching respect for difference of opinion, diversity and ends discrimination on the basis of caste, color and creed. Head of English department, Dr. Muhammad Abdullah moderated the discussion and presented the resolution of the event.

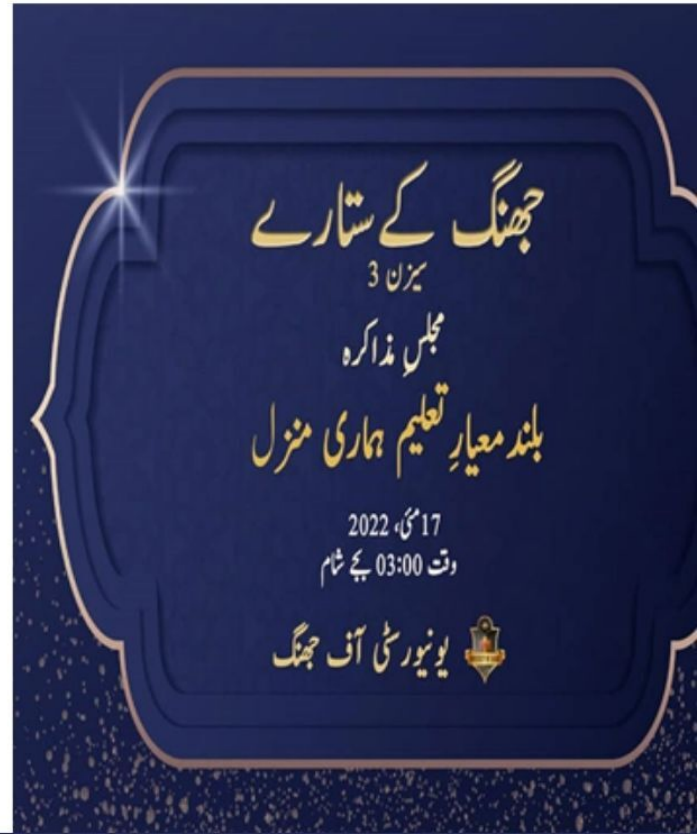




## جھنگ کے ستارے

Jhang kay Sitaray, season 3 organized by University of Jhang to honor the luminaries of Jhang in its special event titled as "Jhang kay Sitaray" season 3, on 17th May, 2022 at 03:00 p.m. The event was moderated by head of English department Dr. Muhammad Abdullah. Excellence in education by inculcating knowledge, developing analytical skills, hunting the real and hidden talent of youth, is our destiny. Our goal is to produce nation builders by investing in their hidden treasure and thus achieve true purpose of education.

## SEASON 3



# PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR NOVICE ENGLISH TEACHERS PROGRAM

PDNET-2022



The Professional Development for Novice English Teachers (PDNET) program-2022 is a fully funded teacher training series offering five days of intensive residential training for novice and prospective English Language Teachers (ELTs) current students or recent graduates of teaching professional degree programs (B. Ed, M. Ed, TEFL and ELT) from across Pakistan. Out of thousand plus applicants, 400 candidates were being short-listed for interview and 180 were the lucky ones.

Four Visiting Lecturers of University of Jhang belonging to Department of English literature were selected for this training. Ms Nimra Zafar and Ms Sumaira Majeed were selected for this training as Novice English teachers. Sir Ghulam Yaseen and Miss Asima Arshad attended the workshop as prospective trainees. Participants also shared their ideas and cultural value on night of open mic. Sir Ghulam Yaseen represented his culture by wearing traditional dress of Jhang. Certificates of appreciation were distributed among participants by worthy US consulate General and RELO officer in closing ceremony -Nimra Zafar and Asima Irshad





The objective of this training was to create a society of empowered individuals with the knowledge and skills of the English language to contribute toward sustainable economic and social development. The training was highly interactive and provided a platform to learn advanced teaching methodologies.

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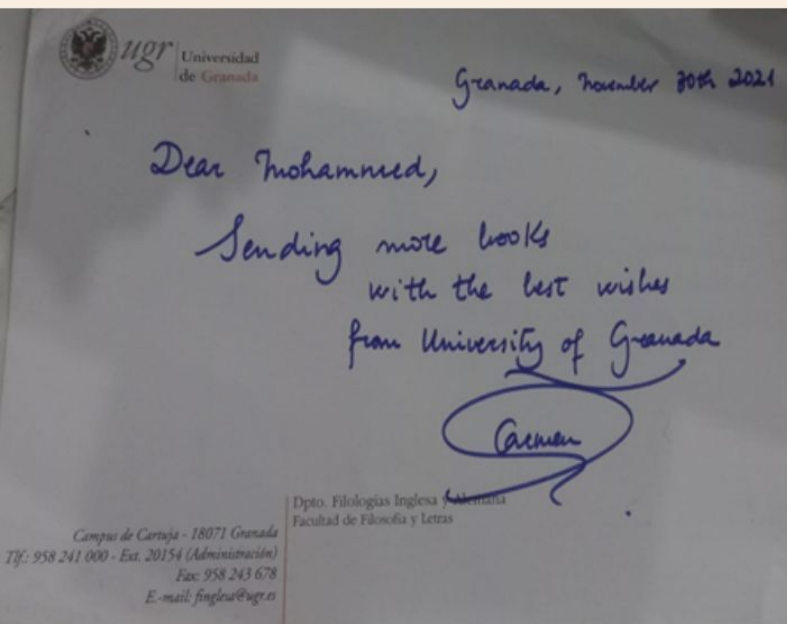
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# DONATION OF BOOKS TO THE LIBRARY



Department of English handed over the books to UOJ library donated by University of Granada Spain.



