

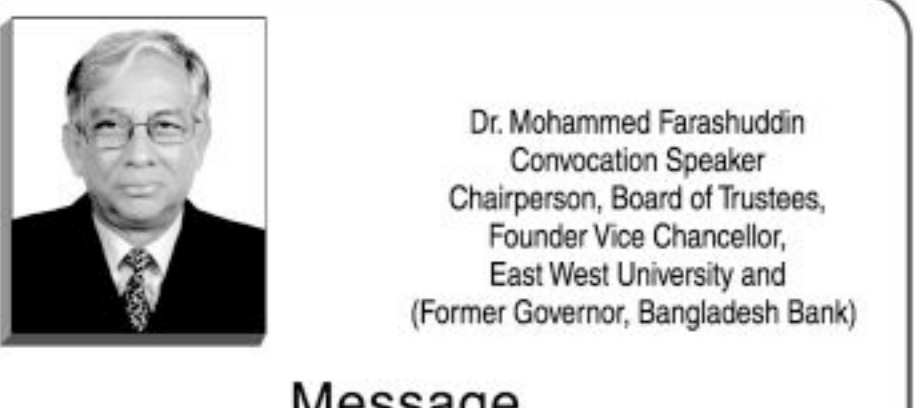
3rd Convocation 2015



24 March, 2015



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Message

I am pleased to know that United International University (UIU) is going to hold its third convocation on 24 March, 2015. I wish a grand success of the program.

Bangladesh is a country of enormous potential because of, amongst other factors, a large population. The big population, or at least those up to the age of 30 can be transformed into human capital through education and training. Human resource of our country is mostly unskilled. An optimal utilization of the country's scarce resources, fertile land, strategic geo-political location and the vast sea resources would further transform the country into a model for socio-economic growth. Bangladesh has 1.9% of its population enrolled in the tertiary education. Of the 0.65 million students enrolled in the universities, 0.4 million are studying at the private universities some of which are competing very successfully in the job market. In view of the compelling need to invest its resources into the other pressing needs, the government is unlikely to be able to spend more for establishing new public universities. Private universities will thus have to handle an increasing larger number of higher education seekers. From the inception in 2003, United International University has been continuing a great journey to produce finest of the graduates of the country in engineering and business disciplines. UIU graduates have already made their mark in the human resource arena.

I congratulate the graduating students for successful completion of their academic requirements. Quest for excellence is a laudable motto of UIU. I sincerely hope that the recipients of degrees in this third convocation will make best use of their quality education in the service of the nation.

(Dr. Mohammed Farahuddin)

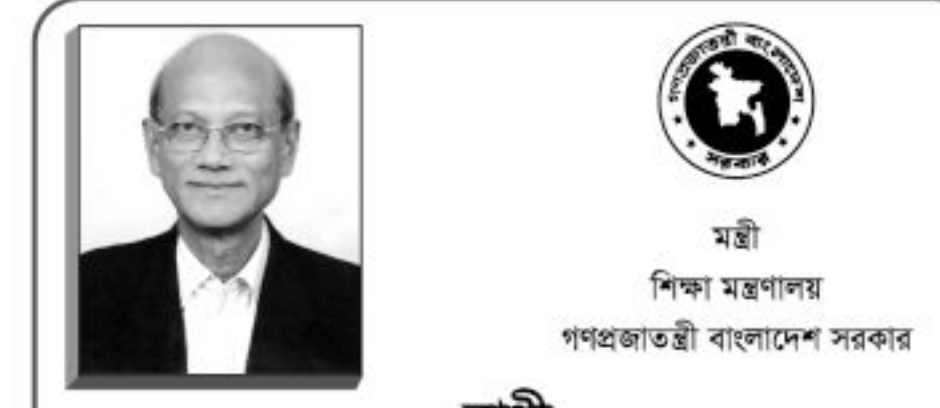
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জাতীয় উন্নয়ন ও ভবিষ্যৎ নেতৃত্ব গঠনে উচ্চশিক্ষার বিকল্প নেই। বিভিন্ন বিষয়ে শিক্ষাদানের পাশাপাশি নানাবিধ গবেষণা কার্যক্রমের মাধ্যমে দেশের বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়গুলো এই লক্ষ্যে কাজ করে যাচ্ছে। সরকার গুণগত ও মানসম্মত শিক্ষা নিশ্চিত করতে শিক্ষা ক্ষেত্রে যুগোপযোগী কার্যক্রম গ্রহণ করেছে। এজন্য প্রথম করা হয়েছে 'জাতীয় শিক্ষানীতি ২০১০'। বেসরকারি বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় আইনের সংশোধন করে জাতির আকাঙ্ক্ষা অনুযায়ী নতুন করে বেসকারি বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় আইন, ২০১০ পাশ করা হয়েছে। আমি আশা করি, ইউনাইটেড ইন্টারন্যাশনাল ইউনিভার্সিটিসহ দেশের অন্যান্য বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়গুলো গুণগত শিক্ষা প্রদানের পাশাপাশি গবেষণা ও মুক্তিযুদ্ধের ক্ষেত্রে সম্প্রসারিত করবে যাত শিক্ষার্থীরা যোগ্য নাগরিক হিসেবে গড়ে উঠে একটি শতাব্দীর চ্যালেঞ্জ দক্ষতার সাথে মোকাবিলা করতে পারে। নবীন গ্র্যাজুয়েটগণ দেশপ্রেমের মহান চেতনায় উদ্বুদ্ধ হয়ে মানবিক মূল্যবোধকে ধারণ করে জাতীয় কল্যাণ অবদান রাখবে এবং দেশ ও সমাজকে জ্ঞানের আলোয় উজ্জ্বলিত করবে বলে আমার বিশ্বাস।

