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The Mortenson Center Summer Associates Program (USA)



University of Illinois in USA offers a "Mortenson Center Summer Associates Program" to library and information science professionals from outside the United States for giving them an opportunity to explore and engage with current issues and trends in the

field of library and information sciences. The theme of this years' program was "**Tools** for the 21st Century Librarian". The purpose was to engage participants in learning about novel and innovative practices and services in areas such as: Leadership, Communication and Management, Digital and Print Collections, Information Technology, Fundraising, Marketing and Advocacy, Professional Networking etc.

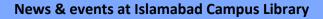
Raja Mohammad Ibrahim, Chief Librarian and Idris Khan, Deputy Librarian from CIIT (Islamabad campus) got the opportunity to participate in this program. The program was based on seminars and workshops. Moreover, library experts were invited to share their experiences, offer expertise, and foster conversations on the themes of communication and leadership. Tours to a variety of libraries, including academic, public, and school libraries were also included in the program. In the end of the program certificate were distributed among participants.



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Mr. Adriano Chiodi Cianfarani, Ambassador of the Republic of Italy to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, visited CIIT (Islamabad Campus) on April 22, 2013.

Mr. Wille Eerola, CEO Riddes, Finland, visited CIIT from 18-21 April, 2013. The recent visit of Mr. Wille was in succession of his earlier visit to CIIT which he performed last year. During this visit, he held meetings/discussions with the senior manager ORIC, Director P&D, CAST Researchers, Faculty of Computer Sciences and the HoD of Physics department. Mr. Wille in coordination with concerned at CIIT, will contact businessmen, entrepreneurs and academicians in the Scandinavian region and will convince them to join the innovation park. He also visited the library during his visit.



COMSATS Institute of Information Technology (CIIT) organized the 1st CIIT International Workshop on QS University Rankings, in collaboration with Higher Education Commission (HEC), Ministry of Science & Technology and National Testing Service in Islamabad earlier this month. The Vice Chancellors, Rectors, Presidents and senior management of national and international universities participated in the meeting. On 1st May 2013, participants of this particular workshop visited CIIT and Library and participated in the dinner hosted by Dr. S. M. Junaid Zaidi (Rector CIIT) on behalf of CIIT.



British Council's Country Director Visited CIIT (Islamabad Campus) and Library. Dr. S. M. Junaid Zaidi (Rector CIIT) amiably invited Mr. Peter R. Upton, the newly appointed Country Director of the British Council in Pakistan, to visit CIIT (Islamabad Campus). Mr. Peter R. Upton graciously accepted the invitation and visited CIIT (Islamabad) and Library on May 23, 2013.



Officials from Lancaster University, officially known as The University of Lancaster, visited CIIT (Islamabad Campus) Library as part of their visit to CIIT (Islamabad Campus). Hafiz Abdur Rehman (Deputy Librarian) welcomed them in the library and took them to the various sections of the library. He also briefed them about the various resources, facilities and services being provided by the library.



Khurram Dastagir Khan, Ministor for Science and Technology, who is also the new Chancellor of CIIT, visited CIIT (Islamabad Campus) on June 19, 2013. Dr. S. M. Junaid Zaidi (Rector CIIT), Dr. Shahid A. Khan (Incharge Campus) and other CIIT officials received him at the main entrance of the campus. As part of the visit, Khurram Dastagir Khan also visited the library and appreciated the facility and its compelling environment.

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Visual Montage (Exhibition)









The architecture department of CIIT (Islamabad Campus) arranged a group exhibition of hobby artists in CIIT family. A deadline was given to the participants for submission of their sample photographs and calligraphy works for evaluation. After the scrutiny process, the work of successful artists was exhibited in the art gallery located at the library basement. Incharge Campus, Dr. Shahid A. Khan, inaugurated the exhibition. A good number of students, faculty and staff members witnessed this colorful exhibition. The artists briefed the audience about their concept of work.

Three staff members of Islamabad Campus Library, Madam. Syeda Nasreen Sultana, Librarian, Mr. Tariq Mahmood, Deputy Librarian, and Mr. Naveed Siddique, Assistant Librarian, participated in the event and got appreciation certificate in recognition of their artistic work.

Photographs of Madam Syeda Nasreen Sultana, Calligraphy of Tariq Mehommod and Naveed Siddique were appreciated by all those who witnessed the exhibition along with the work of other participants.









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Transformation of Library Web-portal

New Look of Islamabad Campus Library Web-Portal



The library web-portal of Islamabad Campus has been redesigned recently. This new design is based on Metro Code, a design language by Microsoft (the latest design style). Windows 8 is a perfect example of this new design style and those who have experience of using Windows 8 in latest iPhones like NOKIA LUMIA etc. would be familiar with this style.

