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AIPS Fellowships

Abstracts and final reports can be found on the [AIPS website](#)

US Embassy Fellows (Short-term Lecturing and Research Fellowship to Pakistan)

- 1) **Waqas H. Butt, PhD student, University of California, San Diego**
Project Title: Cleaning the City of Waste: Labor and Infrastructure in Colonial and Contemporary Lahore
Affiliation in Pakistan: Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS)
Duration: 5 months
Status: Complete (January – June 2015)
- 2) **Jeffrey Diamond, Assistant Professor, College of Saint Benedict/Saint John's University**
Project Title: An Alternative to Aligarh? Muhammad Hussain Azad, G.W. Leitner/Abdur Rasheed and Muslim Identity
Affiliation in Pakistan: Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS) and Government College University
Duration: 3 months
Status: Pending
- 3) **Shahla Haeri, Associate Professor, Boston University**
Project Title: Muslim Women Rulers: From Bliqis to Benazir
Affiliation in Pakistan: Beaconhouse National University, Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS) and Quaid-i-Azam University
Duration: 2 months
Status: Pending (intended departure in February 2016)
- 4) **Chad Haines, Assistant Professor, Arizona State University**
Project Title: Being Muslim, Being Global: Everyday Ethics, Urban Sociality, and Islamic Modernity in Islamabad
Affiliation in Pakistan: Fatima Jinnah Women University and Akhtar Hameed Khan Resource Center
Duration: 1.5 months
Status: Pending (intended departure in May 2016)
- 5) **Farhat Haq, Professor, Monmouth College**
Project Title: Sacralizing the State and Secularizing the Sharia: Islamic Politics and the Pakistani Nation-State
Affiliation in Pakistan: Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS)
Duration: 4 months
Status: Complete (June – September 2015)
- 6) **Waris Husain, SJD candidate, Washington College of Law**
Project Title: The Judicialization of Politics: Comparative Study of Pakistan, India, and the United States
Duration: 1 month
Status: Pending

7) **Sameer Lalwani, Postdoctoral Fellow, Massachusetts Institute of Technology**

Project Title: Selective Leviathans: Explaining State Strategies of Counterinsurgency and Consolidation

Affiliation in Pakistan: Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS) and National University of Sciences and Technology (Islamabad)

Duration: 6 weeks

Status: Pending

8) **William Sherman, PhD candidate, Stanford University**

Project Title: Mountains and Messiahs: Revelation, Language, and Afghan Becomings in the 16th-17th Centuries

Affiliation in Pakistan: Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS)

Duration: 4 weeks

Status: Complete (April 2015)

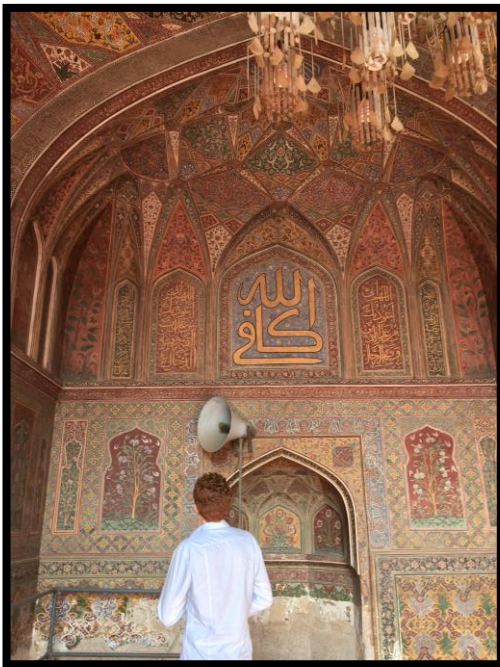
9) **SherAli Tareen, Assistant Professor, Franklin & Marshall College**

Project Title: Islam and the Ethics of Authenticity: Tradition, Reform, Innovation

Affiliation in Pakistan: Islamic Research Institute

Duration: 6 months

Status: Pending (intended travel from December 2015 to January 2016)



Fellow William Sherman visits Wazir Khan Mosque (photo by William Sherman)



Fellow William Sherman documented a manuscript on the history of the Ansari family of Kaniguram, Punjab University Library, Lahore (photo by William Sherman)

“It is difficult to overstate the importance of this fellowship for my dissertation work. I returned home having read or reproduced close to 20 manuscripts that promise to significantly impact how we understand the 16th century Rawshaniyya movement and its heirs and critics.”

– AIPS Fellow, William Sherman

Council of American Overseas Research Centers Fellows (Long-term Fellowships)

- 1) **Safoora Arbab, Junior Fellowship, University of California, Los Angeles**
Project Title: Nonviolence Embodied and Representations of Violence in The North West Frontier of British India
Duration: 5 months in India
Status: Pending (intended departure in November 2015)
- 2) **Karen Greenwalt, Junior Fellowship, University of Illinois at Chicago**
Project Title: Beyond the Nation: Rasheed Araeen, Bani Abidi, Hamra Abbas, and the Art of Migration
Duration: 3 months in London
Status: In travel status (September 2015 to December 2015)

Long-term Fellows funded on AIPS Unrestricted Funds

- 1) **Manamee Guha, Junior Fellowship, University of Illinois at Chicago**
Project Title: Performing Britishness: The Social Club in Colonial India (1809-1947)
Duration: 3 months in London
Status: Pending (intended travel from January to April 2016)
- 2) **Maira Hayat, Junior Fellowship, University of Chicago**
Project Title: Ecologies of Water Theft in Pakistan: the Colony, Corporation, and the Contemporary
Duration: 5 months in London
Status: Pending (intended travel from January to May 2016)
- 3) **Shayan Rajani, Junior Fellowship, Tufts University**
Project Title: Reimagining the World, Remaking the Region: Textual Traditions of Geography in Modern South Asia
Duration: 2 months in London
Status: Pending (intended travel from January to March 2016)

Travel Grantees

Abstracts for all Travel Grant awardees can be found on the [AIPS website](#)

CAORC funded Travel Grants

- 1) **Dean Accardi, Adjunct Assistant Professor, Connecticut College**
Conference Name: 44th Annual Conference on South Asia, Sanskrit in Persianate India
 Pre-conference to the 44th Annual Conference on South Asia
Conference Date: October 22-25, 2015
Location: Madison, WI
Title of Papers: Ascetic Discourses and Trans-Religious Community Formation in Early Modern Kashmir; A Pakistani Hero in Sanskrit Sources: Ali Hamadani and Body Politics

- 2) **Marta Ameri, Assistant Professor, Colby College**
Conference Name: 44th Annual Conference on South Asia
Conference Date: October 23-25, 2015
Location: Madison, WI
Title of Paper: A question of Semantics? Iconographic Variability in the Image-Symbols of the Harappan World
- 3) **Brian Bond, PhD candidate, City University of New York – The Graduate Center**
Conference Name: Society for Ethnomusicology Conference 2015
Conference Date: December 3-6, 2015
Location: Austin, TX
Title of Paper: Where Melody Meets Mystical Poetry: the *Sur* Repertoire of Sindh's Shāh 'Abdul Latīf Bhiṭāī
- 4) **Christopher Clary, Postdoctoral Fellow, Brown University**
Conference Name: 44th Annual Conference on South Asia
Conference Date: October 22-25, 2015
Location: Madison, WI
Title of Paper: The Difficult Politics of Peace and the India-Pakistan Rivalry
- 5) **Roanne Kantor, PhD candidate, University of Texas at Austin**
Conference Name: 43rd Annual Conference on South Asia
Conference Date: October 15-19, 2014
Location: Madison, WI
Title of Paper: Faiz Ahmed Faiz and the Safarnama-e Cuba
- 6) **Elizabeth Lhost, PhD candidate, University of Chicago**
Conference Name: 44th Annual Conference on South Asia
Conference Date: October 23-25, 2015
Location: Madison, WI
Title of Paper: Vakīl, Mukhtār, Hājī: Patronage, exchange, and the microeconomics of the Hajj, 1880-1940
- 7) **Robert Nichols, Professor, Stockton University**
Conference Name: Mountstuart Elphinstone and the Historical Foundations of Afghanistan Studies: Reframing Colonial Knowledge of the Indo-Persian World in the Post-Colonial Era
Conference Date: November 6-7, 2015
Location: London, UK
Title of Paper: Charles Metcalfe and the Limits of Empire
- 8) **Tariq L. Rahman, M.A. candidate, University of Oregon**
Conference Name: 44th Annual Conference on South Asia
Conference Date: October 23-25, 2015
Location: Madison, WI
Title of Paper: Privatizing the Developmental State: Housing, Development, and Power in the Pakistani State's Margins
- 9) **Uzma Rizvi, Assistant Professor, Pratt Institute of Art and Design**
Conference Name: Society for American Archaeology Annual Meeting
Conference Date: April 15-19, 2015
Location: San Francisco, CA
Title of Paper: Harappan Urbanites: Standardization, Ratios and Subjectivity