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খোদা হাফেজ, বাংলাদেশ চিরজীবী হোক।
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একবিংশ শতাব্দীর চ্যালেঞ্জ মোকাবিলা এবং দেশ ও জাতির আর্থ-সামাজিক উন্নয়নে অবদান রাখার লক্ষ্যে দেশের নতুন প্রজন্মকে উচ্চশিক্ষায় শিক্ষিত করে গড়ে তুলতে আমাদের সরকার বন্ধপরিকর। এ লক্ষ্য অর্জনে গত ছয় বছরে আমরা দেশের শিক্ষাখাতে আমূল পরিবর্তন এনেছি। আমরা জাতীয় শিক্ষানীতি-২০১০ প্রণয়ন করেছি। এ নীতির বাস্তবায়ন করছি। নতুন ৯টি পাবলিক বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় প্রতিষ্ঠা করা হয়েছে। ২৮টি বেসরকারি বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের অনুমোদন দেওয়া হয়েছে। দেশে বর্তমানে ৩৭টি পাবলিক বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় এবং ৮০টি বেসরকারি বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় রয়েছে।

সর্বকালের সর্বশ্রেষ্ঠ বাঙালি, জাতির পিতা বঙ্গবন্ধু শেখ মুজিবুর রহমান যুবসমাজকে উচ্চশিক্ষায় শিক্ষিত করে ছুঁয়া, দারিদ্র্য ও নিরক্ষরতামুক্ত সোনার বাংলা গড়ার স্বপ্ন দেখেছিলেন। আমি আশা করি, সনদপ্রাপ্ত শিক্ষার্থীরা দেশপ্রেমের মন্ত্রে উজ্জীবিত হয়ে তাদের অর্জিত শিক্ষা ও জ্ঞানের মাধ্যমে দেশ ও জন্মদেশের কল্যাণে নিবেদিত হবেন। সরকারের রূপকল্প ২০২১ ও ২০৪১ বাস্তবায়নে অবদান রাখবেন।

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শেখ হাসিনা

একজন শিক্ষার্থী তার শিক্ষা জীবনের সবচেয়ে বড় সফলতা গ্রহণ করে সমাবেশ অনুষ্ঠানে। ইউনাইটেড ইন্টারন্যাশনাল ইউনিভার্সিটির তৃতীয় সমাবেশ অনুষ্ঠিত হতে যাচ্ছে যেনে আমি আনন্দিত। এই আনন্দমন মুহূর্তে এই বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়ের নবীন স্নাতক, ছাত্রছাত্রী, অভিভাবকবৃন্দ, শিক্ষকমণ্ডলী এবং বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় কর্তৃপক্ষকে আন্তরিক অভিনন্দন ও অভিনন্দন জানাই।

