

# **DWL ONLINE POETRY COURSE** ELEMENTS, THEMES, AND FORM



#### Desi Writers' Lounge (DWL)

DWL is an online writing community for emerging writers and poets

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This online 10-week course will serve as a basic introduction to the multi-faceted world of poetry.

This course will challenge you to create new work every week, which will be critiqued by participants and course leaders.

You will receive readings to inspire you and facilitate a discussion among course participants and leaders.

In the last 3 weeks of the course, you will edit your poems and create a chapbook.

Upon chapbook submission, you will be eligible for a 30-minute video conference with the course leader(s)!

#### Who are the Course Leaders?



**Ilona Yusuf** is a poet and printmaker. Her poems have been published in book form (Picture This, 2001), and thereafter in literary journals, most recently in The Atlanta Review (2014). Ilona freelances for various magazines, writing on art and literature and has worked as an editor for the Alhamra Literary Review and as a guest editor for the Canadian poetry journal Vallum.



**Noorulain Noor** is a clinical researcher at Stanford University and the Associate Editor of *Papercuts*. Her work has appeared or is forthcoming in *ARDOR literary magazine, The Bangalore Review, Apeiron Review, Clapboard House,* and other journals. She lives in the San Francisco Bay Area and writes on the broad themes of identity, multiculturalism, and the immigrant experience.

## Course Duration: August 29 to November 7, 2014

#### Is This Course Right For You?

You may have been writing for a few years, or you may have only written a few poems – in both cases this course is right for you. We expect participants to have a basic command on language and image construction and would like participants to challenge themselves in new ways during this course. Admission into the course is based on the quality of your writing sample, and space is limited.

**<u>APPLY HERE</u>** – submit up to 3 pages of your recent poetry to be considered! Decisions will be announced on August 15, 2014. There is no cost to apply.

Tuition: PKR 5,000 or \$50 (PKR 3,000 or \$30 for DWL members) - Due August 20

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