Department of LIS at a Glance:
From PJLIS 2009 Onward

Syeda Hina Batool[*]

Prof. Kanwal Gets Fulbright Fellowship

Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen was successful in getting Fulbright Post-Doctoral Fellowship and stayed at the School of Information Science & Learning Technologies (SISLT), University of Missouri, Columbia, USA (November 2009 to May 2010). She completed her study on "Usability evaluation methods for library websites" under the supervision of Dr. Sanda Erdelez.

Prof. Khalid Gets HEC Fellowship

Prof. Dr. Khalid Mahmood got HEC Post-Doctoral Fellowship and proceeded, in May 2010, to the Department of Information Studies, University of California, Los Angles, USA. During his 9-month stay he will complete his research on "Impact of Web 2.0 technologies on academic libraries" under the supervision of Prof. Dr. John V. Richardson, Jr.

Dr. Mumtaz A. Anwar Joins as HEC Professor

Dr. Mumtaz A. Anwar joined DLIS as professor under the Higher Education Commission's Foreign Faculty Hiring Program on a one year contract, extendable further. He is associated with MPhil Leading to PhD program.

Prof.Kanwal gets Emerald Outstanding Paper Award 2010

Prof.Kanwal Ameen got Emerald outstanding paper award 2010. Her paper co-authored with Prof. Gary Gorman "Information and digital literacy: A stumbling block to development? A Pakistan perspective" published in Library Management has been chosen as an Outstanding Paper Award Winner at the Literati Network Awards for Excellence 2010 and Full text is available free for limited period.

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PLA Awards

Prof. Dr.Kanwal Ameen gets PLA Appreciation Award for Academic Achievement and Prof. Dr.Mumtaz Anwar gets Life Time Acheivement Award 2010 by the PLA Headquarter in the PLA conference held in Karachi.

Doctoral Students Win International Paper Contest

Muhammad Rafiq and Muhammad Arif, DLIS doctoral students, won the first and second positions in the international paper contest of the Special Interest Group on International Information Issues (SIG-III) of the American Society for Information Science & Technology (ASIS&T).

Prof. Khalid Joins International Journals

Three international journals of LIS included Prof. Dr. Khalid Mahmood in their Editorial Advisory Boards. These include *Information Development* (Sage Publications, USA), *Library Philosophy and Practice-LPP* (University of Idaho, USA) and *Webology* (University of Tehran, Iran).

Nosheen Wins ASIS&T Award

Nosheen Fatima Warraich, DLIS Lecturer, won American Society for Information Science and Technology (ASIS&T) InfoShare Professional Member Award for 2010.

Research Students Find New Jobs

- Muhammad Rafiq, DLIS doctoral student joined the Afghanistan Vouchers for Increased Productive Agriculture (AVIPA), International Relief & Development (IRD), Kabul, Afghanistan as Senior Archive Specialist.
- Amara Malik, MPhil student, joined the Institute of Administrative Sciences, University of the Punjab as Librarian.

PULISAA Revived

The DLIS alumni association was revived under the able leadership of Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen. The new name of the body is "Punjab University Library & Information Science Alumni Association (PULISAA)." A committee, headed by Prof. Dr. Khalid Mahmood, executed the membership campaign and another committee, headed by Afzal Haq Qarshi, conducted elections and handed over the charge to the newly elected executive council. The new council conducted an oath

taking ceremony and some other training programs for in service professionals. Moreover, the association has published two online issues of its newsletter 'Info@PULISAA' under the editorship of Farzana Shafique, a DLIS doctoral student.

Research Articles Published in National/ International Journals

Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen
- Ameen, K. (2010). The culture of collection evaluation in Pakistan. *Library Philosophy and Practice*.
- Ameen, K. & Shafique, F. (2009). Oriental collection in the Punjab University Library: A case study. *Trends in Information Management: Special Issue on Oriental Librarianship, 5*(1), 16-30.
- Tahira, M., & Ameen, K. (2009). Information needs and seeking behavior of science & technology teachers of the University of the Punjab, Lahore. *Pakistan Journal of Library & Information Science*, (10), 80-96.
- Tahira, M., & Ameen, K. (2009). Information Needs and Seeking Behaviour of S&T Teachers of the University of the Punjab (PU), Lahore. Pakistan Journal of LIS, 10. 80-96.

Book Chapter

- Ameen, K. (2009). Issues of Quality Assurance in LIS Higher Education in Pakistan. In Singh, J., Malhan, I., & Kaur, T., Editors. Library and Information Science in Digital Age: Essays in Honour of Professor M.P. Satija. Vol. 2. Delhi: Ess Ess Pub.

