

**Urdu transcript:**

کراچی کی آئی بی اے کا طالب علم پاکستانی یونیورسٹیوں کا موازنہ کرتے ہوئے

انٹرویور: اگر پاکستان کے دوسرے  
Colleges  
سے  
Compare  
کریں---

طالب علم: دوسرے  
Colleges  
سے  
Compare

کریں تو میں یہ کہوں گا کہ

LUMS is the best. LUMS is the best college for business in Pakistan. (It) ranks  
internationally most of all.

انٹرویور:

What does LUMS stand for?

طالب علم:

Lahore University of Management Sciences... so basically LUMS as i told you  
میں نے بتایا تھا کہ میں وہیں چلا جاتا مگر پھر لاہور جا کے کراچی جھوڑنا وہی بات ہے کہ  
کراچی جھوڑ کر باہر ہی چلے ہی جاؤ۔

انٹرویور: لیکن

LUMS

میں بھی

problems

ہیں۔ جیسے

LUMS

والوں سے پوچھو تو وہ بھی

Satisfied

نہیں ہیں

طالب علم: میں نے

LUMS

میں لوگوں سے بات کی ہے مگر ان کے جو  
standards

جو ہیں وہ

professional standards

ہیں

Basically IBA

کے اندر

they are using the same rules they've been using for the past 40, 50 years and every time  
people have come, seminars

انہیں کہتے ہیں

flux, everything keeps changing

یہ ہوتا ہے وہ ہوتا ہے تو اگر سب بدل رہے ہیں تو اب بھی بدل جائیں پھر۔ ہمارے

teachers

یہ ہی بات کہتے ہیں کہ ہم چالیس سال سے یہ پڑھا رہے ہیں اور ہم اب بھی یہ ہی پڑھیں گے۔

ہمارے پاس ساٹھ سال کا

Experience

ہے، ہمارے نوکر تیس سال پرانے ہیں۔ فائدہ کیا سب کچھ تو بدل گیا اب نے خودی کہا تھا۔

Flux is there, so if we don't pay attention to flux what's the use of your entire education?

Everything keeps changing.

انٹرویور:

You feel that it should evolve with the...

طالب علم:

I feel they should move with time, I feel they should keep up with the old traditions  
and even a dean who came to IBA said the same thing that I can't teach old dogs new  
tricks. He tried to change the people over here but he became so frustrated he said I can't  
teach old dogs new tricks. As a result the teachers were like

ہمیں کتا بولا اس نے پہلے ہمیں کتا بولا

And it started a controversy over here.

(Inaudible)

انٹرویور:

So basically ok you feel that IBA

کا جو

System

ہے وہ پورے پاکستان کے پورے

System

کو

Mirror

کرتا ہے اس وقت؟

طالب علم:

No definitely not. Most colleges definitely even in Karachi

کچھ نیچے ہی ہیں

Majority

سارے نیچے ہی ہیں

IBA is the top you know in Karachi. Like CBM and even other universities...

انٹرویوور:

What is CBM?

طالب علم:

CBM is... something of Business Management... College whatever I don't care because

I'd never go there. Personally because CBM

میں

Education

جو ہے وہ بہت

low

رکھی ہوئی ہے

standards (inaudible)

کہ یہاں مگر پڑھانے کے لیے جو وہ ایک مہینہ لگاتے ہیں

CBM

میں وہ پورا

Semester

لگا دیتے ہیں

My friend transferred from CBM to IBA even though he lost a year, he was in CBM, got

a decent GPA

مگر تب بھی اس نے

transfer

کیا۔

Because he knows

کے آخر میں

IBA

میں پڑھائی کی

degree

بہت

matter

کرتی ہے۔

So most of all

اپ کا یہ بہت

valid point

ہے۔

But LUMS

کے حساب سے

Definitely LUMS is something that should be there. IBA might set the standards of Karachi

کہ اس طرح پڑھائی ہو رہی ہے۔۔۔ مگر  
LUMS sets the standard  
کس طرح کی ہونی چاہیے

انٹرویوور: لیکن

LUMS

میں جیسے میری بہن

LUMS

میں ہے وہ بہت۔۔۔

سالوں سے

LUMS

میں ہے کہتی ہے کہ وہاں بھی لوگ جو ہیں

Teachers biased

ہیں اور وہاں پر

Politics

بہت زیادہ ہے

Marxists teachers

ہیں، تو ایسی

teachers

ہیں تو ویسی

teachers

ہیں۔

طالب علم:

Politics with teachers is always there basically what I'm talking about LUMS is the standard of education, they way they do their grading, they use the bell curve which is an American system. They are not biased; all teachers are biased in Pakistan, that's very common. They are all biased. And that's inevitable. If you go to LUMS, you go anywhere, you go to Rawalpindi, you go to NUST you go wherever you wanna go. You will find biased teachers. What I'm saying is the standard of education.

