

DR QUDSIA AKRAM

PhD. (International Relations, University of Punjab)

M. Phil. (International Relations, Quaid-e-Azam University, Islamabad)

B.S (Hons) International Relations (LCWU, Lahore)

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

- **December 2019 – till present**

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR - INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS IN KINNAIRD COLLEGE FOR WOMEN, LAHORE

Courses Offered in PHD.

Advanced Research Methodology

Courses Offered in different Semesters at M.Phil.

Advanced Research Methodology, Advanced Theories in I.R. Global order and Muslim world,

Courses Offered in different Semesters in BS:

Foreign Policy of Pakistan, Area Study: East Asia, Central Asia, South Asia and Latin America, Research Methodology

- **August 2017 – November 2019**

LECTURER – INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS IN KINNAIRD COLLEGE FOR WOMEN, LAHORE

Courses Offered in different Semesters at the post-graduate level:

Advanced Research Methodology, Advanced Theories in I.R. Global order and Muslim world,

Courses Offered in different Semesters at the undergraduate level:

Foreign Policy of Pakistan, Area Study: East Asia, Central Asia, South Asia and Latin America, Research Methodology

- **August 2015- July 2017**

VISITING LECTURER IN COLLEGE OF LAW AS IN UNIVERSITY OF LAHORE .

Courses Taught in different Semesters at the undergraduate level:

Research Methodology, Skills Development, History of South Asia

- **(2013- 2015).**

LECTURER IN COLLEGE OF LAW AS PERMANENT FACULTY IN UNIVERSITY OF LAHORE

Courses Taught in different Semesters at the undergraduate level:

Research Methodology, Skills Development, History of South Asia

Administrative Duties

- Launched PHD International Program in the Department of IR, Kinnaird College.
- Facilitator of British Council in Kinnaird College for Women since 2019.
- Manage Social Media of the Department of International Relations
- Member of Convocation Committee
- Member of the Department of IR's Discipline Committee
- Member of the Department of IR's BOS
- Liaison between the Department of IR and Research Organizations like the Institute of Public Diplomacy etc.

ACADEMIC EDUCATION

2015 - 2019 UNIVERSITY OF PUNJAB

- **PhD. International Relations**

Thesis Topic

Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS): Major Power Politics in Middle East (2006-2016)

2011-2013 QUAID – I - AZAM UNIVERSITY, ISLAMABAD

- **M.Phil. International Relations**

Thesis Topic

U.S. Sanctions on Iran: A Critical Analysis under Legal Perspective

2006-2010 LAHORE COLLEGE FOR WOMEN UNIVERSITY

- **B.S. (Hons) International Relations**

Thesis Topic

Role of Civil Bureaucracy in Foreign Policy of Pakistan towards Afghanistan: 1993-1996.

- **2004-2006 F.A (LAHORE COLLEGE FOR WOMEN UNIVERSITY)**
- **2002-2004 Matric (Lahore Board)**