Prof. Dr. Khalid Mahmood
- Mahmood, K. (2009). Gender, subject and degree differences in university students' access, use and attitudes toward information and communication technology (ICT). *International Journal of Education and Development using Information and Communication Technology, 5*(3).
- Mahmood, K., & Rehman, S.U. (2009). Contributions of Dr. Anis Khurshid to library literature: A bibliometric study. *Pakistan Journal of Library & Information Science,* (10), 43-56.

- Mahmood, K., & Shafique, F. (2010). Changing research scenario in Pakistan and demand for research qualified LIS professionals. *Library Review, 59*(4), 291-303.
- Mahmood, K., & Shafique, F. (2009). Emerging information society in Pakistan and the role of libraries. *World Libraries, 17*(2).
- Idrees, H., & Mahmood, K. (2010). Classification of Islamic literature in Pakistani libraries: A survey. *Library Review, 59*(3), 149-164.
- Idrees, H., & Mahmood, K. (2009). Devising a classification scheme for Islam: Opinions of LIS and Islamic studies scholars. *Library Philosophy and Practice (LPP).*
- Khan, M. A., & Mahmood, K. (2010). A study of the usefulness of Pakistan Library Automation Group's (PakLAG) services. *Library Philosophy and Practice (LPP).*
- Mirza, M. S., & Mahmood, K. (2009). Web-based services in university libraries: A Pakistani perspective. *Library Philosophy and Practice (LPP)*.
- Qutab, S., & Mahmood, K. (2009). Library web sites in Pakistan: An analysis of content. *Program: Electronic Library and Information Systems, 43*(4), 430-445.
- Tahir, M., Mahmood, K., & Shafique, F. (2009). How humanists use libraries: A survey of arts and humanities faculty at University of the Punjab, Lahore, Pakistan. *Library Review, 58*(8), 581-592.
- Safdar, M., Mahmood, K., & Qutab, S. (2010). Internet use behavior and attitude of college students: A survey of Leadership Colleges' Network. *Library Philosophy and Practice (LPP).*
- Tahir, M., Mahmood, K., & Shafique, F. (2010). Use of electronic information resources and facilities by humanities scholars. *The Electronic Library, 28*(1), 122-136.

Prof.Dr.Mumtaz Anwar
- Anwar, M. A. (2009). What's in a name? *Information Outlook, 13*(5), 22-26.
- Anwar, M. A., & Asghar, M. (2009). Information seeking behavior of Pakistani newspaper journalists. *Pakistan Journal of Library & Information Science*, (10), 57-79.

<u>Nosheen Fatima Warraich</u>

- Warraich, N. F., & Ameen, K. (2010). Perceptions of LIS professionals regarding use of Pakistan National Digital Library databases. *The Electronic Library, 28*(1), 108-121.
- Warraich, N. F., & Tahira, M. (2010). Manuscript collection in the Punjab University Library: Assessing management issues. *Chinese Librarianship: an International Electronic Journal*, (29).
- Warrich, N. F., Ameen, K., & Tahira, M. (2009). Usability study of a federated search product at Punjab University. *Library Hi Tech News. 26*(9), 14-15.
- Warraich, N. F. (2010). MLIS curriculum at Punjab University: Perception and reflections. *Library Philosophy and Practice*.

<u>Syeda Hina Batool</u>

- Batool, S. H., & Mahmood, K. (2010). Entertainment, communication or academic use? A survey of Internet cafe users in Lahore, Pakistan. *Information Development, 26*(2), 141-147.

<u>Research Students</u>

- Arif, M., & Ameen, K.(2009). Acceptance of digital library among female students and effects of limited access of digital library on their performance in research work: A case of International Islamic University. *International Information & Library Review, 41*(3), 122-128.
- Arif, M., & Mahmood, K. (2009). Libraries' services at distance: A survey of Allama Iqbal Open University tutors in Pakistan. *Journal of Library & Information Services in Distance Learning, 3*(3-4), 159-172.
- Awan, M. R., & Mahmood, K. (2010). Relationship among leadership style, organizational culture and employee commitment in university libraries. *Library Management, 31*(4/5), 253-266.
- Malik, A., & Mahmood, K. (2009). Web search behavior of university students: A case study at University of the Punjab. *Webology, 6*(2).
- Naseer, M. M., & Mahmood, K. (2009). LIS research in Pakistan: An analysis of Pakistan Library and Information Science Journal-PLISJ (1998-2007). *Library Philosophy and Practice (LPP)*.

