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CURRICULUM VITAE

PROFILE:

I am a Sociologist cum Anthropologist of politics, governance, culture, and religion of Pashtun society whose research examines how various institutions of Pashtun society interact with each other, which in turn create social inequality in terms of class, caste, cultural, religious, political, and ecological transformation, and overall social development. My scholarship contributes to comparative debates on culture, power politics, religion, environmental governance, and gender perspectives of the Pashtun society.

I am a Lecturer in Sociology, specializing in cultural sociology and ethnography, with 13 years of teaching experience at the undergraduate and postgraduate levels—a strong background in qualitative research and academic publishing, and a commitment to student-centered learning and interdisciplinary scholarship.

RESEARCH BACKGROUND AND LIVED EXPERIENCE

Before entering academia, I worked with the Human Rights Commission of Pakistan as a regional coordinator under the project "Promoting Humanitarian Values and Human Rights in the Fight against Extremism since 1st November, 2011 to December 2013" in all districts of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. This experience informs my long-term ethnographic research on Pashtun politics, agrarian livelihoods, governance, culture, religion, and environmental change, grounding my scholarship in Pashtun Sociology and ethnography.

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2016-Present

Lecturer in Sociology

Department of Sociology, Bacha Khan University, Charsadda, Pakistan

https://bkuc.edu.pk/faculty/dr-hayat-khan-1784021811

Lead academic planning, curriculum development, and research coordination for the Applied Sociology Cluster. Coordinate undergraduate and postgraduate teaching in Cultural Anthropology, Race & Ethnicity, Classical and Contemporary sociological theories, Human Rights, Sociology of Pashtun society and culture, Environmental sociology, Sociology of religion, Introduction to Sociology, Gender Studies, and Peace and Conflict Studies.

Supervise MS and BS research projects, mentoring graduate research in Pashtun Sociology and Ethnography, climate change, environmental justice, and governance. Led the development of BS Citizenship and BS Contemporary Theories curricula. Assisted in organizing conferences, distinguished lectures, webinars, and research workshops on Human Rights, Archaeological heritage, Citizenship and Community Engagement, and Adult Basic Education. Signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoUs) with Provincial Disaster

Management Authority (PDMA) and National Commission of Human Development (NCHD) to strengthen partnership with NGOs and Government Institutions.

Furthermore, I was assigned additional responsibilities as Provost, Warden of Hostels, In-charge of Co-Curricular and extension lectures, Deputy Director, Student Affairs, Chief Proctor, and served twice as an elected member of the syndicate at Bacha Khan University.

2013-2016

Lecturer in Sociology

Department of Social and Gender Studies, University of Swat, Pakistan https://uswat.edu.pk/

During my stay at the department, I taught various undergraduate courses, including Introduction to Sociology, Anthropology, Gender Studies, Criminology, Classical Theories in Sociology, Contemporary Sociological Theories, Social Psychology, Social Sciences, and Peace and Conflict Studies.

Supervise many research projects of the BS students in the department.

2011-2013

Regional Coordinator in Human Rights Commission of Pakistan (HRCP), Pakistan

Project: To Disseminate Humanitarian values and Human Rights in the fight against Extremism https://hrcp-web.org/hrcpweb/

Advocacy on Human Rights issues and also arranged seminars and workshops in Khyber Pukhtunkhwa and Ex-Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA), against the growing trend of religious extremism and militancy rooted in society. Being Regional Coordinator, I promoted humanitarian values, human rights, pluralism, peace, diversity, and mutual coexistence in society. I also delivered numerous lectures on Peace, diversity, interfaith harmony, democracy, pluralism, and tolerance.

2009-2010

Master Trainer in Bacha Khan Trust Educational Foundation (BKTEF), Peshawar, Pakistan https://bkefoundation.org/

As a Master Trainer, I designed and developed training modules; delivered lectures on themes related to Peace and Development, Political Concepts, Human Rights, and Leadership; collected and compiled research papers to develop training modules; and carried out needs assessments and situational analyses. I imparted training and delivered lectures to the youth of Khyber Pukhtunkhwa on the above topics.

EDUCATION AND RESEARCH TRAINING

2026 **Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Sociology**

University of Malakand, Lower Dir, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan

Dissertation Title: Ideological dimensions of Pakhtunwali and its interplay with religion, politics, and culture of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa since 1979.

2012 **Master of Philosophy (MPhil) in Social and Cultural Anthropology**

Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad, Pakistan

Thesis Title: Ideological Dimensions of Swat Crisis: Class, Religion, and Tarburwali

PUBLISHED JOURNAL ARTICLES

2026 A Phenomenological Exploration of Transformation in Gender Roles and Decision-Making Power in the Joint Family System https://qjss.com.pk/index.php/qjss/article/view/475

H Khan, HU Rahman

Qlantic Journal of Social Sciences 7 (1), 135-145

2025 The Oscillating status of Pakhtunwali between Religious Extremism and Modernity: A Sociological Overview https://jssrp.org.pk/index.php/jssrp/article/view/50/51
H Khan, A Khan
Journal of Social Sciences Research & Policy 3 (1), 342-351

2025 A Qualitative Exploration of the Challenges Faced by Working Women in Balancing Career and Family Roles
FU Din, HU Rahman, H Khan

