

# IBA GRADUATION '19

GATEWAY TO GLORY



### MESSAGE FROM THE VICE CHANCELLOR

On behalf of the University of Dhaka, I congratulate all the graduates who have successfully completed their undergraduate, graduate and doctoral degrees from the Institute of Business Administration (IBA). I express my sincere gratitude and congratulations to the parents and families of our graduates, who have sincerely helped our students for this accomplishment. I would also like to take this opportunity to express my deepest gratitude to our faculties for enabling these great minds to blossom. Our staff members for their administrative support, and our alumni for their continued devotion and contribution to the development of IBA and its parent institution, the University of Dhaka.

As you all know, graduating from IBA of DU is a challenging task, and this marks a significant achievement in your life. But let us not be complacent with this achievement. Now is the time to think about how to make this graduation ceremony a springboard for future success and also to reflect back on ourselves and consider those around us. I believe that such self-reflection on one's achievements is distinctive of how IBA, DU members genuinely celebrate what they have achieved.

Whether your IBA degree becomes a mere ornament, or a justified accolade depends on how you contribute to your community. We just need to continue our tradition of supporting our community, particularly to those who are less fortunate, and our country as a whole, each in our own way. As you enter your respective job arenas, your responsibilities will be different. But I believe that the way you will contribute to your nation will make a difference and have greater impact on society. Your contributions will be marked with your dedication and innovation. They will reflect the dignity and humility of you as a person, along with the knowledge and skill as experts in your respective fields. They will also embody your civic virtues and your courage against the injustice in the world.

I sincerely hope that you will always keep your alma mater in a very special place in your hearts. The nation is looking forward to your contributions to accelerate the development of our country. My heartfelt congratulations to you all once again!

Long live Dhaka University. Long live Bangladesh.

Professor Dr. Md. Akhtaruzzaman  
Vice-Chancellor  
University of Dhaka



### MESSAGE FROM THE PRO VICE CHANCELLOR (ACADEMIC)

It fills me with immense joy to extend my heartfelt congratulations to the graduates of BBA, MBA, EMBA and DBA batches from the Institute of Business Administration, University of Dhaka on this glorious occasion of their graduation ceremony.

University of Dhaka was established in 1921 and ever since then, it has strived to provide quality education to its students and turn them into not only brilliant minds, but also good humans. IBA was established in 1961 with a vision of nurturing people who will be taking decisions with bravery and strong personality traits, and leading in different fields in the future with a devotion to do good. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate everyone who has been a part of this institute and helped it to become what it is today. Congratulations to faculties who have been constantly guiding the students; congratulations to the parents of the students who have inspired them and guided them for coming so far, and of course, congratulations to all the students who are graduating this year.

IBA has always been the center of excellence and it has paved the way for technological developments. Recently, it has made meaningful investments and remarkable changes in its curriculum. It has signed deals to ensure students with innovative ideas get the chance to explore these through an innovation lab. Moreover, it has redesigned its curriculum to reflect the evolving business environment, better evaluate the students' performance and practice innovating teaching methods. The University of Dhaka has always been supportive of these changes and will continue to provide IBA with necessary assistance regarding the implementation of new initiatives to aid the students. Because these powerful and positive contributions from the university will help the nation in its development.

Dear graduates of 2019, you will now be entering a new phase in your life. This is a crucial phase. But IBA has equipped you with all that you need to shine in this new phase in your life as well. Remember what you learned here and go on to your new venture. In doing so, I want you to keep a couple of things in your minds. First, hard work will never go unrewarded, so no matter what your goal is, remember to work hard for it. And second, it is very important to be patriotic. In this new phase of your life, whatever you do, always try to give something back to your motherland.

I would like to conclude with a quote by Ralph Waldo Emerson, "Without ambition, one starts nothing. Without work, one finishes nothing. The prize will not be sent to you. You have to win it." In your life, always remember the hard work and effort you gave to become who you are today. I wish you all the best fortune in all your endeavors.

Professor Dr. Nasreen Ahmad  
Pro-Vice Chancellor (Academic)  
University of Dhaka



### MESSAGE FROM THE PRO VICE CHANCELLOR (ADMINISTRATION)

On this remarkable occasion, I am extremely pleased to offer my heartfelt congratulations to the graduating batches of BBA, MBA, EMBA and DBA students, 2019. Your graduation is a glorious celebration of your hard work, and I am humbled to wish you for your achievements.