- Naseer, M. M., & Mahmood, K. (2009). Use of bibliometrics in LIS research. *LIBRES: Library and Information Science Research Electronic Journal, 19*(2).
- Rafiq, M. (2009). LIS community's perceptions towards open source software adoption in libraries. *International Information & Library Review, 41*(3), 137-145.
- Rafiq, M., & Ameen, K. Issues and lessons learned in open source software adoption in Pakistani libraries. *The Electronic Library, 27*(4), 601-610.
- Rafiq, M., & Ameen, K. (2009). Information Seeking Behavior (ISB) and User Satisfaction of University Teachers: A Case Study. *Library Philosophy and Practice*.
- Shafique, F., & Mahmood, K. (2010). The need of information system and networks for survival into information society. *Pakistan Library and Information Science Journal, 41* (2), 11-17.
- Shafique, F., & Mahmood, K. (2009). Why the offline are offline: A survey of Internet use by educated Pakistani adults. *CyberPsychology & Behavior, 12*(3), 351-354.
- Siddique, N., & Mahmood, K. (2009). Role of mailing groups in the development of library profession in Pakistan: The case of plagpk. *Information Development, 25*(3), 218-223.

Theses Published by German Publisher
VDM Verlag, a German publisher, published books based on the PhD/ MPhil theses of the following DLIS graduates.

- Ameen, K. (2009). *Philosophy and framework of collection management: Its application in university libraries of Pakistan*.
- Mahmood, K. (2009). *Alternative funding model for libraries: A Pakistani perspective*.
- Arif, M. (2010). *The role of libraries in distance education: A case of Allama Iqbal Open University*.
- Idrees, H. (2010). *A review of library classification schemes on Islam: A Pakistani perspective*.
- Tahira, M. (2010). *Information needs and seeking behaviour of science academics: A case of the University of the Punjab, Lahore-Pakistan.*
- Awan, M. R. (2010). *Leadership style, organizational culture and job commitment: A study of university libraries in Pakistan*.

Conference Papers Presented

- Prof.Dr. Kanwal Ameen's paper "Challenges of producing quality LIS research in developing countries" was presented by Dr. Abdus Sattar Chaudhry at IFLA Pre-Conference on "Building bridges: Connecting the soul and spirit of LIS education in developing countries," August 19-21, 2009, Milan, Italy.
- Shafiq-ur-Rehman, a PhD scholar in France, presented a paper on "Users perception and satisfaction with reference services in university libraries of Punjab: A survey" (co-authored with Prof. Dr. Khalid Mahmood and Farzana Shafique) at 2nd Qualitative and Quantitative Methods in Libraries International Conference (QQML2010), May 25-28, 2010, Chania Crete, Greece.
- Nosheen Fatima Warraich & Kanwal Ameen's paper "What Motivates LIS Professionals in the Institutions of Higher Learning? A Case of Pakistan" accepted for presentation at 76th IFLA World Library and Information Congress, Gothenburg, Sweden, 10 - 15 August, 2010.
- Muhammad Rafiq & Kanwal Ameen's paper "Perceptions of South Asian LIS Community Towards Open Source Software Adoption in Libraries" accepted for presentation at 76th IFLA World Library and Information Congress, Gothenburg, Sweden, 10 - 15 August 2010.

Workshops/ Seminars Organized

- DLIS organized a 2-day workshop on "Searching, recording and reviewing literature for research writings" for teachers and research [st]udents of the PU Faculty of Economics and Management Sciences with the collaboration of PU Institute of Business Administration. All DLIS faculty and Muhamamd Anwar from University of Management & Technology (UMT) were the resource persons. Prof. Dr. Mujahid Kamran, PU Vice Chancellor, inaugurated the workshop and Prof. Dr. Muhammad Ehsan Malik, Dean Faculty of E&MS, distributed certificates among participants.
- Under the headship of Syeda Hina Batool, the Continuing Education Committee of PULISAA organized a one-day workshop on "ICT training needs for librarians" at the Punjab University Library.

- DLIS organized a one-day seminar on "Career Counseling" for the graduating students of MLIS program.

  Faculty Participates in Workshops/ Seminars/Talk Shows

➢ Prof.Dr.Kanwal Ameen delivered Lectures/presentations on:

- "Development of Library and Information Services in Pakistan: Challenges and Opportunities "on April 3, 2010 at School of LIS, North Carolina Central University, USA
- "Libraries and LIS Education in Pakistan" on April 13, 2010 at School of Information Science and Learning Technologies, University of Missouri, Columbia, USA.
- "Development of Public Libraries in Pakistan" on March 9, 2010 at School of Information Science and Learning Technologies, University of Missouri, Columbia, USA.
- An overview of Library and information services in Pakistan. Guest class lecture on May 9, 2010 at School of Information Science and Learning Technologies, University of Missouri, Columbia, USA.

