



IMPROVING GRADUATE EMPLOYABILITY THROUGH ACCESSIBLE, QUALITY CURRICULUM & RELEVANT RESEARCH AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

The Higher Education System Strengthening Activity (HESSA) partnership will help Pakistani institutions bolster education and research by modernizing the curriculum, breaking down barriers to educational success, reaching new and broader audiences, and building “power skills” for students.

HESSA endeavours to increase access, quality and relevance of Pakistan’s higher education programs, particularly for marginalized communities, through:

- Stakeholder-driven curriculum reform for higher education institutions to teach employability skills.
- High-impact education practices to increase student learning of employability skills.
- Distance education, universal design for learning, and micro-credentials to increase learner access and success.
- A culture of teaching excellence supported by a community of practice and access to high-quality faculty development.

HIGHER EDUCATION SYSTEM STRENGTHENING ACTIVITY

THREE FOCAL AREAS

The project will strengthen industry-academia linkages to help modernize research, generate useful intellectual property, and mobilize resources. HESSA's key focus areas of interventions under this component are to:

Adapt Curriculum to
Address Employability
Learning Outcomes

Improve Teaching
Soft Skills

Introduce Innovation Management
Connecting HEIs to the Private Sector

Interventions under this Component are complemented by the following online and in-person training workshops in Pakistan and the U.S.:

Bootcamps on Faculty Development (Online Teaching & Learning)

Benefiting **375 faculty** of HESSA partner HEIs

Hybrid Workshops on Advanced Teaching Practices (Collaborative Learning)

Benefiting **180 faculty** of HESSA partner HEIs

Study Tour for Course Design

Benefiting **60 faculty** of HESSA partner HEIs

Workshops on High Impact Practices (HIPs)/Experiential Learning Toolkit (Curriculum Modernization)

Benefiting **60 faculty** of HESSA partner HEIs

Hybrid Workshops on Research Practices

Benefiting **180 faculty** of HESSA partner HEIs



Workshops on Promoting Entrepreneurial Mindset for ORICs and Faculty

Benefiting **45 faculty** of HESSA partner HEIs

Workshops on Teaching Methods and Interactive Technologies for Entrepreneurship Course Development

Benefiting **30 faculty** of HESSA partner HEIs