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COMSATS Institute Of Information Technology
Lahore Campus

37th CONVOCATION

The 37th Convocation Ceremony of CIIT was held on November 19, 2011 at the Campus. All Faculty Members ensured full participation in this event to make the event successful. The students who passed out in fall 2010 and spring 2011 were awarded degrees along with Gold medals, Silver Medals etc to the top positions holders.

Federal Minister for Science and Technology and Chancellor COMSATS Mir Changaiz Khan Jamali was chief Guest of the event and Former president LCCI Mian Anjum Nisar also Participated in the event as an honorable guest.

Federal Minister for Science and Technology Mir Changaiz Khan Jamali said on Saturday that youth would be prepared to cope with the recent challenges and to serve the country. He said COMSATS is playing its due role in this regard.

He was addressing the annual convocation of COMSAT Institute of Science, Lahore Campus and Technology. The minister said the country has needed the educated youth, adding that the students should use their all energies to learn so they could serve the country in a better way.

He also congratulated the pass out students and their parents. On the occasion, COMSAT Lahore Campus Rector Syed Muhammad Junaid Zaidi also addressed the students. He said they are trying their best to provide best facilities to students. Former president LCCI Mian Anjum Nisar, COMSAT Director Lahore Campus Dr. Mahmood Ahmed Bodla and others also addressed on the occasion.

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New Joining

Dr. Muhammad Atif, joined the CS Department as an Assistant Professor on 14.11.2011 . He gave a presentation titled "Appling Formal Methods" on Monday 21.11.2011 in seminar room of C-Block at 1:30 PM.

Dr. Adnan Abid Joined the CS Department as an Assistant Professor. He has recently completed his PhD from Politecnico Di Milano University Italy. His Dissertation title was "*Top-K queries for web based data sources*". He presented his PhD research work to computer science faculty in a presentation held on Friday, 23-11-2011 in Room C-6 at 2:30 PM.

Visit to Shaukat Khanum Hospital

A visit to SKMH was arranged by CS-Dept under the lead of Dr.Saqib Rasool , Mr. Imran Raza Lecturer CS Dept And Mr. Nadeem Ghafoor Chaudhary on Friday 25th Nov 2011.

Seminar on Future Trends of Computer Science

The Department of Computer Science, COMSATS Institute of Information and Technology, Lahore organized a one day event titled "Future Trends in Computer Science" on the 13th of December 2011. Expert from different domains of Computer Science (from academics and industry) were called in this seminar. They delivered presentations according to their field of interests. Eminent computer scientists presented their vision of the future.

Seminar of Netsol Technologies

A team from Netsol technologies, the largest software house of the country, visited the campus to interact with the students of 7th and 8th semester of CS Dept on Thursday, December 08, 2011. The purpose of the seminar was to provide our students with a chance to interact with the officials of Netsols and learn about the business and hiring procedure of the company. They shared their contact details with the students for future interaction.
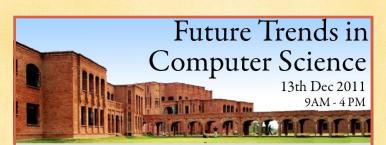
Following Guests were called as a speaker:
- Dr. Sohaib Khan from LUMS.
- Mr Umar Zafar from Netsol
- Dr. Qaiser Durrani from FAST-NU
- Dr. Umar Saif from PITB
- Dr. Waqar Mahmood from KICS-UET.

Future Trends in Computer Science
13th Dec 2011
9AM - 4 PM

Invited Speakers:

Dr. Waqar Mahmood
Director KICS
University of Engineering and Technology, Lahore

Dr. Umar Saif
Chairman
Punjab Information Technology Board, Lahore

Dr. Qaiser Durrani
Head of Department CS
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Computer Science Faculty Meeting with Prof. Awais Rasheed of Lancaster University

Prof. Awais Rasheed visited the Lahore campus on 16th December 2011 and meeting with computer science faculty was held at IRCMB at 3 pm. Mr. Imran Raza briefed him about the computer science department and various research groups working in the department Prof. Awais shown interest in the research work and projects going on in the department, in various disciplines. After this brief introduction about the department and research groups, Prof. Rasheed introduced himself and his research areas. He told the area in which he is currently working on is Cyber Security. He shared his latest work which fascinated and intrigued everybody sitting there. Few questions were asked by faculty regarding his work and then discussion soon turned towards the funding option available for joint research. Prof. Rasheed suggested few options which can be explored and gave few hints to get funding from these agencies. One of the faculty member mustered courage and asked Prof. Rasheed a question regarding the level of Lancaster University partnership with other universities, like university in India and in other countries if he compared it with COMSATS. In reply, he said, partnership with COMSATS is much advanced if I compared it with other partnerships. At the end, HoD (CS), Dr. Asad Hussain suggested, we should come up with a plan to start a split PhD program for our young faculty members. Prof. Rasheed appreciated this idea and also tells about various MS and PhD opportunities available at Lancaster University for students and faculty members. This meeting ended with a vote of thanks from HoD CS, Dr Asad Hussain to Prof. Awais Rasheed.

One-Day Workshop on Modeling, Rendering & Animation using 3D Studio MAX"

In order to facilitate students in their computer graphics term projects, a full-day workshop on 3D Studio Max was arranged by Mr. Rana Muhammad Ajmal (Course Instructor) and Mr. Salaser Munir (Lab Instructor). Speaker was Mr. Hasham Ahmed, alumni of this campus, who is working as "Multimedia Designer" at Future Now Technologies from 2 years. This Workshop was conducted at Seminar Room of A Block. The speaker used "Live code" approach and constructed the complete 3D model of the Seminar Room, where the workshop was being arranged, to demonstrate the power and use of 3D Studio Max Tool. This "Live Code" approach was really appreciated by all students. Mr. Hasham also shared various options and tips available in tool for project management. All students highly appreciated the efforts of speaker and teachers who arranged this workshop for their projects. Students said this would really help them in completing their "computer graphics"

MicroTech Visit for Job Test

A job test was conducted by MicroTech, a leading company of Lahore in software business, to hire computer science students who are in their last semester and expected to complete their degree requirements at the end of this semester. Mr. Atif Saeed , Assistant Professor at Computer Science Department, managed this whole event till start to end.

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Farewell for Faculty Members

A farewell party is arranged in honor of Mr. Aman Ullah and Mr. Saim Raseed who is leaving for Saudi Arabia. We wish both of them a very healthy, happy and prosperous life ahead.

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