PUCIT – ACM Student Chapter

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About PUCIT - ACM Student Chapter
Chartered in 2011, PUCIT - ACM Student Chapter has been presenting students with the chance to learn to work in a professional environment. Its main target is to create public awareness of computing and its benefits in different walks of life through innovative ideas, which it has been achieving with perfection since its establishment. Each year, PASC conducts significant numbers of seminars and workshops relevant to computing by the experts from IT industry of Pakistan in the particular fields, as an effort of providing tools to the students of its university and other to learn new and trending technology and researches. It also conducts programming and gaming events and fun technical competitions allowing a relaxing environment for students aside from the stressful study routines. PASC, started with a team of 15 people, has been growing each year and currently has 61 members including the chapter officers. PASC proves to be a platform for its members where they can polish their skills and gain confidence. Every member of team PASC goes all in with their dedication, hard work and sincerity which has made this team a
family. Having each other’s backs, they move head strong into every challenge and come out triumphant. It is the team work and devotion that has allowed PASC to achieve its objectives and promote the message of computing to the community at large. The team is provided with opportunities to augment their skills through managing events and attending the seminars/workshops for free.

The chapter members study the following majors:
- Computer Science: 22
- Software Engineering: 23
- Information Technology: 16

Our Facebook page through which we connect with the students of universities nationwide: https://www.facebook.com/PUCITACMStudentChapter/
Our Website: https://pucit.acm.org/

**About Punjab University College of Information Technology (PUCIT)**

PUCIT has been providing services in producing hardworking and exceptionally talented IT professionals and researchers since 2001. PUCIT offers seven degree programs including undergraduate (Computer science, Information technology and Software engineering), graduate – MPhil (Computer science, Remote sensing and Geographical information system) and postgraduate (Computer science). The primary goal of this institute is to produce unprecedented IT professionals who would take up the industry by storm. It also focuses on personality build-up of students and provides career motivation. It has pledged to produce industry focused individuals with notable skills and professionalism by providing resources to intensify their prowess. There are approximately 3000 students studying Computer Science related degrees in PUCIT including Bachelor, MPhil and PhD students.

**Outstanding Community Service Essay:**

PUCIT - ACM Student Chapter works to inspire the community of Pakistan to join the computing field by making them realize the importance of computing in their daily lives. PASC has always been motivated to work for the betterment of the community at large, indulging them in different technical and non-technical activities. PASC tends to people’s demands of summer sessions and facilitates them all round the year too. The details of events are stated below:

- **Seminar of Final Year Project (FYP):**
  A One day Seminar for the students in their final year working on their final year Capstone project was conducted where the students were made familiar with the “DOs and DONTs of FYP”. A total of 85 people attended the seminar. PASC conducted this seminar as Final year project is one of the most important stages in the life of an IT student as it demonstrates their effectiveness in applying the knowledge they have
gathered over the four years of their undergraduate life and proper guidance in this regard is crucial.

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- **Workshop on Python:**
  A two week extensive workshop on one of the trendiest languages in IT world, Python, was conducted. 75 people attended the workshop due to limited space of venue. PASC felt the need to conduct this workshop as there is a huge demand for python developers in IT industry. Also, the eagerness of students to learn the language played an important factor.

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- **Adobe Photoshop Workshop:**
  A 3 day workshop on the most widely and frequently used tool for graphic designing, Adobe Photoshop was conducted in mid of January. The 78 attendees were familiarized with the basic working of the tool and designed a webpage.

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- **Hour of Code:**
  The Hour of Code was conducted to naturalize the students from across Lahore with “Coding” and “Algorithms”.

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- **All Pakistan ACM Student Chapters’ Conference (APASCC):**
  PASC organized the first ever APASCC where 20 student chapters from across Pakistan were invited. The main purpose of this conference was to gather Chapters at one place and discuss to work as a combined force to spread computer knowledge and machine awareness in Pakistan. PASC considered it a need to bring together people from diverse backgrounds but with one set purpose and provide a place for thorough deliberation over the common hurdles being faced. Chairpersons of all student chapters were eager to reach to conclusions and implement them in the coming tenures. This is an initiative of PASC which it plans to conduct annually.

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- **SoftExpo:**
  PASC organizes SoftExpo annually where people from all states of Pakistan are accommodated and welcomed to participate/attend.
  - Software Exhibition (Competition of Final year projects)
  - Graduate Research Conference
- Clash Of Coders (Speed Programming Competition)
- CodeBot (Artificial Intelligent Agent Programming Competition)
- Scavenger Hunt (Cryptographic clues)
- GameCon (On-Spot Gaming Competition)

This event provides the participants with a platform to showcase their abilities in the field of computing and earn the much deserved appreciation.

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