



# SIR SYED GLOBAL SCHOLAR AWARD

*(Previously Sir Syed Emerging Scholar Award)*

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## **27 AMU students selected for the Sir Syed Global Scholar Award (SSGSA) 2022-23**

The Sir Syed Education Society of North America, a US-based 501 (c) (3) non-profit entity, announced a list of 27 AMU students/alumni selected for its annual Sir Syed Global Scholar Award (SSGSA) for the academic session 2022-23.

Keeping up with the trend from previous years, a record number of applications were received from the Faculties of Arts, Commerce, Humanities, Science, Medicine, Life Sciences, and Engineering & Technology. Experts from each discipline evaluated the applications independently, and the shortlisted students were invited for an online interview as a part of a rigorous selection process.

Mr. Salman Bin Kashif, himself a past beneficiary and the current Chair of the SSGSA program congratulated the awardees and said, “Our reviewers were highly impressed with the quality of the applications. Based on the available funds, we can only support the top 27 candidates out of the total 293 applicants. However, there were so many meritorious students who missed the cut-off by extremely narrow margins. We, therefore, urge the AMU fraternity to come forward and provide much-needed financial support to the program so that we can increase the number of awardees and benefit our students in the coming years”.

There were 5 interview panels consisting of SSGSA team members from different parts of the world, along with the experts from academia and industry- Dr. Farhan Ahmad (Honeywell International Inc.), Prof. Nawab Ali (University of Arkansas), Prof. Asim Ansari (Columbia University), Dr. Ruchi Dana (Dana Corporation), Dr. Shabih Hasan (Delos), Prof. Syed Hashsham (Michigan State University), Prof. Shakir Hussain (Youngstown State University), Prof. Sultana Nahar (Ohio State University), Prof. Bushra Sabri (Johns Hopkins University), Prof. Yasmin Saikia (Arizona State University), Prof. Samina Salim (University of Houston), Er. Farhan Kafil (BC Hydro), Dr. Abu Hasan (Dow Chemicals), Dr. Javed Hussain (Crowe), Prof. Sajid Khan (University of Florida), Dr. Israr Ahmad (University of Wisconsin, Madison), Dr. Rahul Gupta (Uppsala University), and Prof. Arif Sarwat (Florida International University). The interviews were conducted over two days.

The final merit list was compiled by taking into account various evaluation criteria like the CGPA, projects, internships, and extracurricular activities. The selected scholars are exceptionally meritorious and possess immense potential to secure admission in reputed graduate programs in premier universities around the world.

All the selected SSGSA scholars will be provided personalized mentorship, financial aid for the required standardized tests (GRE/GMAT, TOEFL/IELTS), and university application fees for up to five universities. Interested applicants who could not make it to the final list will be offered mentorship and guidance by the organization so that they can also continue with their academic goals.

The SSGSA core team, which consists of the present Chair Mr. Salman Bin Kashif (Clemson, South Carolina, USA), founding members Mr. Syed Ali Rizvi (Boston, Massachusetts, USA), Dr. Saif Sheikh (Chicago, Illinois, USA), Dr. Rehan Baqri (Boston, Massachusetts, USA), and Dr. Shaida Andrabi

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(Srinagar, Kashmir, India), and former chairs Dr. Mohsin Khan (Providence, Rhode Island, USA), Mr. Ali Muzaffar (Atlanta, Georgia, USA), and Dr. Wasikul Islam (Geneva, Switzerland), expressed their gratitude to Prof. Tariq Mansoor, Vice-Chancellor, AMU, Prof. Asad U. Khan, Prof. M. M. Sufyan Beg and Mr. Omar Peerzada for helping with SSGSA activities on campus.

The SSGSA core team is also grateful to all advisory board members, application reviewers, interviewers, mentors, volunteers, donors, and well-wishers for their continuous support over the years.

The list of the selected SSGSA scholars, in alphabetical order along with their departmental affiliation, is as follows:

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| 1. Saima Khan Afridi         | Chemistry               |
| 2. Mohd Ahmad                | Biotechnology           |
| 3. Sobia Ahmed               | Operations Management   |
| 4. Asmer Hamid Ali           | Electronics Engineering |
| 5. Abdullah Alvi             | Electrical Engineering  |
| 6. Ramsha Anwer              | Biochemistry            |
| 7. Sk Md Aquib               | Applied Geology         |
| 8. Mohd Fahad                | Biotechnology           |
| 9. Amina Faiz                | Computer Science        |
| 10. Ishan Gupta              | Computer Engineering    |
| 11. Md Meraj Khalid          | Chemical Engineering    |
| 12. Alisha Khan              | Architecture            |
| 13. Mohd Maaz Khan           | Electronics Engineering |
| 14. Dhruv Maheshwari         | Computer Engineering    |
| 15. Taqdees Mariam           | Architecture            |
| 16. Maryam Nisar             | Biochemistry            |
| 17. Abbas Syed Nooruddin     | Electrical Engineering  |
| 18. Ahmad Ozair              | Medicine                |
| 19. Hera Rashid              | Industrial Chemistry    |
| 20. Mohammad Abdullah Sarkar | Psychology              |
| 21. Arsalan Sartaj           | Electrical Engineering  |
| 22. Pratiksha Singh          | Business Management     |
| 23. Mohd Ubaid               | Civil Engineering       |
| 24. Mohd Mohi Uddin          | Physics                 |
| 25. Raza Haider Zaidi        | Law                     |
| 26. Mohammad Zain            | Electronics Engineering |
| 27. Mahwish Zaman            | Psychology              |

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