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CURRICULUM VITAE

Postdoc Fellow

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EDUCATION

- 2019 PhD Law:** International Islamic University Islamabad, Pakistan.
Major Field: Constitutional Law and Constitutionalism in Pakistan
Minor Fields: Advance Legal Research Methodology; Current Issues in Muslim Family Laws in Pakistan and other Muslim States; International Humanitarian Law & Human Rights; International Investment Law; Legal History of the Sub-Continent.
Dissertation: Constitutionalism and the Dilemma of Judicial Autonomy in Pakistan: a Critical Analysis.
- 2010 LLM:** University Law College, University of the Punjab, Lahore, Pakistan.
Major Field: Administrative Law
Minor Fields: International Economic Law; Law of Contract; Company Law; Comparative Jurisprudence.
Dissertation: Administrative Discretion: Safeguards and Controls
- 2011 MA Pashto** University of Malakand, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP) with distinction.
- 2006 LLB:** University of Peshawar, Pakistan.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Constitutional Law, Separation of Powers and Democratization of Institutions, Judicial Activism, Administrative Law, Islamic Laws, Legal Research Methodology, and Commercial Laws.

GRANT AND FELLOWSHIP

- 2017** Selected by the Higher Education Commission of Pakistan (HEC) under International Research Support Initiative Program (IRSIP) as a Visiting Research Scholar for the University of Kansas, USA

RESEARCH PROJECTS COMPLETED

- 2022-23** The Judicialization of Politics in Pakistan
- 2021-22** The War of Judicial Independence in Pakistan: A Critical Analysis of Leading Political Cases
- 2013-14** Contribution of Classical Poets in the Development of Pashto Language: A Critical Analysis

2011-12 Historical Genesis of Pashto Language; Stages of its Literary Development and its Linguistic Affiliation with other Languages

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

As Principal Author:

1. Recognition of Islamic Jurisprudence to the People's Republic of China's Model of Awarding Capital Punishment to the Convicts of Financial Corruption
(Global Legal Studies Review, fall 2022, Vol. VII, No. IV [17-22], p- ISSN: 2708-2458 e- ISSN: 2708-2466 L- ISSN: 2708-2458, HEC Category: Y)
<https://glsrjournal.com/article/recognition-of-islamic-jurisprudence-to-the-peoples-republic-of-chinas-model-of-awarding-capital-punishment-to-the-convicts-of-financial-corruption>
2. The War of Judicial Independence in Pakistan: A Critical Analysis of Leading Political Cases
(Multicultural Education, USA, Vol. 08, No. 03, 2022, ISSN: 10683844, [19-25], Scopus: Yes, HEC Category: X)
<https://mc-caddogap.com/wp-content/uploads/3-mc-8-3.pdf>
3. Controls over Administrative Discretion: A Case Law Study in the Context of Pakistan
(ISSRA Papers, Vol. 13 (2021), e-ISSN: 2789-7915, ISSN-L: 2219-0562, [01-13], HEC Category: Y)
<https://issrapapers.ndu.edu.pk/site/article/view/100>
4. Legislative Efforts for Institutionalization of Judges' Appointments and Judicial Response: An Appraisal of 18th and 19th Constitutional Amendments
(Journal of the Punjab University Historical Society, Volume: 34, No. 01, January - June 2021, ISSN- - 2415-5373, [159-171], HEC Category: Y)
http://pu.edu.pk/images/journal/HistoryPStudies/PDF_Files/12-v34_1_2021.pdf
5. Judicial Activism, Selectivism, and Executive's Functional Space: A Critical Appreciation in the Context of Pakistan
(Journal of the Research Society of Pakistan, Vol. 58, No. 1, Jan.-March, 2021, ISSN-0034-5431, [28-35], HEC Category: Y)
http://pu.edu.pk/images/journal/history/PDF-FILES/4_58_1_21.pdf
6. The Mughal Administration of Justice: An Appraisal
(Global Security and Strategic Studies Review, Vol. V, No. III, Summer 2020, [43-50], ISSN-P 2708-2121, ISSN-E 2708-3616, ISSN-L 2708-2121, HEC Category: Y)
<https://gssrjournal.com/papers/5%20The%20Mughal%20Administration%20of%20Justice%20-%20Bakht%20Munir.pdf>
7. Establishment of Military Courts in Pakistan and its Effects on Trichotomy of Powers: International and Domestic Standards