10) Brian Spooner, Professor, University of Pennsylvania

Conference Name: Mountstuart Elphinstone and the Historical Foundations of Afghanistan Studies: Reframing Colonial Knowledge of the Indo-Persian World in the Post-Colonial Era

Conference Date: November 6-7, 2015

Location: London, UK

Title of Paper: A New Look at the North West Frontier

Travel Grants funded by AIPS Unrestricted Funds**1) Sarah Ahmed, graduate student, University of Oregon**

Conference Name: 44th Annual Conference on South Asia

Conference Date: October 22-25, 2015

Location: Madison, WI

Title of Paper: Women and the Jirga System in Rural Punjab

2) Tehila Sasson, PhD candidate, University of California, Berkeley

Conference Name: The American Historical Society 130th Annual Meeting

Conference Date: January 7-11, 2016

Location: Atlanta, GA

Title of Paper: Expertise on the Move: British Aid to Pakistan and the Emergence of Disaster Relief

3) SherAli Tareen, Assistant Professor, Franklin & Marshall College

Conference Name: 43rd Annual Conference on South Asia

Conference date: October 15-19, 2014

Location: Madison, WI

Title of Paper: Revolutionary Hermeneutics: Narratives of Emancipation in Muslim Colonial India

US Embassy in Pakistan funded Travel Grants**US Scholar Support****1) Ulka Anjaria, Associate Professor, Brandeis University**

Conference Name: Culture, Art and Architecture of the Marginalized and Poor

Conference Date: November 7-10, 2014

Location: Lahore

Title of Paper: Realism and Resistance in South Asian Literature

2) Elena Bashir, Senior Lecturer, University of Chicago

Conference Name: 2nd Annual Conference on Brahui Language and Culture

Conference date: January 17-18, 2015

Location: Islamabad

Title of Paper: The Brahui Language: Recovering the Past, Documenting the Present, and Projecting the Future (delivered in Urdu)

3) Christopher Candland, Associate Professor, Wellesley College

Conference Name: 3rd International Conference on Social Sciences in Pakistan organized by the Pakistan Higher Education Commission and the University of Peshawar

Conference Date: May 13-14, 2015

Location: Islamabad

Title of Paper: The Place of Emotions in Social Science Research

- 4) **Cara Cilano, Professor, University of North Carolina-Wilmington**
Conference Name: Locally Sourced: Recovering the Local History, Culture, and Politics in Pakistan
Conference Date: August 7-8, 2015
Location: Islamabad
Title of Paper: The 'Literary Local' in Pakistan: The Role of Representation and Interactive Media in the Formation of Identities
- 5) **Matthew A. Cook, Professor, North Carolina Central University**
Conference Name: Locally Sourced: Recovering the Local History, Culture, and Politics in Pakistan
Conference Date: August 7-8, 2015
Location: Islamabad
Title of Paper: How to Fix a Script: British Colonialism and the Sindhi Writing System
- 6) **Mehr Afshan Farooqi, Associate Professor, University of Virginia**
Conference Name: (1) Faiz Peace Festival and (2) Literary Week at the LUMS Gurmani Center for Languages and Literature
Conference Date: November 20-27, 2015
Location: Lahore
Title of Paper: (1) The Uncreated Garden: A Textual History of Ghalib's Urdu Poetry and (2) co-leading a workshop on Urdu literature and delivering 2-3 lectures
- 7) **David Gilmartin, Professor, North Carolina State University**
Conference Name: Locally Sourced: Recovering the Local History, Culture, and Politics in Pakistan
Conference Date: August 7-8, 2015
Location: Islamabad
Title of Paper: Imagining the Local in Pakistan
- 8) **William J. Glover, Associate Professor, University of Michigan**
Conference Name: Workshop on Writing Histories at the Lahore School of Economics and Other Public Lectures in Lahore
Location: Lahore
Dates of Travel: December 11-25, 2014
Title of Paper: Public Lecture at the Gulberg Facility and a Lecture at the National College of Arts
- 9) **Charles H. Kennedy, Professor, Wake Forest University**
Conference Name: Ethno-Federalism in Punjab and Beyond
Conference Date: April 13-14, 2015
Location: Lahore
Title of Paper: Conflict and Policies of Ethnic Federalism in Pakistan
- 10) **Sorayya Khan, Visiting Lecturer, Ithaca College**
Conference Name: (1) The Islamabad Literature Festival and (2) a lecture at Habib University
Dates of Travel: April 25-29, 2015
Location: Islamabad and Karachi
Itinerary: (1) Why We Write: *City of Spies* Book Launch and (2) Where Do Stories Come From?

11) Golam M. Mathbor, Professor, Monmouth University**Conference Name:** Akhter Hameed Khan Centennial Birthday Conference 2014**Conference Date:** October 27-31, 2014**Location:** Islamabad**Title of Paper:** Factors Enhancing and Inhibiting the Effectiveness of Community Participation in Development Initiatives (Keynote Address)**12) Muhammad Umar Memon, Professor Emeritus, University of Wisconsin-Madison****Conference Name:** Lahore University of Management Sciences campus visit for lectures and academic consultation with the Gurmani Center for Languages and Literature**Dates of Travel:** November 10-25, 2014**Location:** Lahore**Title of Papers:** Writing and Problems of Translation from Urdu to English; Conversation on Islam, Sufism, and Literature; Development of Modern Urdu Short Story and Manto, and An Approach to the Fictional Art of Naiyer Masud**13) Sean Pue, Associate Professor, Michigan State University****Destination:** (1) Karachi Literary Festival and lectures at (2) Habib University, (3) Indus Valley School of Art and Architecture (4) the Institute of Business Administration-Karachi**Dates of Travel:** February 7-11, 2015**Location:** Karachi**Itinerary:** (1) *Mere bhi hain kuch khvab*: Conversation with A. Sean Pue and Book Launch: *I Too Have Some Dreams: N. M. Rashed and Modernism in Urdu Poetry*, (2) The Digital Divan: Computational Approaches to Urdu Poetry, (3) Digital Humanities, and (4) A Punjabi Critique of Sufi Idiom: N. M. Rashed and Urdu Literary Tradition**14) Bandana Purkayastha, Professor, University of Connecticut****Conference Name:** (1) Conference on Child Rights at Quaid-i-Azam University and (2) Workshop on Contemporary Trends in Sociological Methods at University of the Punjab**Conference Date:** November 19-25, 2014**Location:** Lahore and Islamabad**Title of Papers:** (1) Theoretical Approaches to Child Rights (2) Negotiating ethnicity among South Asian Americans**15) David Rezvani, Visiting Research Assistant Professor and Lecturer, Dartmouth College****Conference Name:** Ethno-Federalism in Punjab and Beyond**Conference date:** April 13-14, 2015**Location:** Lahore**Title of Paper:** Examining Autonomy Options in Pakistan's Federally Administered Tribal Areas and Baluchistan: Federalism, Full Independence, or Partial Independence?**16) Anita Weiss, Professor, University of Oregon****Conference Name:** Pathways to Sustainable Development – SDPI's 17th Annual Conference**Conference Date:** December 9-11, 2014**Location:** Islamabad**Title of Paper:** Pathways of Power: The Domestic Politics of South Asia