➢ Prof. Dr. Khalid Mahmood was resource person at:

- One-day workshop on "Developing literature review" at COMSATS, Lahore. For faculty and researchers from national universities it was jointly organized by the Institute of Research Promotion (IRP) and COMSATS Institute of Information Technology.
- One-day workshop on "Publishing your research" jointly organized by IRP and COMSATS.
- One-day workshop on "Optimizing use of online resources" jointly organized by IRP and COMSATS.
- One-day workshop on "Writing research paper" at Applied Economics Research Center, University of Karachi, jointly organized by IRP and AERC.
- Two-day workshop on "Planning to publishing: Integrated academic research" at Sukkur Institute of Business Administration (IBA).

- One-day workshop on "ICT training needs for librarians" organized by PULISAA.
- Three workshops on "Research methods in social sciences" organized by PU Institute of Education & Research (IER), Institute of Communication Studies (ICS) and Department of Economics.
- Presented a paper at the seminar on "Emerging trends in digital world" organized by the University of Management & Technology (UMT) and IRP.

➢ Prof. Dr. Mumtaz Anwar was:

- Conducted a seminar on "Emerging challenges for professional competencies" organized by PULISAA.
- Participated in Pakistan Television - Panel Discussion on "Children's reading habits."
- Participated in Pakistan Television - Panel Discussion on "World Book Day."
- One of the resource persons at the seminar on "World Book & Copy Right Day" jointly organized by Allama Iqbal Open University, Pakistan Library Association and Pakistan Librarians Welfare Organization.

➢ Syeda Hina Batool was:

- Resource person at one-day workshop on "How to conduct research" organized by Saukhat Khanum Memorial Cancer Hospital, Lahore.

PJLIS NEWS
Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen has appointed Prof. Dr. Khalid Mahmood as Chief Editor and Syeda Hina Batool as Managing Editor of PJLIS. The full text articles from fresh and some previous issues are made available free online through the newly designed Website: http://www.pu.edu.pk/dlis/pjlis. Prof. Dr. John V. Richardson, Jr. of the Department of Information Studies, University of California, Los Angeles, USA joined the Journal as a member Editorial Advisory Board.

MPhil Leading to PhD Program

Prof. Dr. Khalid Mahmood is the new coordinator of MPhil Leading to PhD program since Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen has taken the charge of the Department as Chairperson.

MPhil Degrees Awarded

- Alia Arshad. *Users' perceptions and expectations of quality university library services.* Supervised by Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen.
- Muhammad Rafiq Awan. *Relationship among leadership style, organizational culture and job commitment of university librarians*. Supervised by Prof. Dr. Khalid Mahmood.
- Azhar Iqbal. *Information needs and seeking behavior of medical researchers in Pakistan.* Supervised by Prof. Dr. Khalid Mahmood.
- Muhammad Zulqarnain Akhtar. *Information needs and information seeking behavior of business administration faculty members in universities of Islamabad*. Supervised by Prof. Dr. Khalid Mahmood.

PhD Synopses Approved

PU Board of Advanced Studies & Research approved PhD synopses of these students:

- Pervaiz Ahmed. *Quality assessment of public services in the libraries of universities and degree awarding institutes of Pakistan*. Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Kanwal Ameen.
- Nadeem Siddique. *An appraisal of library software used in higher education institutions of Pakistan*. Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Khalid Mahmood.
- Mirza Muhammad Naseer. *Library and information science research in Pakistan: Bibliographic control, bibliometric analysis and issues*. Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Khalid Mahmood.

MPhil Synopses Approved

The Departmental Doctoral Program Committee (DDPC) in LIS approved MPhil synopses of the following candidates:

- Midrar Ullah. *Development and validation of competencies for medical librarians in Pakistan*. Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Mumtaz Anwar.
- Syeda Hina Batool. *Perceptions of participative management practices in the university libraries of Punjab: An exploratory study of senior professional staff*. Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Mumtaz Anwar.
- Amara Malik. *Readiness for digital reference service (DRS) in university libraries*. Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Khalid Mahmood.
- Mamoona Kousar. *Perceptions of faculty about information literacy skills of post graduate engineering students*. Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Khalid Mahmood.

New MPhil Admissions

Classes of MPhil Leading to PhD program started in September 2009. The students of new batch include Muhammad Arif (Phd program), Amna Asghar, Muhammad Asif Naveed, Saira Hanif Soroya, Sajjad Ahmad, Sajjad Ullah Jan, Sania Rasheed, Shehzad Ahmad and Shumaila Iram.