

2nd International Conference

The Art of Autobiography in Arabic Literature Issues and Dimensions

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Department of Arabic
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Introduction

Human life and experiences form the cornerstone of human civilization, shaping the collective thoughts and prevailing culture of society. From this perspective, the art of autobiography has emerged as a significant prose genre, chronicling the human "I" and narrating individual experiences and life events through the author's words. This art encompasses other literary forms, including thoughts, memories, diaries, and confessions. Autobiographies can also be presented as literary novels under pseudonyms or even organized into poetic forms, though they are most commonly found in literary prose. In these works, truth often blends with fiction, and events are narrated by their writer. An autobiography serves as both a historical and literary record, documenting the author's life, ideas and observations. It also provides a window into the state of society from the author's perspective, touching on cultural, religious, political and social aspects.

We are pleased to invite you to our conference titled "The Art of Autobiography in Arabic Literature: Issues and Dimensions," to be held on the 18th and 19th of December 2024 at the Department of Arabic, University of the Punjab, Lahore-Pakistan.

The conference aims to explore the artistic, cultural, social and political dimensions of autobiography, recognizing it as a distinct literary genre in Arabic literature. It will bring together renowned specialists and enthusiasts of Arabic literature including university professors, researchers, writers, critics, journalists and university students. The event will provide a platform for exchanging ideas and research on the manifestations of autobiography in Arabic literature throughout the ages and how it addresses personal, societal and intellectual issues.

Main Topics of the Conference

- The History of Autobiography in Arabic Literature
- Personality and Identity in Autobiography
- Social and Political Dimensions
- Literary Style and Techniques
- Challenges and Issues in Autobiography
- Comparative Studies between Autobiography in Arabic and World Literature
- The Digital Future of Autobiography
- The Religious Dimension in Autobiography
- The Sufi Dimension in Autobiography
- The Literary Dimension in Autobiography
- The Cultural Dimension in Autobiography
- The Psychological Dimension in Autobiography
- The Educational Dimension in Autobiography
- The Media Dimension in Autobiography

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- 1. The paper should be written in standard Arabic.
- 2. The paper must be original, neither previously published nor submitted elsewhere, and not extracted from any dissertation.
- 3. The researcher must adhere to established methodological standards in the research.
- 4. The submitted paper will be verified using Turnitin to measure the percentage of plagiarism and citations.
- 5. The paper should not exceed thirty pages, including references and appendices.
- 6. Papers and abstracts must be submitted within the specified deadlines.
- 7. The paper and its summary must be written in Word, using the Traditional Arabic font, size 16 for the text, and size 14 for the margins.
- 8. Each page should have its own electronic margin numbers at the bottom.
- 9. A complete list of sources and references must be included at the end of the research, arranged alphabetically. The author's name should precede the book's name in the margins and in the list of sources and references.
- 10. The Department of Arabic, University of the Punjab, is committed to publishing the conference papers after receiving the publication fees in a special issue of Majallah Al-Qism, a peer-reviewed journal approved by the Higher Education Commission of Pakistan.

Important Dates

• Conference Announcement:

May 01, 2024

- Deadline for Receiving Research Abstracts: May 20, 2024
- Notification of Abstract Acceptance: May 31, 2024
- **Deadline for Receiving Research Papers:** July 30, 2024
- Conference Dates:

December 18-19, 2024

Venue

Department of Arabic Language University of the Punjab, Lahore - Pakistan

Note: The conference will provide researchers with a certificate of participation, accommodation, meals, and local transportation within the city of Lahore for the duration of the conference. However, participating researchers are responsible for their travel expenses.

Participation Fees for Researchers within Pakistan

- Rs 3,000 without accommodation
- Rs 5,000 with accommodation

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