দেশের সার্বিক উন্নয়নে প্রয়োজন সার্বজনীন জীবনমুখী শিক্ষা ব্যবস্থা। তাই বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়গুলিকে অবশ্যই পাঠ্য বিষয়ের পাশাপাশি যুগোপযোগী স্বল্প বিধায় সংযোজনের মাধ্যমে আধুনিক শিক্ষাব্যবস্থা নিশ্চিত করতে হবে। এর মাধ্যমেই একজন শিক্ষার্থী ক্যারিয়ার ও প্রোগ্রামিক গবেষণা করতে উৎসাহী হয়ে উঠবে এবং দেশে পড়তে কার্যকরী জমিকা পালন করবে। একশত শতকের চ্যালেঞ্জ মোকাবিলায় এর কোন বিকল্প নেই। সুসম্পন্ন খেঁচেই শিক্ষা ও গবেষণার প্রসার ইউনাইটেড ইন্টারন্যাশনাল ইউনিভার্সিটি অনন্য ভূমিকা পালন করে আসছে। আমি আশা করি, এই ধারা অব্যাহত থাকবে এবং তা উত্তরোত্তর বৃদ্ধি পাবে। নবীন স্নাতকরা তাদের কর্মজীবনে প্রবেশ করে দেশপ্রেমের উজ্জ্বল স্বাক্ষর রাখবে ও জাতি গঠনে গুরুত্বপূর্ণ ভূমিকা পালন করবে, এই কামনা করি।

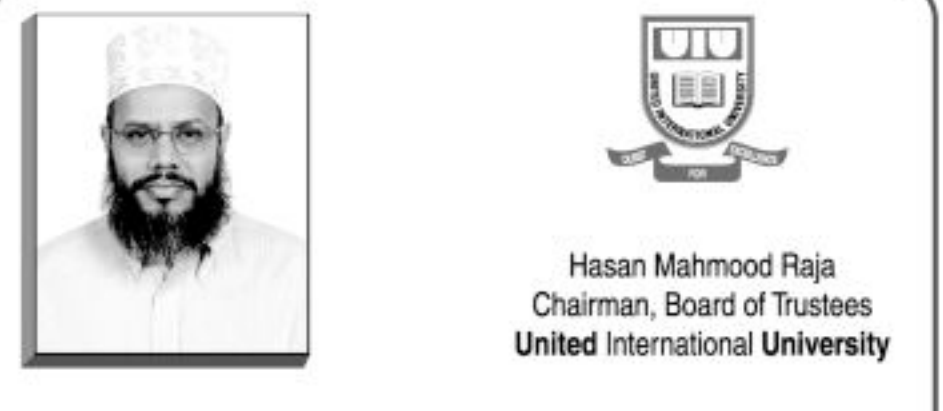
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(মুন্সলিম ইলিয়াস মাহিদ এম.পি.)



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Gold Medalists Convocation 2015

Sajid Rabbani CSE Summa Cum Laude Gold Medalist CGPA 3.97	Nusrat Jahan CSE Summa Cum Laude Gold Medalist CGPA 3.97
Valdictorian Taslema Akhter BBA Summa Cum Laude Gold Medalist CGPA 3.98	Md. Kaiser Ahmed MNSCE Summa Cum Laude Gold Medalist CGPA 4.00
Estiaque Bari MSECO Summa Cum Laude Gold Medalist CGPA 3.97	Summa Cum Laude Gold Medalist CGPA 3.97



Hasan Mahmood Raja
Chairman, Board of Trustees
United International University

Message

Assalamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuh

It gives me immense pleasure to see that United International University is holding its 3rd Convocation on March 24, 2015. It is also a great honor for me to have the opportunity to congratulate the graduating students on their successful completion of different programs at UIU.

For the last twelve years UIU has been engaged in pursuit of its mission, "Quest for Excellence", and in the mean time has emerged as one of the top listed private universities in Bangladesh. This happy and joyous Convocation marks another milestone toward progress and achievement of this university. I believe, the graduating students of UIU, wherever they go for building their career, will glorify the nation as well as the country by setting up a glaring example through their professional services and achievements.

On this auspicious day, I extend my heartfelt congratulations to the UIU Management; including the Vice Chancellor, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Deans, Department Heads, faculties, and the staff for all that they have done to make this university what it is today. I thank them all for their cooperation and dedication. I also thank the family members of these bright graduating students for their wholehearted support throughout these years.

I wish and pray so that the Almighty Allah, in His Infinite Mercy, gives all of them a brighter future. Also I wish this 3rd Convocation Ceremony a grand success.

(Hasan Mahmood Raja)



Professor Dr. M. Rezwana Khan
Vice Chancellor
United International University

Message

United International University is going to celebrate its 3rd Convocation on March 24, 2015. Right from the inception, UIU has given its utmost effort to provide quality education to the students and I am happy to see that they have been successful. Within a very short span of time UIU has been recognized as one of the leading private universities in Bangladesh. Now, it is the responsibility of the graduating class of Convocation 2015 to prove what they have learnt in their Alma Mater and establish themselves as worthy citizens of the country. I am confident that they will do so.