- (Journal of Pakistan Vision, Volume 21, No. 2, 2020 [250-263], ISSN: 1681-5742, HEC Category: Y)
http://pu.edu.pk/images/journal/studies/PDF-FILES/18_v21_2_20.pdf
8. Authoritarianism and Judicial Efforts for Securing Autonomy: a Case Study of Pakistan (Journal of Peace, Development and Communication, Volume 04, Issue 3, October-December 2020, [267-286], pISSN: 2663-7898, eISSN: 2663-7901, HEC Category: Y)
<https://pdfpk.net/pdf/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/Authoritarianism-and-Judicial-Efforts-for-Securing-Autonomy-A-Case-Study-of-Pakistan.pdf>
 9. The Concept, Philosophy, and Development of Judicial Activism: Comparative Analysis between USA and Pakistan (International Review of Social Sciences, December 2020, Vol. 8 Issue.12 [331-341], ISSN (Online): 2309-0081, HEC Category: Y)
<https://irss.academyirmbr.com/papers/1609182778.pdf>
 10. Transformative Preservation of Military and its Impacts on Judicial Autonomy and Constitutionalism: a Critical Appreciation in the Context of Pakistan (International Review of Social Sciences, November 2020, Vol. 8 Issue.11, [191-203] ISSN (Online) : 2309-0081, HEC Category: Y)
<https://irss.academyirmbr.com/papers/1605626833.pdf>
 11. Principles of Administrative Discretion: A Case Study of Pakistan (Pakistan Social Sciences Review, September 2020, Vol. 4, No. III [1023-1035], P-ISSN 2664-0422, O-ISSN 2664-0430, HEC Category: Y)
<https://pssr.org.pk/article/principles-of-administrative-discretion-a-case-study-of-pakistan>
 12. Separation of Powers and System of Checks and Balances: a Debate of Functionalist and Formalist Approaches (Global Political Review, Summer 2020, Vol. V, No. III [11-23], ISSN (PRINT): 2521-2982, ISSN (ONLINE): 2707-4587, ISSN (LINK): 2521-2982, HEC Category: Y)
<https://www.gprjournal.com/article/separation-of-powers-and-system-of-checks-and-balances-a-debate-on-the-functionalist-and-formalist-theories-in-the-context-of-pakistan>
 13. Balancing and Rebalancing of Judicial Autonomy: a Critical Analysis of Basic Structure Theory (Global Social Sciences Review, Vol. V, No. IV, Fall 2020, [152-159], p- ISSN: 2520-0348, e-ISSN: 2616-793X, ISSN-L: 2520-0348, HEC Category: Y)
<https://www.gssrjournal.com/jadmin/Author/31rvIolA2LALJouq9hkR/Wu26yAOdhU.pdf>
 14. The Nature and Philosophy of Sovereignty: A Comparative Analysis of Western and Islamic Notions of Sovereignty (Global Legal Studies Review, Summer 2020, Vol. V, No. III [13-20], p- ISSN: 2708-2458 e- ISSN: 2708-2466 L- ISSN: 2708-2458, HEC Category: Y)
<https://glsrjournal.com/article/the-nature-and-philosophy-of-sovereignty-a-comparative-analysis-of-western>
 15. Application of Islamic Laws through Judiciary in Pakistan: a Case Study of Riba (Pakistan Social Sciences Review, September 2020, Vol. 4, No. III [452-462], P-ISSN 2664-0422, O-ISSN 2664-0430, HEC Category: Y)

<https://pssr.org.pk/issues/v4/3/application-of-islamic-laws-through-judiciary-in-pakistan-a-case-study-of-riba.pdf>

