

UMT | SPA

School of Professional
Advancement



**FUELING YOUR
CAREER GROWTH**

Admissions | 2026

Introduction

The School of Professional Advancement (SPA), University of Management and Technology is a dynamic academic institution committed to providing flexible, industry-oriented and career-focused education for working professionals, adult learners and aspiring leaders. The school offers innovative undergraduate, graduate and professional development programs designed to bridge academic learning with industry needs and evolving market trends. With experienced faculty, modern learning methodologies, strong industry engagement and a focus on practical knowledge, leadership and lifelong learning, SPA fosters an environment that promotes professional growth, innovation, entrepreneurship and academic excellence. The School of Professional Advancement also actively contributes to skill development, executive education and interdisciplinary collaboration to prepare graduates for success in national and international professional environments.

DEAN'S MESSAGE

“ At SPA, we’re building professionals for the future, **empowering learners** with real-world skills, industry exposure, and a mindset to lead with purpose. Through a **career-focused curriculum**, learning by doing, and strong industry linkages, SPA prepares you to thrive in a rapidly changing world. ”

PROF DR ATIF HASSAN
DEAN, SPA



Why Choose SPA

At School of Professional Advancement, students are empowered through flexible and career-oriented academic programs designed specifically for professionals and adult learners. Programs including the Bachelor of Professional Studies, BS Sports Management, MS Project Management, and MS Sustainability Management are carefully developed to meet modern industry demands through a practical and market-driven curriculum. SPA offers a dynamic learning environment supported by experienced faculty members who bring both academic excellence and professional expertise to the classroom. With a strong emphasis on leadership, innovation, entrepreneurship, and lifelong learning, the school focuses on developing competent professionals ready to tackle evolving global challenges. Students also benefit from innovative teaching methodologies, industry engagement opportunities, internships, networking platforms, and professional development experiences that prepare them for successful and impactful careers.





Ranking

- Part of a HEC-recognized (W-4 category) university system with strong national academic standing

Key Features

- Outcome Based Education focused on professional, managerial and industry competencies
- Foreign Qualified and Experienced Faculty comprising academicians, researchers and industry professionals
- Flexible Learning Opportunities designed for working professionals and adult learners
- Industry-Relevant Curriculum aligned with contemporary business and professional needs
- Research, Innovation & Professional Development Culture promoting applied learning and interdisciplinary collaboration
- Industry Linkages & Professional Networking opportunities for internships, corporate exposure and career advancement
- Student-Centered Learning Environment emphasizing leadership, communication, ethics and soft skills
- National & International Collaborations supporting academic excellence and professional growth
- Career Development & Employability Support through workshops, training sessions, networking events and industry interaction
- Quality Assurance ensuring academic standards, innovation and continuous improvement
 - Strategic alignment of programs with SDGs and ESG principles across key disciplines
 - Strong research output: 11 publications (2 WoS, 2 Scopus) and ongoing funded research proposals
 - Active industry collaboration through NIC, COMPETS (Germany), and multiple MoUs
 - Launching of Climate Change Entrepreneurship Accelerator with Sustainable Access Foundation (America) (mentorship & seed funding)

- Expansion of international engagement through conferences (Portugal, UAE, Spain) and EU-linked research exposure
- Strengthened global research pipeline: Marie Curie, COST, Horizon Europe, ATLAS, and Erasmus+ proposals submitted
- Development of entrepreneurship and innovation ecosystem through incubators, training, and collaborative sessions
- Promotion of research culture via faculty publications, books, and Research Gate visibility
- Establishment of sustainability and climate change as core focus areas for societal and environmental impact
- Enhancement of student exposure through internships, industry linkages, and upcoming international summer school (Malaysia 2026)

Accreditations / Memberships

Programs offered under the School of Professional Advancement are recognized under the academic framework of the Higher Education Commission (HEC), Pakistan, through the University of Management and Technology.



Career Outcomes and Industrial Linkages

The School of Professional Advancement, University of Management and Technology maintains strong collaborations with industry and professional organizations to enhance student development, practical exposure, professional networking and employability.



Industrial and Professional Linkages

- Corporate sector organizations and professional institutions
- Business and management industry collaborations
- Professional training and development organizations
- Entrepreneurship and innovation support networks
- Industry experts and professional mentors
- National and international professional development platforms

Key Support Programs

- Cooperative (Co-op) Education Program for industry-based learning experience
- Professional Development & Executive Training Programs
- Career Counselling and Employability Support Services
- Structured Internship Opportunities for practical industry exposure
- Workshops, Seminars and Corporate Networking Sessions
- Faculty-Industry Engagement Programs for knowledge exchange and professional capacity building

These linkages collectively strengthen practical learning, professional networking and career readiness of graduates across diverse professional fields.

The “Applied” Learning Experience

The School of Professional Advancement, University of Management and Technology follows a strong practice-oriented teaching model that integrates academic knowledge with professional application. Students benefit from case studies, project-based learning, presentations, collaborative assignments and industry-driven activities that help develop critical thinking, communication and problem-solving skills. The academic framework is delivered under Outcome-Based Education (OBE), ensuring clearly defined learning outcomes and competency-based progression. In addition, experiential learning opportunities, professional workshops, executive sessions and exposure to real-world industry practices ensure that graduates are well-prepared for professional responsibilities, leadership roles and future career challenges.