Your graduation is a joyous occasion that for your hard work in the past few years, all your sacrifices and perseverance, has led to. You have overcome obstacles, braved through difficulties, faced failure, recovered and kept going. And now, you are here. You have made your University, faculty at IBA, your parents, your friends and yourselves proud.

However, be warned. This is not the end of your learning. Graduation precedes the beginning of your career. This time in anybody's life is an unnerve yet crucial one. You will be working out in the real world, with a lot of pressure on you, with a lot of hard work for you to do. There is still a lot that you have to learn. Always be reminded that your education did not, and will never, end with any degree. You have been sufficiently equipped with knowledge and skills to go into the corporate world, learn, gain experience and make it your own. I ask you to do something with your capabilities, make the world a better place. Leave your mark on it.

Remember that you have been given a tremendous responsibility; you now represent not only yourself, but IBA as well. This responsibility has been assigned to many before you, and they have maintained it existently. It is now up to you to carry on the legacy forward, to live up to the very high standards expected of IBA graduates. I strongly believe that you are capable of doing all these and more. It is my belief that you will incorporate in you the wisdom to take our beloved country forward and become pioneers in various fields, and that your success will know no bounds. I sincerely hope that you will be exceptional in whatever career paths you pursue and that you always keep growing as individuals.

However, I urge you to never compromise your integrity, no matter how big the lure. Hold on to your values. Always remember where you came from, and try to do something for those who have always supported you. Remember that monetary success is not everything in life; there are things that are far more invaluable. Being a good human being is one of them. If you have the ability to help another human being, do it. The world will return the goodness to you in plentiful. Please, be tolerant; it is natural for people to have different opinions. You should be open to listening to their views. They may be learning opportunities in disguise. The world is in need of more kindness, benevolence and tolerance, and I pray that none of it lacks in you. I hope you will always go forward in life with kindness, compassion and empathy.

It has been an honor for me to be part of this great University, I am sure the same is true for you. Thus, being the torch bearer of this university, maintain and cherish the responsibility entrusted on you. I wish you all the best in life, and hope that you achieve the greatness you deserve.

Dr. Muhammad Samad  
Pro-Vice Chancellor (Administration)  
University of Dhaka



### MESSAGE FROM THE GRADUATION SPEAKER

Dear Graduating students of IBA, as you finish your student life and step into the corporate reality, all your learnings and experiences from your institution will become assets. Now that it is almost time for you all to move your tassels from one side to another, it is time that you look to the future and utilize your learning for the greater good of the business community, society and the country as a whole.

Driving the growth of business is crucial for the steady progress of our economy. It is evident that our business sector has experienced a growth that defies expectations. An organization's success largely depends on the people who are leading it. IBA, the oldest and most reputed business school of the country, has likewise produced an unprecedented quality of leaders and performers across the spectrum. Nothing short of perfection and excellence is now expected of the graduates of IBA.

We are proud to say that IBA has been consistently providing the industry with some of the best leaders of business enterprises. Those who are graduating this year are going to shoulder the responsibility of sustaining this reputation as well as building on the legacy of IBA. They must utilize the tools IBA has given them to the fullest of their capacity and become resources in whichever field they work. I hope the graduates of this Ceremony will prove their competency with utmost dedication and take it upon themselves to bring new and innovative approaches to tackle national and even global issues while exhibiting the best work ethic. They are set to become role models for the future generation of graduates. I urge them all to exhibit utmost sincerity and establish paramount ethical standards in their work.

It is my great pleasure to be associated with the graduation ceremony 2019 of IBA. I would like to take the opportunity to extend my heartfelt congratulations to all the students of Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA), Executive Masters of Business Administration (EMBA), Masters of Business Administration (MBA), and Doctor of Business Administration (DBA) from the Institute of Business Administration (IBA). I also offer my sincerest gratitude to the faculties and administration of IBA for arranging such a grand event.

I would also like to mention that the business community has always been a partner to IBA since its inception and will continue to support an institution that not only produces successful business graduates, but also responsible business leaders of the future.

