

Forman Christian College Student Testimonials
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Areej

I belong to the city of Hafizabad in the province of Punjab. I think education is a basic need of every human being. Education not only provides us with knowledge but also helps us to improve our lives. Without education, we cannot be successful, and our society will not progress. Hence, education is very important to survive.

The reason that I choose to enroll at FCC is because one of my relatives suggested that I should study at FCC as it is a Christian institution and I had not been a part of any Christian institution before. I happily agreed as I had always wanted to be a part of this renowned institute.

My father is the earning head of my family and he is a tailor by occupation. We are four siblings including me, and all my siblings are studying. I applied for financial aid because my father is a tailor

and all of my siblings are studying and it is becoming increasingly difficult for him to meet our educational expenses. He is not able to pay my tuition fee at FCC as he earns a very limited amount by working as a tailor. I am immensely grateful that FCC has helped me in the form of financial assistance so that I could continue my studies here. I am very thankful to this institution for all the help and financial support it has given me.

In recent months, the prevailing lockdown as a result of COVID-19 has had a devastating impact on my family as my father was not able to carry on with his work. This left us in dire financial straits. Now we are trying to get back on track and recover from those months of losses.

This is my final semester as I reach the completion of my degree and I am striving hard to be more determined in my studies, to work on time, and to set and manage my study routine. I want to be a teacher and continue my studies. What I have learned from FCC will apply throughout my life and I will serve my students with love as FCC has served me with love.

Daniyal

Education is a basic necessity nowadays. In this growing technological world, no one can survive without education. Education not only helps in gaining knowledge but also helps groom behavior.

Education is very important to me because I belong to a middle-class family living a really basic life and in this competitive world, we need to keep up with the ever-increasing expenses. I have to get a quality education which FCC is providing me with. It will also help me improve my character. Our character and behavior depend on the environment and that environment is provided to me by FCC.

The reason I choose FCC is because it is the only institute in Lahore that provides a Liberal Arts Education. Liberal Arts are very important because students should learn basic things about other subjects/courses rather than only knowing about his/her major subjects. Liberal Arts make you a jack of all trades, which is helpful in every part of life.



My father is the earning head of the family. He is the only one who supports us and education for all of us as well. He works in a private custom clearing agency where he is ranked as manager. It is extremely difficult for him to pay the fees and expenses for our studies. I have four sisters, two of them are younger than me and two of them are older than me. The older ones are done with their studies and they both are in search of jobs, but due to this pandemic, it is very difficult to find one. The two younger ones are studying, one of them is doing a degree in hotel management and the youngest one is in school.

I applied for financial aid since, as I mentioned, my father is the only source of income in my house, and in these times, it is very difficult to meet our expenses. FCC has helped me a lot in the past by providing me with a generous scholarship which allowed me to study without any fear and worry.

FCC has helped me in multiple ways; from supporting me financially, to grooming me to be a better person. The environment at FCC has given me the confidence to speak my mind and to know where and how to do that. I have gained so much from this institute that I will never forget; the administration, academics, faculty, and staff of FCC have helped me immensely.

By the grace of God Almighty, my family and I have been safe from COVID-19 and we remained healthy as we isolated ourselves in the house. There was no negative impact on my studies as the teachers did well to teach us through the online classes. However, it did affect us financially because, after three months of lockdown, my father's company only paid him half of his salary because they said that there is no business these days and we cannot pay you a full salary. That was a really difficult time for us, but we passed through it with the help of Almighty God.

I am pursuing the profession of news editor and reporter; I think this is very much in demand now as media is involved in everything.

My future goals are to be a better human being and a kind person, who can help others in all possible ways. I want my parents and my family to be proud of me. I want to do something special for my family as they have gone through so many hurdles just to make sure that I complete my studies and do well for them. I will serve my community and country and help them grow in a positive way.



Mary

I live in Khanewal, which is a small city in Southern-Punjab near Multan. My university is a good fit for students who have not decided on their majors yet since the general education offered by FCC is helpful. That is why I chose FCC.

In my family, it's just my father, my grandmother and me. My father is now in his sixties and provides for me as much as he can. I have no siblings. I applied for financial aid because FCC provides for hundreds of students like me who can't afford the tuition fees. I believe that a person can't achieve their best unless they know what has happened in the past, what's happening now in the world and what is likely to happen and have been exposed to an environment which polishes their thoughts and ideas; that is why education is so important to me. Being a senior at FCC, I have had the opportunity to have learned from some very bright and keen minds.

COVID-19 has induced fear in me. Not that I have had the symptoms but living for weeks outside my city in a hostel, traveling through public transport, I have the fearful thought of taking the virus back home to my father and grandmother, who are both diabetic and 60+. As far as academics are concerned, online classes and discussions were not like in-person classes, but my teachers tried their best and the courses went well.

I am currently doing double majors in English Literature and Sociology. At FCC, I have studied from teachers who always challenged me and made me think from different perspectives. They have been kind and friendly and always tried to understand where I was coming from and then helped make my thoughts and ideas flourish. When I first came to FCC, I had no idea I would have a double degree and a GPA of around 3.5. In the future, I look forward to helping other students.



Kinzul

Education had been always my topmost priority. I am keen to work hard and get good grades. Education is important for me because I believe that it can help us in achieving our dreams. I believe that if one has a chance to acquire an education, he/she should never lose this chance, because it helps in developing, and acquiring our goals and dreams. Education is the most important part of my life and one which I can never compromise on.

I chose to enroll in FCC because of the great reputation I have heard about this university. Secondly, a degree from this university has a lot of value.

The earning head of my family is my brother. He owns a small restaurant. He is the only person who earns. There are five siblings, including me. My sister and I are currently studying. I applied for

financial aid because my family has been through a financial loss in the business. Since my brother is the only earner in the house, and he has three kids of his own, he can't afford to pay my fees. He is suffering from financial instability and he has to manage all the other house expenses along with his kids' school fees. I really thank this university for granting me financial aid as my family was not able to meet my educational expenses and I may have had to compromise on my dreams if I had not received this scholarship.

FCC has helped me in developing new skills. I have learned a lot from my teachers. I have developed better communication skills, computer skills, management skills, problem-solving skills, and interpersonal skills. FCC offers general education courses that have helped me in attaining all kinds of skills.

COVID-19 has impacted a lot of my studies and routines. It has positively affected my health as I take care of myself in a much better way. It has impacted my studies negatively because I am not a person that can study at home. I used to study in the library and always stayed connected with my teachers for help in courses. If I had any problems with the courses, I would go to the office directly for better understanding. My family has also been affected by COVID-19.

I am currently pursuing my major courses. I have always dreamed of acquiring a job with a news channel or a social agency. I am learning every step of the way because I know this will help me in my career. One of my future goals is to get a job with a news channel and also to be a university lecturer. My ambition is to utilize my education either by obtaining a job or starting a business. I can't waste my education. My goal is to be independent and do something for this country. Getting a job in a media agency would help me a lot in becoming a journalist and in building a great career.