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Empowering students beyond the classroom through leadership, innovation and community engagement.

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Welcome to the HU Lion's Den!

Welcome to the latest edition of the OSL Newsletter, your go-to source for all the exciting updates, initiatives, and opportunities from the Office of Student Life at Habib University. Through this newsletter, we aim to keep you informed about upcoming events, student achievements, leadership programs, and engaging workshops that contribute to a vibrant campus experience.

At OSL, we believe in fostering a community where students can develop leadership skills, explore their interests, and actively participate in shaping campus life. Whether you're a seasoned member of student organizations or looking for new ways to get involved, this newsletter will provide insights and opportunities tailored just for you.

Stay connected, stay engaged, and let's make the most of our journey at Habib University!



Message from the OSL Team

Hello Student Community!

What a whirlwind year it has been for higher education and the world around us—trade wars, environmental crises, and shifting global politics. Amid all this change, one thought keeps coming back to us: the power of community. With Gen-Z and AI shaping our present, our campus is evolving faster than a group chat turns into complete chaos. But are we truly ready for these changes? Maybe not yet—but we can be! Building a strong, supportive community is more important now than ever, and it starts with small but meaningful actions. Step away from the digital noise for a moment, look around, and ask yourself: How can I contribute to something bigger than myself?

As the great Desmond Tutu once said, "**My humanity is bound up in yours, for we can only be human together.**" In this newsletter, we invite you to reflect on what it means to be part of a community—one that lifts each other up, checks in often, and tackles global challenges together. Because let's be honest, none of us have the time to solve everything alone—group projects taught us

that lesson well.

As we remember our beloved alum **Agha Dilawar** (Class of 2024), we are reminded of two things: how short life is—so cherish your connections, and how resilience can lead to incredible achievements. In just two months, we will bid farewell to the Class of 2025. As that moment approaches, we want you to always remember that you have so much to accomplish in this life, and while opportunities are right at your fingertips, so are your relationships—with friends, family, faculty, and the wider HU community. Learn to balance them wisely. And most importantly, while you're out there changing the world, don't forget to change into your comfy clothes and take care of yourself too. Find joy in what makes you happy, take breaks when you need them, and remember—you are never alone on this journey. OSL team is like that one friend who always shows up—whether you need support for your initiatives or just someone to listen to your stress about deadlines. We have got your back!

Here's to building, growing, and thriving—together!

Sidra Tariq and the OSL Team



Club in the Spotlight

The Serve Club

The Serve Club at Habib University is a dynamic student-led platform dedicated to creating opportunities for students to give back to the community and address pressing societal issues. The club emphasizes inclusivity, empathy, and a hands-on approach to community engagement, making it one of the most impactful student organizations on campus.



Pinktober

(Oct 21-25, 2024)

In collaboration with Pink Ribbon Pakistan, Pinktober raised awareness about breast cancer through workshops, fundraising, and outreach, empowering the Habib community to take action and support those affected.

Evening with Staff

(Dec 31, 2024)

This heartfelt event celebrated the dedication of the TCT staff, featuring fun activities and appreciation, strengthening the bond between students and staff, and fostering a culture of respect and gratitude.

Event Highlights

Spectra: A Celebration of Science and Innovation

The Natural Science Club successfully hosted Spectra, a three-day Science Olympiad celebrating creativity, teamwork, and problem-solving. The event featured an inspiring panel discussion by Dr. Basit Memon and Dr. Waqar Saleem, followed by eight exciting modules such as Darwin's Dilemma (biology) and Mendeleev's Mayhem (chemistry). Schools like Nixor, St. Patrick's, and Cedar participated, with The Academically Agonized emerging as the overall winner. Organizing Spectra was no small feat, with over 100 students overcoming sponsorship and logistical challenges to bring the event to life. Collaborations with the Math and Sustainability Clubs further enriched the experience. Despite past setbacks, Spectra proved to be a resounding success, setting the stage for an even bigger and better edition next year.



