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Ph.D. in Central Asian Studies. Advanced foreign courses in Security, Strategic Studies, and Regional Studies.

Major areas of interest; Geopolitics, Governance, Security, Peace & Conflict Issues, Regional Cooperation & Connectivity, Youth Development, Extremism, Migration and Civil Society in the South and Central Asian Regions.

Have a professional experience of over thirty years encompassing Academics, Research, Analysis, Planning, Development, Administration & Coordination at prestigious national institutions.

**EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

- Ph.D. Central Asian Studies. University of Peshawar, Dissertation Title: “The Constitutional Dichotomy along the Durand Line”.
- M.A. Public Administration, University of Peshawar
- B.A. University of Peshawar, Pakistan
- Certificate “Executive Education under South Asia Leadership Engagement Programme, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Boston, USA.
- Certificate “Security Studies”, Asia-Pacific Centre for Security Studies (APCSS), Honolulu, Hawaii, USA.
- Certificate\_ “Executive Seminar Course in Strategic Studies” from Near-East South-Asia (NESA) Centre for Strategic Studies, National Defence University (NDU), Washington DC, USA
- Certificate: “South Asia-Central Asia Regional Connectivity, opportunities and Challenges”, under NESA Centre’s Continuing Education Programme, NDU, Washington DC, USA
- Certificate: “Water and Energy Security Challenges” South Asia and the Gulf Strategic Forum of NESA Centre, Morocco
- Certificate: “Security Challenges in Near East and South Asia” under NESA Centre’s Continuing Education Programme, Bangkok
- Certificate: “Security Studies”, Monash Asia Institute’s South Asia Workshop on Drivers of Terrorism, Monash University, Australia

## **EMPLOYMENTS & RESPONSIBILITIES**

Professor & Director:	Institute of Peace & Conflict Studies, University of Peshawar
Professor & Chairman:	Department of Regional Studies, University of Peshawar
Associate Professor:	Area Study Centre, University of Peshawar, Pakistan
Research Fellow:	The Institute of Strategic Studies Islamabad, Pakistan
Research Officer:	Prime Minister's Secretariat, Islamabad, Pakistan

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

### **Research**

Have over 160 research articles, reports, seminar publications, book reviews, briefs and presentations etc. to credit.

### **Courses Taught**

Have taught and can teach courses on various aspects of the South and Central Asian Region focusing the following themes:

Geostrategic Importance of South and Central Asian.

Foreign Policy Analysis

Water and Energy Politics

Regional Cooperation

Traditional and Non-traditional Security challenges confronting peace and development, (such as Unresolved Politico-administrative Conflicts, Militancy, Extremism, Ethnic and Socio-cultural Conflicts, Youth Underdevelopment, Civil Society etc.)

Regional & International Geopolitics

Governance, State & Society

### **Course Design & Development**

Member of curriculum development bodies of various institutions

Developed full courses of Ph.D., M.S., Masters and B.S. programmes in Regional Studies as per University of Peshawar approved scheme of studies.

Designed, updated and revised many Ph. D. and M.S. courses for Area Study Centre, University of Peshawar

Developed the course of Pakistan Affairs for the Central Superior Services (CSS) of Pakistan.

### **Editorship**

Remained editor of "Central Asia", a Research Journal of Area Study Centre, University of Peshawar. 2005-2009.

## **PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN**

Project Director Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies (IPCS), Establishment and Development, University of Peshawar, 2020 to 2023.

Principal Investigator & Focal Person Youth Engagement (Research & Advocacy) Project aimed at

training future political and civic leadership, IPCS-Shaoor for Education and Awareness, 2021

Principal Investigator & Focal Person IPCS University of Peshawar-German Friedrich Naumann Foundation (FNF) Youth Capacity and Skill Development Project 2022.