Web team, inspired by Windows 8 style (as it is the latest design style), and in an effort to keep library web-portal abreast with the latest technology for providing its users the latest & best technology experience, prepared this design. New features and contents were also added to the web-portal.

Asia Foundation Donate Books to CIIT Libraries





The Asia Foundation is a nonprofit international development organization committed to improving lives across a dynamic and developing Asia. Informed by six decades of experience and deep local expertise, their programs address critical issues affecting Asia in the 21st century governance and law, economic development, women's empowerment, environment, and regional cooperation. In addition, the Books for Asia and professional exchange programs are among the ways that encourage Asia's continued development as a peaceful, just, and thriving region of the world.

In continuation of their Books for Asia Program, earlier in 2013, Asia Foundation" donated more than 1000 copies of worth (USD 65,971) for CIIT libraries. Received by Islamabad Campus library, these books were also distributed among libraries of all seven campuses of CIIT.

Library Information Services of CIIT really appreciates the role and contribution of "Asia Foundation" in collection development of Pakistani libraries, and especially

their contribution in making the collection of Library Information Services of all campuses of CIIT richer.

CIIT (Islamabad Campus) library, after processing the books donated by Asia Foundation, organized a book exhibition as part of World Book and Copyrights Day celebrations. The exhibition was witnessed by a large number of students, researchers and faculty members of educational community of CIIT.

It is worth mentioning that every year, CIIT libraries receive a good number of useful books as a donation from the Asia Foundation.

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World Book and Copyright Day Celebrations

Library Information Services (Islamabad campus) held an awareness raising walk and organized a book exhibition of recently acquired material as part of the World Book and Copyright Day celebrations. By holding these types of events every



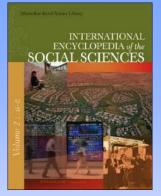
year, library intends to educate the educational community of CIIT about the importance of books, reading habits, and copyrights issues. In addition to this, by holding library book exhibition, library intends to provide opportunity to discover something new to users from what they are used to read.

23 April is a symbolic date for world literature for on this date in 1616, Cervantes, Shakespeare and Inca Garcilaso de la Vega all died.



It is also the date of birth or death of other prominent authors such as Maurice Druon, Haldor K.Laxness, Vladimir Nabokov, Josep Pla and Manuel Mejía Vallejo. Dr. Shahid A. Khan, Incharge campus inaugurated the exhibition. Many library professionals from other university libraries had also been invited for this event. A good number of students and faculty members participated in the walk and also witnessed the book exhibition.





International Encyclopedia of the Social Sciences, added to Library Stock.

Rehan Aslam (Assistant Librarian)

The entirely new *International Encyclopedia of the Social Sciences* covers scholarship and fields that have been emerged and matured since the publication of the 1st edition.

This new set highlights the expanding influence of economics in social science, research and features nearly 3,000 entirely new articles and important biographies contributed by thousands of scholars (including several Nobel prize winners) from around the world on a wide array of global topics, including: achievement testing, censorship, personality measurement, aging, income distribution, foreign aid (political and economic aspects), food (world problems, consumption patterns), cultural adaptation, comparative health-care systems, terrorism, political correctness,

agricultural innovation, legislation of morality, sexual violence and exploitation, white collar crime.

Few highlights include:

- Nearly 3,000 articles contributed by a team of international scholars, including hundreds of entries covering the increasingly influential fields of economics and statistics
- Written for researchers inside and outside academia; perfect for advanced high school and college students as well as teachers, lay readers and professionals
- Biographical profiles of the major contributors to the study of the social sciences, past and present.

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Professional Updates

Pattern Driven Acquisition (PDA)

Tasawar Hussain (Deputy Librarian)

Historically, libraries have been eager to make purchases based on requests by their patrons and have used various programs to acquire the desired material. Technology now allows libraries to let patrons identify books of interest and have their access needs immediately gratified. Pattern Driven Acquisition (PDA) module has made it possible as it is getting popular with the passage of time as most of the publishers are offering this type of facility to the libraries for selection and purchasing of e-books.

Patron driven acquisitions is a collection development tool that shifts a library's purchasing decision from a librarian to a patron. It is a way for students, faculty, and staff to decide what the library buys. It is a plan where bibliographic records are added to the library's catalog and made available to patrons and as patrons discover and access them, a purchase is triggered. It means the purchase is being done on the basis of access and use by the library patrons.

PDA is built on a simple idea, in a largely digital information environment, it's increasingly possible to let library users find and identify desired documents prior to the library's purchase of them, and for the library to pay only for what its patrons find and actually use. PDA is also known as Demand-Driven Acquisition (DDA).

