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“I WILL” symbolizes action. It is immediate, part of the here and now. The traits it speaks of – boldness, leadership, passion – are reflected in Habib University’s mission of cultivating a sense of energy and doing. At Habib University, we will help you find your inner potential and give you the confidence and skills to boldly claim, “I WILL.”
Welcome to Habib University, a place where you can expand your outlook and horizons. Habib University is a liberal arts and sciences university offering undergraduates an interdisciplinary education in Science, Engineering, Arts, Humanities and Social Science.

At Habib University, the liberal arts and sciences will inspire you to learn, think deeply and explore your heritage in an environment that fosters intellectual inquiry and creativity. Habib University will offer four undergraduate degree programs under its two schools:

School of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences
- Communication Studies & Design
- Social Development & Policy

School of Science & Engineering
- Computer Science
- Electrical Engineering

Yohsin - An Education of Self

- Passion for Learning and Doing
- Respect for Diversity
- Appreciation of Beauty
- Pursuit of Excellence
- Service to Others and the Community

Habib University is committed to an education that nurtures the mind as well as the spirit. Related to husn, it symbolizes the process of actualization of beauty and excellence in the self.

Grounded in our own cultural and spiritual heritage, the yohsin worldview is a way of life that cultivates thoughtfulness and caring, and thus resonates deeply with Habib University’s rich and contextualized liberal arts experience.

At Habib University, yohsin is a way of life. From our campus design to our curricula; from our faculty recruitment process to our learning environment, yohsin is the driving force behind the University.
Learn Beyond Boundaries
As a liberal Arts & Sciences institution, Habib University provides you a broad based education, making it an experience that goes beyond conventional academics. This experience is not restricted to solely preparing you for a career. Rather, it prepares you for life, enabling you to continue learning and also apply that learning beyond the borders of the classroom.

At Habib University, student life is not termed ‘extra-curricular’, or even ‘co-curricular’. We believe it is META-curricular in nature. Working side by side with the curriculum, it provides a truly transformative learning experience. The programs and services we offer are intentionally collaborative efforts between faculty and staff. This is to bring you a seamless learning environment where you can grow academically, personally and professionally.

The Meta-Curricular Experience

At Habib University, your life is your classroom. We offer you a meta-curricular experience, where student life and learning goes beyond academics. It flows from the doors of our classrooms into the hallways, courtyards, spaces, and into all aspects of University life itself. With its meta-curricular approach, Habib remains unmatched in Pakistan and the region.
Serve Others
Service is a key commitment of Habib University. It is one of the five pillars on which our philosophy is built, and is finely woven into the fabric of our existence. For us, service is not sporadic, but very intentional. Service is one of the most gratifying experiences, as it gives you the opportunity to give back to society. Through our service-learning programs, you will also be prepared for the real world, as you get the opportunity to apply what you have learned in the classroom to help solve real world problems.

Service Learning

At Habib University, we strongly emphasize service-learning – service that is meaningful to both the students and the community. Through service-learning, we provide you with an opportunity for thoughtful self-reflection. With the aim of conveying civic sense and community understanding, the program helps you grow spiritually and morally.

As students engaged in service-learning, they will enhance their interpersonal and empathetic skills, and become responsible and committed global citizens. Your experience will also place you in a better position upon graduation to land a job and be successful in the workplace.
Be Engaged
At Habib University, we actively promote the idea of an engaged learning community. Research indicates that a student’s success is dependent on the degree of her engagement with the institution. Students who are engaged have higher grade point averages and are more likely to graduate than those who are not. At Habib University, opportunities abound for engagement outside the classroom. We are committed to giving you the chances you need, to become engaged with your fellow students, with the faculty both within & outside your classroom, as well as with individual departments within the institution.

Campus Life

At Habib University, we strive to ensure your learning environment is the best. We work towards guaranteeing you have multiple outlets for exploring, enhancing and applying your diverse knowledge, experiences and interests.

This is addressed by our Campus Life Department, which is part of the Division of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management which is an integral component of university life. The Department provides and supports academic, social, recreational programs, & facilitates student-driven initiatives. Several individual offices are included within this department:

- Campus Organizations and Activities
- Student Media
- Campus Recreation
- Students Rights and Responsibilities
Excel
At Habib University, excellence is a cornerstone upon which our philosophy rests -

excellence in our facilities, excellence in our faculty and excellence in our programs and students.

By being a premier liberal arts and sciences institution in Pakistan, Habib University is working towards preparing great minds of not only our country, but the world.