Key Statistics

- Undergraduate, Graduate & Professional Certifications
- International Collaborations
- Conferences, Seminars & Workshops Throughout the Year
- Internship & Networking Opportunities
- Professional Mentorship Opportunities
- 100% Graduate Employment Rate



■ Notable Research and Professional Development Contributions

SPA UMT promotes a culture of professional growth, applied learning and interdisciplinary engagement. Faculty and students actively participate in research activities, conferences, workshops and professional development initiatives addressing contemporary industry and societal challenges. The school emphasizes innovation, leadership, entrepreneurship and skill enhancement to support professional excellence and lifelong learning.

All research articles produced by our faculty are aligned with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), ensuring that scholarly work contributes to addressing global challenges such as economic growth, innovation, sustainability, climate action, and social well-being. This alignment reflects our commitment to responsible research that creates meaningful societal, environmental, and economic impact at both local and global levels.

- The School of Professional Advancement participated in the International Conference in Portugal, titled: International Conference on Sport and Education (ICSE), held in Lisbon, Portugal.
- School of Professional Advancement has submitted a project in collaboration with the School of Psychology titled "Child-Centered Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS)."
- The School of Professional Advancement participated in the International Conference in UAE, titled: Education and Learning Conference on ERP systems and presented 6 poster papers.
- The School of Professional Advancement participated in the International Conference in Spain, titled: International Conference on Education
- Engaging and insightful seminar on entrepreneurship featuring Danika Tynes, PhD, MS. Her session offered valuable perspectives on innovation, leadership, and the practical realities of building sustainable and impactful ventures in today's evolving landscape.
- School of Professional Advancement Faculty has been invited as an Esteemed Guest at the International Lean Six Sigma & Safety Leadership Conference Lahore (2025–2026).
- Virtual Auditorium Forward-Looking Project Strengthening Women's Economic Empowerment and Inclusion, Market Participation, and Strengthening Civil Society to Protect Human Rights in Somalia Horizon MSCA.



Life Beyond the Classroom at SPA

Life Beyond the Classroom at School of Professional Advancement reflects a holistic and professionally enriching learning experience that goes far beyond traditional academics. Students actively participate in seminars, workshops, conferences, networking events, and professional development sessions that strengthen practical knowledge and industry exposure. From industry tours that are not just educational but also memorable and engaging experiences, to interactive activities that turn learning into collaboration and creativity, SPA ensures students enjoy a vibrant campus life alongside their studies.

The school promotes leadership development, entrepreneurship, teamwork, and communication skills through diverse co-curricular and extracurricular initiatives. Students also gain opportunities to connect with industry experts, professionals, and alumni through mentorship sessions, career talks, and networking events that support both personal and professional growth. Whether it is building innovative ideas, creating lifelong friendships, or exploring real-world industries beyond the classroom, SPA provides an environment where academic excellence meets meaningful experiences and professional success.





ALUMNI TESTIMONIAL

“I loved spending time with friends on campus, and co-curricular activities helped me build strong connections. UMT’s diverse environment broadened my perspective and improved my ability to work with different people. The university also prepared me professionally through industry visits that clarified career paths and real-world expectations.”

A portrait of Muhammad Musa Nasir, a young man with dark hair, a beard, and glasses, wearing a white checkered shirt. He is standing with his arms crossed against a white background.

**Muhammad
Musa Nasir**
(UMT Alumni, 2025)

STUDENT TESTIMONIAL

“UMT gives us great opportunities to learn beyond books through **workshops and events**. I've learned time management, teamwork, and practical skills like MS Office and presentations. My favorite memory, a surprise birthday for a friend - made UMT feel like family! ”



Areeb Sami
(SPA, 2026)

Programs Offered

Undergraduate Programs

- Bachelor of Professional Studies
- BS Sports Management

Graduate Programs

- MS Project Management (Regular/Weekend)



Admission Criteria

Program Name	Minimum Required Qualification	Minimum Requirement
Bachelors of Professional Studies (Morning/Evening)	Intermediate or Equivalent	Minimum 45% Marks in Intermediate / A-Level or equivalent and no 3rd division in Matriculation + Minimum 50% marks in admission Test. OR in case of 40% marks, 1year work experience required
BS Sports Management	Intermediate or Equivalent	Minimum 45% Marks in Intermediate / A-Level or equivalent and no 3rd division in Matriculation + Minimum 50% marks in admission Test. OR in case of 40% marks, 1year work experience required
Bachelors of Professional Studies - Post ADP/BSc/BA (M/E/Hybrid)	Relevant ADP Program / 14 Years equivalent Education	Minimum 2.00 CGPA in Relevant ADP Program /14 Years equivalent Education with minimum 45% marks in terminal degree
MS Project Management (Weekend)	16 Year of relevant qualification	16 years qualification with minimum 2.0 out of 4.0 CGPA or 50% marks in case of annual system + Minimum 50% marks in GAT or UGAT + Interview Or In case of 3rd division in any pervious degree Minimum 40% marks is required with 3 years' Experience (Only one 3rd division is acceptable in whole academic career)
MS Project Management	16 Year of relevant qualification	16 years qualification with minimum 2.0 out of 4.0 CGPA or 50% marks in case of annual system + Minimum 50% marks in GAT or UGAT + Interview Or In case of 3rd division in any pervious degree Minimum 40% marks is required with 3 years' Experience (Only one 3rd division is acceptable in whole academic career)



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