16. Necessity of Discretionary Powers: A Critical Appreciation as a Necessary Evil
(Global Regional Review, Vol. V, Issue No. III, [183-191], ISSN: p- 2616-955X, e-ISSN: 2663-7030, ISSN-L: 2616-955X, Summer, 2020, HEC Category: Y)
<https://www.grrjournal.com/jadmin/Author/31rvIolA2LALJouq9hkR/malGeUAKwA.pdf>
17. Historical Genesis of Pakhtoons with Special Reference to Semitic and Aryan Theories
(The Faculty of Oriental Learning, Volume 40, Sr. No. 114, Jan – March 2019 [03-16], ISSN: 1991-699X, HEC Category: Z)
http://pu.edu.pk/images/journal/uocc/pdf/7_v39_114_19.pdf
18. The Evolution of Democracy in Pakistan: A Case Law Study of the Superior Courts Judgments
(Journal of the Research Society of Pakistan, Volume No. 56, Issue No. 1 (January - June, 2019, [271-279], ISSN-0034-5431, HEC Category: X)
http://pu.edu.pk/images/journal/history/PDF-FILES/25_56_1_19.pdf
19. Traces of Mughal Administration of Justice in Modern Democracies: A Case Study of India and Pakistan
(Epistemology: Journal of Islamic Studies, Vol. 6, No. 6. Jan 2019, pISSN: 2663-5828, eISSN: 2519-6480 [70-80], HEC Category: Y)
https://epistemology.pk/assets/uploads/TRACES_OF_MUGHAL_ADMINISTRATION_OF JUSTICE IN MODERN DEMOCRACIES A CASE STUDY OF INDIA AND PAKISTAN1.pdf
20. Origins of the Pashto Language and Phases of its Literary Evolution
(Journal of Research in Humanities, Vol. 52 No. 01(2016), HEC Category: Y)
<https://jrhi.pu.edu.pk/index.php/journal/article/view/195>

As Co-author:

21. Body Image Satisfaction and Eating Habits of the Students A Case Study of the Facebook Users
(Global Mass Communication Review, Vol. IX, No. I-Winter (March 2024), ISSN(Print):2708-2015, ISSN(Online):2709-9458, [124-134], HEC Category: Y)
<https://gmcrjournal.com/article/body-image-satisfaction-and-eating-habits-of-the-students-a-case-study-of-the-facebook-users>
22. Aligarh Movement: The Torchbearer of Modern Trends in Urdu Literature
(Global Language Review, Vol. VII, No. IV (Fall 2022), ISSN(Print):2663-3299, ISSN(Online):2663-3841, [99– 108], HEC Category: Y)
<https://glrjournal.com/article/aligarh-movement-the-torchbearer-of-modern-trends-in-urdu-literature>
23. Comparative Analysis of Communicative Behaviors of Russian and Pakistani Societies for Effective Learning of Russian Language