HUMUN VII: A Confluence of Diplomacy and Leadership

On October 25-27, 2024, Habib Model United Nations (HUMUN VII) brought together bright minds for three days of diplomacy and dialogue, resonating with our values of inclusivity, academic excellence, and leadership. A standout achievement was its seamless organization, widely praised by delegates, committee directors, and coaches. This year introduced unique committees that expanded intellectual horizons. The Council of Olympus blended mythology with diplomacy, Shadow Protocol created a high-stakes crisis atmosphere, and Historic PNA immersed participants in Pakistan's past. The International Court of Justice (ICJ) stood out as an academic powerhouse, earning acclaim for its structure and depth. As we look back, we are grateful to all participants, directors, and team members. Here's to fostering leadership, building connections, and growing together—until next time!



HUSO 2025: Uniting Athletes, Igniting Passion

Habib University successfully hosted HUSO 2025, its premier sports event, fostering healthy competition among students from various universities. The event reinforced the university's commitment to holistic student development beyond academics, providing a platform for athletes to showcase their skills, dedication, and sportsmanship across multiple sports categories. The week-long event featured 114 individuals and teams competing in 14 different sports categories, with chess and girls' volleyball introduced for the first time. Participants displayed exceptional talent and determination, making every match a thrilling experience. HUSO 2025 was more than just a sports competition; it served as a unifying experience, strengthening connections within the HU community and beyond. The event encouraged teamwork, resilience, and a spirit of friendly rivalry, fostering a culture of sportsmanship and mutual respect.

HUCON: An Immersive Anime and Cosplay Experience

The much-anticipated annual HUCON returned this year, bringing together anime and cosplay enthusiasts for a full day of immersive experiences. As one of the major events on the calendar, HUCON 2025 successfully met its expected audience turnout and delivered an exciting platform for fans to embrace their passion.

The event was well-managed with no security concerns, ensuring a smooth and enjoyable experience for all attendees.

HUCON 2025 reaffirmed its reputation as a must-attend event for anime and cosplay lovers, and we look forward to an even more spectacular edition next year!





Diwali Celebration

On November 8th, the Events and RAE Cabinets hosted Diwali & Navratri Night, bringing together the Habib community for a vibrant celebration. The evening featured dazzling lights, energetic performances, and Rangoli competitions. With a lively atmosphere and shared festivities, it was a memorable occasion fostering joy and togetherness.

Rights, Advocacy and Ethos Circles

RAE Circles continued to foster creativity and meaningful conversations with two unique editions. On September 26th, the Blindfold Activity offered an immersive experience, encouraging thoughtful dialogue and genuine connections beyond sight. Then, on January 30th, the Clay Art Edition brought students together to mold their imagination into art. Both events provided a space for self-expression, connection, and shared creativity, making them truly memorable experiences.

Sham-e-Bismil 4.0 – Qawwali Night

On February 7th, Sham-e-Bismil 4.0 brought an evening of mesmerizing qawwali, featuring the renowned Ustad Fareed Ayaz and Ustad Abu Mohammad. The night offered an immersive and engaging experience, leaving the audience captivated throughout.

Love & Layers – Bento Cake Decorating

On February 14th, the community came together for FnH's Love & Layers, a delightful bento cake decorating event. Whether designing treats for themselves, their friends, or loved ones, community engaged in a fun and interactive experience



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Empowering Voices, Building a Stronger Community

At the heart of the Habib University Student Government (HUSG) lies a bold commitment to empower every voice within our diverse community. Our mission is rooted in the unwavering pursuit of equity, inclusion, and justice – ensuring that the rights of all students are not only recognized but fiercely upheld.

We believe that true leadership begins with listening – placing students' interests, goals, and concerns at the core of everything we do. Transparency is not just a principle we value; it is the very foundation that guides our actions. Our vision is to cultivate an environment where openness and accountability become second nature, fostering trust and

meaningful collaboration across the campus.