Pakistan Scholar Support

- 1) **Haris Gazdar, Senior Researcher, Collective for Social Science Research**
Conference Name: University of Michigan and AIPS Collaborative Workshop on the Future of Pakistan Studies
Conference Date: April 4, 2015
Location: Ann Arbor, MI
Title of Paper: Urban Studies Panel/Engaging Disciplines: Rewards and Challenges in Researching the City
- 2) **Syed Nomanul Haq, Professor, Institute of Business Administration-Karachi**
Conference Name: (1) Deliver a lecture at Michigan State University, (2) Provide recordings for Urdu literary pedagogical materials and (3) Participate in a panel at the 44th Annual Conference on South Asia
Dates of Travel: October 2015
Location: East Lansing, MI and Madison, WI
Title of Paper: (3) This is the cage of my heart! - The Self-Recoiling Ontology of Majeed Amjad
- 3) **Livia Holden, Professor and Dean, Karakoram International University**
Conference Name: Law and Society Association meetings in Seattle, Washington and two additional invited scholarly presentations at University of Washington and University of Oregon
Dates of Travel: May 2015
Location: Seattle, WA and Eugene, OR
Title of Papers: (1) Contemporary Manifestations of Islamic Divorce in the Global South: Understanding Khul in Diverse Cultural Contexts, (2) Divorce at the Women's Initiative in Pakistan and Diasporas and (3) Lady Judges of Pakistan film screening
- 4) **Akmal Hussain, Professor, Forman Christian College**
Workshop Name: Environmental Cooperation across South Asia's Borders hosted by the University of Texas at Austin
Workshop Date: May 5-7, 2015
Location: Austin, TX
Title of Paper: Climate Change and the Imperative of Cooperation in South Asia
- 5) **Hafeez Jamali, Department of Culture, Government of Balochistan**
Conference Name: Invited talk at Georgetown University
Dates of Travel: December 3-4, 2014
Location: Washington DC
Title of Paper: A Tempest in the Harbor: Megaprojects, Fishermen's Movement, and the Necropolitics of National Identity in Gwader, Pakistan
- 6) **Imran Ahmed Khan, Geological Survey of Pakistan**
Conference Name: Lectures at the University of Texas at Austin
Dates of Travel: February 2016
Location: Austin, TX
Titles of Papers: 1) Mineral Resources of Pakistan: Prospects and Challenges, 2) Impacts of Climate Change in South East Asia: Need for Paradigm Shift in Disaster Risk Reduction Strategies, 3) Role Functions and Achievements of Geological Survey of Pakistan, 4) Status of Geospatial Mapping in Pakistan

- 7) **Fakhira Khanam, Chief Executive Officer, Akhter Hameed Khan Resource Center**
Conference Name: 2nd International Conference on Sustainable Development Practice
Conference Date: September 17-18 2014
Location: New York, NY
Title of Paper: Governance Score Card, A Tool for Pluralistic Engagement
- 8) **Framji Minwalla, Chairperson, Institute of Business Administration-Karachi**
Conference Name: University of Michigan and AIPS Collaborative Workshop on the Future of Pakistan Studies
Conference Date: April 4, 2015
Location: Ann Arbor, MI
Title of Paper: Ruptures, Continuities, and the Struggle for Relevance in Recent Pakistani Performance
- 9) **Rabia Nadir, Assistant Professor, Lahore School of Economics**
Conference Name: University of Michigan and AIPS Collaborative Workshop on the Future of Pakistan Studies
Conference Date: April 4, 2015
Location: Ann Arbor, MI
Title of Paper: From Walled City to Small City: Interrogating Development and Growth
- 10) **Altaf Qadir, Assistant Professor, University of Peshawar**
Conference Name: Deliver a lecture based on his new book about Sayyid Ahmad Baralivi at Stockton University
Dates of Travel: September 2015
Location: Galloway, NJ
- 11) **Ali Usman Qasmi, Assistant Professor, Lahore University of Management Sciences**
Conference Name: The Postcolonial Moment at Princeton University
Conference Date: November 13-14, 2015
Location: Princeton, NJ
Title of Paper: Pending Title
- 12) **Imam Uddin, Professor, DHA Suffa University**
Conference Name: (1) Florida International University's Department of Religious Studies biannual Islamic Civilization Series and (2) a lecture at the FIU Department of Religious Studies
Conference Date: March 30 – April 6, 2015
Location: Miami, FL
Title of Papers: (1) Islam and Human Rights: A Pakistani Perspective, (2) Banking & Finance in Praxis, Pakistan as Case-Study

2015 Summer Research Grantees

Funded by the US Embassy in Pakistan

1) Ghazal Asif, PhD student

Field: Anthropology

Project Title: Organizing Difference: Hindu Panchayats and Local Government in Sindh

Affiliated Institution: Johns Hopkins University

2) Brian Bond, PhD student

Field: Ethnomusicology

Project Title: Kāfi Musical Performance and the Transmission of Locally Embedded Islam

Affiliated Institution: City University of New York – The Graduate Center

3) James Edmonds, PhD student

Field: Religious Studies

Project Title: Untitled research on the Naqshbandi tariqa Sufi order in Pakistan and Indonesia

Affiliated Institution: Arizona State University

4) Zahra Hayat, PhD candidate

Field: Sociocultural Anthropology

Project Title: Untitled research on intellectual property regimes in Pakistan's pharmaceutical industry

Affiliated Institution: University of California-Berkeley

5) Marc Kelley, PhD student

Field: Anthropology

Project Title: Untitled research on the energy crisis in Pakistan

Affiliated Institution: University of Chicago

6) Sahar Khan, PhD candidate

Field: Political Science

Project Title: Combating Violent Islamist Proxies: The Role of Civil Institutions in Pakistan

Affiliated Institution: University of California-Irvine

7) Sarah Khan, PhD candidate

Field: Political Science

Project Title: Making Democracy Work for Women

Affiliated Institution: Columbia University

8) Ayesha Masood, PhD student

Field: Sociocultural Anthropology

Project Title: Decisions that Matter: Subjectivity and Agency in the Career Choices of Pakistani Women Doctors

Affiliated Institution: Arizona State University



Pir Pithoro Shrine, Sindh
(Photo by Ghazal Asif, Summer Research Grantee)

9) James Pickett, PhD candidate**Field:** History**Project Title:** Seeing like a Princely State: Eurasian Protectorates between Persianate Court and Modern State**Affiliated Institution:** Princeton University**10) Fatima Quraishi, PhD candidate****Field:** Islamic Art and Architecture**Project Title:** Necropolis as Palimpsest: the Makli Cemetery in Sindh (ca. 1350-1650)**Affiliated Institution:** New York University**11) Alexis M. Saba, PhD student****Field:** Education Policy Studies, International and Comparative Education**Project Title:** Education Narratives in Pakistan's Development Sector**Affiliated Institution:** Indiana University, Bloomington**12) Mohammad Waqas Sajjad, PhD student****Field:** Islamic Studies**Project Title:** Deobandism and Barelvism in Pakistan: Tracing Developments in Postcolonial Discursive Traditions**Affiliated Institution:** Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley**13) Sara Singha, Research Fellow****Field:** Religious Studies**Project Title:** Dalit Christians and Caste in Pakistan**Affiliated Institution:** Georgetown University**14) Sabah Firoz Uddin, Lecturer****Field:** Gender and Women's Studies**Project Title:** Writing Politics and Piety on Women's Bodies: A Study of the Duppatta Debate in Pakistan**Affiliated Institution:** Merrimack College**15) Rafeel Wasif, PhD student****Field:** International Relations, Comparative Politics**Project Title:** Madrassas as NGOs: Analyzing Madrassa Resistance to Government Funding in Pakistan**Affiliated Institution:** University of Washington**16) Rabia Zafar, PhD candidate****Field:** International Affairs**Project Title:** Enterprising Extremists: Crime, Religion, and Political Violence in Pakistan**Affiliated Institution:** Tufts University

Barelvi gathering at Jami'a Masjid, Rawalpindi (photo by Mohammad Waqas Sajjad, Summer Research Grantee)

"The AIPS summer travel grant gave me the opportunity to explore potential research sites and research questions while meeting with potential participants in Pakistan. In doing so, I have reshaped my research and developed a more manageable and relevant scope for my future dissertation work."

