



Quaid-e-Azam Political Science Society



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Quaid-e-Azam Political Society is one of the most prestigious and honorable society of GCU. What make this society admirable are its members who keep nose to grindstone. Adding grace to its existence, Political Science Department plays a vital role, this is self introductory.

Nevertheless, QPSS is amalgamation of various bodies which includes Invited Lectures of Luminary Scholars, Interactive Sessions by notable personalities, Movie club and Study circle which enlightens student's minds. Students opine in a journal named "The Expressions" is published by QPSS

Let us give due share to the moments of QPSS, which are as following

- **Seminar by Mr. Zaman Haider and Ms. Haram Fatima, Global UGRAD Alumna**

Date: 22 October 2019

Topic: Global UGRAD Programme

Quaid-e-Azam Political Science Society organized a seminar on "The Global Undergraduate Exchange Program (Global UGRAD)". The young aspirants were joined by: Mr. Zaman Haider and Ms. Haram Fatima, Global UGRAD Alumni. Throughout the session our Guest Speaker, Mr. Haider discussed the application procedure of UGRAD along with the suggestions for the documents to be prepared. Miss. Fatima joined in with a detailed discussion on the process of "Statement Writing". The discussion was followed by a Question/Answer session. The seminar proved to be a great success as our Speakers enlightened the students with their experience and knowledge. Both our Guest Speakers were honored with Souvenirs, a coupon of appreciation as the session came to an end.



- **Interactive Session with Prof. Dr. Patrick McNamara**

Date: 13th November 2019

Topic: **Multi- Track Diplomacy and Peace Building**

Quaid-e-Azam Political Science Society held an interactive session on “Multi-Track Diplomacy and Peace Building”. This session was chaired by “Prof. Dr. Patrick McNamara”, Director International Studies and Director Pakistan University Linkages Project (PULP). Our Guest Speaker was joined by aspiring students of Political Science Department along with Eminent Faculty Members and Dean of Arts and Social Sciences Prof. Dr. Khalid Manzoor Butt. The Session started with warm remarks by Dr. McNamara on Pakistan’s hospitality, appreciating the rich cultural history and diversity of Government College University. He was introduced with students of different ethnic backgrounds. This was followed by an introduction and open discussion on Pak-US Relationships and striking features of U.S foreign policy. Speaking of Pak-US Relationships, Mr. McNamara commented, “U.S has been transactional in their International relations with Pakistan”. He wished his government was more engaged over the long term diplomatic ties. Dr. McNamara discussed the Nine Tracks of Multi-Track diplomacy that it is a conceptual way to view the process of international peacemaking as a living system. He explained the web of interconnected activities, individuals, institutions, and communities that operate together for a common goal: a world at peace. He emphasized that this wasn’t government to government ties; it’s non-governmental, informal and unofficial contacts and activities between private citizens or “non-state actors”. The discussion was extended to “Public diplomacy at US department of state”. He outlined that as the paradigm has shifted from realist idea of ‘politics is all about power’ to ‘politics is all about relationships’, it is important to

strengthen ties with nations. He further explained that public diplomacy plays an important role as public attitudes shape the foreign policies. International broadcasting, cultural diplomacy and exchange programs such as Fulbright and International Visitor Leadership programs, arts and performances, business and use of internet are all instruments used for practicing public diplomacy.

Our Guest Speaker remarked about Pakistan University Linkages Project (PULP), which is an example of U.S public diplomacy. Its aim is to establish links with universities throughout Pakistan and strengthen the relations between the U.S. and Pakistan through shared values and interests. Dean, Prof. Dr. Butt and Lecturer Mr. Manzoor Elahi added remarks about US-China relationship highlighting China's public diplomacy through hard power and soft power and the effects of CPEC. The Seminar was concluded by a Question/Answer session. The seminar proved to be a great success as the students are studying various realms of Foreign Policy and International relations, pertinent to the subject matter of political science, the additional knowledge provided by our guest speaker will help the students to explore multitude horizons on the subject. Our Guest Speaker was honored with souvenir, a coupon of appreciation as the session came to an end.



