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PRESIDENT
PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH
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25 Magh 1416
07 February 2010

Message

I am pleased to learn that BRAC University is going to observe its 5th convocation on 7th February 2010. On this happy occasion, I extend my sincere felicitations to the graduates, their parents and the university authority as well.

Quality education is the essence of the time that to be ensured collectively. Universities, I believe, as the centre of excellence would provide world-standard education to the students. Convocation, a solemn occasion of the university, recognises the academic achievements of the students that they have earned through long perseverance. It provides ample opportunities to the graduates to enter professional life and also gives some responsibilities to them for making welfare of the nation. I believe the graduates of the university would put their best endeavour for the well-being of the common people imbued with the sense of patriotism.

I wish the 5th Convocation of BRAC University a success.

Khoda Hafez, May Bangladesh Live Forever.

Md.Zillur Rahman

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ



PRIME MINISTER
GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF
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I am pleased to learn that the 5th Convocation of BRAC University is going to be held on 7 February 2010.

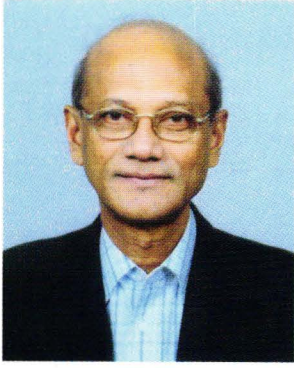
On this occasion, I extend my heartiest felicitations to graduating students and congratulate them on their achievement. Credit also goes to their parents, guardians, the faculty and all members of BRAC University, who have played vital roles in bringing the students to this hallowed juncture.

I hope that the graduates will nurture a dream to embrace the duty of transforming the socio-economic landscape of Bangladesh.

I wish the Convocation all out success.

Joi Bangla, Joi Bangabandhu
May Bangladesh Live Forever

Sheikh Hasina



Nurul Islam Nahid M.P.
Minister

Ministry of Education
Government of the People's
Republic of Bangladesh

Date : 02-02-2010

Message

It gives me great pleasure to congratulate the graduates of BRAC University on the successful completion of their degrees. Each one of them has achieved an important milestone and will join the ranks of the increasingly distinguished alumni of this university.

I firmly believe that education is the most meaningful investment that society can make to make great strides in development, and in attaining the values of tolerance, mutual respect and enlightenment. The higher the level of education, the deeper will we root ourselves in a culture of democracy-a culture that is interral to the economic and social transformation of our nation.

Needles to say, the skills and training that a good education provides equip an individual to better navigate the terrain of an incresingly complex world, and confront emerging challenges with greater confidence.

I urge the graduates to proceed on their journey with the idea that their education must have an outcome above and beyond what dividends it brings in their personal lives. At every step of the way, remember that you are the future leaders of Bangladesh and the future of our nation rests collectively on your shoulders.

I wish the graduates every success in their future endeavours.

(Nurul Islam Nahid M.P)



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Professor Nazrul Islam
Chairman

February 7, 2010



Message

I am pleased that BRAC University is celebrating its 5th Convocation. I congratulate the graduates on this auspicious occasion.

It is a source of pride for the nation, I believe, that the vision with which private universities have progressed since the Private University Act came into force more than a decade ago, is indeed commendable. This has added a new dimension to tertiary education in our country.

BRAC University has moulded itself as a centre for excellence in teaching and research, where young professionals of Bangladesh have found a platform for innovative thinking and action. I laud the university for its efforts to make its curricula relevant to the world we live in. BRAC University has also made efforts in providing scholarships to meritorious and underprivileged, students – a practice that could play a tremendous role in allowing some of the finest undiscovered minds of this country the opportunity to flourish.

It remains for me to wish you young graduates every success in your lives ahead and I hope that you will carry the spark of idealism imbued in you by this institution in all your future work.

Professor Nazrul Islam



Message of the President, Governing Board

At the very outset, I offer my heartfelt congratulations to graduates of the Fifth Convocation of BRAC University. It is a moment of great pride for all of us, as this day represents a milestone in our onward journey to the realisation of our educational goals. It is not only our graduates, who deserve our congratulations today, but also their parents and the faculty and staff of the university, who collectively contribute to the vibrancy and excellence of this university.