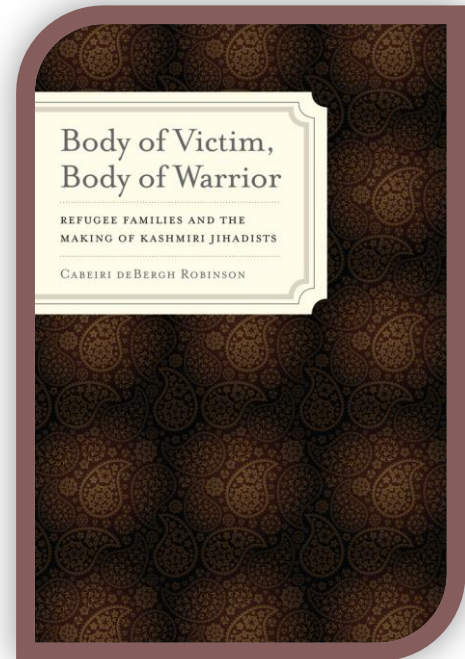
AIPS Summer Grantee, Alexis Saba

2013-14 AIPS Book Prize

Author: **Cabeiri deBergh Robinson, PhD**

Title: ***Body of Victim, Body of Warrior: Refugee Families and the Making of Kashmiri Jihadists***

Book Description: Basing the book on her long-term fieldwork in the disputed borderlands between Pakistan and India, Cabeiri deBergh Robinson tells the stories of people whose lives and families have been shaped by a long history of political conflict. Interweaving historical and ethnographic evidence, Robinson explains how refuge-seeking has become a socially and politically debased practice in the Kashmir region and why this devaluation has turned refugee men into potential militants. She reveals the fraught social processes by which individuals and families produce and maintain a modern jihad, and she shows how Muslim refugees have forged an Islamic notion of rights—a hybrid of global political ideals that adopts the language of human rights and humanitarianism as a means to rethink refugees’ positions in transnational communities. Jihad is no longer seen as a collective fight for the sovereignty of the Islamic polity, but instead as a personal struggle to establish the security of Muslim bodies against political violence, torture, and rape. Robinson describes how this new understanding has contributed to the popularization of jihad in the Kashmir region, decentered religious institutions as regulators of jihad in practice, and turned the families of refugee youths into the ultimate mediators of entrance into militant organizations. This provocative book provides a fascinating look at the creation of contemporary Muslim jihadists and challenges the idea that extremism in modern Muslim societies is the natural by-product of a clash of civilizations, of a universal Islamist ideology, or of fundamentalist conversion.



The AIPS Book Prize Committee wrote: *“We decided to nominate her book for a number of reasons; these included the strength and, not to mention, the difficult nature of the research she conducted; the wider historiography and multiple disciplines that the book draws from and engages with; and the ways in which she locates the lives of Kashmiri refugees, on the one hand, within the complex political history of the region and, on the other, within international definitions of refugees and human rights.... The story of Kashmir told and understood from the point of view of the Kashmiris themselves presents a human narrative that is beyond the geopolitical and national/international concerns, and makes evident the place of human experience in understanding contemporary South Asia.”*



Author Bio: Dr. Cabeiri deBergh Robinson is an Anthropologist and Associate Professor of International Studies and South Asia Studies at the University of Washington. She worked with the International Committee of the Red Cross on a humanitarian assignment in Indian Jammu and Kashmir between 1995 and 1996, and she has spent over 6 years in Pakistan conducting field and archival research between 1998 and 2014.

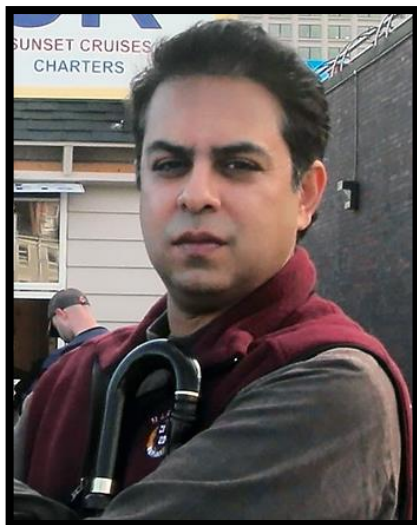
2014-15 AIPS Book Prize

Author: **Osama Siddique, PhD**

Title: ***Pakistan's Experience with Formal Law: An Alien Justice***

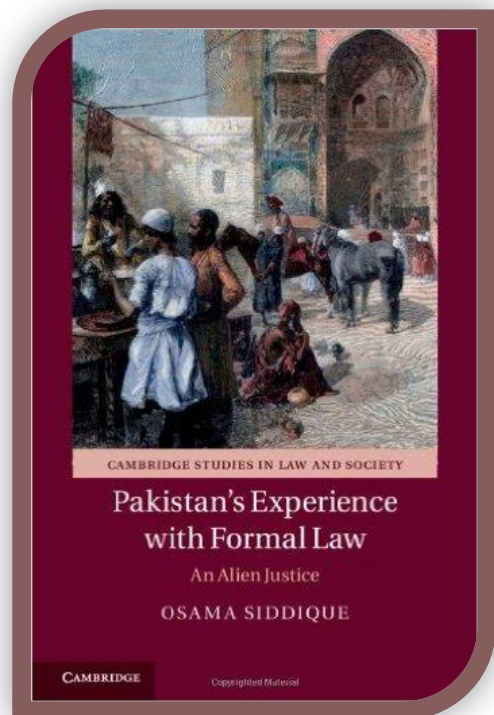
Book Description: Law reform in Pakistan attracts such disparate champions as the Chief Justice of Pakistan, the USAID and the Taliban. Common to their equally obsessive pursuit of 'speedy justice' is a remarkable obliviousness to the historical, institutional and sociological factors that alienate Pakistanis from their formal legal system. This pioneering book highlights vital and widely neglected linkages between the 'narratives of colonial displacement' resonant in the literature on South Asia's encounter with colonial law and the region's postcolonial official law reform discourses. Against this backdrop, it presents a typology of Pakistani approaches to law reform and critically evaluates the IFI-funded single-minded pursuit of 'efficiency' during the last decade. Employing diverse methodologies, it proceeds to provide empirical support for a widening chasm between popular, at times violently expressed, aspirations for justice and democratically deficient reform designed in distant IFI headquarters that is entrusted to the exclusive and unaccountable Pakistani 'reform club.'

The AIPS Book Prize Committee wrote: *"Siddique's book was chosen by the Committee because it focuses on an area not as much discussed as others, like the military and geopolitical issues. Law and the multiple legal systems in play in Pakistan are major issues in contemporary Pakistan. Refreshingly, the book gives a *local* point of view, and displays the results of important bottom-up data gathering. Because of the relative novelty of its subject matter and clear, engaging prose, it is likely to attract numerous readers and draw potential scholars into the field of Pakistan studies."*



Author Bio: Dr. Osama Siddique is the Executive

Director of the Law and Policy Research Network (LPRN) and is an Associate Fellow at the Institute of Development and Economic Alternatives (IDEAS), Lahore. He is currently a member of the Senior Faculty of the Institute for Global Law & Policy (IGLP) at Harvard Law School. Dr. Siddique has also worked as an Associate Professor of Law & Policy and was the founding head of department (2005-2007) at Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS), Lahore, Pakistan. He has extensive experience in research and policy work in the fields of law and public policy.



AIPS Junior Faculty Mentorship Program

AIPS initiated the Junior Faculty Mentoring Program in 2013 with funding from the US Embassy in Islamabad. The program has invited faculty members from Universities in Pakistan to come to the US and spend one semester (4 months) at an AIPS Member Institution. The Pakistani faculty members have come primarily from the institutions that are affiliated with Inter University Consortium for the Promotion of Social Sciences and Humanities (IUCPSS), but we have also accepted nominations from Government agencies, National and Provincial Archives, and other academic institutions. To date, [seven junior faculty from Pakistan](#) have participated in the program. Three additional junior faculty are currently participating in the program.