Focal person of various national and international MoUs between University of Peshawar and other organizations

Project Lead Library and Conference Hall strengthening and development, Prime Minister Secretariat Islamabad, 1994-1995

Focal Person for the Establishment of China Study Centre at University of Peshawar

### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS/FELLOWSHIPS/POSITIONS**

Fellow: Asia-Pacific Centre for Security Studies, (APCSS), Honolulu, Hawaii, USA.

Fellow: NESAC Centre for Strategic Studies, National University (NDU), Washington D.C., USA

Fellow: Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, USA

Fellow Monash Asia Institute, Monash University Clayton, Australia

Member Academic Committee, National Centre for Historical and Cultural Research, Quaid e-Azam University Islamabad

Chairman Board of Studies, Institute of Peace & Conflict Studies, University of Peshawar

Chairman Graduate Studies Committee, IPCS, University of Peshawar

Editor "Central Asia", Research Journal of the Area Study Centre, University of Peshawar

Member Advanced Studies & Research Board, University of Peshawar

Organizer Conference and Seminar Area Study Centre, University of Peshawar

Member Board of Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Peshawar

Member Board of Faculty of Arts and Humanities, University of Peshawar

Member Conference/Seminar Organising Committee, Institute of Strategic Studies Islamabad

Member Graduate Studies Committee, Department of Political Science, Women University, Peshawar

Member Academic Committee, Area Study Centre, University of Peshawar

Member Curriculum Committee, Department of Regional Studies, University of Peshawar

Chairman Board of Studies, Department of Regional Studies, University of Peshawar

Chairman Graduate Studies Committee, Department of Regional Studies, University of Peshawar

Member Peshawar University Teachers Association (PUTA)

Founding Member Association of Students in Public Administration (ASPA)

Member Peshawar University Alumni Association

Founding Member Central Asian Studies Students Association (CASSA), Peshawar, Pakistan

## **SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES**

Participated, attended and presented in nearly 300 international, national and local Conferences/Seminars/Workshops etc. at home and abroad. Also have extensive experience of planning, organizing and supervising seminar/conference/workshop.

International Workshop on “Crisis Response in South Asia” organized by Centre for South Asian Studies (CSAS) Nepal and Near East South Asia Centre and the US National Defence University.

International Conference on, “South Asia and Central Asia: Post 2014 Crossroads” East China Normal University, Shanghai, China

International Conference on Water and Energy Issues in South Asia organized by Near East South Asia Centre (NESA) for Strategic Studies of US National Defence University in Thailand

International Conference “Afghanistan’s reconstruction Vs Regional Challenges and Responsibilities” organized by China Institute for Contemporary International Relations (CICIR) Beijing, China

International Conference on Current and Future Security Challenges in Near East and South Asia Region organized the US National Defence University in Casablanca, Morocco

International Workshop on Drivers of Terrorism in South Asia organized by Moansh Asia Institute, Australia in Katmandu, Nepal.

International Seminar on The Role of Engagement in the Era of Change Near East and South Asia Region organized by the NESA Centre for Strategic Studies of the US National Defence University Washington D.C

International Seminar on Security issues in the Asia- Pacific Region organized by Asia Pacific Centre for Security Studies (APCSS) Honolulu, Hawaii, USA

Pak-China Bilateral forum on Assessment of war on Terror organized by China Institute for International Strategic Studies Beijing, Peoples Republic of China.

Pak-China Bilateral forum on South Asian Security/Strategic Issues organized by China Institute for International Strategic Studies Beijing, Peoples Republic of China.

Attended/participated/organized a large number of conferences/seminars/workshops/dialogues in Pakistan (nearly 300)

## **MEDIAENGAGEMENT**

Conducted Research and Coordination for a 7 Episode Documentary Series “Afghanistan: Past, Present and Future” for Pakistan Television.

Contribute to TV and Radio programmes on issues of professional concerns.

## **LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY**

English (Fluent)

Urdu (Fluent)

Pashto (Fluent)

Punjabi (Fluent)