Through courageous initiatives and relentless advocacy, we aim to inspire and empower students to drive impactful change. Together, we strive to build a future defined by unity, transparency, and mutual respect – a future where every student's voice matters, and collective progress becomes our shared legacy.

HUSG stands not just as a governing body but as a movement – one that returns power to the people, amplifies student agency, and shapes a stronger, more connected Habib University.

Wellness Corner

Annual Mental Health Camp

The Mental Health Camp 2024, a collaboration between Habib University and Umeed-e-Nau Bahria University, engaged over 100 students, staff, and faculty in activities promoting mental well-being, self-awareness, and stress management. Participants explored mindfulness through subconscious activity-based exercises, gained introspective insights from the human figure drawing test, and reflected on self-esteem and coping mechanisms. Emotional intelligence tests provided personalized tips on empathy and self-awareness, while stress assessments and counseling sessions offered practical coping strategies. Creative outlets like pebble painting and Mandala coloring fostered relaxation and artistic mindfulness, making the camp a valuable and enriching experience.



Health Care Drive

On November 19, 2024, the Health and Wellness Team, in collaboration with Hashmani's, organized a Healthcare Drive at Habib University, offering free eye and dental screenings and random blood sugar (RBS) testing. Over 400 screenings were conducted, ensuring high-quality service through Hashmani's experienced healthcare professionals.

The event received overwhelmingly positive feedback, with many participants recognizing the importance of routine check-ups, fostering greater health awareness within the community. Special thanks to Hashmani's and all participants for their support!

“Drug-Free Living” Seminar

On November 12, 2024, Habib University, in collaboration with the Anti-Narcotics Force (ANF), hosted the “Drug-Free Living” seminar to promote wellness and a healthy lifestyle. The session attracted over 100 attendees. ANF representatives highlighted the dangers of drug abuse through real-life case studies and statistics, addressing mental and physical health impacts, and strategies for resilience. The event successfully reinforced Habib University's commitment to a healthier campus, encouraging advocacy and collaboration in drug prevention efforts.



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ICPC ASIA WEST CONTINENT FINALS 2024

Habib University's Computer Science students Muhammad Saad, Musab Kasbati, and Meesum Abbas ranked top in Pakistan at the ICPC Asia West Continent Finals 2024 hosted at GIK Institute on March 7-8, 2025!

The team has represented Pakistan on the global stage, showcasing outstanding problem-solving skills, collaboration, and intellectual depth. Their victory—securing gold at the ICPC Asia Topi Regionals and emerging as the highest-performing team from Pakistan—reflects their relentless dedication and skill that allow them to excel in international arenas while contributing to a growing legacy of computational excellence in Pakistan.

Habib Debate Union Represents Pakistan at Harvard WorldMUN 2025

From Karachi to Manila, the Habib Debate Union proudly represents Pakistan at Harvard WorldMUN 2025—one of the world's most prestigious Model United Nations conferences. With Umer Irfan leading the charge, the team is set to engage in dynamic debates, forge international connections and showcase Pakistan's intellectual talent on the global stage. This incredible opportunity allows our students to engage with diverse perspectives, sharpen their diplomatic skills, and make their mark in the international MUN community.

We wish them success in their journey of intense discussions, new friendships and unforgettable experiences!



Get Involved!



Introducing the Office of Student Life's latest addition - the **Inspired to Act (I-ACT) Program!** Designed to empower students, I-ACT transforms classroom learning into meaningful action. Whether through academic projects, creative expressions, advocacy efforts, campus innovations, or community outreach, this program provides a platform for students to bring their ideas to life and make a real impact. Following its launch, we saw incredible enthusiasm, with students submitting innovative initiatives inspired by their coursework—showcasing their passion and creativity. Stay tuned to see how these initiatives take shape during this semester and encourage students in the upcoming semesters.



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