- (Global Language Review, Vol. VII, No. I (Winter 2022),ISSN(Print):2663-3299, ISSN(Online):2663-3841, [41 – 54], HEC Category: Y)
<https://www.glrjournal.com/article/comparative-analysis-of-communicative-behaviors-of-russian-and-pakistani-societies-for-effective-learning-of-russian-language>
24. Intellectual Property Rights and Economic Development: A Case Study of Pakistan
(Journal of Historical Studies, Vol. VII. No. I, Jan-Jun 2021, [157-174], ISSN: 2414-8563, HEC Category: Y)
https://jhs.bzu.edu.pk/upload/Vol-I-21_Article%20-9-Vol%207-1%20JHS.pdf_28.pdf
25. Legitimacy and Significance of Art. 2A in the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973
(South Asian Studies, Vol. 36, No. 1, January – June, 2021, [39 – 48], ISSN-1026-678X, E-ISSN: 2309-4575, HEC Category: Y)
http://pu.edu.pk/images/journal/csas/PDF/3_36_1_21.pdf
26. Critical Analysis of Bilateral Investment Treaties in Pakistan
(Journal of the Research Society of Pakistan, Volume No. 57, Issue No. 2 (July- December, 2020, ISSN-0034-5431, [163-169], HEC Category: Y)
http://pu.edu.pk/images/journal/history/PDF-FILES/32_57_2_20.pdf
27. Jurisdictional Determinants Of Investor-State Dispute Settlement: A Contemporary Critique
(Global Economics Review, Fall 2020, Vol. V, No. IV [47-57], p-ISSN: 2521-2974 e-ISSN: 2707-0093 L-ISSN: 2521-2974, HEC Category: Y)
<https://www.gerjournal.com/jadmin/Auther/31rvIolA2LALJouq9hkR/NobhheF7WN.pdf>
28. Exploring Islamic Injunctions on Remission of Sentences
(Global Legal Studies Review, Fall 2020, Vol. V, No. IV [01-09], p- ISSN: 2708-2458 e-ISSN: 2708-2466 L- ISSN: 2708-2458, HEC Category: Y)
<https://glsrjournal.com/article/exploring-islamic-injunctions-on-remission-of-sentences>
29. An Assessment of Right to Fair Trial under the Constitution of Pakistan, 1973: A Comparative Study of the US and Pakistan
(Global Security & Strategic Studies Review, Vol. V, No. IV, Fall 2020, [31-39], ISSN-P 2708-2121, ISSN-E 2708-3616, ISSN-L 2708-2121, HEC Category: Y)
file:///C:/Users/Administrator/Downloads/an-assessment-of-right-to-fair-trial-under-the-constitution-of-pakistan-1973-a-comparative-study-of-the-us-and-pakistan%20_.pdf
30. Islamic Injunctions on the Institutionalization of *Aqilah*: a Case Study of Vicarious Liability for Payment of Diyat
(Global Political Review, Fall 2020, Vol. V, No. IV. [1-10], ISSN (PRINT): 2521-2982, ISSN (ONLINE): 2707-4587, ISSN (LINK): 2521-2982, HEC Category: Y)
<https://gprjournal.com/article/islamic-injunctions-on-the-institutionalization-of-aqilah-a-case-study-of-vicarious-liability-for-payment-of-diyat>
31. CDHRI and International Human Rights Framework
(Pakistan Social Sciences Review, June 2020, Vol. 4, No. II [895-905], P-ISSN 2664-0422, O-ISSN 2664-0430, HEC Category: Y)
<https://pssr.org.pk/article/cdhri-and-international-human-rights-framework>

32. Imprisonment for Non-Payment of Diyat: A Critical Analysis of Two Leading Cases (Global Legal Studies Review, Summer 2020, Vol. V, No. III [55-61], p- ISSN: 2708-2458 e- ISSN: 2708-2466 L- ISSN: 2708-2458, HEC Category: Y)
<https://glsrjournal.com/article/imprisonment-for-nonpayment-of-diyat-a-critical-analysis-of-two-leading-cases>
33. Evolution of Protectionist Approach for Investor-State Settlement of Investment Disputes: A Critical Analysis (Pakistan Social Sciences Review, March 2020, Vol. 4, No. I [893-906], P-ISSN 2664-0422, O-ISSN 2664-0430, HEC Category: Y)
<https://pssr.org.pk/article/evolution-of-protectionist-approach-for-investor-state-settlement-of-investment-disputes-a-critical-analysis>

RESEARCH THESIS SUPERVISED

- Flexibilities Available in TRIPS Agreement for Access to Medicine Visa-a-Vis Human Rights (LL.M. Thesis as an External Supervisor at International Islamic University, Islamabad)
- Critical Analysis of Interim Injunction in Perspective of Public Procurement Contracts: a Case Study of Government of the Punjab (LL.M. Thesis as an External Supervisor at International Islamic University, Islamabad).
- Barriers of Personal Bias and Ambit of Natural Justice: A Critical Analysis (LL.M. Thesis as an External Supervisor at University Law College, University of the Punjab, Lahore)
- Legal Safeguards to Fair Trial: A Comparative Study (LL.M. Thesis as an External Supervisor at University Law College, University of the Punjab, Lahore)
- Right to Information and Evidence Relating to Affairs of State: a Comparative Study of Law and Practice in Pakistan and India (LL.M. Thesis as an External Supervisor at University Law College, University of the Punjab, Lahore)
- Convention on the Rights of the Child: a Critical Analysis of its Implementation in Pakistan (LL.M. Thesis as an External Supervisor at University Law College, University of the Punjab, Lahore)
- Understanding Judicial Appointments in Pakistan and its Impact on Judicial Independence (LL.M. Thesis as an External Supervisor at Postgraduate School of Legal Studies, University of the Punjab, Lahore)
- Critical Analysis of Legal Framework on Custodial Torture in Pakistan (LL.M. Thesis as an External Supervisor at Postgraduate School of Legal Studies, University of the Punjab, Lahore)
- A Critical Evaluation of Suo Motu Powers in Pakistan: Need for Reforms (LL.M. Thesis as an External Supervisor at Postgraduate School of Legal Studies, University of the Punjab, Lahore)