AIPS Mentoring Faculty Placements for Fall 2015:

1) Aqsa Ijaz

Institutional Affiliation in Pakistan: Government College University-Lahore

Mentoring Institution: North Carolina Central University and the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Field of Study: Literature

2) Siraj Ahmed Soomro

Institutional Affiliation in Pakistan: Shah Abdul Latif University

Mentoring Institution: Florida International University

Field of Study: Modern Pakistan

3) Mian Yasir Hayat

Institutional Affiliation in Pakistan: University of Peshawar

Mentoring Institution: University of Oregon

Field of Study: International Affairs, Political Science

AIPS Advising Travel Grant

AIPS has funds from the US Embassy in Pakistan to support travel to Pakistan for scholars with specific expertise needed to sit on advisory committees with the goal of increasing or strengthening social science and humanities programs at Pakistan universities and institutions.

1) Hasan-Uddin Khan, Professor, Roger Williams University

Advising Institution: COMSATS Institute of Information Technology, Architecture Programs (Lahore and Islamabad)

Dates: January 4-9, 2015



Dr. Hasan-Uddin Khan with faculty from COMSATS

AIPS Course Development Grant

Funded by CAORC and the Department of Education

1) University of Texas at Austin

Minority-Serving Institution of Instruction: Huston-Tillotson University

Course Title: Introduction to South Asia

Course Instructor: Abdul Haq Chang, Doctoral student at the University of Texas at Austin

Course Dates: Spring 2016

2) Florida International University

Minority-Serving Institution of Instruction: Florida International University

Course Title: Religio-Politics of South Asia

Course Instructor: Michael Bender, Doctoral student at Florida International University

Course Dates: Spring 2016

AIPS Speaker Series

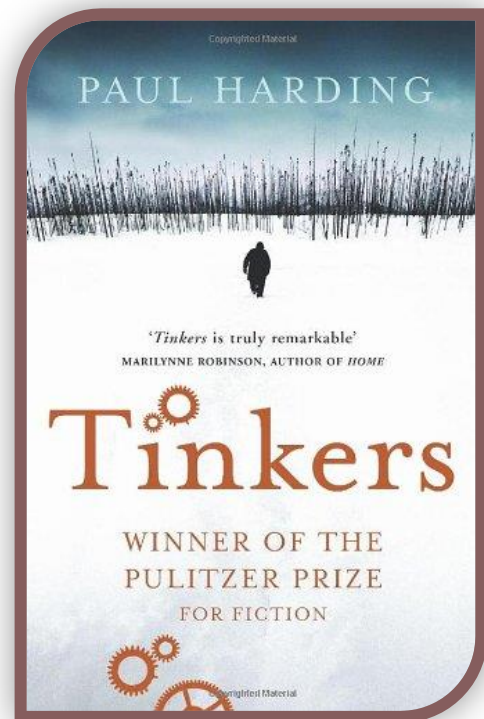
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1) Paul Harding

Paul Harding is the author of two novels about multiple generations of a New England family. His debut novel, *Tinkers*, won the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction. He is a graduate of the University of Massachusetts and earned his MFA from the Iowa Writer's Workshop. Harding has also received a Guggenheim Fellowship and was a fiction fellow at the Fine Arts Center in Provincetown.

Lecture Details: Keynote speaker at the Third Islamabad Literature Festival where he also presented a paper titled "Winning the Pulitzer Prize," additional lecture at COMSATS Institute of Information Technology

Dates: April 24-26, 2015

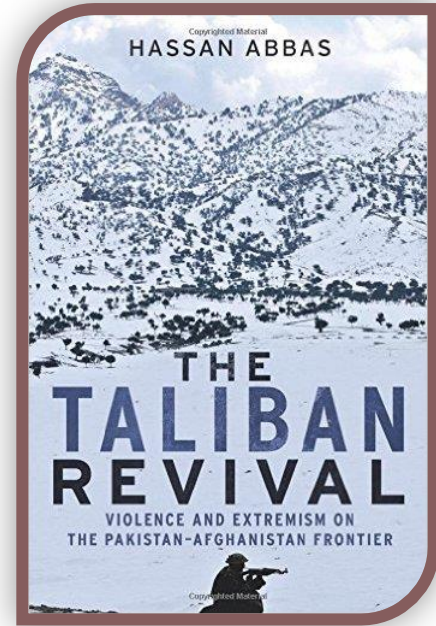


2) Hassan Abbas

Dr. Hassan Abbas is a Professor of International Security Studies at the National Defense University's College of International Security Affairs and Senior Advisor and Bernard Schwartz Fellow at Asia Society, among others. Hassan received his PhD from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University and an LL.M. in International Law from Nottingham University. His research interests are nuclear proliferation, religious extremism in South and Central Asia, and relations between Muslims and the West. Hassan is a former Pakistani government official who served in the administrations of Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto and President Pervez Musharraf.

Proposed Lecture Details: Guest lectures at Habib University (Karachi), Agha Khan University (Karachi), Sindh Madressatul Islam University (Karachi), Institute of Business Administration-Karachi Government College University (Lahore), Forman Christian College (Lahore) and National Defense University (Islamabad)

Dates: mid-November 2015



3) Timothy Beach

Timothy Beach is a Professor and the C.B. Smith, Sr. Centennial Chair of Geography and the Environment at the University of Texas at Austin. Beach is the former Cinco Hermanos Chair in Environment and International Affairs at Georgetown University. He has conducted field research with hundreds of students on geomorphology and geoarchaeology in the Corn Belt of the United States, Mexico, Belize, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Syria, Turkey, Iceland, and Germany funded by the National Science Foundation, the National Geographic Society, USAID and Georgetown University. He was elected as a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. He received his PhD from the University of Minnesota.

Proposed Lecture Details: Guest lectures at Habib University (Karachi), Government College (Lahore), Forman Christian College (Lahore) and the National Defense University (Islamabad)

Dates: January 2016



4) Barbara D. Metcalf

Barbara Metcalf is a Professor Emeritus of History at the University of California, Davis. She is a specialist in the history of South Asia, especially the colonial period, and the history of the Muslim populations of India and Pakistan. Her publications include *Islamic Revival in British India: Deoband, 1860-1900* (1982) and *Islamic Contestations: Essays on Muslims in India and Pakistan* (2004). With Thomas R. Metcalf she authored *A Concise History of Modern India*, now in its third edition (2012), which has become a classic in the field since it was first published in 2001. She received her PhD from the University of California, Berkeley.

Proposed Lecture Details: TBA

Tentative Dates: February 2016



AIPS Sponsored Conferences and Workshops

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1) Future Directions in Pakistan Studies

Date: April 4, 2015

Location: Center for South Asian Studies, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Funded by: CAORC

Summary: This was the first in a series of three workshops that AIPS will organize in the coming year and a half. These workshops would explore themes beyond the dominant academic areas of study on Pakistan, namely security studies, gender and Islam. While understanding the significance of the prevailing research focus, these workshops would broaden the scope of discussion and eventually a report would be written that lays out an agenda to determine future research trajectory and production of knowledge on the country. Within this background, the focus of this particular workshop was art and architectural history, urban studies and cultural history. It brought together leading academics who work on Pakistan, including :

- Iftikhar Dadi - Associate Professor, Departments of History of Art and Art, Cornell University
- Kishwar Rizvi – Associate Professor, Department of History and Art, Yale University
- Haris Gazdar – Senior Researcher, Collective for Social Science Research, Karachi
- Rabia Nadir - Assistant Professor and Acting Head of the Centre for Media Studies, Lahore School of Economics
- Manan Ahmed - Assistant Professor, Department of History, Columbia University
- Framji Minwalla - Chair, Department of Social Sciences & Liberal Arts, Institute of Business Administration, Karachi
- Kamran Asdar Ali - Associate Professor, Department of Anthropology; and Director, South Asia Institute, University of Texas, Austin

The full conference program can be viewed on-line at:

http://www.ii.umich.edu/csas/events/conferences/futuredirectionsinpakistanstudies_ci

2) Junior Scholars Conference on Pakistan

Date: October 22, 2015

Location: University of Wisconsin-Madison

Funded by: CAORC

Summary: AIPS recently hosted its first *Junior Scholars Conference*. This conference showcased the new research being done by junior scholars (both recent PhDs and graduate students with ABD status) in the field of Pakistan Studies in the United States. The conference was open to the public and concluded with a joint reception co-hosted by the American Institute of Bangladesh Studies, which hosted a *Conference on Bengali Mangalakāvya and Related Literature* on the same day.