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

1. Akram, D. Q., & Asif, N. . (2024). Islamic State Khorasan (ISIS-K) In Post Us Withdrawal Afghanistan. *Journal of Professional Research in Social Sciences*, 11(1), 215–242. <https://ojs.mul.edu.pk/index.php/JPRSS/article/view/374> (Y Category Journal)
2. Ayesha Ashraf, & Qudsia Akram. (2024). Decoding Operational Latitude of Russian Private Military Companies (PMCs): A Case Study of Wagner Group in Syria. *NUST Journal of International Peace & Stability*, 7(2), 32–43. <https://njips.nust.edu.pk/index.php/njips/article/view/172> (Y Category Journal)
3. Butt, M., & Akram, D. Q. . (2024). Sino-Indian Port Politics in the Indian Ocean Region. *Journal of Nautical Eye and Strategic Studies*, 4(1), 182–208. <https://www.ojs.mul.edu.pk/index.php/J-NESS/article/view/454> (Y Category Journal)
4. Akram, Qudsia; Ahmed, Laila; Shahid, Summaya (2021) Indo-Israel Strategic Cooperation: Challenges And Implications On Pakistan, *Pakistan Journal Of Social Research* ISSN 2710-3129 (P) 2710-3137 (O) Vol. 3, No. 3, September 2021, Pp. 290-300 (Y Category Journal)
5. Akram, Qudsia; Siddique , Arusha, Afzal, Fatima (2021) “ Terrorism and Counter Terrorism in Africa: A Case Study of Boko Haram and Al-Qaeda in Nigeria, *Pakistan Journal of International Affairs*. PP: 13-30. (Y Category Journal)
6. Akram, Qudsia; Siddique , Arusha (2021) “ From Extremism to Terrorism: Threat Implications of Saffron Terrorism for South Asia, *Pakistan Journal of International Affairs*. (Y Category Journal)
7. Akram, Qudsia ; Naqvi, Syeda Freena (2020) Strategic Culture And Nuclear Arms: A Study Of Action Reaction Model Between India And Pakistan, *Journal Of Research And Reviews In Social Sciences*. 996-1103. (Y Category Journal)
8. Farani, Najam Ud din, Akram, Qudsia (2020) Theoretical Conceptualization of Migration-Security Nexus in International Relations Theory. *Journal of Politics and International Studies*, 105-120. (Y Category Journal)
9. Akram, Qudsia & Fareed , Munazza (2019) China’s Malacca Dilemma: Power Politics in Indian Ocean. *Journal of Politics and International Studies*. Volume 5 Issue 2. (Category : X)
10. Khalid, Iram & Akram, Qudsia (2018) Islamic State of Iraq and Levant and Syrian Crisis: Challenge or Opportunity for Major Powers in Middle East. *The Journal of Political Science*. 33-54. (Category a. : Y)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