- Antidote for Cyber Harassment Against Minors in Pakistan (LL.M. Thesis as an External Supervisor at Postgraduate School of Legal Studies, University of the Punjab, Lahore)
- Analysis of Inclusivity Approach for ICSID Mechanism Through Transparency (LL.M. Thesis as an External Supervisor at Postgraduate School of Legal Studies, University of the Punjab, Lahore)
- Analysis of Party Autonomy in Investor-State Dispute Settlement: A Case Study of Pakistan (LL.M. Thesis as an External Supervisor at Postgraduate School of Legal Studies, University of the Punjab, Lahore)
- Critical Evaluation of Right to Fair Trial in the Perspective of Constitutional Developments in Pakistan (LL.M. Thesis as an External Supervisor at Postgraduate School of Legal Studies, University of the Punjab, Lahore)
- IMF Conditionalities and State Sovereignty: A Case Study of Pakistan (LL.M. Thesis as an External Supervisor at Postgraduate School of Legal Studies, University of the Punjab, Lahore)
- Legal Safeguards of Right to Fair Trial: a Comparative Study (University Law College, University of the Punjab, Lahore)
- The White-Collar Crimes: Categorization, Socio-Political Implications and Judicial Administration in Legal Framework of Pakistan (LL.M. Thesis as an External Supervisor at Superior University, Lahore)
- Application of Law of Contempt by Superior Courts on Parliamentarians and Media: A Case Law Study (LL.M. Thesis as an External Supervisor at Superior University, Lahore)
- The Right to a Fair Trial in Pakistan: A Constitutional Analysis with Case Law Study (LL.M. Thesis as an External Supervisor at Superior University, Lahore)
- Dissolution of Marriage Through Khula and Custody of Children in Pakistan: A Case Law Study (LL.M. Thesis as an External Supervisor at Superior University, Lahore)
- The Role of Judiciary in Shaping Constitutional Interpretation and Enforcement in Pakistan (LL.M. Thesis as an External Supervisor at Superior University, Lahore)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Post Graduate School of Legal Studies, University of the Punjab, Lahore

Visiting Faculty: Legal Constitutional History to LLM Students
(August 2022 to July 2024)

Superior University, Lahore

Visiting Professor: Constitutional Law to LLM Students
(July 2022 to July 2024)

University of Lahore

Visiting Professor: Legal Research Methodology to LLM Students
(September 2021 to July 2024)

University of Management & Technology (UMT), Lahore
Visiting Faculty: Islamic Law of Finance to LLM Students
(February 2022 to July 2024)

University Law College, University of the Punjab (PU)
Visiting Faculty: Constitutional Law to LLM Students
(September 2019 to May 2022)

Institute of Languages and Linguistics, University of the Punjab
Lecturer (March 2018 to July 2024)

Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS)
Adjunct Faculty (2015 to 2019)

**Pakistan Administrative Services (DMG Campus), Pakistan Civil Services Academy,
Lahore, Pakistan (PAS)**
Visiting Faculty Member (2013 to 2023)

International Islamic University Islamabad, Pakistan (IIUI)
Visiting Faculty (2012 to 2013)

Advocate High Court
From 21st May 2011 to 30th March 2018

Advocate District Courts and Member KP Bar Council
From 10th May 2008 to 30th March 2018

LANGUAGES

Pashto: native
Urdu: efficient
English: efficient
Punjabi: basics
Arabic: basics