

Berkeley-AIPS Urdu Language Program in Pakistan Summer 2021 Announcement – Non-U.S. Citizens

Program Overview

The Berkeley-AIPS Urdu Language Program in Pakistan (BULPIP-AIPS) will be accepting applications from non-U.S. Citizens for its Summer 2021 intensive Urdu language immersion program between January 1 and February 15, 2021. Jointly administered by the American Institute of Pakistan Studies (AIPS) and the Berkeley Urdu Language Program in Pakistan (BULPIP) at the University of California, Berkeley, this Urdu language program will offer daily classroom instruction, five days a week, for approximately eleven weeks. Classes will be small and individual tutorials provided. There will be regular assignments outside of class and special emphasis will be placed on connecting with the local speech community as well as self-management of learning. Participants will need to take part in all program events, such as attending films, plays and other cultural activities.

Program Eligibility

- To be eligible for the program all applicants must meet ONE of the outlined criteria:
 - Have completed a Bachelor's program from an accredited university
 - o Be enrolled in an accredited graduate level university program
 - Be a scholar/faculty-person affiliated with an institution of higher learning
- Applicants must demonstrate intermediate level expertise in Urdu before starting the program.
- Ability to participate in the BULPIP-AIPS Program is contingent upon an applicant's ability to receive a visa for Pakistan.
- Applicants must be in good mental and physical health.
- Short listed candidates will be required to participate in a Skype interview with the selection committee.
- All qualified students, regardless of race, sex, color, creed, age, handicap, or sexual orientation are welcome.

Application Requirements

The below outlined applications materials must be emailed to bulpip-aips@berkeley.edu by **February 15, 2021 5pm** (Pacific Standard Time):

- 1. Berkeley-AIPS Urdu Language Program in Pakistan Application Form
- 2. Curriculum Vitae/Resume
- **3.** Official transcripts (BA and/or MA)
- 4. Two recommendations
- **5.** Application Fee: All applicants must pay a non-refundable \$50 application fee to cover processing expenses. Mail checks to:

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Institute of South Asia Studies University of California, Berkeley 10 Stephens Hall, Berkeley, CA 94720-2310 southasia.berkeley.edu

Application and Program Timeline

- We will begin accepting applications on January 1, 2021. All applications MUST be received by 5pm (Pacific Standard Time), February 15, 2021. Skype interview of shortlisted candidates will be scheduled at the end of February.
- The program is tentatively scheduled between June 3 and August 11.

Program Costs

- The program fee is \$8,500 (which includes tuition, housing, local transportation, and program excursions). There is no financial aid available to non-US citizens.
- Non-citizens will also need to cover the following additional expenses:
 - Plane ticket to and from Pakistan
 - o Pakistan visa fee
 - o Travel & emergency evacuation insurance coverage for the duration of the program
 - Cost of food and incidentals for the duration of the program roughly (\$125 per week)