Ten conference participants were selected through a competitive process:

- **Majed Akhter**, Assistant Professor of Geography, Indiana University Bloomington
- **Andrew Amstutz**, PhD candidate in History, Cornell University
- **Yelena Biberman**, Assistant Professor, Government Department, Skidmore College
- **Elizabeth Bolton**, PhD Candidate in Radio-Television-Film, University of Texas at Austin
- **Waqas H. Butt**, PhD candidate in Anthropology, University of California, San Diego
- **Abdul Haque Chang**, PhD candidate in Anthropology, University of Texas at Austin
- **Mariam Durrani**, PhD candidate in Educational Linguistics and Anthropology, University of Pennsylvania
- **Isabel Huacuja Alonso**, Postdoctoral Fellow in History, University of Texas at Austin
- **Faris Ahmed Khan**, Lecturer, Department of Anthropology, Brandeis University
- **Farhan Navid Yousaf**, PhD candidate in Sociology, University of Connecticut

3) Urban Life and the Working Poor in South Asia

Date: January 4-5, 2016

Location: Department of Architecture and Planning, NED University, Karachi

Funded by: CAORC

Summary: The workshop will explore how the working poor survive in their private and work lives in South Asia's expanding cities. We seek to encourage discussion on the life worlds of the poor in urban South Asia, specifically how working class men and women experience the economically uncertain urban milieu. The workshop will link the issue of economic marginalization and poverty to larger and pertinent discussion on minority rights, access to land tenure, distribution of wealth, equitable access to resources, gender equity and food security. Related to this, we want to discuss issues of urban form and aesthetics, leisure and pleasure, and the new ways in which young and old reconfigure urban space to create meaningful lives for themselves. How the urban is visualized, what affect it produces, what kinds of creative energies it unleashes and how new media takes on this challenge remain discussions that need further retrospection and analysis.

AIPS Sponsored Workshop Series

AIPS received funding from the US Embassy in Pakistan for four workshop series to be held in Pakistan. Each series consists of three workshops and the four series are spread across different subject areas. Participants are selected in consultation with the Inter University Social Science Consortium (IUCPSS) and have agreed to attend all three connected workshops in order to gain the full benefit of the series.

The four workshop series are:

Iftikhar Dadi, Cornell University, Visual Analysis: Art, Architecture, and Media (On-Going Series)

J. Mark Kenoyer, UW-Madison, Teaching Archaeology and Cultural Heritage Management (Concluded)

Paula Newberg, University of Texas at Austin, Peace-Building and Conflict Resolution (Concluded)

Yasmin Saikia, Arizona State University, Pakistan and Peace Studies: Methods and Meaning (Pending)

Workshops that took place in 2014-2015:

1) Workshop Theme: Visual Analysis: Art, Architecture, and Media

First Workshop: January 19-23, 2015, led by **Iftikhar Dadi**, Cornell University

First Workshop Summary:

An intensive 5-day workshop on art history and visual studies was conducted in Lahore during Jan 19-23, 2015, and is the first of three planned one-week workshops addressing art history, visual and media studies, and architectural history. Led by Iftikhar Dadi, associate professor at Cornell University in the Department of History of Art, the workshop included twelve participants from various institutions of higher education from across Pakistan. Besides Dadi, the workshop was also led by two guest instructors, Zahid Chaudhary, associate professor at Princeton University, and Hammad Nasar, director of research at Asia Art Archive in Hong Kong. The remaining two one-week workshops will be held at a later date and will include the same participants. The workshop focus was on developing capacity of junior and midcareer faculty already interested in these fields, to enable them to discuss and develop questions of method, archives, and frameworks, which could then inform both their curriculum and teaching at the undergraduate and graduate levels, and also provide them with frameworks useful in developing their research projects. The workshop ran for five full days, and included a methods seminar on modern and contemporary art in the mornings, followed by a writing workshop, and finally, an afternoon seminar on archival methods and curriculum development. Special thanks to guest faculty Hammad Nasar for discussing archival research, Zahid Chaudhary for leading the writing workshop and a seminar on photography theory, and to AIPS for making it happen.

2) Workshop Theme: Teaching Archaeology and Cultural Heritage Management

First Workshop: February 2-6, 2015, led by **J. Mark Kenoyer**, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Second Workshop: June 8-12, 2015, led by **Katie Lindstrom**, University of Wisconsin-Madison; with Qasid Mallah, Shah Abdul Latif University

Third Workshop: August 11-14 and August 17, 2015, led by **Uzma Rizvi**, Pratt Institute; with Qasid Mallah, Shah Abdul Latif University

Workshop Series Summary:

The American Institute of Pakistan Studies (AIPS) in collaboration with Inter University Consortium for Promotion of Social Sciences (IUCPSS) organized a series of three Faculty

Mentoring Workshops on “Teaching Archaeology and Cultural Heritage Management” in 2015. The workshops included fifteen participants (6 women and 9 men) from nine different institutions from Sindh, Punjab, Balochistan, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, and Gilgit-Baltistan. They were very successful in strengthening the teaching of archaeology and cultural heritage in Pakistani universities through the development of appropriate teaching pedagogy and goals. The different sessions focused on specific topics that complemented each other and overlapped enough to help develop a continuity between each workshop. Participants engaged in workshop exercises to develop new resources that were later shared with each other during the workshop and via the internet after they returned to their institutions. Participant evaluations conducted in the course of the workshops have confirmed that they have established important networks with new colleagues in Pakistan and internationally that have resulted in shared teaching modules, conferences and collaborative research projects. Participants have also shared the new projects and events that have been inspired by these workshops through email communication and on social media.



Teaching Archaeology Workshop Participants with Dr. Uzma Rizvi at the Lahore Fort

The first workshop was led by Prof. Kenoyer on February 2 – 6, 2015 in Islamabad and focused on how to teach archaeology and cultural heritage in different types of institutions and how to develop hands on teaching facilities that incorporated traditional crafts of Pakistan. One day of this workshop was hosted by Dr. Muhammad Ashraf Khan at the Taxila Institute for Asian Civilization, Quaid-i-Azam University. A second day was held at the World Heritage Site of Bhamala Stupa where excavations and conservation were being undertaken under the direction of Dr. Abdul Samad, Director General, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Department of Archaeology. The second workshop was led by Dr. Katie Lindstrom, Honorary Fellow, Department of Anthropology, University of Wisconsin-Madison, USA, and held in Islamabad from June 8 – 12, 2015. The primary goal of the second workshop in this series was to strengthen teaching practices among university educators in Pakistan through direct discussion of new and innovative teaching practices in higher education, such as “essential learning outcomes”, and understanding of diversity in student learning styles. Prof. Qasid Mallah, Shah Abdul Latif University, Khairpur, Sindh was invited as a guest speaker for the second and third workshops. He presented lectures and help lead some of the sessions. The third workshop was led by Prof.

Uzma Rizvi, Pratt Institute, New York, and held in Lahore from Aug. 11-14 and 17, 2015. The third workshop was titled, *Imagining a Future of Pakistan Archaeology: Teaching Archaeology and the Postcolonial Critique, Community Based Practices, and Cultural Heritage Management*, provided a forward looking framework within which teaching is part of a larger mission of decolonization. This last workshop also coincided with a major conference on Harappa organized by Dr. Shahid Rajput, COMSATS Islamabad and Sahiwal that the participants were able to attend and they also had the opportunity to visit the site of Harappa to see the onsite conservation and museum development.