- **Membership Desk**

Date: 20 November 2019

Quaid e Azam Political Science Society placed membership desks in university for session 2019-2020. The curiosity of students from different departments knowing and joining QPSS was truly tremendous. Students came and voluntarily participated and helped us at membership desk which must be appreciated . We are proud that our society has been diversified and strengthened by enthusiastic students.



- **Interactive Session with Mr. Sanwal Kharl, Former CSC Scholar**

Date: 12 December 2019

Topic: **Chinese Government Scholarship Program.**

Quaid-e-Azam Political Science Society organised a Seminar on "Chinese Government Scholarships", edifying M.S and Ph.D students with pointers about this programme. We were all enlightened with the presence of our Guest Speaker, Mr. Sanwal Hussain Kharl. He took the charge of the seminar and notified us about the proficiency of this programme. Chinese Government Scholarship Programme is established by the Ministry of Education of China in order to boast the aptitude of education beyond the borders of China, which in turn would refine the perception of students. A total of 492,000 students from 126 countries have acquired this opportunity, and Pakistani students are among those . GCU also acknowledges this opportunity and comprehends students to study abroad. By and large, this apprised us of the amplification of competency enhanced by this opportunity of scholarship in order to get a greater exposure in educational field . Department of Political Science nominates students for CGS under the

bonafide collaboration with Chinese Universities, which boosts the students to initiate a step towards a better future. Chairperson Department of Political Science, Prof. Dr. Khalid Manzoor Butt, plays an eminent role in promoting bilateral ties with Chinese universities in order to enhance the scope of the students towards the higher approach of education. We pay regard to our Guest Speaker, Mr. Sanwal Hussain Kharl, who is also a proficient member of faculty of Political Science department, for taking a lead in this productive session. We, optimistically, hope to promote such scholarship programs with high regard in GCU in the future as well.

- **Interactive Session with Mr. Sanwal Kharl, Former CSC Scholar**

Date: 23 January 2020

Topic: Social Science Research Method and Technique

Quaid-e-Azam Political Science Society organised a Seminar on "Social Sciences Research: Methods and Techniques", edifying BA and M.S students with pointers about this research program. We were all enlightened with the presence of our Speaker, Mr. Sanwal Hussain Kharl. He took the charge of the seminar and notified us about the proficiency of the research in social sciences. This program was conducted to highlight the aptitude of learning in social sciences in so many different ways. By and large, this apprised us of the amplification of competency enhanced by this opportunity of working in more efficient way in the field of social sciences. This eventually provides a greater exposure in educational field . Chairperson Department of Political Science, Prof. Dr. Khalid Manzoor Butt, plays an eminent role in promoting different research methods and techniques. This is conducted in order to enhance the scope of the students towards the higher approach of education. We pay regard to our Speaker, Mr. Sanwal Hussain Kharl, who is also a proficient member of faculty of Political Science department, for taking a lead in this productive session. We, optimistically, hope to promote such innovative methods of research with high regard in GCU in the future as well.

- **Interactive Session with AIG Operations Punjab Police, Mr. Imran Khishwar**

Date: 30 January 2020

Quaid-e-Azam Political Science Society organized an Interactive Session with Mr. Imran Kishwer AIG Operations Punjab Police. He was assisted with 4 credible junior police officers. It was held under the supervision of Prof. Dr. Khalid Manzoor Butt (Dean of Arts and Social Sciences) and the Co-advisor, Mr. Zaghham Abbas. This session began with the discussion on the

framework of the Police Department and their credible strategic development program. Mr. Imran Khiswer proposed a strategic plan to devise a strategy to develop Capital City Police of Lahore as per international standards of policing. This discussion was followed by the aims and targets which are to be achieved such as Policy and Law Reforms, Organisational Restructuring, Human Resource Development, Infrastructure Development, Logistics Support, Special Strategic Interventions, Transparency in police investigation & functions, Standardisation of police working and coordination with more conviction and prevention of crimes. It was an innovative and productive forum that led towards an engrossing Question Answer Session to enhance the anticipation of the students. QPSS aspires to advance ahead in the future with the same progressive spirit as today in order to increase the scope of the students in this era of political modernity.