We believe in living up to our motto: Quest for Excellence. However, the quest for excellence is a continuous and relentless process. Therefore, let the convocation be our inspiration to succeed further in the years ahead. UIU is growing day by day which could be noticeable from the growth in the number of students attending convocation program. Eight hundred and sixty two students are attending this year's convocation including seven hundred and forty undergraduate and one hundred and twenty two graduate students, which is larger in number than previous occasions.

I felicitate the graduates and their guardians once again and wish them notable success in their future endeavors.

(Professor Dr. M. Rezwana Khan)

Is UIU the right choice ?

United International University (UIU) started its journey in June 2003 with the active support and patronage of United Group, a reputed business conglomerate operating in Bangladesh. It received Government approval on June 6, 2003 and commenced its academic program in October 2003. UIU started with 76 handfuls of students which now stand around 6000. UIU has travelled a long way within a short period of time leaving a visible impression in the arena of quality higher education in Bangladesh.

UIU's vision is to become a center of excellence in teaching and research in the South Asian region. UIU nurtures an environment that encourages among its students Learning, Self-Development, and Self-belief. Producing graduates with strong moral fiber and pragmatic skills who are ready to take the challenges of today's Corporate World. From top management, to administrative personnel all work relentlessly as a team, with only ONE clear common objective - Students' Wellbeing.

Considering the higher cost of tertiary education in the private universities UIU has been providing handsome scholarship schemes to encourage and support the deserving students. Last year alone, UIU provided nearly TK. 100 million scholarships for poor and meritorious students. This is the highest among the private universities in terms of the per capita amount of scholarship. Besides, the office of Directorate of Student Affairs (DSA) provides interest free loan to the students in the case of emergency and urgent need. In the last one year, UIU DSA office has disbursed at least Taka 30 Lacs as interest free loan among the UIU students. In addition to that, UIU and United Group provide donation or financial support from "UIU Welfare Fund" to the students who suffer from the sudden crisis happening during the study life at UIU.

UIU currently offers degrees in eleven different programs at under graduate and post graduate levels under the School of Business and Economics and School of Science and Engineering. English Language Institute (ELI), Institute of Natural Sciences (INS) and Institute of Business and Economic Research (IBER) also offer relevant courses to the students of these programs. With a team of 135 full time competent faculty members among whom 24 have PhDs completed from the reputed universities of the world, UIU makes sure that the best and authentic quality education is imparted to its students in a congenial, participatory teaching and learning environment.

Along with the academic activities, UIU nurtures the ingrained creativity and talent of the students through different extra and co-curricular activities organized round the year. The Directorate of Student Affairs (DSA) is responsible to organize these events. There are 10 clubs under DSA. To produce readily marketable graduates the Career Counseling Center (CCC) of UIU has been playing a vital role to develop a strong academy-industry linkage. CCC offers workshops, seminars, training program, company visits, on-campus job interview on regular basis throughout the year. At present, CCC has 20 Student forums to cover all possible aspects of professional skills.



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A University with a difference

Involvement of academic institutions with the industry sectors is essential to develop an appropriate academic curricula and industry ready graduates. UIU has signed MOU with a number of leading industry/organization like Rahim Afroz, Energypac, BASIS, and so on to cooperate in their Research and Development activities. This has fostered a close tie between UIU and the industries.

Right from its inception UIU aimed to provide an atmosphere for research and development to build qualified manpower to compete in the national and international market of today's globalized world. With this end in view, UIU established a number of institutes/research centers. IBER has been operating in UIU to conduct research on different fields of business and economics. Additionally, IBER also offers short courses, workshops and seminars on different topics of recent interests like 'income tax laws', 'national budget', etc.

Importance of energy in today's world cannot be overstressed. In an energystarving country like Bangladesh research and development on different energy resources and their efficient applications is of utmost importance. UIU, Center for Energy Research, CER, has established itself as one of the pioneers in the field of renewable energy and energy efficiency. Within a period of last three years, CER has provided advisory and consulting services to more than 50 projects in both the government and private sectors. It also has attracted international research funding from German Technical Assistance, GIZ, World Bank, EPSRC, UK, having a total worth of more than twenty million taka. CER is a well respected name in the field of energy and power in Bangladesh.