It includes books, magazines and research journals on various subject matters.



# Departmental Activities





Last class of Shakespearean Studies with Dr Abdullah -- Spring 22



Character day celebrated by BS 2nd semester supervised by Ms Tayyiba Maryam.







## 7th LYALLPUR ART AND LITERATURE FESTIVAL HELD AT UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURE FAISALABAD

UOJ dramaybaaz participated in the QISSAH'22 and stood second. Won 4 awards and multiple nominations.





## UOJ DRAMAYBAAZ AT OLYMPIAD 2.0 HELD AT UNIVERSITY OF LAHORE





# Independence Day celebration 14 August 2022



# One Day Training on Gender and Development Studies



# Students Achievements

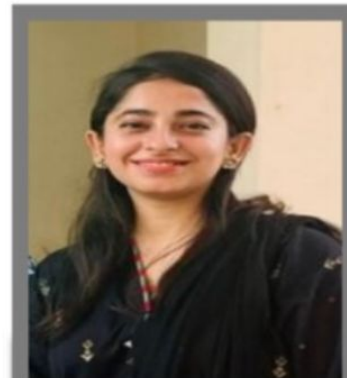
## Awards and Achievements

- Working as ambassador of peace with Pakistan institute for peace studies.
- Attended a 3 days youth training workshop in Islamabad for ensuring interfaith Harmony in Pakistan.
- Attended launching ceremony of “Dialogue Pakistan” in Islamabad.
- As Human rights activist, she is working as an Observer with Pakistan institute for peace studies.
- Vocalized contemporary sufferings of rural women on PTV News.
- Attended one day training workshop on CV making and job hunting.
- Received certificate of honor from Jhang Chiniot officers association on distinctive academic performance.
- Got IST position in essay writing inter-universities competition.
- Got first position in Poetry writing competition on National level and 2<sup>nd</sup> position in content writing.
- Participated in HITEC UNIVERSITY E- OLYMPIAD in TAXILA.
- Received certificate of appreciation from “Times News Pakistan” for her distinctive Performance in extra-curricular activities.



**Kainat Farooq**

- Secured 3<sup>rd</sup> Position in Virtual Essay Writing Competition held by The Virtual Therapist, Sandbox.
- Participated in Essay Writing Competition organized under Punjab Talent Hunt Program 2021-2022
- Attended one day training for CV Formation and Job Hunting held at University of Jhang.
- Appointed as Master of Ceremony at Inter-Departmental Naghma Competition held at University of Jhang.
- Secured 1<sup>st</sup> Position throughout the session with CGPA 3.89
- Virtually participated in International Disciplinary Conference on Language, Culture and Revival held by University of Mianwali.



**Maryam Kamal**

- Received certificate for participating in Career Development & Mentoring Program under the thematic area of Personal Branding for Girls and Women.



**Rabiah Latif**

- Secured 1st position throughout the session with CGPQ 3.89.
- Attended one day training session of CV Formation and Job Hunting held at University of Jhang 2022.



**Iqra Ijaz**

- Secured third position in Mili Naghma competition held on 23rd March, 2022.



**Saba Liaquat**

- Secured second position on Mili Naghma competition held on 23rd March, 2022



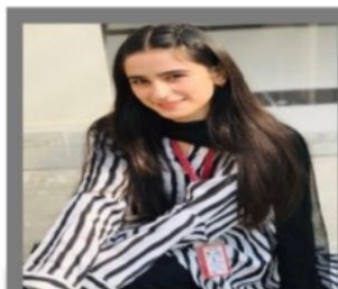
**Saira Kanwal**

- Got 4<sup>th</sup> position in 23 March National Song Competition
- Got overall 1<sup>st</sup> position in 3<sup>rd</sup> semester Evening



**Aun Raza**

- Got third Position In Overall English department (Evening)  
By Securing 3.80 CGPA in 4 semesters.



**Sana Ambreen**

# Faculty Achievements

## Dr. Muhammad Abdullah

HOD Dr. M. Abdullah is appointed as Advisor Conferences & Seminars, Punjab for Englishers LLL International.



Dr. Abdullah performed his duties as conference coordinator for 1st International Trans disciplinary Conference on Language, Culture and Revival held at University of Mianwali.



Dr. Muhammad Abdullah is awarded a certificate of recognition for attending an International Training Workshop for PhD Supervisors in English Studies held at University of Punjab.



Dr. Muhammad Abdullah participated in 'Language Documentation Workshop' jointly organized by Center for Translation Studies AIUO and University of North Texas.



Dr. Muhammad Abdullah receiving his certificate from vice chancellor University of Jhang at 2nd International Conference on Language, Culture & Revival, University of Baltistan Skardu.



## Ms. Tayyiba Maryam

Miss Tayyiba Maryam was invited as a resource person by Government Graduate College for Women Jhang. It was a Seminar on Pakistani Literature in English.



## Dr. Ayesha Ashraf

Dr. Ayesha Ashraf was invited as a focal person in the seminar on 'Women's Writings in South-Asia' being conducted by Government Graduate College for Women Jhang.

Dr. Ayesha receiving certificate after presenting her paper in a 'Second International Conference on Linguistics, Literary and Pedagogical Turns'



## Ms. Saima Yasin

Saima Yasin received an 'Emerging Star award 2022' from Radio Awaz Group.

## Ms. Asima Irshad

Asima Irshad has actively participated in the international webinar on using narrative inquiry in linguistic research.





# ENGLISH DEPARTMENT'S FACEBOOK PAGE

## Meet Our Editorial Team



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