

# CALLING YOUNG THINKERS! PARTICIPATE IN "YOUNG PHILOSOPHERS"

The Iqbal Chair at Bahria University invites NDU students to participate in the "Young Philosophers" event, a pre-Iqbal conference 2024 initiative designed to empower young minds through the lens of Allama Iqbal's philosophy. We're inviting students to participate in the Special Talk section, focusing on real-world issues and inspired solutions.

Students will choose a real-world problem from society today aligning with any of the six themes mentioned in the flyer. It could be anything from environmental issues to educational challenges. They will prepare a 3–5-minute talk (can use slides) where they will explain the problem identified, propose a solution to address it, inspired by Iqbal's ideas and discuss how realistic their solution is (can it actually be done?)

To participate, students will send us a short summary (abstract) of their talk by **September 10th, 2024** at [iqbalconference@bahria.edu.pk](mailto:iqbalconference@bahria.edu.pk). Shortlisted participants will be notified by September 12<sup>th</sup> and will need to register for the event by submitting a nominal fee of PKR 500. Selected presenters will get to present their ideas on **October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024**.

Students will be to diverse perspectives and foster an environment of intellectual growth and cultural exchange. The students will receive a certificate of participation and a shield for their university.

## **Event Details:**

- Date & Time: October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024, 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM
- Venue: Ibn-e-Khaldun Auditorium, Bahria University, E-8 Campus, Islamabad

Proposal and flyer is attached for your reference. We look forward to a fruitful collaboration and the opportunity to work together to benefit from the legacy of Allama Iqbal. **Please feel free to contact us if you require any further information.**

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We invite you to participate in a special talk series inspired by the teachings of Allama Iqbal

# YOUNG PHILOSOPHERS

## Calling all creative thinkers

Choose a pressing social problem, and prepare a 3-5-minute talk (slides optional) proposing an Iqbal-inspired practical solution. Submit a short abstract (150-250 words) of your talk by **10<sup>th</sup> Sep 2024**

**Note: Registration fee (PKR 500) only after selection**

**Event Date: 1<sup>st</sup> Oct 2024**

**Time: 1000 to 1200 Hrs**

**Venue: Ibn e Khuldun Auditorium, Bahria University E-8 Campus Islamabad**

Some proposed themes

**Innovation, Technology and Progress**

جو عالم ایجاد میں ہے صاحب ایجاد  
ہر دور میں کرتا ہے طواف اس کا زمانہ

**Strategies for Ummah's revival**

افراد کے ہاتھوں میں ہے اقوام کی تقدیر  
ہر فرد ہے ملت کے مقدر کا ستارا

**The Dire Need for Research**

کس طرح ہوا کند ترا نشتر تحقیق  
ہوتے نہیں کیوں تجھ سے ستاروں کے جگر چاک

**Women empowerment**

وجود زن سے ہے تصویر کائنات میں رنگ اسی  
کے ساز سے ہے زندگی کا سوزِ دروں

**Truth, Justice and Courage as basic elements for leadership**

سبق پھر پڑھ، صداقت کا عدالت کا شجاعت کا  
لیا جائے گا تجھ سے کام دُنیا کی امامت کا

**Qur'an as the guiding Principle**

ترے ضمیر پہ جب تک نہ ہو نزول کتاب  
گرہ کشا ہے نہ رازی نہ صاحب کشف



**SHAHEEN-E-IQBAL**  
Bahria University



## YOUNG PHILOSOPHERS

ORGANIZED BY SHAHEEN-E-IQBAL

جوانوں کو پیروں کا استاد کر  
حسرو کو غلامی سے آزاد کر

*“Free intellect from slavery,  
make Youngster mentors of the old”*

BAHRIA UNIVERSITY ISLAMABAD CAMPUS

## **ABOUT SHAHEEN-E-IQBAL**

Shaheen-e-Iqbal is a student-run body affiliated with Iqbal Chair Bahria University. Founded in November 2019 by Malik Saif-Ur-Rehman of the Media Department, it aims to spread the true message and philosophy of Pakistan's national poet and philosopher, Allama Muhammad Iqbal, especially among the youth. The organization achieves this by organizing various events and activities that promote understanding and appreciation of Iqbal's poetry and philosophy of a dynamic human being.

## **ABOUT EVENT**

Shaheen-e-Iqbal Bahria University, under the patronage of the BU Iqbal Chair, successfully organized the "Young Philosophers" Pre-Iqbal Conference in 2022.

