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Rector's Message

I feel privileged to take up the responsibility of Rector COMSATS University Islamabad (CUI). This university has always been innovative institution for learning and development. Our employees work with great courage to bring the best for the society and nation. CUI aims to bring out the best generations by providing quality education and skills. To achieve this goal, Faculty Development Academy, the training wing of COMSATS University, Islamabad, has always played a vital role.

The transformation of Faculty Development Program (FDP) to Faculty Development Academy (FDA) happened in 2011. The journey from FDP to FDA took place due to their hard work and dedication. The FDA team kept launching various capacity building and continuous professional development programs. They aim to train not only CUI's people, but also people from other HEI's.

FDA trained not only COMSATS family, but also rendered its services to other institutions. During this decade, FDA has trained over 4510 people approximately. The number of trainees is increasingly rapidly.

I would like to assure that the training programs launched by FDA are up to benchmark. These trainings are launched after conducting Training Needs Assessments (TNA) by the desired departments or campuses. CUI's prime concern is to impart quality education and this is made possible by training the teachers. Faculty as well as non-faculty is trained at regular basis in order to avoid any kinds of compromises for our future generations.

I encourage you to visit us and inquire more so that you don't miss out the best opportunities.

Warm regards,



Prof. Dr. Muhammad T. Afzal Rector COMSATS University Islamabad

Director's Message

ZAWIYA Vol.2 is another collection of memories from 2011 till 2020. Most of the images of trainings have been gathered in this volume to provide an opportunity to the COMSATS alumnito cherish their recollections.

Faculty Development Academy, COMSATS University Islamabad, has always been striving hard to benefit the human capital. It has published this second newsletter where it has created this photo gallery for its alumni, readers and other members of COMSATS family.

The glances from the past have been put in one document to revive the beautiful and cheerful moments of COMSATS alumni. FDA always works for the benefit of not only COMSATS family, but also for the interest of other organizations as well.

FDA encourages everyone for providing any kind of feedback or comments as we truly believe in changing ourselves with the changing world.

Best Regards,



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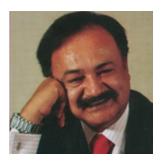
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Chain of Events









1st Pre-Service Training Course, October 10 – November 4, 2011 held at COMSATS university, Islamabad campus. 44 participants attended the workshop.







2nd Pre-Service Training Course, 2 – 27 January, 2012 held at COMSATS university, Islamabad campus. There were 98 participants who attended the workshop.











3rd Pre-Service Training Course, 9 – 17 August, 2012 held at COMSATS university, Islamabad campus. 56 participants attended the workshop.









4th Pre-Service Training Course, December 31, 2012 to January 31, 2013 organized at COMSATS university, Islamabad campus. There were 70 participants in all.









5-day Management Workshop on Office Procedures and Practices, 21 – 25 April, 2014 at COMSATS University, Islamabad campus. There were 30 administrative employees as participants.









5th Pre-Service Training Course, June 23 to August 22, 2014 at COMSATS University, Islamabad campus. 69 participants hailed from different campuses of CIIT.











First Strategic Development Workshop for HODs of CIIT, 18 – 22 August, 2014 held at Marriott Hotel, Islamabad. 25 Heads of Departments attended the workshop.









Professional Development Workshop for Non-Faculty Officers, 18 – 29 August, 2014 at COMSATS University, Islamabad campus. There were 29 non-faculty members who attended the workshop.









2-day workshop on Effective Writing Skills for faculty members, 20 – 21 October, 2014 at COMSATS University, Islamabad campus. 22 participants hailed from different departments of CIIT.









3-day workshop on Testing and Assessment, 29 – 31 October, 2014 at COMSATS University, Lahore campus. There were 70 participants in all.











2-day Management Workshop on Office Procedures and Practices, 25 – 26 November, 2014 at COMSATS University, Lahore campus. 33 Admin Personnel attended the workshop.









3-day workshop on Effective Writing Skills, 15 – 17 December, 2014 at COMSATS University, Vehari campus. 34 participants attended this workshop.









6th Pre-Service Training Course, 02 to 27 February, 2015 at COMSATS University, Islamabad campus. 18 newly recruited faculty members attended this training.









