

## Visit for accreditation of Food Science & Technology and Pre-Accreditation of Human Nutrition & Dietetics at GCUF- Layyah Campus

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Government College University Faisalabad (GCUF)-Layyah Campus was established in 2012 under public/private partnership between Government College University Faisalabad and Al-Abbas Bhatti Trust. Initially, 28 disciplines were allowed to start at layyah campus. Distance learning program was started at layyah campus in 2013 with 17 disciplines. Currently, 29 disciplines are offered with one 5 year program (DPT), 3 Technology programs (Mechanical, Civil and Electrical Engineering), 6 Associate Degree Programs, 8 MSc programs and 11 BS programs. Department of Food Science was started at GCUF-Layyah Campus in 2012. Initially B.Sc. (Hons.) in Food Science and Technology discipline was started with the enrollment of 27 (Male/Female) students. In 2018, B.Sc. (Hons.) Human Nutrition and Dietetics discipline was started. In March 2022, the department of Food Science and Nutrition separated into Department of Human Nutrition and Dietetics and other as Department of Food Science and Technology.

Two Accreditation Inspection Committees (AICs) comprising of Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson NAEAC as a convener, Prof. Dr. Tahir Zahoor, Faculty of Applied Sciences, NUR International University, Lahore, Prof. Dr. Saeed Akhtar, Institute of Food Science and Nutrition, Bahauddin Zakariya University (BZU), Multan, Dr. Tauseef Sultan, Institute of Food Science and Nutrition, BZU, Multan as members conducted accreditation visit of Food Science & Technology (FST) and pre-accreditation/zero visit of Human Nutrition & Dietetics (HND) degree programs of GCUF-Layyah Campus.

Mr. Rai Safdar Abbas Bhatti, Project Director, GCUF-Layyah Campus, Mr Shahwar Muneer Bhatti, Assistant Director Academics, Ms. Sana Ramzan, HoD, FST, Ms. Umama Fatima Iqbal, HoD, Department of HND, GCUF- Layyah Campus welcomed NAEAC and AIC team. Mr. Akhtar Bhatti, Member Board of Management, GCUF-Layyah Campus started the session with the recitation of Holy Quran presented the salient achievements of the campus. Prof. Dr. Ishtiaq A. Rajwana, Chairperson, NAEAC presented a brief overview of NAEAC and informed the faculty about the need & importance of accreditation in addition to highlights the previous actionable recommendations.

Afterwards, AICs moved to relevant departments where detailed presentations and discussions were held. Each HoD briefed respective AIC in detail about working of the department and achievements in terms of student graduation, faculty positions and research projects. AICs also visited respective departmental infrastructure including labs, classrooms, library and faculty offices. Subject experts held individual meetings with students to get an insight teaching/working environment in the departments. AICs also held individual faculty meeting to know the working environment and job satisfaction level.

In the exit meeting, program evaluators shared their observations with the Project Director and other officials. Mr. Rai Safdar Abbas Bhatti, Project Director thanked NAEAC team for their day-long deliberations and assured that the recommendations made by AICs would be implemented to raise the standard of education and to improve the skills of the graduates.