Department of Student Excellence

At Habib University, we believe in the pursuit of excellence. Our Department of Student Excellence is ensuring you have the right tools needed to succeed at the university and in life.

The offices within this important department include:

- Health and Wellness
- Academic Advising
- Tutoring & Mentoring
- First Year & Family Programs
- International Programs & Services
- Civic Engagement, Leadership, & Service

These offices are affording students opportunities to acquire the skills and tools needed to excel and become the next great minds and leaders of the world.
Be a Global Leader
Whether people are born leaders or taught leadership skills is a debate that remains unsettled. At Habib University, we believe that leaders are molded and shaped by giving them the tools they need to lead. We aim to prepare a new generation of the world’s best critical thinkers for leadership—leaders who are both ethical and effective, and will respond to international and national issues across boundaries and cultures. Through our diverse programs and services, we offer you the tools and opportunities to excel as global leaders.

Civic Engagement, Leadership & Service

At Habib University we believe leaders are molded and shaped by how they lead their daily lives and interact with their surroundings. Our Office of Civic Engagement, Leadership & Service assists young leaders like yourself in getting ahead of the curve by giving you the skills you need for leadership during your university years.

International Programs & Services

Habib University offers students from any discipline the opportunity to complement their classroom learning with first-hand international experiences. As students, you can opt for various global service-learning trips, exchange programs and study abroad opportunities that the Office of International Programs & Services offers and facilitates.
Be a Scholar
A broad based liberal arts and sciences degree helps prepare you for success in the future - not only in your career - but in life.

At Habib University, our liberal arts and sciences approach incorporates the tools you need to develop the skills to think critically, solve complex problems and communicate effectively. Surveys have shown that a candidate's demonstrated capacity to exercise these skills is more important than any other factor, including degree, major, or even where a student has gone to college.

There is broad agreement among employers that all students should have educational experiences that teach them about building civic capacity, broad knowledge, and embracing cultures outside their own. Our curricula have been developed keeping these requirements in mind. This is the heart of Habib University and our liberal arts and sciences approach will prepare you to not only succeed but to excel and lead.

The Liberal Core

Representing the core of our institutional identity, Habib University's flagship three-year Liberal Core curriculum seeks to fulfill our motto of yohsin. As they take on the task of forming themselves into adults, professionals, and beyond, our Liberal Core is designed to enable our students to knowledgeably reflect with rigor on a wide swathe of the most salient and critical aspects of their experience in the world they inherit today. It is designed to instill in our students an appreciation of their own context and cultures of thought, a grounded sense of their own self-worth and potential, and to do so in a spirit of global relation and expansive universality.

Liberal Arts & Sciences Programs

Habib University will begin its inaugural year with four Bachelor Degree programs offerings from our two schools, the School of Science & Engineering (SSE) and the School of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences (AHSS):

School of Science and Engineering
- Computer Science
- Electrical Engineering

School of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences
- Communication Studies & Design
- Social Development & Policy
Work in a Field I Know & Love
Career & Alumni Services is responsible for enhancing your experience through meaningful and practical campus and off-campus work opportunities and career placement. We will work closely with various departments within the university to ensure you are provided with as many opportunities as possible to have a more impactful university experience. You will also be supported as you continue to explore and develop your passions and competencies leading ultimately to your career choice. Our vibrant network and comprehensive services and programs will assist you in important transitions, personal discoveries, and in developing and actualizing your career goals and ambitions.

Role of Career & Alumni Services

Career & Alumni Services will engage in some of the following tasks:

- Hold workshops and individual sessions to prepare students for their career search;
- Create mutually beneficial connections with our partner institutions for student engagement activities;
- Build and maintain a comprehensive database of organizations and industries for students to work with for the purpose of internships and full-time positions after graduation;
- Work with students to encourage them to explore and follow their interests, passions and alternative options for their future endeavors;
- Work with students to explore relevant graduate school options;
- Assist students in understanding the type of skills employers are looking for and how students can build on those through various on and off campus activities, programs and opportunities;
- Sponsor career fairs and information sessions on campus that feature a variety of representatives from different industries.
Become a Student at Habib University
While your exact first semester will depend largely on your intended major, the school year will kick off with a Welcome Week. 2014/15’s Welcome Week - our inaugural event, will definitely be special. At Habib University, our Welcome Week also includes two days for families, our opening ceremonies and a special family day designed to welcome them to our community. Welcome Week culminates on the Habib University Day of Service where all faculty, staff and students come together to start the year off right: by serving others, a key component to our philosophy of yohsin. The first year in a student’s life in university is full of changes and challenges which can be particularly volatile. Habib University has made a special commitment to assist such students in smoothly transitioning to University.