- **Open Mic Discussion and Theatre Play**

Date: 6 February 2020

Topic: **State Repression in Kashmir**

Quaid-e-Azam Political Science Society organized an Open Mic discussion on 'Repression on Kashmir'. Students from all the departments actively participated in this productive session and took charge of the event by highlighting the state of despair and dejection prevailing in Kashmir. QPSS also presented a theatre play that reflected the tyranny and repression in Kashmir. Our respected Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr. Asghar Zaidi also enlightened everyone with his presence and enthusiastically applauded for the students. Prof Dr. Asghar Zaidi evoked the students by invigorating them with the idea of creative and critical thinking to enhance the ideological scope of the students. He also supported the idea of freedom of expression which must be carried with positive energy in order to avoid the negative influential factors. However, students must be conscious of the external propaganda forces that carry the agenda of exploitation of youth and their growing energy. They must be vigilant about the circumstances prevailing around them as they must adopt a pragmatic approach towards the future. It was one of the high spirited events organized by this society which cracked down the roots of Kashmir Issue. As the lockdown continues in Kashmir, the students of GCU tend to show their utmost affection and sympathy for those bleeding but fearless souls. It was organized under the supervision of Prof Dr. Khalid Manzoor Butt, Advisor QPSS and Dean, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, who intends to promote such aptitudes of learning in this era of political modernity. The aim of this open mic discussion was to enhance the constructive learning abilities as well as to liberate a talk on civil rights and liberties for the people of Kashmir. QPSS hopes to organize such discussions in future as well in order to broaden the intellectual scope of the students



- **Interactive Session at Alhamra**

Date: 7 February 2020

Topic: **Implementation of RTA Laws**

cabinet members of Quaid-e-Azam Political Science Society attended an interactive session at Alhamra Arts Council based upon RTI Laws. It was a Panel Discussion with all the Information Commissioners of Pakistan on the implementation of RTI Laws. It comprised of 12 Information Commissioners of Federal and Provincial Information Commissions of Pakistan to provide an opportunity to civil society for awareness of these laws. Various eminent figures were invited who portrayed the primary purpose of these laws and how these laws tend to contribute in building the foundations of a collaborative government. Moreover, as the session was followed by the esteemed and renowned personalities of Pakistan, the focused on how the RTI laws tend to give people the right to question the authorities regarding administrative documentation or accountability to ensure participatory democracy. A large number of judges, lawyers, government officers, journalists, academicians, and university students were invited who actively participated in the discussion and enhanced the credibility of the session. Conclusively, the program was followed by a question-answer session which also contributed in reinforcing the active participation of youth. In future, QPSS hopes to attend such innovative sessions to supplement critical thinking of the students



- **Interactive Session with Commodore Syed Wajeeh-ul-Hassan Sitara e Imtiaz(M) Sitara e Bisalat.**

