LUMS: Blazing a Trail in Pakistan and Asia

LUMS is Pakistan's leading university excelling in research and teaching. It stands out by offering a unique experience: learning without borders—an integrated core curriculum across disciplines applied to solving the grand challenges of South Asia and beyond.

The five schools at LUMS offer undergraduate, graduate and doctoral programmes in humanities and social sciences, management, science and engineering, education and law.

Meanwhile, exciting discoveries are being made and new scholarship is being created at the centres at LUMS through a synergistic relationship between theory and practice. Faculty, students and renowned industry experts are working on varied areas ranging from water, energy, policy and business, to come up with scalable and sustainable solutions to serve communities, local and global.

Take a virtual campus tour at: https://lums.edu.pk/lums-journey
**LUMS Overview**

- Founded in 1985
- Acre Campus
- 100 Students
- 4,500+ Students
- 7 Doctoral Programmes
- 1,050+ Recruiting Partners
- 98% Employability Index after Graduation
- 13,000+ Alumni
- Top Ranked University in Pakistan by QS Graduate Employability Rankings 2020
- 200+ PhD Faculty Members from Universities like Stanford, MIT, Yale, Oxford, Cambridge, and Imperial
- Every 3rd Student Receives Financial Support
- 50+ International University Exchange Partners
- Suleman Dawood School of Business is the first AACSB International accredited business school in Pakistan
Lahore – A Historic and Hospitable City

Lahore is a diversified, pluralistic and peaceful city. The historical, cultural and educational capital of Pakistan is home to a population of 11 million. This city has a legacy and a history of more than a thousand years. As the heart of Punjab, influences from all past kingdoms and empires bleed into the present making for a rich, diverse and colourful city. Therefore, it is no surprise that Lahore has produced countless scholars, Nobel laureates, poets, writers, intellectuals and scientists.

As the centre of higher education in Pakistan; medical schools, universities, professional colleges and art schools can be found dotting the city landscape. Lahore has modern transportation facilities, Wi-Fi hotspots, various sports stadiums, huge parks, swimming pools, malls and entertainment spots; all those facilities and luxuries that leading cities offer around the globe. The people of Lahore are friendly, generous and hospitable with a well-known zest for life. Not to mention the city’s food streets and hundreds of restaurants offering all sorts of indigenous, continental and fast foods.

From a security perspective, Lahore is one of the safest cities in Pakistan and operates under an integrated command, control and communication system that virtually guarantees public safety. In addition, security personnel in the city are always willing to guide and help during any sort of minor or major emergencies.
Student life at LUMS

Living on campus

Campus accommodation at LUMS truly provides a home away from home with everything close by and access to all primary facilities and other social accessories. From separate male and female dorms, diverse food outlets, ATMs, and a superstore to a state-of-the-art swimming pool, excellent sports facilities, emergency medical services and library facilities, LUMS offers a complete ecosystem to all community members within easy reach.

Cost of Living

The cost of living per semester (5 months) is approximately PKR 145,000 (i.e. €839 or $919). Below is a general overview of your cost of living at LUMS per semester. These estimated costs can vary per person and upon your lifestyle.

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• Euro calculated at the rate of PKR 173
• USD calculated at the rate of PKR 158
• Exchange rates may vary at the time of admission.
Studying Resources

The Gad and Birgit Rausing Library serves as a centre for information and knowledge for the faculty, researchers and students with its wide-range of collections, dedicated staff, high-quality infrastructure and online services. It is open for anyone and everyone who seeks to benefit from this repository of knowledge.

Dining

At LUMS, we offer you many on-campus dining choices. Let yourself go beyond books and lectures and enjoy the choices of eateries that LUMS has to offer. The Pepsi Dining Centre (PDC) is at the heart of the University and offers a diverse mix of meals and snacks at affordable prices but if you are up for something different, the University also offers many other food outlets serving a wide variety of cuisines to dine and unwind.

Staying Fit

The pride and joy of the LUMS Community, the Syed Maratib Ali Sports Complex, houses the most modern male and female gymnasiums, four squash courts, an indoor basketball court, four badminton courts, and an indoor volleyball court. We also provide you with outdoor sports facilities, which include two volleyball courts, two tennis courts, a football ground and a cricket field. The LUMS Coca-Cola Aquatic Centre, an international standard indoor swimming pool built in line with FINA specifications (25 metres length), is operational throughout the year and is certified for national and international competitions.
Courses

The academic programmes offered at LUMS include undergraduate, graduate and postgraduate degrees in various disciplines. All courses are taught in English and students have the freedom to explore their interests in a variety of subjects before choosing their majors. Our incoming exchange students are allowed to take courses offered by all schools provided that they will meet the prerequisites of the courses.

Important Dates

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<td>Nomination Deadline</td>
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<td>Semester Starts</td>
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<td>Semester Ends</td>
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*Dates may be subject to change; timeline will be communicated before time to the respective university.*
Eligibility for Undergraduate Exchange Programme

1. Students must have proficiency in English.
2. Students must have successfully completed at least one year of education with good academic standing within a relevant field of study at their home institution.

Application for Exchange Programme

Exchange partners nominate their selected students via email. All nominated students will receive an acceptance email/letter with the application instructions and practical information about the exchange programme at LUMS. Students may complete the application form and send it back via email and courier along with the required documents as follows:

Application Checklist

1. LUMS Student Application form
2. HEC – Pakistan Student Information Sheet
3. Visa Form*
4. Transcript of Records
5. Certification of Provisional Grade Point Average
6. Certificate Proficiency in English
7. Nomination/Recommendation Letter from the home university
8. Passport Size Photographs (3 Copies)
9. Scanned Copy of Passport
10. Visa Documents*

* The International Officer at LUMS will help applicants through every step of the process for the issuance of student visas.
Anna Magdalena Hofer  
University of Passau, Germany

“I spent my Fall 2019 exchange semester at LUMS. I am really glad that I chose LUMS. Academically, the University was exceptional. There were many interesting courses, opportunities and events. I found the professors friendly and helpful. LUMS has a really nice, calm and green campus, the buildings fit very well to their facilities and the classrooms are well equipped. Students are very friendly and hospitable; they offer their help whenever they can, and it is really easy to socialise on campus. I strongly recommend LUMS for an exciting exchange experience.”

Clara Dorothea Willmann  
University of Passau, Germany

“I really enjoyed my four months at LUMS as an exchange student during the Fall 2019 semester. My learning experience has been interesting and enjoyable. It was so easy to get to know other students who were very helpful and friendly. The culture is very different, but I didn’t feel any cultural shock. LUMS offers so many opportunities! I went on several trips during my time there and was a part of the female football team as well. The different societies were amazing and there was a plethora of events. This was definitely one of the most memorable and enjoyable things at the University. The meals and dining facilities available on campus were diverse, affordable and amazing.”

Alizeh Shahzad  
Koç University, Turkey

“I was at LUMS for an exchange programme during Fall 2019. Leaving my university in Turkey was quite intimidating because I didn’t know if I would fit in at LUMS or enjoy it, but I absolutely loved my overall experience. LUMS has an amazing social life, and great academics. I made memories that I will cherish for a very long time. I enjoyed my time at LUMS so much that I decided to opt for another semester here. There were two main reasons for my extension: the first being the campus life, and the second was the structure of classes. The classes at LUMS are primarily discussion based and I wanted to be a part of that for more than just a semester. I highly recommend experiencing the diversity at LUMS.”

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