1. Dr Qudsia Akram presented a paper at the International Conference on Central Asia in the changing world, themed: "Nuclearization of Central Asia: Power Politics, Challenges, and Implications for the Region (2009-2024)" in conference organized by the Institute of Central and West Asian Studies (ICWAS) in collaboration with the Department of History, University of Karachi, on October 15, 2024.
2. Dr Qudsia Akram and Ms Harram Akhtar Presented Paper In 3-Day International Conference On International Conference on Social Sciences and Humanities in Kinnaird College for Women, Lahore during 26th -28th February 2024 titled "Water security and climate change under the light of India Bangladesh relations
3. Dr Qudsia Akram and Ms Warda Badar Presented Paper In 3-Day International Conference On International Conference on Social Sciences and Humanities in Kinnaird College for Women, Lahore during 26th -28th February 2024 titled "Instability in Lebanon: Assessing the role of Hezbollah since post Cold War Era"
4. Dr Qudsia Akram and Ms Hamna Dogar Presented Paper In 3-Day International Conference On International Conference on Social Sciences and Humanities in Kinnaird College for Women, Lahore during 26th -28th February 2024 titled "Populist Leadership and Global Relations: Impact of Trumpian populism on US Foreign Policy (2010-2024)"
5. Dr Qudsia Akram Presented Paper In 3-Day International Conference On "Significance Of The Belt & Road Initiative In Regional Connectivity" Held At University Of The Punjab, Lahore Jointly Organized By Regional Integration Centre, University Of The Punjab, Lahore And Pakistan Research Center For A Community With Shared Future (PRCCSF), Islamabad In Collaboration With Embassy Of People's Republic Of China To Pakistan, On 2 February 2023. Titled "The Impediments In Trade Connectivity Through OBOR Within The Region: The Way Forward."
6. Dr. Qudsia Akram presented paper in 3-day international conference on "Significance of the Belt & Road Initiative in Regional Connectivity" held at University of the Punjab, Lahore during 6 to 8 July 2022. titled "A Geopolitical Analysis Of Complex Security And Connectivity Between Central Asia And Pakistan Under OBOR"
7. Dr.Qudsia Akram and Ms. Arusha Siddique presented Role Of External And Violent Non State Actors In Civil War: Case Study Of Syrian Conflict, in 3rd International Conference on Social Sciences And Humanities 17th – 19th MAY 2022, Kinnaird College For Women, Lahore
8. Dr. Qudsia Akram ,Izza Khawar and Vaneeza Khalid, presented Iran – Israel Relations: Implications For Middle Eastern Politics in 3rd International Conference on Social Sciences And Humanities 17th – 19th MAY 2022, Kinnaird College For Women, Lahore
9. Dr. Qudsia Akram and Yemeen Hasan, presented Indo-China Strategic Competition: A Case Study Of The South China Sea Region (2013- 2020) in in 3rd International Conference on Social Sciences And Humanities 17th – 19th MAY 2022, Kinnaird College For Women, Lahore
10. Dr.Qudsia Akram , Saleha Safdar and Jannat Naseeb Presented Societal Implication Of Socio-Economic Problems In Africa (2000-2021) in 3rd International Conference on Social Sciences And Humanities 17th – 19th MAY 2022, Kinnaird College For Women, Lahore.
11. Dr. Qudsia Akram and Ms. Yemeen in collaboration with Miss Faryal Shahid presented their insights on the topic "An Analysis of Chinese Foreign Policy and South Asian Regional Order". They presented the paper on March 17, 2022, in the Hybrid International Conference on Deciphering Global Security Architecture in the 21st Century. It was organized by the Department of Political Science at Punjab University in collaboration with CGSS.
12. Qudsia Akram, Food Insecurity and Agriculture Policy ramifications for Pakistan, Al Razi Hall, Punjab University Lahore, 9 December 2021 organized by Punjab University and CGSS.
13. Qudsia Akram, Communication And Miscommunications During Covid-19 Era: Challenges and Opportunities for Pakistan, Two Days National Conference, University of Punjab. 7-8 July 2021
14. Qudsia Akram, Islamic State of Iraq and Levant: Role of Turkey and Russia in Middle East , International Conference of Political Economy, 24- 26 June 2020.
15. Qudsia Akram and Ayesha Ashraf, "A Critical Analysis Of U.S Irregular Warfare Policy Towards Islamic State" presented in the 2nd international Conference on Social Sciences and Humanities, Kinnaird College for Women, Lahore on 24-26 Oct 2019.

16. Qudsia Akram, “Gordian knots in Access to Facts: A Major Hurdle for Conducting Legal Research,” presented in University of Swat’s Conference, sponsored by HEC. 7 August 2014.
17. Uneeb Mumtaz and Qudsia Akram, Co-authored “Paucity of Information in Pakistan: A major challenge for implementation of Law of Torts in Pakistan” presented in University of Swat’s Conference, sponsored by HEC. 7 August 2014.

Panel Talks and Lectures:

- Guest lecture in "Global Security Challenge: From Terrorism to Cyber Threats at Riphah Institute of Clinical and Professional Psychology, Lahore on 12th November 2024.
- Participation in Panel Talk arranged by the Department of IR with the Department of Botany on 29th April 2024. Titled ‘**Botanical and Environmental Resilience through International Relations in Achieving SDGs**’
- Talk by **Stimson Center South Asia Program**, discussing various student opportunities offered by the Centre, held on 14th December 2023.
- Presented a lecture on Promoting Sustainable Practices in the Maritime Sector in the 3rd Winter School at Centre of Research and Innovation in Maritime Affairs, Minhaj University Lahore. 11-15 December 2023
- International Relations Club organized a Talk on ‘**Coloniality of Religious Terrorism Studies**’ By Dr Rabea, university of Liverpool on 8th November, 2023.