The event fostered enthusiastic participation from various schools, colleges, and universities. It provided a platform for young people to showcase their creative ideas and thoughts, similar to the Iqbal Conference for a more mature audience. Additionally, the event served as valuable training for Shaheen-e-Iqbal team members. They gained practical experience in organizing large-scale conferences, including leadership and outreach to external organizations.

Building on this success, we propose to organize the "Young Philosophers" event again as a Post-Iqbal Conference 2023 at the Bahria University E-8 campus.

The purpose of the event remains the same: to showcase the philosophical thoughts of young people through various mediums inspired by the works of Allama Iqbal. These mediums include poetry recitations (*kalaam-e-Iqbal*), plays, tableaux, videos, and special talks, all related to Iqbal's philosophical ideas that stand for a dynamic human being. Participating schools and colleges will be assigned specific time slots. Securing sponsorships for the event will also be a priority for the team.

## **OBJECTIVES OF THE EVENT**

- By collaborating with students from other universities, we aim to enrich Pakistan's intellectual discourse by fostering critical thinking and solution-oriented approaches in our youth. This collaborative environment, unlike a competitive one, will encourage them to seriously tackle real-world societal problems, drawing solutions indigenously based on Islamic wisdom from thinkers like Iqbal, the 'Hakeem ul Ummat' (Sage of the Nation).
- To strengthen Khudi (the essence of individuality & self-awareness) in young people by integrating Allama Iqbal's philosophy, poetry, and artistic expression into contemporary contexts. This will develop critical thinking, self-reliance, social responsibility, and socio-political awareness. It will ultimately empower them to achieve self-determination and personal growth.

- To establish a connection between Bahria University and schools/colleges, allowing students to discover Bahria's academic excellence and its commitment to developing well-rounded individuals through soft skills development and moral guidance (*tarbiyat*).

### **ACTIVITIES & THEMES**

Students can present in any of the following areas:

- Qirat and Darood Shareef
- Kalam-e-Iqbal (two)
- Play/Tableau (two)
- Short Video (three)
- Exhibition of Iqbal's Art
- Open mike (for school/college students)
- Special Talks based on any of the six given themes (inspired by the teachings of Allama Iqbal)- *for university students only [Detail instructions in the next heading]*
- AI and education

The theme of the aforementioned activities *should be based on* the following themes from Iqbal's poetry:

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The Dire Need for Research	کس طرح ہوا کند ترا نشتر تحقیق ہوتے نہیں کیوں تجھ سے ستاروں کے جگر چاک	Women empowerment	وجود زن سے ہے تصویر کائنات میں رنگ اسی کے ساز سے ہے زندگی کا سوزِ دروں
Truth, Justice and Courage as basic elements for leadership	سبق پھر پڑھ صداقت کا عدالت کا شجاعت کا لیا جائے گا ٹھجھ سے کام دُنیا کی امامت کا	Qur'an as the guiding Principle	ترے ضمیر پہ جب تک نہ ہو نزولِ کتاب گرہ کُشا ہے نہ رازی نہ صاحب کُشاف

They can choose a different theme that connects to Iqbal's ideas!

### **INSTRUCTIONS AND CRITERIA FOR THE ACTIVITIES**

**Schools/colleges** participating in any activity are to follow the criteria mentioned hereafter:

- Maximum **two (2)** participants for the Poetry and Kalam-e-Iqbal.
- Only **one (1)** student for Special talk per university
- Students for Play/Tableau depend upon the script.
- Maximum **one (1)** student for Qirat and **one (1)** student for translation.

- The time duration for *Poetry, Special Talks, and Kalam-e-Iqbal* is 3 to 5 minutes, and for *Play/Tableau* is 5 to 7 minutes.

- **Special talks (for University students only):**

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- Talk on the topic “Artificial Philosophy for Artificial Intelligence” for discussion on the potential of AI in educational development by **an expert in AI field**. How is AI reshaping concepts in education?

### **BENEFITS**

- Students from schools, colleges, and other universities will have the opportunity to showcase themselves on the prestigious platform of Bahria University
- Awareness in modern educational trends. AI its benefits and limitations.
- Certificates of appreciation for the participants.
- Students can present their philosophical thoughts to a diverse audience and gain valuable leadership and confidence-building opportunities.
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- Open doors to future participation in similar activities at Bahria University.

### **GUIDELINES FOR PARTICIPATING INSTITUTIONS**

- Educational institutions interested in participating in the event can register their students through Google Forms provided by the Shaheen-e-Iqbal Outreach Unit. Registration closes before the deadline.

### **VENUE AND TIMELINE**

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