Dr. Rubana Huq  
President  
BGMEA



### MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

I have always considered it a privilege to congratulate students who make it to the end of their journey as university students. At the same time, I also consider it as the beginning of their journey as real life students to learn as experiential learners. Therefore, the graduation setting is filled with the joy of completion as well as deliberates on future responsibility! However, we delve on these two while sitting at present. Thus, it is important for all to appreciate the importance of the past, present, and future as it relates to the graduation ceremony itself. Let me start from the past. Graduation ceremony certifies that you have survived the rigor of academic pursuit and gives you the opportunity to go into the real life and prove your worth. There is no doubt in my mind that you are graduating from the best business school of the country, therefore, it is expected that you have in you the character and traits to offer the highest level of professionalism to the world. This expectation makes you not only more responsible but even more susceptible to criticism in case you fail to take the right decision. This bridge of graduation ceremony whilst giving you the recognition of the best in the nation also challenges you to perform better compared to all business graduates from other universities of the country.

Let me focus on the ceremony itself. The present, i.e. the graduation ceremony, is in reality, the bridge between the past and the future. You as graduates, today, are sitting on this bridge. There is no chance of going back, for there is already traffic behind you. The only way out is going forward! But again, beyond the bridge, are multiple paths; while sitting on this bridge you need to decide which path to take. Please be clear in mind that all that you hear and see today are various possible paths that you may choose from. The future prospects being discussed by your peers in terms of their aspirations, guidance outlined by your faculty members in terms of your responsibilities towards your Alma Mater or society, the recommendation outlined regarding basic values and norms that one should follow; all are possible paths that are being set for you to choose from. Let us forget, it is only you who can make this decision. This is the decisive moment, the time available is too short, but the decision that you take will change your life. This, my dear students is the primary purpose of the graduation ceremony. The element of rejoice is only short lived, the outcome is the decision you make based on your intellectual credence. I firmly believe that IBA has provided you with the right acumen to make the correct decision.

Regarding the future, I intend to highlight on one specific issue, today's generation lives a very different life compared to that of the yester years. This will hold true for future generations to come too. This one fact implies that you must be prepared for continuous change to meet the requirements of the future humanity and for their well being. It also implies that learning is a continuous process and thus your graduation must not be considered as the end of the learning journey. Always remember that skills are to be continuously upgraded throughout your life. Wish you the best for your future endeavors.

Professor Dr. Syed Ferhat Anwar  
Director  
IBA, University of Dhaka

## IBA PROGRAMS

- Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA)
- Master of Business Administration (MBA)
- Master of Business Administration (Executive) (EMBA)
- Master of Philosophy (MPhil)
- Doctor of Business Administration (DBA)
- Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)
- Management Development Program

## CHAMPIONS OF IBA IN 2018-2019



- CreADive 2018
- Rise High Bangladesh 2018
- Samsung Edge 2019
- Regional WASH Innovation Challenge
- Optimity 2019
- TEXBIZ 2019
- PWK 2019
- Inter Department Basketball Competition 2018-19
- IUT IT Business Case Competition 2019
- BIZnnovogy 2019
- Econprodigy 4.0
- BUETDC BP Debate Championship 2019
- BDF ILO- Dhaka Division Debate Championship 2019

## DIRECTOR'S HONOR LIST

### GRADUATING BATCHES

BBA 23 MBA 56 & 57 EMBA 27, 28, 29 DBA 2

### BBA Program

Mohammad Sohrawardy CGPA: 3.99 Recipient of S.A. Huq Memorial Gold Medal	
Farah Naz Aditi CGPA: 3.98	Asif Iqbal CGPA: 3.88
Mujtaba Rafid Rafa CGPA: 3.94	Anbar Nawar Orpa CGPA: 3.86
Ashrafur Rashid Roman CGPA: 3.91	Numaya Eu Illma CGPA: 3.86
Kazi Ahmed Arif Fuad CGPA: 3.89	Fahim Islam Shetab CGPA: 3.76
Shopnil Paul CGPA: 3.89	Adib Abrar CGPA: 3.75

### MBA Program

Md. Sarwar Iqbal CGPA: 3.95 Recipient of M.A. Taleb Gold Medal	
Kaniz Fatema CGPA: 3.90	
Irtiza Ahmed Salman CGPA: 3.98	Md. Rezwanur Rahman Majumder CGPA: 3.83
Kazi Abrar Hossain CGPA: 3.95	Md. Mobasshir Arshed Naved CGPA: 3.83

### EMBA Program

Md. Walee Zaman CGPA: 3.87	Rubayat Mannan Rafi CGPA: 3.80
Sheikh Md. Shahrul Amin CGPA: 3.87	Mohammad Akhtab Ul Huda CGPA: 3.76