M.Phil. Supervised

STUDENT NAME	YEAR	TITLE
1. Alisha Shams	2025	Turkiye's Blue Homeland Doctrine: Challenges and Opportunities in Eastern Mediterranean Region [2009-2025]
2. Zainab	2025	Role of Propaganda in Middle Eastern Regional Security Complex: Case study of Iran and Israel(2015-2025)
3. Maha Tayyab	2025	Strategic dynamics in the Indo-Pacific region: Analysis of Sino-Japanese Strategies (2013-2025)
4. Sayeba Sagheer	2025	Securitization of AI: Sino-US 5th generation warfare in Taiwan (2015-2024)
5. Mahnoor Hamid	2025	US-ISRAEL Nexus: Implications of the Region (2017-2024)
6. Nimra Nadeem	2025	INDO-IRANIAN FOREIGN POLICY ANALYSIS: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES (2015-2023)
7. Warda Badar	2024	Instability in Lebanon: Assessing the Role of Hezbollah since Post Cold Era
8. Afseh Asif	2023	Sino-Indian Economic Relations: An Analysis Of Growing Competition In Africa (2008-2022)
9. Arusha Siddique	2023	Role of Iran, India, and Afghanistan in Baluchistan insurgency: Implications for Pakistan (2013-2022)
10. Attiya	2023	Russo-Ukraine war: implications for the regional and global politics (2014-2022)
11. Naureen Asif	2023	Isis-K In Afghanistan: Security Implications For Pakistan (2014-2022)
12. Maheen Butt	2022	Sino-Indian Port Politics In Indian Ocean Region (2013-2021)
13. Ruhma Zahid	2022	China - Us Economic Competition In Asia Pacific Region (2013 – 2020)
14. Ayesha Ashraf	2021	Russian Foreign Policy Towards Middle Eastern Region: Role Of

		Russian Private Military Companies In Syria (2011-2019)
15. Marriyam Naveed	2020	Russia In Middle East: Challenges And Opportunities (2000-2017)
16. Syeda Freena Naqvi	2020	Nuclear Arms Race In South Asia: A Case Study Of India And Pakistan
17. Munazza Fareed	2018	China's Security, Malacca Dilemma And The Maritime Politics In The Indian Ocean Region

Undergraduates Research Supervision

Student Name	Year	Title
1. Areeba Afzal Komal Fatima Zainab Anwar	2025	Climate-Induced Migration in Kenya: Impacts and Challenges for the Pastoralist Communities (2010-2025)
2. Habiba Sajid Saman Rasheed	2025	Prevailing Hindutva Ideology : Regional And Global Implications On India (2014-2025)
3. Hiba Ahsan Ezza Tariq	2025	Russo-US Power Politics in the Arctic: Implications on Climate Change (2010-2025)
4. Maryam Tahir and Abiha Gul	2024	China's Geostrategic and Economic Interests towards East Africa: A Case Study of Kenya and Djibouti (2013 - 2023)
5. Laiba Asad and Areeha Chaudhry	2024	Soft Power Diplomacy Of Qatar In Gulf Cooperation Council: A Multifaceted Approach (2011-2023)
6. Mehrunissa Khan Tareen and Fizza Abbas	2024	Russia's New Generation Warfare Doctrine in the Nagorno-Karabakh Conflict (2020-2023)
7. Loujain Amer And Saleha Safdar	2023	Economic Rise Of China: A Case Study Of Emerging Security And Economic Challenges In The Indo-Pacific Region (2013-2022)
8. Harram Akhtar Hamna Dogar	2023	Water Security: A Case Study Of Indian Hydro Aggression On Bangladesh (2010-2022)
9. Nawal Tariq Sayba Sagheer	2023	Geostrategy of Russia under President Putin : security implications on the Eurasian region (2012-2023)
10. Alina Minhas Kainat Durrani	2023	Human Security: Socio-Political Impact Of Drug And Human Trafficking In Africa (2000-2022)
11. Hamda Iqbal and Mahum Fatima	2022	Chinese Soft Power In Central Asia: Implications For The Region Under BRI (2013-2021)
12. Izza Khawar and Vaneeza Ahmed	2022	Power Politics In The Middle East: The Case Study Of Iran And Israel (2001-2021)
13. Monica , Bakhtawar Obed and Eman Shahid	2022	Power Politics in the Middle East: A Case Study of Sino-Iranian Relations (2013-2021)
14. Faryal Shahid And Yemeen Hassan	2022	Indo-China Strategic Competition: A Case Study of The South China Sea (2013-2020)

