

Cuac Fair 12

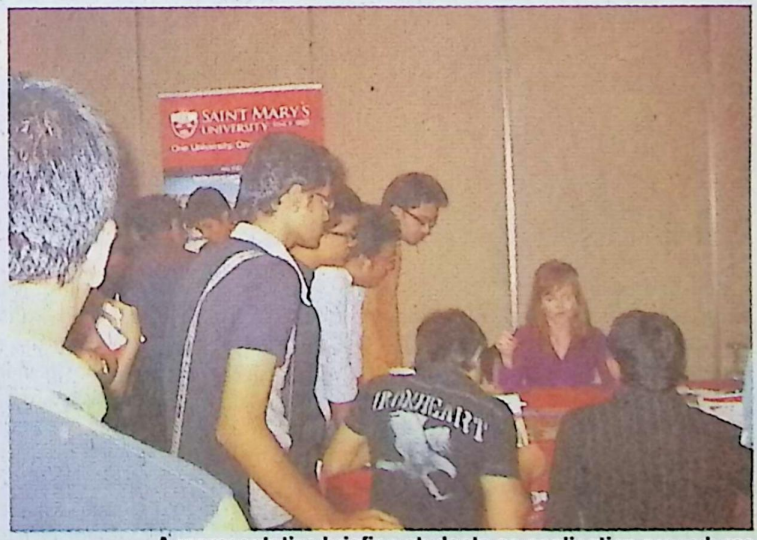
dent aiming for a foreign degree.

Marie Braswell from Saint Marie's University had been talking to students all day and she feels students here need the assurance that the programme they are choosing is the right one for them. Some are extremely well-prepared. Diversity in its programmes and its beautiful location will appeal to many young students, she hopes.

Students at the fair ticked away their lists of queries. Many were seen sorting through the brochures hoping to find that perfect choice. Sarwat Zereen a recent BBA graduate from North South University is juggling the idea of applying for either MBA or MA in Finance.Her top choices are University of Victoria and Saint Mary's University as she has received good recommendations from professors at her university. She has chosen Canada knowing the quality of publicly funded universities. She also plans to work for sometime in Canada before heading back home. Azhar Rashid, an A' level student from Maple Leaf School has come to a decision; he wants to attend the BBA programme at Algoma University. Having searched thoroughly for the right university, he is confident that he has found what would suit him the best, especially after talking to the representatives of the university. Easy visa processing and affordable education have been the strongest deciding factors for him.

permanent residency, should a student wish to apply for it. Dr. Ahmadi adds that Bangladeshi students who attended the university on the Commonwealth Scholar scholarship programme have been extremely successful working in their respective fields. Moreover, attractive salary schemes have drawn more and more young graduates into working in Canada.

Mel Broitman, Director of Canadian University Application Centre, has had enough experience working with Bangladeshi students to notice the number of quality students coming to the fair. The outreach had received a very positive response from both undergraduate and graduate level students. He also talked about how the questions from students are more sophisticated; they want to know more about the programmes they would fit in and the careers they lead to. Broitman elaborates that Canada gives access to things that few Western countries offer and it should be on the top list of every stu-



A representative briefing students on application procedures

Khadija Rehma, Senior Councellor of CUAC mentions that they have always organised seminars and school visits in Dhaka and the fair is first of its kind, having drawn an incredibly positive response from students. The organisers look ahead to more of such events in future.