Second Strategic Development Workshop for HODs, 28 – 31 March, 2015 at COMSATS University, Islamabad campus. 20 Heads from several campuses of CIIT attended the workshop.





3-day workshop on Psychological Assessment, 17 – 19 August, 2015 held at Karachi.









3-day workshop on EU Funding – Window of Opportunities, 26 – 28 January, 2016 at COMSATS University, Islamabad campus.









Capacity Building Workshop for Females, 21 – 24 April, 2016 at COMSATS University, Lahore campus. 26 females participated in this workshop.









Professional Development Workshop for Faculty of The University of Faisalabad, 18 – 22 July, 2016 at COMSATS University, Islamabad campus. 32 participants attended the workshop.











Professional Development Workshop for Faculty of Virtual Campus, 26 – 30 July, 2016 at COMSATS University, Islamabad campus.









Workshop for Managing Ph.D Program, 09 – 12 August, 2016 at COMSATS University, Islamabad campus.









Professional Development Workshop for Faculty of Attock Campus, 22 – 26 August, 2016 at COMSATS University, Islamabad campus.









New Spirit – New Space, workshop on Japanese technique of Woodblock Print Making from October 20 till November 01, 2016 at COMSATS University, Islamabad campus.











Professional Development Workshop for Faculty of University of Baluchistan, 13 – 23 December, 2016 at COMSATS University, Islamabad campus.









A workshop on 'Building High Impact Communication Skills for Leaders' in collaboration with Centre for Policy Studies (CPS) held at Islamabad from January 23 – 24, 2017









Professional Development Workshop for faculty of Foundation University held at Islamabad from January 25 – 27, 2017









A workshop on 'Micro Teaching: Becoming A Reflective Teacher' in collaboration with Higher Education Commission from January 30 – February 03, 2017











Professional Development Training for Young Faculty, February 27 till March 31, 2017 at COMSATS University, Islamabad campus.









Workshop for COMSATS HQ Officers & Staff held from April 3 – 7, 2017









5-day workshop on Teaching as a Profession for CIIT Lahore campus from April 8 – 12, 2017









Workshop on 'Testing & Evaluation' held at CIIT Attock campus from September 25 – 27, 2017











Workshop on 'Strategic Foresight for University Administrators' held at Islamabad from December 11 – 12, 2017









Workshop on Blue-Chip Teaching, 16 – 18 January, 2018 at COMSATS University, Sahiwal campus.









Workshop on Research Methodology, 18 – 19 January, 2018 at COMSATS University, Sahiwal campus.









Workshop on Blue-Chip Teaching, 25 – 26 January, 2018 at COMSATS University, Vehari campus.











Professional Training for Admin Personnel OG-I held at Islamabad campus from February 11 – 22, 2019









A seminar on 'Science Communication' held at Islamabad campus on February 27, 2019









A workshop on 'Micro-Teaching: Become a Reflective Teacher' for the department of Biosciences held at Islamabad campus from March 1-5, 2019









A one-day workshop on 'Teachers as Counselors' held at Islamabad campus on April 5, 2019











One – week Professional Training for OG-II held at Islamabad campus from April 8 – 12, 2019









A one-day workshop on 'String the Spring' held at Islamabad campus on April 29, 2019









Professional Competency Enhancement program for Faculty members of Wah campus held from July 15 – 19, 2019









Professional Competency Enhancement Program for faculty of Sahiwal campus, July 22 – 26, 2019











Professional Competency Enhancement Program for faculty of Vehari campus from July 29 – August 2, 2019









One – week Professional Training for Admin Personnel held at Abbotabad campus from September 23 – 27, 2019









One – week Professional Training for Admin Personnel held at Islamabad campus from November 11 – 15, 2019









One – week Professional Training for SG – III & IV held at Abbotabad campus from November 18 – 22, 2019









A seminar on 'Social Media Addiction' held at Islamabad campus on November 21, 2019









One – week Professional Training for SG – III & IV held at Islamabad campus from December 16 – 20, 2019







A seminar held at Islamabad campus for students on Moral Values on December 18, 2019









Career Enhancement Training Program for SG-III & IV, 09 – 17 March, 2020 at COMSATS University, Islamabad campus.











5-day workshop for Academic Leaders Why Leadership Workshop is Important, 14 – 18 December, 2020 at COMSATS University, Islamabad campus.



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