

BRIEF PROFILE

Professor Dr. Nasir Mahmood is a distinguished academician whose illustrious career has left an indelible mark in the field of education in Pakistan. Currently, he holds the esteemed position of acting Vice-Chancellor at Allama Iqbal Open University (AIOU), Islamabad, Pakistan, a colossal institution with 1.2 million students and 52 regional offices spanning the nation. With a tenure that reflects his seniority and expertise, Dr. Mahmood has assumed the acting Vice-Chancellor role on multiple occasions, demonstrating unwavering dedication to the institution. His illustrious journey at AIOU encompasses influential positions, including Director, E-Learning and Overseas Admissions, Dean of the Faculty of Education, and Chairmanship of both the Department of Science Education and Department of Early Childhood and Elementary Teacher Education.



Dr. Mahmood's academic journey extends beyond Pakistan's borders, marked by profound accomplishments during his Ph.D. and Postdoctoral pursuits at renowned international universities. His exceptional contributions have garnered a plethora of national and international awards, positioning him as a celebrated researcher in the field of education. Dr. Mahmood's publications in esteemed journals and his role as an author of books, chapters, and manuals for teacher trainers, as well as contributions to the Encyclopedia of Education, underscore his commitment to advancing knowledge in the field.

Professor Mahmood serves on the editorial boards of numerous national and international journals, attesting to his eminence in the global academic community. His expertise encompasses various facets of education, with a particular focus on teacher education reform, quality assurance, sustainable development through education, and the enhancement of student learning outcomes. As a multifaceted academician, Dr. Mahmood has worn many hats – a dedicated teacher, astute project head, meticulous researcher, and efficient administrator. He has orchestrated several research projects in collaboration with national and international organizations, all aimed at advancing education, teacher development, classroom teaching, assessment, and quality assurance.

Under his aegis, numerous Ph.D. and MS students have flourished, benefitting from his erudition and mentorship. His wisdom and insights have graced international and national platforms as he delivers impactful keynote addresses at conferences and seminars, sharing his wealth of knowledge with the academic and professional community. As a staunch advocate for technology-aided quality education, he has revolutionized AIOU's education system through innovation and technology, making learning accessible to all. His profound contributions have earned him a prominent place in national higher education policy-making and decision-making bodies, including the Task Force of Higher Education, the Chairperson of PIEMA, convener of the ODL Policy Committee, and Chair NACTE. Professor Nasir Mahmood's legacy is one of unwavering commitment to education, innovation, and transformation, leaving an indomitable imprint on the field of education in Pakistan and beyond.