As a mark of quality education institution, UIU has been awarded six European Union Funded, Erasmus Mundus Programs amounting approximately to 19 million Euros, for higher education and training in the European universities. Under these programs, UIU has so far sent more than 100 students, faculty members and staffs for higher education and training in the renowned European Universities. UIU also has credit transfer/exchange MOUs with a number of universities in Asia, Europe and North America.

In the field of electronic technology integrated circuit chip design is becoming a challenge and there is a huge untapped opportunity for international employment and foreign exchange earning by getting involved in the outsourced IC chip design work. UIU has purchased CADANCE, a very expensive world famous professional software for IC chip design. This facility has been extended to the non-UIU students as well. This software will immensely benefit the country at large to train its man power in the pursuit of lucrative VLSI jobs.

Faculty members along with the students are engaging themselves for different research activities in their respective fields. To formalize such activities, Advanced Intelligent Multidisciplinary Systems (AIMS) Lab, Future Network Research (FNRL) Lab and DSP_WCOMM Labs are working. Recently, UIU has received the prestigious project of 'Development of Bangla Optical Character Recognizer (OCR)' awarded by Access to Information (A2I) program of Prime Minister's Office. Among other such research efforts, Telemedicine research initiative with Texas Instrument Inc, Wireless Capsule Endoscopy with University of Saskatchewan, Canada, Detection of fetal ECG with University of Tabuk, KSA and Breast cancer detection from ultrasound images with Riverside Institute, New York, USA are noteworthy. UIU has a good track record in organizing International Conferences. The EEE Dept of United International University has successfully hosted International Conference on the Developments in Renewable Energy Technology (ICDRET) in 2009, 2012 and 2014. The Dept. of CSE has organized 10th International Conference on Computer and Information Technology (ICCIIT) in 2007 and 8th International Conference on Software, Knowledge, Intelligent Management and Applications (SKIMA 2014) in December 2014.

PROJECT	DETAILS	GRANT	PARTNERS	ROLE OF UIU
LEADERS Project awarded in 2014:	The scholarship program for students and researchers/professionals from Regional Asia to European Union and vice versa.	Total grant amount : 2.99 million Euro (EU funded)	10 European & 10 Asian University Partners	UIU is the joint coordinator of this project
INTACT Project awarded in 2013	INTACT is a scholarship program for students and researchers/professionals on Bachelor, Masters, Doctoral, Post-Doctoral as well as Academic and Administrative Staff members from Regional Asia to European Union and vice versa.	Total grant in this project is 2.8 million Euro and 170 scholarships are available.	5 European & 12 Asian University are partners of this project.	UIU is the joint coordinator of this project and awarded 15 scholarships
FUSION Project awarded in 2013	Fusion project is an EU (ERUSMUS MUNDUS) project, aims to foster partnerships of emerging Asian countries (Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Nepal, Pakistan, China, India, and Thailand) with the EU countries (Bulgaria, France Germany, Hungary, Italy, Portugal, Sweden, and UK) to reinforce the existing collaborations developed through the EU funded projects.	Total grant amount in this project is 3.01 million Euro.	10 European & 10 Asian Universities are involved as partners in this project	UIU is the Joint coordinator of this project and only university in this project from Bangladesh.
cLink Project, 2012-2016	EU cLINK project that aims to foster partnerships of emerging Asian countries with the EU countries to reinforce the existing collaborations developed through the EAST-WEST Asia Link project, eLINK and eTourism.	UIU has been awarded EU cLINK project (2.5 million Euro)	6 European & 8 Asian Universities are involved as partners in this project	UIU is the joint coordinator of this project and the only partner from Bangladesh.
STRONG-TIES Project, 2010-2014	Project aims for mobility of high quality students, emerging, early stage and established researchers and administrators into Europe from the East-Asian region.	Total grant 2.8 million Euro	Over the duration of the project, there are over 100 scholarships and fellowships available.	Member Partner
eLINK Project, 2008-2011	Five host EU institutions, invited students, teachers and researchers of six Asian countries to carry out 10 months study/research activities funding of which were borne by European Union	Duration of the project was 45 months and worth 5.5 million Euro.	From a total of 334 scholarships, Bangladesh enjoyed 85 scholarships	UIU was the only Bangladeshi university that took part as a partner university to this project.

Scholarships and Financial Awards

Fulltime undergraduate students may get tuition fee waiver from 25% to 100% for the entire program graduate students entering in Masters program may also qualify for 15% to 25% tuition fee waiver.