2018 Social class and its interplay with other social factors in Swat Taliban movement: An anthropological inquiry https://anthropological-notebooks.zrc-sazu.si/Notebooks/article/view/64/48
H Khan
Anthropological Notebooks 24 (2)

FORTHCOMING PAPERS

Forth.. "Pakhtunwali in Conundrum: Tarburwali (agnatic rivalry) and insurgency in Swat Valley, Pakistan" {Forthcoming}

Forth.. "Sheikh Mili's Method of Periodical Land Distribution System and its relevance with Contemporary Land Record: An Anthropological and Historical Study of Swat Valley, Pakistan" {Forthcoming}

Forth.. "Religious Interpretation and Social Mobilization in Swat during the Taliban Insurgency (2007–2010): An Anthropological Analysis" {Forthcoming}

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2017 Presented a research paper "Social class and its interplay with other social factors in the Swat Taliban movement: An anthropological inquiry " at the International Conference on Terrorism and Political Violence "Terrorism Studies 17" on April 7-8, 2017, in Istanbul, Turkey.

2024 Presented a Paper on "The Impact of Local Mining on Climate Change: A Sociological Study of Village Torwarsak, District Buner" at a conference on Breakthrough in Pakistan's Economic Development through Technological Innovation in Agriculture- A Policy Approach (July 29-31, 2024) in Bara Gali, Pakistan, organized by the Department of Agriculture, Bacha Khan University.

2026 Presented "Pakhtunwali in Conundrum: Tarburwali (agnatic rivalry) and insurgency in Swat Valley, Pakistan" in the first national conference on "Beyond 1926: Centennial of the scholarly pursuits in Swat" organized by the Department of Archaeology, Government Postgraduate Jehanzeb College, Swat.

SELECTED WORKSHOPS ON RESEARCH CAPACITY BUILDING

2009 Completed 24 days training on Peace and Development, Human Rights, Political Concepts, and Leadership organized by Bacha Khan Trust Educational Foundation (BKTEF) in partnership with Hanns Seidel Foundation, Germany from 2nd February to 2nd March

2010 Four-day training on "Strengthening federalism in Pakistan" organized by Center for Civic Education Pakistan and Forum of Federation from 25th to 28th 2010 at Marriott Hotel Islamabad.

2017 Attended a three-day training at Bacha Khan University on Learner's Psychology and Critical Thinking, organized by Bacha Khan University in collaboration with the Higher Education Commission of Pakistan, Islamabad.

PUBLIC SCHOLARSHIP, MEDIA, AND POLICY ENGAGEMENT

INVITED TALKS, LECTURES (Selected)

2011 "**Revival of Pakhtunwali**" was published in the daily Frontier Post on 24 January 2011.

2011 "**Peaceful Frontier; Not a Savage**" was published in the daily Frontier Post on 13 March 2011.

2011 **"Pakhtunkhwa: the Cross Road of Civilization" was published** in the daily Frontier Post on 30 August 2011.

2012 **Failure of US and NATO in Afghanistan"** was published in the daily Frontier Post on 5 January 2012.

2016 Imparted Five Days Training of the Trainers (ToT) for Environmental Protection Society on Peace, Pluralism, and inter-provincial harmony from 9th to 13th March, 2016.

2018 Delivered a comprehensive lecture on the state of Human Rights in Pakistan, organized by the Department of Sociology, University of Swat.

ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP AND OUTREACH

2026 Organizing committee member of the Department of Sociology to arrange MPhil and PhD aptitude tests for the coming fall semester for both MPhil and PhD scholars

2025 Facilitated and coordinated the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the Department of Sociology, Bacha Khan University, and National Commission for Human Development (NCHD) for promoting adult education, student internships, joint academic ventures, and institutional partnership.

2024 Organized the distinguished lecture on "Inter-Faith Harmony in Pakistan" by Dr. Nasar Jamal Khattak (Former Vice Chancellor of Kohat University of Science and Technology, and University of Swabi) hosted by the Department of Sociology, Bacha Khan University.

2023 Facilitated and coordinated the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the Department of Sociology, Bacha Khan University and the Provincial Disaster Management Authority (PDMA), Peshawar, establishing collaboration in research, faculty and student engagement, capacity building, internships, and the organization of conferences, seminars, workshops, and policy dialogues.

2022 Organized a seminar on "Archaeology in Pakistan" by Dr. Rafi Ullah, Associate Professor in the Taxila Institute of Archaeology and Civilization, Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad. The Department of Sociology, Bacha Khan University, Charsadda, Pakistan hosted the seminar.

2021 Organized a three-day workshop on climate change and environmental governance hosted by the Environmental Protection Society Swat.

GRADUATE SUPERVISION (Selected)

MS Applied Sociology, Bacha Khan University

2018-2020 An Assessment of Factors Influencing Educational Performance among School Children in Slums of Afghan Refugees of District Dir Lower

2020-2022 Exploring the Familial and School Level Effects on Children's Wellbeing: A Cross-Sectional Analysis of District Dir Lower, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

2020-2022	Sociological Analysis of Periodical Land Distribution System of Sheikh Mali: A Case Study of Village Aladhand (Malakand), Badwan (Lower Dir), and Manyar (Swat)
2020-2022	Evaluating Students' Perception towards Political Extremism in Higher Education of Pakistan
2022-2024	The Impact of Local Mining on Climate Change: A Sociological Study of Village Torwarsak, District Buner