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### IUB holds orientation programme for Spring 2018

Independent University Bangladesh (IUB) implemented its Spring 2018 semester's orientation programme for newly admitted undergraduate students on January 13, 2018 at the university's own campus in Bashundhara, Dhaka.

Welcoming the newly enrolled students and the parents, Prof. M. Omar Rahman, VC, IUB mentioned that this year IUB is celebrating its 25th anniversary. He heartily thanked them for choosing IUB towards crafting their lives by coping with new challenges. He called upon the freshers to capitalize the "IUB Life" in order to come out as the best professionals in respective fields along.

Highlighting the academic rules and regulations of the University, Brig. Gen. (Retd.) Md. Anwarul Islam, Registrar of IUB requested the students to be abide by them, and assured of extending all essential cooperation to the new students and their parents.

The event was conducted by Lima Choudhury,
Deputy Director, Undergraduate Admissions and
Financial Aid Office of IUB. Apart from the students,
parents, guardians, members of the faculty and management of IUB were present during the daylong orientation programme.

# ULAB signs MoU with Washburn University, USA



The University of Liberal Arts Bangladesh (ULAB) has signed an MoU with Washburn University, Kansas, USA on January 9, 2017 at Chancellery of ULAB, Dhanmondi. Andy Vogel, Director, International Programs signed on behalf of Washburn and Prof. Imran Rahman, Special Advisor to the ULAB's Board of Trustees, signed on behalf of ULAB.

ULAB and Washburn University have agreed to establish and enhance educational links between the two institutions through both educational and academic exchanges. These exchanges include mutually beneficial academic programmes and courses, exchange of academic staff for purposes of teaching and research, joint research, lectures and training, exchange of students for study, research and internship, and academic transfer agreements.

Prof. Dr. Milan Kumar Bhattacharjee, Treasurer, ULAB; Prof. Akhtar Ahmed, Registrar, ULAB; Abu Hena Md. Rasel, Director, Career Service Office, ULAB; and Anil Parajuli, Washburn Alumni attended the signing ceremony among others.

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#### AIUB holds general meeting of new semester

The general meeting of the Spring semester of 2017—2018 of the American International University Bangladesh (AIUB) was held on January 11, 2018 in permanent campus at Kuril. The VC Dr. Carmen Z. Lamagna presided over the meeting. In connection with conducting Spring semester 2017—2018, teachers and officials were informed about the academic calendar, teaching procedures, related courses, examination and publication of result including rules and regula-

tion of the university. Founder, Vice President & Treasurer Dr. Hasanul A. Hasan gave his speech and necessary directives to the faculty members to cooperate and assist the students. Founder and Vice President (Student Affairs) Nadia Anwar was also present on that meeting.

The meeting emphasised on running the academic activities in excellent manner and maintaining discipline in campuses during Spring semester.

## **Southern University** successfully organises international civil engineering conference

A two-day international conference titled "Research and Innovation in Civil Engineering" concluded yesterday, organised by Southern University of Bangladesh, at The Institution of Engineers, Chittagong.

Professor Emeritus of BRAC University and water resource and climate change specialist Dr. Ainun Nishat was present as the chief guest on the concluding session.

During the session Prof. Dr. Mohammad Ali Newaz, Associate Dean of America Chicago State University and Prof. Dr. Hossain M Shahin from Islamic University of Technology (IUT) presented two keynote speeches on the occasion.

A total of 44 research papers were presented in the conference on topics including structures, earthquake, geotechnical and foundation, traffic and transportation, water resources, flood control and mitigation, environmental, materials engineering, construction and management, urbanisation and build environment, and advances in civil engineering education.

Prof. Abdul Mannan, Chairman, University Grants Commission (UGC), inaugurated the conference as the chief guest. Presided over by Prof. Mozammel Hoque, Advisor to Civil Engineering Department of the university, the conference was addressed by Prof. Dr. Md. Nurul Mustafa, VC of Southern University, founder Prof. Sarwar Jahan and IEB Chairman Engr. Sadeq Md. Chowdhury.

# **EU** starts new journey at permanent campus

The much awaited inauguration of the Permanent Campus of Eastern University (EU) came to reality as Abdullah Al Hasan Chowdhury, Additional Secretary (Universities), Ministry of Education declared the opening of classes at the new campus of at Savar.

In the presence of hundreds of students and faculty members from all the departments of the university, members of the BOT, officials, and other staff members, the inauguration programme turned into a festival for the decade old top-ranked private university. Chairman of the BOT, Engr. Kh. Mesbah Uddin Ahmed announced that all modern facilities will be available at the campus and students will feel more than at home in the lovely natural surroundings. VC (Acting) Prof. Dr. Md. Nurul Islam assured that EU will become one of the best seats of higher learning in the region with its continued commitment towards quality in education.

The complete campus project includes football and cricket fields, an auditorium, library, residence accommodation for faculty members, officials, and separate dormitories for male and female students on a sprawling 20 bigha land.

EU is recognised as one of the leading private universities in Bangladesh, attracting talented and experienced faculty members for imparting quality education to its students at an affordable cost with a view to prepare them succeed in their careers and contribute significantly to nation building.

#### **BUFT** hosts Intra Model United Nations Conference 2018

With the theme "Connected Youth towards Global Peace", the opening ceremony of the BUFT Intra Model United Nations Conference 2018 was held on January 4, 2018. The opening plenary session began in the presence of VC Prof. Dr. Nizamuddin Ahmed who was the chief guest, and Pro-VC Prof. Dr. Eng. Ayub Nabi Khan. President of United Nations Youth Students Association Bangladesh (UNYSAB) Md. Mamun Mia was also present as a special guest. The guests conveyed valuable and inspirational messages towards the delegates and also discussed how the youth can unite to

ensure peace, prosperity and development in the world.

The conference was conducted by Secretary General Md. Tamzid Hayder and Tawrat Sikder who is also the founder President of BUFTMUNA. In the conference, 200 delegates were present who represented various countries in the committee sessions.

Model United Nations is the reflection of how the United Nations and their different branches solve the world problems and maintain peace and tranquility among different nations.