This acquisition module offers libraries to create collections of titles of their choice, provide full access to end-users, and have titles automatically added to their permanent collection in real-time based on usage. PDA is an affordable way to provide access to vast amounts of information, while only purchasing titles that get used. It is being perceived by the library professionals an alternative of Inter Library Loan (ILL).

At a time when library budgets are shrinking, library funding's are under stress and when technological changes continues to expand the universe of contents available to patrons, library effectiveness depends on being responsive to user needs. Pattern Driven Acquisition (PDA) is perhaps the single best way to leverage the funds that libraries have, as it gives libraries a new tool to compete an era of widespread instant e-books access.

Benefits of Pattern Driven Acquisition (PDA)

- Provides critical mass of widest, most recently-published selection of titles available to patrons
- Library budget goes toward funding what actually gets used
- Short-term Loan (pay-per-view) pricing model provides access at a fraction of purchase price
- Titles purchased based on demand show higher use than those pre-selected
- Eliminates time and guesswork required by selectors to search for titles and purchase
- Seamless access/workflow for patrons and library staff
- Provides cost-effective, immediate alternative to ILL

Collection Development @ CIIT (Islamabad Campus) Library

By conducting book fair in March 2013 and on the recommendation of CIIT faculty members of different departments, library has added more than 3700 new titles on the subject of Biosciences, Computer Sciences, Electrical Engineering, Health Informatics, Humanities, Management Sciences, Mathematics, Biology, Social Sciences, HRM, Library Sciences and Physics etc.

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Research at CIIT Islamabad Campus

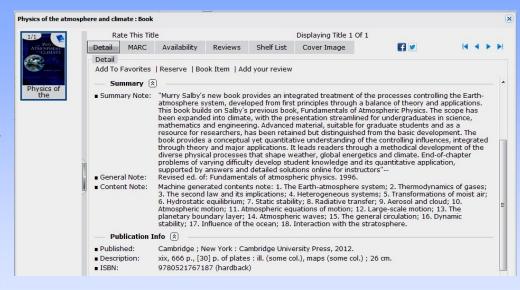
A research paper on the topic of "CIIT Islamabad Campus Library Collection: comprehensive study — present and future scenario" has been published in "Pakistan Library and Information Science Journal" June 2013 issue. The Journal is listed in HEC Recognized Journals and it is being quarterly published by the Library Promotion Bureau, Karachi. The paper is a joint effort of Mr. Tariq Mahmood, Deputy Librarian and Raja Mohammad Ibrahim, Chief Librarian.

The paper analyses the print material of CIIT Islamabad Campus Library. The basic purpose of this study is to compere the CIIT library collection against International collection and to know which department or discipline is enjoying sufficient availability of resources and which department or discipline is suffering from their low or lesser availability. There are about nine department under five faculties in CIIT Islamabad campus. The total collection has been analyzed against total number of users according to departments and faculties respectively. The study shows that six departments are enjoying sufficient collection where as four departments have less collections.

On the basis of this study, it would be easy for the library management to decide which department requires more resources. Furthermore, this will also help in developing library collection policy effectively and positively.

Library Information Services
(Islamabad Campus) is pleased to
share that "Table of Contents" and
"Summery Notes" can be found
along with the book details while
searching the library catalogue. Cataloging team at the library of Islamabad Campus feel proud of meeting
the extraordinary standards set by
the renowned libraries of the world.
Extra information like this, about a
particular book, will help in selecting

New Features Added to Library OPAC



extremely relevant informative material and users can benefit from this newly added facility by the library cataloging team. It is hoped that these new features will be appreciated by the Library OPAC (Online Public Catalog) users.

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Promotions at CIIT Islamabad Campus Library

Heartiest Congratulations....

At the end of June, 2013 four staff members of CIIT library Islamabad campus has been promoted in next grades after the approval of competent authority. The whole library team of CIIT Islamabad congratulates all these members on achieving this milestone in their profession career and wish them all the best in future.



Respected and dear Madam Syeda Nasreen Sultana Librarian at CIIT Islamabad campus library has been promoted as Senior Librarian from OG-II to OG-III.



Mr. Faisal Fiaz who was working as LDC has been promoted to Library Assistant.





Mr. Nadeem Khan has been promoted from SG-III to SG-IV.

Javed Iqbal has been promoted from SG-III to SG-IV. Moreover, he has also been nominated by the CIIT for performing HAJJ this year.