Year	Number of Scholarships	Total Amount (BDT)
2014	3061	9,42,58,308
2013	3015	8,51,76,741
2012	3249	8,72,25,515
2011	2780	6,80,59,402
2010	2410	5,23,92,156

Summary of Tuition Fee Waiver and Scholarships Awarded in last 5 Years have been shown.

UIUians Achievements

Hackathon 2014:	1st prize: An UIU team comprising Khalid Shafulah, Partha Pratim Sutradhar, Najmul Hsan, Mahmudur Rashid, Tashfiqul Bari - Taka 2 Lacs as prize money	
Policy Dialogue 2014:	Champion: Nusrath Jahan won the competition Policy Dialog 2014 organized by North South University Young Economists Forum.	
The Future Leaders Program (FLP) (2012-13):	Out of 8 awards 5 were won by UIU Graduates. The winners are - Tahseen Jannat, Israt Eher, Partha Sarathi Biswas, Nancy Christina Sinha and Sabrina Jahan. All Visited ALTS, University Milan for courses.	Over 250 business graduates from DU, IBA, NSU, UIU, EWU, AIUB, Jahangirnagar University, Jagannath University & other public and private universities of the country took part in the competition.
Future leadership program FLP (2013-14):	First Place: Nuzhat Shahzadi, a BBA student of United International University (UIU), secured the first place in this nationwide competition - Got the award of Full MBA scholarship in Milan.	More than 400 participants from both public and private universities participated in the show to prove their leadership excellence. It was a 5 month long nation-wide business-educational TV reality show.
Brandwitz:	UIU team comprising of Shafayet, Nabila, Mourin and Nuzhat with Mr. Khondker Mahmudur Rahman as the faculty advisor was adjudged as the 1st runner up in the 2013 Brandwitz competition	Organized by the Institute of Business Administration (IBA) of University of Dhaka competing with 30 teams from business schools of all the well know public and private universities
Lanka Bangla Financial Portal Case Competition Alpha Hunters:	UIU team, consisting of Md Fuhad Hasan and Mufti Mejbaur Rahman clenched the 2nd Runner-Up award in the Lanka Bangla Alpha Hunters financial competition 2013.	140 teams from 14 universities participated in the competition.
Financial IT Case Competition:	UIU team comprising of 4 students i) Md. Feroz Bepari - CSE ii) Md. Nasir Khan - CSE iii) Md. Aminul Islam - BBA iv) Sabrina Haque - BBA and a faculty member (CSE), Mr. S.M. Shabab Hossain - Project Manager has clinched Championship Award-Prize money of US \$ 5000	53 teams participated in 2nd Citi Financial IT Case Competition.
National Innovative Project Competition:	Md. Nadeem Chowdhury, Wahidul Islam and Abdul Mukit, students of EEE Department of UIU got the 2nd prize for their innovative project entitled as "Easy Programmable Mobile Robot (Learning Kit)"	National innovative project competition held on 15th March, 2012 and organized by Independent University, Dhaka, Bangladesh.
Economics Quiz championship at AIEA:	UIU students Shahadath Hossain, Shompa Roseline Rozario and Sourav Kumar Paul secured the top position	Quiz competition held at Annual Independent Economic Assembly (AIEA) 2011 arranged by the Independent Economic Society of Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB).
UIU Debate Club:	•Mr. Sharif Uddin Ahmed Rana, an MBA student and Ex-President of UIU Debate Club, participated in World University Debate Championship (WUCC) 2013, at four different universities in the United Kingdom (UK) and also in the UK Parliament House for debating and adjudicating purposes from October 2012 to January 2013. •UIU debate team became champion debate championships BSHRM HR (English) Debate 2015 •Champion in 7th UIU National Debate Championship (English) 2013..	
Photography Club Achievements:	•Jubair Bin Iqbal got Best Nature photo (editor's choice) of Creation Earth, Marietta, Georgia and was one of the top 15 photographs in Sony World Photographic Competition 2015. •Darshan Chakma was the finalist IPA Photography Competition in Asia 2012, "Commended Photographer" award in Sony World Photographic Competition in 2011, won first prize in life category in Airtel Break the Circle Competition" in 2011, won third Position in the Photo Story Category in International Inter University Photography Exhibition, Bangladesh 2011 and got best Portrait Award & BPS Trophy in 2011 •KuntalBlaiseD'Costa got 3rd Prize at Break the Circle 2013 organized by Brac University, 2nd prize at Bangladesh Inter University Photography Exhibition, Season 1 in Still Life Category and 3rd Prize in Life Style Category.	