



Press Release

ITU Achieves Record Number of 22360 Applications for Fall 2018 Admissions

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As compared to Fall 2017, the Information Technology University (ITU) of the Punjab has so far received an all-time record of 22360 admission applications for Fall 2018, resulting in an approximate 40% increase in number of applications. This hike is indicative of the growing interest among the youth towards Information Technology, and in ITU due to its world-class faculty, innovative teaching methods and state of the art labs. The last date to apply online is June 29, 2018.

The received admissions applications for fall 2018 of ITU Punjab enumerate as follows, for BS Computer Science 8170, BS Electrical Engineering 3387, BSEDS 1204, BS Management and Technology 2292, MS Computer Science 2666, MS Data Science 2154, MS Electrical Engineering 1014, MS Development Studies 565, PhD Computer Science 506 and PhD Electrical Engineering 402 applications, and anticipating more numbers with June 29, 2018 being the last date. Necessary analysis and verification process of the documents provided with the applications is simultaneously being carried out.

The founding Vice Chancellor of ITU, Dr. Umar Saif, termed the overwhelming response witnessed during the admission process of fall 2018 a result of the untiring efforts of the ITU's faculty and staff, and confirmed the confidence in ITU's innovative future programs including research, ecosystem and Startups activity. These are highly encouraging for Pakistan's IT industry, and for the future progress, economic stability and growth of the nation where IT solutions were now mandatory.

He said that an accreditation authority, National Computing Education Accreditation Council (NCEAC) established by Higher Education Commission, which looks after the accreditation of institutions and their departments, faculties and disciplines by giving them appropriate ratings and define the organization's objectives, functions and duties, has rated CS Department at Information Technology University (ITU) of the Punjab Lahore as "W", which is the highest rating, which was an acknowledgement towards the performance of the ITU.

He added that ITU has become one of the first Universities in the World to enter into a formal partnership with EdX (MIT and Harvard University online course platform), introducing online learning of two Master programs in Development Studies and Data Sciences. With a special focus on entrepreneurship, ITU and PITB jointly established Startup incubator, "Plan9" has graduated over 160 Startups and have bootstrap a culture of tech Startups in Pakistan, he stated.

He stated that the main purpose of ITU, driven by a culture of research and entrepreneurship, was to advance innovation and research in the areas of science, technology and engineering. Presenting the University report he said that ITU faculty members have won Rs. 700 million in competitive research grants, published 465 papers in top journals and conferences and made technology that solved local problems in Pakistan.

ITU's first honorary doctorate towards contributions in science, climate change and sustainable development has been awarded to Prof. Adil Najam from Boston University while Prof. Nergis Mavalvala from MIT received the first international technology award titled, "Lahore Technology Award" institutionalized by the Syndicate of ITU on her discovery of gravitational waves.

Information Technology University (ITU) Punjab offers generous merit and need based scholarships and also provides undergraduates and graduates scholarships. ITU is recognized by the Higher Education Commission (HEC) of Pakistan and Pakistan Engineering Council (PEC).