3) **Workshop Theme:** Peace-Building and Conflict Resolution

Second Workshop: January 5-9, 2015, led by **Paula Newberg**, University of Texas at Austin

Workshop Title: Sources of Conflict and Governing toward Cooperation

Third Workshop: September 28 – October 2, 2015, led by **Paula Newberg**, University of Texas at Austin

Workshop Title: Building Peace, Resolving Conflicts

Second Workshop Summary:

In the first week of January 2015, we convened the second weeklong session of the Faculty Workshop on Conflict. The group – specialists in politics, sociology, law, international relations and public policy -- met at the Rausing Center at LUMS to work through an ambitious program that focused on research and teaching on the intersections of conflict, rights and governance. Given events in Pakistan in the weeks before this workshop, the subject was particularly pressing, and workshop participants navigated a series of difficult research issues – theory, concept, policy and application – as well as serious questions about handling these issues in the classroom. Participants alternated traditional textual analysis with case studies and simulations. Two guests joined the workshop: Hina Jilani spent an afternoon discussing UN investigative methods involving rights in conflict zones --with a partial focus on Gaza, and an illuminating conversation about law and conflict in Pakistan; and Syed Iqbal Riza brought his extensive experience with the UN in Central America to our discussions of regional peace negotiations, rights, elections, post-conflict governance.



**Dr. Paula Newberg and participants of the workshop
Sources of Conflict and Governing toward Cooperation**

AIPS Co-Sponsored Conferences and Workshops

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1) The Second International Karachi Conference

Date: November 21-23, 2014

Location: Karachi

Funded by: CAORC

Summary: This conference was sponsored by AIPS, the Indus Valley School of Art and Architecture, the Arts Council of Pakistan, the Karachi Youth Initiative (KYI), and the Avari Group, in addition to other partners. The keynote for the conference was delivered by Dr. Kamran Asdar Ali. The primary objective of the Karachi Conference is to highlight the importance of Karachi and all facets of its urban existence through a scholarly exercise, for understanding the role that it has assumed as a regional hub. A second objective is to bring together local and international academic institutions, scholars, and development and social activists who have worked in Karachi, to engage with each other and with other like-minded local individuals for future academic endeavors, especially those relevant to the city.

The first two days of the conference were devoted to its academic proceedings, where different scholars covering various facets of Karachi spoke in thematically designed sessions, and the third day was devoted to film screenings in and on Karachi. Dr. Asma Ibrahim, President, delivered an introductory address. Other sessions focused on Karachi's history, Karachi's intangible heritage, 'The Role of Women in the Socio-Political History of Karachi,' 'Citizenship and emerging socio-political realities,' Money, density and conflict,' and 'Socio-physical Infrastructure.' This last session is also known as the Parveen Rehman session, and is held every year within the conference. It is dedicated to a development related theme, in memory of the slain Karachi development expert. In 2014, renowned planner and architect Arif Hasan acted as chair, and oversaw the delivery of three papers by development professionals on problems connected to Karachi's urban-scape. The conference ended with a summation of by Senior Advisor Dr. Kaleemullah Lashari, and the day was brought to a close by a performance on Karachi by renowned artist Sheema Kirmani and her troupe.

2) Locally Sourced: Recovering the Local in History, Culture and Politics in Pakistan

Date: August 7-8, 2015

Location: Pakistan Institute for Development Economics, Islamabad

Funded by: Department of Education

Organizers: Matthew A. Cook (North Carolina Central University), David Gilmartin (North Carolina State University) and Zulfiqar Ali Kalhoro (Pakistan Institute of Development Economics)

Summary: The conference, "Locally Sourced: Recovering the Local in History, Culture and Politics in Pakistan," consisted of two day-long sessions of papers and discussions that focused on the role of "local studies" in the development of Pakistani history and culture. It began with an overview of the important (if sometimes controversial) roles that "local" histories play in the larger development of historical studies internationally. The conference then focused on the particular pressures that have tended to limit the

role of local history in the reconstruction of Pakistan's colonial and recent past. Senior and junior scholars from a variety of disciplines (e.g., history, literary studies, and anthropology) presented case studies, ranging from a historical study of local organizing by railway workers in Lahore, to a study about a local press and its role in on-going ethnic violence in Karachi, to a presentation on the Karachi International Book Fair as a way to define the "literary local," to local histories of Hindu castes in Tharparkar, to the relationship between international networks and Gwadar's local Baloch history, to a micro-history of "virtuous" investing in a local Karachi market, to a history of local competition between Hindu castes and it shaped the British annexation of Sindh. Each paper presentation produced its own lively discussions about the "local" in the history of Pakistan. The larger value of the conference to Pakistan Studies lay in the explicit foregrounding of the "local" as a concept for both expanding and deepening the ways that scholars can approach Pakistan's complicated history.

The complete conference program can be viewed on the AIPS website:

<http://www.pakistanstudies-aips.org/content/locally-sourced-aips-pide-workshop>

3) Transforming Your Dissertation into a Book

Date: October 22, 2015

Location: 44th Annual Conference on South Asia, Madison, WI

Funded by: CAORC

Organizer: Susan Wadley (Syracuse University)

Summary: This workshop was sponsored by the American Institute of Indian Studies, AIPS, and several other regional Overseas Research Centers. This workshop aims to help a pre-selected group of recent PhDs re-envision their doctoral dissertations as books. This year Susan Wadley was accompanied by Geraldine Forbes (SUNY-Oswego), Joyce Flueckiger (Emory), Lindsey Harlan (Connecticut College), and Anand Yang (University of Washington).

4) *Rāhē najāt* (The Path of Salvation): Religious and Social Dynamics Amongst Mercantile Communities of the Western Indian Ocean

Date: November 13, 2015

Location: Florida International University (Miami)

Funded by: Department of Education

Organizers: Iqbal Akhtar (Florida International University)

Summary: This all-day workshop will explore religious and social transformations that occurred as a result of migration and cosmopolitanism, such as transformative cosmologies and transnational endowments. It attempts to transcend the transatlantic divide among scholars of medieval and modern trading communities of the west coast of the Subcontinent. For example, early modern Sindh and Baluchistan were home to a diverse array of religious communities from Ibādī Omanis to vāṇiyō Jain and Hindu merchants as well as numerous mercantile caste communities, such as the Khōjā and Bhāṭiyā. These South Asian communities were intimately linked to their settlements throughout the western Indian Ocean, particularly East Africa. This conference will explore how processes of migration transformed social dynamics and communitarian identities.

The complete conference program can be viewed on the AIPS website:

<http://www.pakistanstudies-aips.org/content/workshop-florida-international-university>

AIPS Events in Pakistan

- 1) AIPS co-sponsored the workshop "Locally Sourced: Recovering the Local in History, Culture and Politics in Pakistan" in association with Pakistan Institute of Development Economics (PIDE), Islamabad, from August 7-8, 2015. The two day academic event was organized by Matthew A. Cook (North Carolina Central University), David Gilmartin (North Carolina State University) and Zulfiqar Ali Kalhoro (Pakistan Institute of Development Economics) and included scholars from both the US and Pakistan. Dr. David Gilmartin (Professor of History, North Carolina State University) was the keynote speaker. AIPS hosted a dinner reception at Said Pur Village at the close of the conference, which was attended the Quaid-i-Azam University Vice Chancellor Dr. Javed Ashraf.



Participants of the conference *Locally Sourced: Recovering the Local in History, Culture and Politics in Pakistan*, held at the Pakistan Institute of Development Economics, Islamabad.



Dr. Zulfiqar Ali Kalhoro (left) and participants of *Locally Sourced* conference at a dinner reception.



Dr. David Gilmartin delivering the keynote lecture at the *Locally Sourced* conference.

- 2) AIPS Islamabad hosted a reception at the Islamabad Club on April 27, 2015 in honor of Paul Harding, a US Pulitzer Prize-winning novelist. Mr. Harding was invited by AIPS under the US Embassy speaker series program to lecture at the Islamabad Literary Festival and was also hosted by IUCPSS for a lecture at COMSATS Institute of Information Technology (Islamabad). Mr. Harding was very well received by the intellectual and literary circles in Islamabad. Representatives from local universities, the US Embassy, civil society organizations, and relevant governmental organizations attended the reception, which was jointly hosted by AIPS and Council of Social Sciences Pakistan.