15. Laila Ahmed And Summaya Shahid	2021	Sino-Indian Port Politics In Indian Ocean Region (2013-2021)
16. Arusha Siddique 17. Fatima Afzal	2020	Terrorism And Counter Terrorism In Africa :A Case Study Of Boko Haram And Al-Qaeda In Nigeria
18. Zainab Saleem 19. Maimoona Mahdi	2020	Water Security In South Asia: India-Afghanistan Nexus And Implications for Pakistan
20. Sana Butt, Fatima Safdar, Ayesha Ashraf	2020	The Saudi-Iranian Ideological And Political Rivalry In Middle Eastern Region: Impact On Syria And Yemen
21. Mahrukh Aurangzeb	2018	Ethnic Conflict And Its Causes And Effects In The Domestic Politics Of Sri Lanka (1948-2009)

SEMINAR/ WEBINARS ORGANIZED

Date(s) of the Activity	Moderator	Title of the Activity	Name of the RP	Affiliation of the RP
26-2-2024	Dr Qudsia Akram	4th International Conference on Social Science	Multiple from different institutions	Kinnaird College for Women
10-10-2023	Dr Qudsia Akram	KCLCD's Conference on United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, 'Global Diplomacy for Sustainable Development: Strengthening International Relations to Achieve the SDGs 17: Partnership for the Goals'	Kinnaird College and Superior University	Kinnaird College for Women
26-2-2024	Dr Uzma Naz	3rd winter School on Maritime Affairs	Dr Qudsia Akram	Kinnaird College for Women
16-2-2023	Dr Qudsia Akram	Panel Discussion On Inter-Faith Harmony And Social Cohesion And International Cultural Diplomacy	Dr Waseem Anwar Dr Zainab Dr Maryam Kamal Dr Fatima Sajjad	Kinnaird College for Women
25 September 2021	Dr Qudsia Akram	Is Islamophobia a global Challenge ?	Dr Fakhar Bilal	Quaid-i-Azam University , Islamabad

10 April 2021	Dr Qudsia Akram	Seminar on Central Asian Republics and Pakistan: Challenges and Opportunities	Dr. Faisal Javaid	Federal Urdu University, Karachi
24 January 2021	Dr Qudsia Akram	Global Presence in Indo-Pacific Options for Pakistan	Qamar Cheema	Department of International Relations at the National University of Modern Languages Islamabad.
28 October 2020	Dr Qudsia Akram	The Trans Boundary Water Disputes: A Case Study of Indus Water Treaty”	Dr Kishwar Munir	Assistant professor, School of Integrated Social Sciences and Research Fellow at Center for security, strategy and Policy Research in The University of Lahore.

TRAININGS

- Participation in Faculty Development Plan- Capacity Building Workshop on 4th June, 2024. Titled "Preparing women for global opportunities. Integrating critical thinking and progressive feminist policy ideology in teaching methods".
- Webinar on Self-Assessment Report Writing (2022)
- “From Lecturing to Eclectic Teaching” (2021)
- Active Citizenship Program (2019)
- Qualitative Methods of Research and Social Sciences (2017)
- Quantitative Methods of Research in Social Sciences (2017)
- Work and Ethics (2017)
- HEC workshop on Research methodology (2017)
- Fundamental Rights in Pakistan by Civic Centre of Education (2014)
- Academic Planning and Management (2014)
- Teaching Methods and Entrepreneurship (2014)
- Selection of Research topic and Methodology for Dissertation (2012)
- Work shop on Human Rights and Legal status of Afghan Nationals in Pakistan (2008)
- Conducted survey on democracy versus dictatorship in Lahore College For women University (2008)

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Mentioned as Notable alumni in my Alma Mater <https://alumni.lcwu.edu.pk/nalumni.php>
- Represented Pakistan as a delegate at International Women Awakening Conference, Iran in 2012