جس طرح پڑھائی کرا رہے ہیں یہ لوگ

IBA

کے اندر

there is no practical coursework. Practical

کے علاوہ

You can't do anything. My cousin is in a crap college in New Jersey. NJCU and even though he has minimal courses and he's a drop out basically he told me

کے

stocks

کے اندر

They make them learn about stocks

انہوں نے ان کو پورا ایک بنا کے ریا۔ ایک

Stock agency

بنا کے دی

They made them learn everything over there how to deal in stocks and that's the practical experience that counts because business

کے اندر

You need to know all this. You can't just go with text books all the time. LUMS basically has this. That even though their classes might be a bit long and their coursework is different and teachers are biased

مگر

Standard of education is higher than in Karachi and much higher than in IBA.

### **English translation:**

Interviewer: If you compare it to other colleges in Pakistan...

Student: Compared to other colleges I would say that LUMS is the best. LUMS is the best college for studying business in Pakistan. It ranks internationally.

Interviewer: What does LUMS stand for?

Student: Lahore University of Management Sciences. So basically, like I told you I would have gone to LUMS but then that would be the same as going abroad because I'd have to leave Karachi.

Interviewer: But LUMS also has problems... if you speak to people from LUMS they aren't satisfied either.

Student: I've spoken to some people I know in LUMS. But the thing is that LUMS has international standards. In IBA [Institute of Business Administration Karachi] on the other hand they use the same rules they have been using for the past 40 to 50 years. Many a time people and seminars have come here, and they talk about flux and how everything keeps changing. So if everything does in fact keep changing then why don't you change also (addressing the administration of IBA). Our teachers talk about how they have been teaching the same thing for the past forty years and will continue to teach the same thing. They boast about how they have sixty years of experience and how their servants been with them for thirty years. But what is the use of all this? Everything else has changed like they said. There is constant flux. And if you don't pay attention to flux then what is the use of your entire education? Everything keeps changing.

Interviewer: You feel that it should evolve with the...

Student: I feel they should move with time I feel that they should keep up the old traditions. Even a dean who came to IBA said the same thing. He said, "I can't teach old dogs new tricks." He tried to change the people over here. But he got so frustrated he

said, "I can't teach old dogs new tricks." This resulted in a controversy because the teachers claimed that he was abusing them by referring to them as dogs.

(Inaudible)

Interviewer: Do you think that the system in IBA mirrors the system in the whole of Pakistan?

Student: No, definitely not. Most colleges even in Karachi are of a lower standard. In fact all of them are much worse than IBA. IBA is the best university in Karachi. But like CBM and even other universities they...

Interviewer: What is CBM?

Student: CBM is something of Business Management College, whatever, I don't even care because I'd never go there. Personally, because I feel that the standard of education at CBM is very low. Something that they'd teach in a month in IBA, they would teach in about a semester in CBM. My friend transferred from CBM to IBA even though it wasted a year, he was in CBM, and he got a decent GPA. But he still transferred because he knew that the level of education was better at IBA and a degree from IBA has greater recognition, which is a very valid point. I feel LUMS is something that should be there. IBA might set the standards of Karachi: it represents the standard of education that exists in Karachi. But LUMS defines what the standard of education should be like.

Interviewer: But LUMS has its problems, my sister goes to LUMS and she says that teachers are biased, and there is a lot of politics. Some teachers are Marxists, some are this and some are that.

Student: There is politics everywhere. Basically what I'm talking about is the standard of education at LUMS, their grading system; they use the bell curve, which is an American system. They are not biased. All teachers are biased in Pakistan that is very common. They are all biased. That is inevitable, no matter where you go, whether you go to LUMS, Rawalpindi, you will find biased teachers. But I'm talking about the standard of education, the way they teach. In IBA, there is no practical coursework, without which you can't do much. My cousin is in a crap college in New Jersey; NJCU, he has minimal courses, and is basically a dropout. But he told me that at his college they created a stock agency and practically taught them how to deal with stocks. And that is the practical experience that counts. In the field of business you need to know these things. Knowledge from text book isn't enough all the time. LUMS basically has this. Even though their classes might be a bit long and their coursework is different, the teachers are biased but the standard of education is higher than it is in Karachi, or much higher than it is in IBA.

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