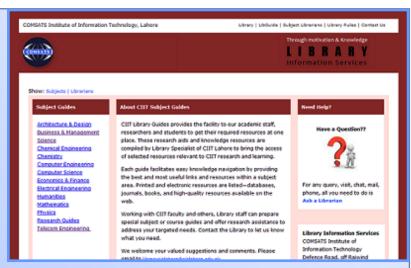


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LIBGUIDES @ CIIT Lahore

In this age of information, it is difficult for faculty, students and researchers to cope with explosion of information without interruption and with least effort. In this paradigm shift, role of librarians has changed as "Information Specialists". As a leading institute, CIIT Lahore has prestigious place among allied institutions and its library has always tried to provide the best services to its patrons. After successfully launching of the new library website http://library.ciitlahore.edu.pk/ with many features having lat-



tools and technologies; now the library is offering LIBGUIDES to all its valued These guides will provide the opportunity to library users to find the most relevant information on their subject areas. Information specialists have compiled relevant data under subject heading. CIIT Lahore Library feel proud that it has ensured distinction to launch ever first LIBGUIDES in any institute of Pakistan. This is first draft of libguides which will be updated on weekly basis. To visit the libguides please click the following link. http://libguide.ciitlahore.edu.pk/

Virtual Tour of CIIT Lahore Library

To add more attraction to library's website, the CIIT library has added the feature of virtual tour on it's home page. Now users can visit the library virtually through the following link. http://library.ciitlahore.edu.pk/



This virtual tour is gifted by a student of COMSATS Mr. Ali Haider, Red No- BCS-FA10-015. Ali is an entrepreneur and running a company entitled HaiderSolutions 360. For details, you may visit the link www.HaiderSolutions360.com.

CIIT library (Lahore Campus) is really thankful to Mr. Ali Haider, who has contributed to the library portal and feel proud that CIIT Lahore campus is producing brilliant professionals.

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DANISH: a society for promoting knowledge

CIIT Lahore Library is a hub of knowledge for its faculty and students. The library keep on organizing different programs to enhance the reading habits among library patrons. Information literacy programs, orientation sessions, Book Fairs, Celebrations of World Book Day, are the major sources for the library, not only to interact with the library users but also to market the library resources. To organize such programs, the library staff needs human support from faculty and particularly from students. With the partnership of students, library has been holding such events in past and plans to arrange such activities in future as well. Library is also planning to establish a "Book Bank", on the basis of donated books from the students. For this purpose, library is going to establish DANISH Society.

Book Bank

- ♦ Will launch awareness campaign in students and urge senior batches to donate their used course books for Book Bank.
- ♦ Will request / motivate faculty members to donate their used / complimentary books to library for Book Bank

Book Fair

- With the help of library staff, the Library Society members will organize the Book Fair for faculty and students.
- Will motivate students to visit the fair and read the latest books on their relevant discipline.

Celebrations of World Book Day

♦ Will organize the events like World Book Day, to highlight the importance of books and reading material in the society. **Information Literacy Programs**

With the help of library officials, the Library Society will organize lectures, workshops, seminars, orientation sessions to provide the information about library resources and services.

Ask a Librarian

The CIIT Library has launched a new flexible and comprehensive "Ask a Librarian" virtual reference service for CIIT community. Professional librarians will be available to interact through one single chat Box from 09:00 am to 04:00 pm. Access to this service is offered from library's website from anywhere in the campus or even from home. This chat box enables library users to discuss their queries with the library staff and the relevant librarian will be available for answering their queries .Have a look at http://library.ciitlahore.edu.pk/contactus.aspx



Photocopy Services at CIIT Lahore Library

Now the CIIT students Lahore campus can get paid photocopy services. For this purpose students will need a prepaid Xerox CARD. Students will submit Rs.100/ in HBL, after getting Chillan form from accounts office and they will get card from the library help desk after submitting the original bank receipt. Against one card, a student will get 70 photocopies of library books, journal, magazines and other printed material.

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Study Tour from Girls College Sibi, Balochistan

A group of about 60 girl students from Girls College Sibi, Balochistan, along with 5 teaching staff members headed by Dr. Shagufta, principal, visited the library during a Study Tour on 11th April.

The Library In charge, Mr. Tariq Najmi welcomed the guests and the library staff Ms. Fatima Usman, Ms. Nasira Muneer and Ms. Raiqa pervaiz briefed them about library resources and services. The students and teachers took keen interest in library and felt very happy to see the resources and services of library.

Annual Stock Taking

For annual physical verification of the library materials, the stock taking was carried out from June 17 - July 5, 2013. For this purpose, a committee had been constituted comprising on following members:

Fatima Usman/ Ghulam Fareed Sajjad Ahmed/ Muhammad saeed Raiqa Pervaiz / Fiaz Hussain Shahid Qamar/ Attiq Ur rehman Nasira Munir/ Muhammad Ishtiaq & Ambreen Naz.

During the stock taking process, only circulation service was terminated, whereas the rest of services remained continued for the facilitation of library users.



Do you know?

The "Bluetooth" technology is named after a tenth-century king of Denmark and Norway, Harald Bluetooth. Harald was known for uniting various warring tribes in Denmark and Norway, as the technology is intended to unite various other technologies.



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