First Year Programs
Among other services our Department of Student Success offers, certain special programs for first year students are rolled out. Housed within the Office of First Year and Family Programs, these include, but are not limited to, Habib University’s Orientation Program and First Year Success Program, both of which are meant to help students make the move to the University.

New Student Orientation (NSO) – Unlike other orientations, which begin a few days before the beginning of classes, we start our orientation the summer before. This allows for more time to assist students in improving and retaining material presented at the orientation.

First Year Success – This special program offers students the skills needed to excel at the University and beyond. The First Year Success Program completes each year with a mandatory service-learning project for all first year students.

Learning Communities
Once you are admitted into Habib University, you will be assigned to a small team of your fellow students. These unique cohorts of students are meant for you to develop an appreciation for diversity. Your group will function as a learning community, within which you will experience your three year Liberal Core experience. As a group, you will meet each week to attend faculty and/or mentor facilitated discussions surrounding topics raised in readings and weekly lectures. An important outcome of such an interactive group design is that you will be able to encounter your university experience as a team.
Learn Anywhere, Anytime
With multi-purpose recreational spaces, technology enabled classrooms, state-of-the-art labs and much more, Habib University’s purpose-built campus provides students plenty of opportunities to learn anywhere, any time. Our wi-fi enabled campus encourages learning and interaction both within and beyond the classroom. A modern, student-centered campus with open and diverse spaces, our campus is entirely accessible to all through ramps and elevators located throughout the University.

A Glimpse of the Campus

Habib University’s purpose-built campus has won an international award from Society for College and University Planning (SCUP). The SCUP Excellence Awards are among the highest laurels which higher education institutions around the world aspire to achieve. Built on 7 acres of land with a covered area of 450,000 square feet, some of our spaces are listed below:

State-of-the-art Learning Facilities
- Smart classrooms
- Purpose-built auditoriums
- Comprehensive library
- 14 cutting edge labs
- Wi-fi enabled campus

Indoor and Outdoor Recreational Spaces
- Well-equipped gymnasium
- Open air amphitheater
- Swimming pool
- Sports courts
- Student Commons
Admissions to Habib University are solely based on merit and are regardless of gender, culture, ethnicity, national origin, religion, or even socio-economic background. Our process is a holistic one. We evaluate each application individually with the following guidelines in mind:

• Academic potential (transcripts, board exam results, entrance test or SAT scores and academic achievements)
• Intellectual, creative and personal pursuits and passions (co-curricular/extra-curricular involvement and interests)
• Writing competencies (personal essay, short answer responses and writing section on entrance test)

How to Apply

We are running an online application process. To apply for admissions at Habib University, you will be required to:

• Sign up at Habib University for an account with a valid email address
• Complete the online application
• Pay the application fee online or send us a copy of payment receipt
• Upload the checklist of documents
• Submit the application with supporting documents and fees before February 2, 2014
• Appear for the Entrance Test (1st round shortlisted applicants only)
• Appear for the Interview at the designated time and location (2nd round shortlisted applicants only)

Our admission staff will be actively engaged to assist you in all aspects of the admission process. We will ensure that all your questions are answered and supported. Contact us on admissions@habib.edu.pk for assistance.
Financial Aid and Scholarship
Scholarship

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Habib University is committed to making quality education affordable to all. We have made a commitment to meet the demonstrated need of all our students. Our Financial Aid and Scholarship Program provides students with merit based scholarships, need based grants, work study and facilitated student loans. Financial aid applications are available and can be sent to you at your request. Financial aid applications are due latest by February 17, 2014.

Types of Aid

At Habib University, a student’s financial aid package includes one or more of the following types of assistance:

Grants: These are need-based funds that are awarded based on the financial aid application. Grants do not need to be repaid.

Student Employment Opportunities: Students may participate in Work Study Programs where they are employed on campus.

Loans: Habib University has made available to students both University student loans and facilitated student loans through our financial partners. Loans must be repaid according to the agreement signed with the loan provider.

Merit Scholarships: At Habib University, we offer a variety of merit-based scholarships. Most of these are awarded based on academic excellence. However since not all accomplishments can be measured in grades and test scores, scholarships are also available for outstanding athletes, performers, artists and leaders who have been involved in extracurricular activities.