

## Curriculum Vitae – Dr. Fizza Batool

### Personal Details:

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HEC approved PhD Supervisor

### Interests:

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Comparative Politics, Democratization, Populism, Religion and Democracy, Islamist Political Parties and Movements.

### Fellowship

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#### POST-DOCTORAL RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

Oct 2024 – May 2025

Central European University Democracy Institute, Budapest

- Research Project: The Direction Matters: Inclusionary and Exclusionary Dimensions of Left and Right-wing Populism

#### SOUTH ASIAN VOICES FELLOWSHIP

Jan 2020 – Dec 2020

Stimson Center, Washington, DC (Remote due to COVID-19)

- Policy Memo: Peace through Democracy: The Role of Pakistani Political Parties in Afghanistan's Future

### Teaching Experience

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#### ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

01 Feb 2023 – Present

SZABIST University, Karachi

- Courses: Democratization in Global Politics [Post-graduate], Internal and International Politics of South Asia [Post-graduate], Research Methodology [Graduate], Modern Political Ideologies [Graduate], Introduction to International Relations [Graduate]
- Served as the in-charge of the stream of Politics and International Relations
- Developed and integrated a BS course on Comparative Politics [Graduate] and an MS course on Populism Studies in the curriculum.
- Member of the Board of Faculty and the Board of Studies, as well as PHD research review committee.
- Supervised 7 BS (successfully defended), 1 MS (in progress), and 2 PhD (in progress) research projects

#### VISITING FACULTY

University of Karachi, Iqra University, Ziauddin University

Sep 2019 – Feb 2021

- Postgraduate course on International Organizations, University of Karachi [Jan 2020 – Sep 2020]
- Postgraduate course on International Political Economy, University of Karachi [Jan 2020 – Sep 2020]
- Graduate course on International Relations, Iqra University [Sep 2019 – Feb 2021]
- Undergraduate course on World History, Iqra University [Sep 2019 – Feb 2021]
- Undergraduate course on Pakistan Studies, Ziauddin University [Feb 2020 – Aug 2020]

### Research Experience

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#### PROJECT MANAGER

01 Sep 2022 – 04 Nov 2022

Pak Institute for Peace Studies, Islamabad

- Project title: Promotion of Soft Approaches for Countering Terrorism and Violent Extremism in Pakistan – Phase 2 (Funded by USAID)

## RESEARCH ASSOCIATE

04 Oct 2021 – 31 Aug 2022

Pak Institute for Peace Studies, Islamabad

- Conducted research, wrote papers/policy reports, and organized conferences/training/report launches/focus group discussions/social action projects for the following projects:
  - Promotion of Soft Approaches for Countering Terrorism and Violent Extremism in Pakistan – Phase 1 (Funded by USAID)
  - Supporting the Afghan Peace Process: Pakistan's position, interests, and policy options (Funded by the Royal Norwegian Embassy, Islamabad)
  - Promoting Interfaith Harmony among Educated Youth of Pakistan (Funded by the Embassy of the Netherlands in Islamabad)
  - Building a Network of Faculty Peacebuilders in Pakistan (Funded by DRI)

## SENIOR RESEARCH FELLOW

03 Oct 2018 – 30 Sep 2019

Centre for Peace, Security and Developmental Studies, Karachi

- Project Head: Countering Violent Extremism
- Project Head: Constitutional Evolution of Pakistan and the 18<sup>th</sup> Amendment

## Publications

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### BOOKS

1. Shukri, S.\*, **Batool, F.** & Yilmaz, I. *Evolving Visions of Paradise: Instrumentalization of Islam by Mahathir Mohamad, Nawaz Sharif, and Tayyip Erdogan*. Precontract with Palgrave Macmillan
2. **Batool F.** (2025). *Populist Discourse in Pakistani Politics - Testing a New Two-Dimensional Model of Inclusionary and Exclusionary Populist Discourse*. Palgrave Macmillan. 218 pp.
3. Yilmaz, I.\* & **Batool, F.** (2025). *Populist Identification in Public Discourse: Pakistanis Constructing Pakistani-ness*. Palgrave Macmillan. 163 pp.

