



University Of Karachi (UoK) Is Organizing A Weekend Program On Citizenship Education And Community Engagement In Collaboration With British Council And Higher Education Commission (HEC)

**ADMISSIONS IN ACTIVE CITIZENS
CERTIFICATE COURSE!
(Globally Connected, Locally Engaged)**

Programme Rationale:

In today's world, we encounter a great variety of perspectives, cultures & communities. This is partly a result of globalization through which people & countries have become increasingly connected culturally, politically & economically.



Active Citizens is a social leadership training programme that promotes intercultural dialogue and community-led social development. The programme envisages a world in which these increasing connections lead to positive outcomes. Active Citizens connects thousands of like-minded people





around the world who collectively want to make a fairer and more inclusive society.

In spirit of partnership, UoK accelerates British Council's vision to make this world a place where people feel empowered to engage peacefully & effectively with others for the sustainable development of their communities. We think this vision is important at a time when decisions taken locally can have an immediate impact globally.



Through the programme, we bring together students with different beliefs, perspectives and disciplines to learn from and share with each other. The modular learning journey equips students with 'Active Citizens Skill Set' for carrying out social action projects to affect social change in their communities



The programme was launched by the British Council in 2008. It is incorporated into University and College settings through a lively course that is run by faculty leaders, followed by a social action project which is designed and delivered by participating students.

- The Active Citizens Programme is a Certificate Course comprising of **'Four Thematic Modules'**. The programme is specifically designed for under graduate students.
- The programme is divided into two segments. Segment 1 comprises of **32 hours course work** whereas the segment 2 covers **64 hours pragmatic implementation of Social Action Projects**.
- The **Certificate will be awarded** to the students after the **successful completion of 96 hours academic work**.



The Active Citizens Learning Journey:



Weekend Programme Schedule (Sundays):

Dates	Module	Journey	Goals
CLASS I	0	Introduction to Active Citizens	Improved understanding of Active Citizens, Team-building & Networking within the group.
CLASS II	1	Me: Identity & Culture	a. Confidence in yourself. b. Self-Awareness. c. Understanding of how identities & cultures form, are expressed, change & are connected. d. Value for different perspectives.
CLASS III	2	Me & You: Intercultural Dialogue	a. Understand how Dialogue can strengthen communities. b. Ability to learn & share through Dialogue.
CLASS IV	3	We: Local & Global Communities	a. Understand the concept of community & connections between local & global community. b. Identify key stakeholders in the community. c. Identify a problem. d. Ability and motivation to act for long term benefit.
CLASS V	4	Planning Social Action	Skills in project planning, management and delivery.
CLASS VI	5	Delivering Social Action	Experience implementing Social Action.



Workshop Facilitators:

The workshop will be facilitated by a team of richly knowledgeable and highly qualified university faculty with diversified professional and academic backgrounds. They won't be lecturing as 'teachers' in the traditional sense, but supporting learning as facilitators. They will help students to embark upon a soul searching journey to:

- Understand the importance of cultivating a unique and positive impression in the world.
- Go up on the social and community engagement ladder to shine like 'Active Citizens'.





Learning Methodology:

The way university faculty facilitate participants' learning will be diverse: activities, games, presentations & speeches. At different times there will be opportunities to learn theory, discuss, reflect, practice & apply, & the students, are jointly responsible for learning from each other.



Highly interactive session includes kinesthetic exercises, fun and activity based learning in a conducive environment.



Learning Outcomes:

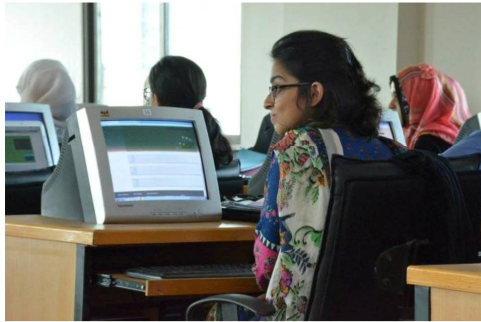
The participants will;

- Get accustomed with concepts of identity, cultural relations, intercultural dialogue, gender sensitization, conflict resolution and inclusive development.





- Become skilled & motivated to promote trust, understanding & positive social action locally & globally.
- Learn to build positive social action in our local and global communities.
- Learn to think beyond their obvious capacity in an emotionally intelligent manner.



Programme Benefits:

- Brilliant students (who successfully complete Social Action Projects in their communities) may get an opportunity to participate in International Study Visits or to travel as part of a community exchange between an international community and the UK.
- Active Citizens Programme will help students project an effective personal image to flourish in variety of societal settings.