Date: 27 February 2020

Topic: **Maritime Interests of Pakistan**

Quaid-e-Azam Political Science Society organized an Interactive session on “Maritime Interests of Pakistan”. The panel comprised of our Guest Speaker Commodore Syed Wajeeh-ul-Hassan Sitara e Imtiaz (M) Sitara e Bisalat (Deputy Commandant Pakistan Navy War College), Commander (R) M. Azam Khan (Director Research Wing of Maritime Centre of Excellence), and the research fellows Mr. Amir Yaqoob and Commodore (R) Naveed Ahmad. Vice-Chancellor GCU Prof. Dr. Asghar Zaidi attended the event as the guest of honor. The event was regulated by Prof. Dr. Khalid Manzoor Butt (Dean, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences) as Advisor of QPSS. The session was opened with a featurette on Pakistan Naval Force; it included naval warfare, force projection, defense and nuclear deterrence to safeguard Pakistan’s maritime interests. It was followed by a presentation by our guest speaker, Commodore Syed Wajeeh-ul-Hassan on “Maritime Interests of Pakistan”. Our Guest speaker covered three important points in his presentation; the importance of the maritime environment, Pakistan’s maritime interests, and Regional maritime environment. Our Worthy speaker indicated that the marine environment is a vital resource for life on Earth; he stated the importance of ocean not only in the regulation of climate but also discussed the concept of ‘The Blue Economy’ as sustainable use of ocean resources for economic growth. Linking Globalization with the maritime environment he expressed, “Maritime domain actually forms the backbone of Globalization”. The discussion continued with the importance of the sea as far as the global economy is concerned and the world’s dependence on trade routes. In recognition of Pakistan; with the Gwadar deep seaport, the China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) and its linkage to Central Asia, and extension of Pakistan’s continental shelf, he discussed that Pakistan’s maritime interests are on track to growth. He also emphasized on the geo strategically importance of Pakistan. Pakistan Navy has a major role to serve in Pakistan’s geopolitical future. It has emerged as a quantifiable force with extensive international recognition. It is regarded as dependable military service for security and stability in the Indian Ocean. Lastly, speaking of the regional maritime environment, he discussed the significance of the Indo-Pacific region and stated as the ‘Indo-Pacific’ has emerged as the hub of global trade and energy supply. The two-third container trade of the world passes through this region. The two rising economies India and China and Japan are dependent on Indo-Pacific sea routes for their trade and energy supply. The extensive presentation covered all the domains of Regional and native maritime environments. The session was concluded by the Question/Answer Session. The Interactive Session was engaging and enlightening and proved to be a great success. The knowledge and understanding provided by our guest speaker will help the students to explore a multitude of horizons on the subject. Our Guest Speaker was honored with a souvenir, a coupon of appreciation as the session came to an end.



THE QPSS MOVIE CLUB

- **Movie: Green Book**
Date: 31 October 2019

Quaid-e-Azam Political Science Society organised a movie screening session and invited students for this engaging activity. A didactic movie, 'Amazing Grace' was screened under the supervision of QPSS

- **Movie: Amazing Grace**
Date: 13 December 2019

Quaid-e-Azam Political Science Society organised a movie screening session and invited students for this engaging activity. A didactic movie, 'Amazing Grace' was screened under the supervision of QPSS, which was a depiction of British rule. It portrayed the beginning of a lengthy battle of abolishing of the slave trade in Great Britain. At the end of the movie screening, a discussion was escorted by Nawaz Ali, the dignified president of QPSS, who expounded the chronicles of the movie and the event. QPSS hopes to conduct such worthwhile movie screening sessions, with high regard for students, like these in future as well.

- **Movie: Lincoln**

Date: 31 January 2020

Quaid-e-Azam Political Science Society organised a movie screening session and invited students for this engaging activity. 'Lincoln' was screened under the supervision of QPSS, the historic movie on the personality of Abraham Lincoln, who uses his powers as the president of the United States of America as he strives to abolish slavery and reunite his country during the Civil War. 'Lincoln' was more of a political thriller than a biopic! At the end of the movie screening, a discussion was escorted by the students. QPSS hopes to conduct such worthwhile movie screening sessions, with high regard for students, like these in future as well.

- **Movie: Iron Jawed Angels**

Date: 14 February 2020

Quaid-e-Azam Political Science Society screened the movie, 'Iron Jawed Angels' on The film focuses on the American women's suffrage movement during the 1910s and follows women's suffrage leaders Alice Paul and Lucy Burns as they use peaceful and effective nonviolent strategies, tactics, and dialogues to revolutionize the American feminist movement to grant women the right to vote.

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