### JOURNAL ARTICLES

1. **Batool, F.** (under peer-review) National Identity Formation through Civilizational Populist Discourse: The Historical-Discourse Analysis of Imran Khan's Public Addresses, *Religions*
2. **Batool, F.\***, & Farooqui, A. A. (2024). Populist Attitude and Voting in Pakistan: Insights from a National Survey. *JISR Management and Social Sciences & Economics*, 22(4), 1-20.
3. **Batool, F.** (2024). Determinants of populist voting in Pakistan. *Asian Journal of Comparative Politics*, 9(3), 359-374.
4. **Batool, F.** (2023). Populism in Pakistan: The Exclusionary–Inclusionary Divide in Politics of Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto and Imran Khan. *South Asia: Journal of South Asian Studies*, 46(2), 265-282.
5. Yilmaz, I.\* **Batool, F.** & Kainat Shakil (2023). Pakistan: Islamist Civilizational Populism. In: *Civilizational Populism in Democratic Nation States* (pp. 137-168). Palgrave Macmillan.
6. **Batool, F.**, Yilmaz, I.\* & Shakil, K. (2023). Contest between leaders of the Ummah: Comparing Civilizational Populism of PTI and TLP in Pakistan. *Populism & Politics*, Feb 15, 2023. <https://doi.org/10.55271/pp0020>.
7. Wilson, A. & **Batool, F.\*** (2022). Looking Beyond the Role of Political Elite: Understanding Hindu Nationalism through the Case of Babri Mosque. *Pakistan Horizon*, 75(1), 105-120.
8. **Batool, F.** (2019). Women in Political Rallies of Pakistan: It counts but does not weigh. *Pakistan Journal of Women's Studies: Aalam-e-Niswan*, 26(2), 45-64. (The journal is no longer publishing, its website is inactive, and the article is only accessible through the Pakistan Research Database)
9. **Batool, F.\*** (2018). Declining electoral participation in the established democracies: The unintended role of their neo-liberal policies. *International Journal of Humanities, Arts and Social Studies*, 3(3), 21-31.

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## Education

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M.PHIL. LEADING TO PH.D. (INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS)

2021

University of Karachi

CGPR: 3.79

- **Thesis:** Socio-economic Factors behind Political Participation in Liberal vs Illiberal Democracies: A Case Study of Pakistan. **Supervisor:** Dr Shaista Tabassum.

**M.A. (INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS)**

**2009**

University of Karachi

A Grade

- **Thesis:** The Financial Crisis 2007-2009 – Prospects of Re-emergence of Marxism in the World. **Supervisor:** Dr Naeem Ahmed

**Certificate Courses & Trainings**

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**SPECIALISATIONS:**

- Critical Discourse Analysis, March 2025, ECPR.
- Data Analysis and Visualization Foundation. July 2023. IBM. Coursera
- Reasoning, Data Analysis, and Writing. Nov 2016. Duke University. Coursera

**COURSES:**

- Classical Sociological Theory. Apr 2023. University of Amsterdam. Coursera
- Excel Essential Training (Office 365/Microsoft 365). Mar 2021. LinkedIn
- Communication and Interpersonal Skills at Work. Mar 2021. University of Leeds
- Revolutionary Ideas: Borders, Elections, Constitutions, Prisons. Aug 2018. University of Pennsylvania. Coursera
- Revolutionary Ideas: Utility, Justice, Equality, Freedom. Apr 2018. University of Pennsylvania. Coursera.

**TRAINING:**

- Sindh HEC Faculty Development Training, 15-22 August 2023, SZABIST University, Karachi Campus
- 4th CISS Workshop on Strategic Matters. 3-5 October 2023, Center for International Strategic Studies. Islamabad
- Workshop on Patent Filing, Innovative Research, and Project Development, 14-15 December 2023, ORIC, SZABIST University, Karachi Campus