Paul Harding (center) and guests at a reception hosted by AIPS at the Islamabad Club

- 3) AIPS hosted the second faculty mentoring workshop in the series *Peace Building and Conflict Resolution*, which is organized by Paula Newberg (University of Texas at Austin). This workshop, titled "Governance, Rights & Conflict" was held at and the LUMS Rausing Center (Lahore) from January 5-9, 2015.
- 4) This year, AIPS hosted all three workshops in the faculty mentoring workshop series *Teaching Archaeology and Cultural Heritage Management*, which was organized by J. Mark Kenoyer (University of Wisconsin-Madison). The first workshop took place in Islamabad from February 2-6, 2015 and on February 5, 2015 the AIPS Islamabad office hosted a dinner at the Ramada Inn for the 15 participants and several honored guests including Dr. Nasser Ali Khan (Chairperson, IUCPSS), Dr. Ihsan Ali (VC of Abdul Wali Khan University), Dr. Parveen Shah (VC of the University of Khairpur) and Mr. Jameson DeBose (Deputy Cultural Affairs Officer, US Embassy).
- 5) AIPS Islamabad hosted the second workshop from June 8-12, 2015, which was lead by Katie Lindstrom (University of Wisconsin-Madison). AIPS hosted lunch receptions at the Ramada Inn and Daman-e-Koh for the participants and invited guests including Ms. Laura Tadesco (US Department of State), Ms. Laura Djuragic (Deputy Cultural Attaché, US Embassy), Mr. Azfar Iqbal (Cultural Specialist, US Embassy), representatives of the Government of Pakistan, the Ministry of Inter Provincial Coordination, and the Vice Chancellor of Abdul Wali Khan University, among others.

- 6) The third and last workshop in this series was led by Uzma Rizvi (Pratt Institute) and Qasid Mallah (Shah Abdul Latif University) and was held in Lahore at LUMS from August 11-17, 2015. Fifteen junior faculty members from IUCPSS member campuses joined each workshop in the series and successfully completed the sessions. Dr. Mohammad Nizamuddin (Chairperson Punjab HEC) distributed workshop certificates to participants and held informal discussions with all participants as well as AIPS organizers of the workshop.



Participants of the workshop series Teaching Archaeology and Cultural Heritage Management attend the Harappa International Conference in Lahore with series organizer Dr. J. Mark Kenoyer and workshop leader Dr. Uzma Rizvi.



Lunch reception at Daman-e-Koh (Islamabad) with workshop leader Dr. Katie Lindstrom and Dr. Ihsan Ali, VC of Abdul Wali Khan University

7) BULPIP – AIPS Urdu Program at LUMS

Summary: AIPS, in association with the University of California, Berkeley, hosted its first group of students in Lahore in the Fall of 2014. A cohort of six, these students came from a variety of institutions and disciplines (Art History, Asian Studies, History, International Relations, Near Eastern Studies, and Radio-Television-Film). The students spent fifteen weeks on the campus of the Lahore University of Management Sciences undergoing intensive intermediate-plus Urdu language training under the tutelage of two experienced Urdu teachers - Ishrat Afreen and Faiza Saleem – as well as a committed program manager – Gwen Kirk.



The first cohort of students from the BULPIP-AIPS Urdu Language Program during a visit to the tomb of the Mughal emperor Jahangir (Lahore)

AIPS-Pakistan Supporting Activities

- 1) AIPS hosted a meeting between US Cultural Attaché, Ms. Judith Ravin, and visiting scholars from the North Carolina Central University (Dr. Matthew Cook), University of North Carolina, Wilmington (Dr. Cara Cilano), North Carolina State University (Dr. David Gilmartin) and Monmouth College (Dr. Farhat Haq). The meeting was held at the AIPS Islamabad office on 6th August 2015. Nadeem Akbar (AIPS Pakistan Director), Mr. Azfar Iqbal (Cultural Specialist, US Embassy) and Mr. Sohail Malik (UNCW) were also present at the meeting.



(From Left) Mr. Azfar Iqbal, Dr. Farhat Haq, Dr. Matthew Cook, Ms. Judith Raven, Dr. David Gilmartin, Dr. Cara Cilano, Mr. Nadeem Akbar, and Mr. Sohail Malik

- 2) AIPS signed a MoU with Punjab Higher Education Commission Lahore on Aug 16, 2015. Prof. Dr. Mohammad Nizamuddin (Chairperson Punjab HEC) and Dr. Farhat Haq (AIPS Trustee) formally signed the MoU. Provincial Minister for Education, Mr. Rana Mashood Ahmad Khan, was also present at the occasion. The agreement was signed to mutually collaborate on activities promoting higher education exchange and research between AIPS member universities in USA and higher educational institutions in Punjab, Pakistan



MoU signing:
(Front row) Dr. Muhammad Nizamuddin (Chairman, HEC Punjab) and Dr. Farhat Haq (AIPS Trustee)
(Back row) Dr. J. Mark Kenoyer (AIPS Trustee), Mr. Rana Mashood Ahmad Khan (Punjab Provincial Minister of Education and Culture), Mr. Murtaza Noor (National Coordinator of the IUCPSS) and Mr. Nadeem Akbar

- 3) The AIPS Islamabad office facilitated the visas and travel arrangements for individuals from Pakistan to travel to Denton, Texas for a University Partnerships conference, which was titled “University Partnerships in Pakistan: Sharing Best Practices” and was sponsored by the United States Department of State and the U.S. Embassy in Islamabad, Pakistan (November 11-16, 2014).
- 4) *Universities Partnership Fellows Traveled to US:* The AIPS Islamabad center facilitated the J-1 visas and travel arrangements of the fellows listed below during the fiscal year 2014-2015. All of the fellows were selected under PAS funded universities partnership programs for mentorship and professional development training in the US.

Fatima Jinnah Women University – University of Texas at Austin Fellows

- Mr. Akhtar Aziz, Lecturer, English
- Ms. Baroosh Ahsan, Lecturer, Fine Arts
- Ms. Zainab Younus, Lecturer, English
- Mr. Salman Haider, Lecturer, Gender Studies
- Dr. Ahlam Tariq, Asst. Professor, Communication and Media
- Ms. Sajida Naz, Lecturer, Behavioral Sciences
- Ms. Aleena Mukarram, Lecturer, Business Administration
- Ms. Shahzadi Pakeeza, Lecturer, Islamic Studies
- Dr. Asma Khalid, Asst. Professor, Public Administration
- Ms. Naja Us Sahar, Lecturer, Behavioral Sciences
- Ms. Sobia Hanif, Lecturer, Defense and Diplomatic Studies

International Islamic University – University of North Carolina, Wilmington Fellows

- Dr. Husnul Amin, Asst. Professor, Politics and International Relations
- Ms. Asma Rashid, Lecturer, Politics and International Relations
- Mr. Masood Ur Rahman, Lecturer, Politics and International Relations
- Dr. Noor Fatima, Asst. Professor, Politics and International Relations
- Dr. Tauqeer Hussain, Asst. Professor, Politics and International Relations
- Dr. Waheeda Rana, Asst. Professor, Politics and International Relations

Karakorum International University – University of Oregon Fellows

- Dr. Mehfooz Ullah, Asst. Professor, Business Management
- Dr. Munis Abbas, Asst. Professor, Business Management
- Dr. Rehmat Karim, Asst. Professor, Environmental Sciences
- Dr. Shaukat Ali, Asst. Professor, Environmental Sciences
- Dr. Salma Durrani, Professor, Environmental Sciences
- Mr. Asif Sanaullah, Lecturer, Business Management
- Dr. Haibat Ali, Asst. Professor, Environmental Sciences
- Dr. Muhammad Ilyas, Asst. Professor, Environmental Sciences
- Mr. Sultan Abbas, Lecturer, International Relations
- Ms. Jamila Baig, Lecturer, Biological Sciences
- Dr. Manzoor Ali, Asst. Professor, Physics
- Dr. Mehtab Alam, Asst. Professor, Business Management
- Ms. Salima Ali, Lecturer, Management Sciences

National Academy of Performing Arts – University of Texas at Austin Fellows

- Mr. Jamal Yousaf, Musician
- Mr. Stephen Chaman, Musician
- Mr. Kashan Khan, Musician
- Mr. Muhammad Waqas, Musician
- Mr. Yousaf Nisar, Musician
- Mr. Arsalan Pareyal, Musician
- Mr. Kashif Hussain, Musician
- Mr. Muhammad Ahsan Shabbir, Musician
- Mr. Intezar Hussain, Musician
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