In just nine years, BRAC University has come a remarkably long way. Recognised as one of the top-ranking private universities in the country, BRAC University has consistently endeavoured to provide the best education to its students, by offering courses and programmes that are relevant to the needs of the contemporary world. At the core of its vision lies a commitment to broad-based learning that leads to critical thinking and the ability to accommodate a diversity of perspectives.

Mindful of the critical needs of our society, the university has made great efforts to be a centre for innovation and cutting edge research, offering specialised postgraduate programmes in Governance, Public Health, Education, Development Studies, Business Administration, Journalism, Biotechnology, Applied Economics, Disaster Management, and English literature and Applied Linguistics.

My advice to our graduates today is that you reflect on what you have achieved so far while also remembering that there is so much more to learn. Your education is not just the sum of all its parts; rather, in its totality, it should enrich you with a deeper insight into the workings of the society and the world you live in. You have had the privilege of receiving an excellent education. With this privilege, though, also comes the responsibility to use this education for the betterment of our society, to improve the lives of all those who have not had the same opportunities that you enjoyed.

Congratulations and warm wishes for the future.

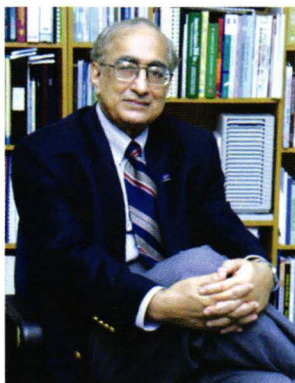
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Fazle Hasan Abed
President
Governing Board

Professor Jamilur R. Choudhury

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Vice Chancellor



Message from the Vice Chancellor

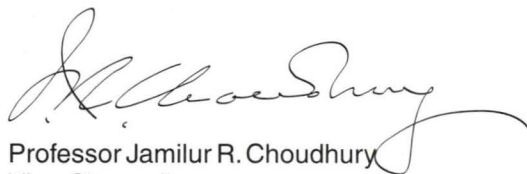
It gives me great pleasure to congratulate the fifth graduating class of BRAC University on this auspicious day.

With every year that goes by BRAC University is moving ahead with tremendous strides and our students and graduates are the finest proof of this progress. Our attainment today is the fruit of hard work, sincerity and devotion, and that is what we are celebrating today. Parents and guardians also deserve special recognition for all they have done to ensure that the graduating students reach this academic milestone successfully. Congratulations are due to them as well! And, needless to say, the faculty and staff that form the backbone of this institution deserve praise for always striving to help students achieve their full potential.

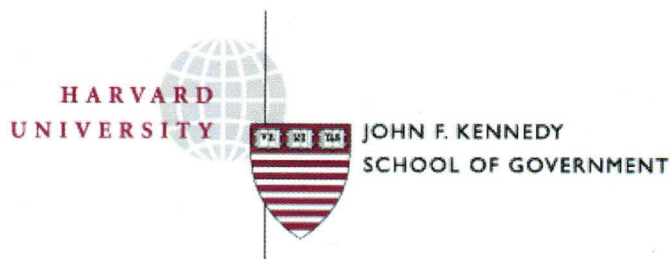
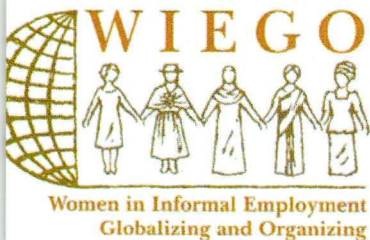
Understanding the complexities and challenges that the world poses is integral to one's higher learning and by dint of learning one joins the ranks of the privileged: those who are empowered to make tremendous differences in the lives of those who are less fortunate. And so it is, that I remind you to go forth as conscientious members of society who meet challenges head on. We have endeavoured to provide you with a broad-based education that will give you the knowledge necessary to succeed in your chosen profession. We have also tried to inculcate in you a desire for life-long learning. I am confident that the knowledge and training gained here will hold you in good stead in whatever career you choose to pursue in the future.

I hope all of you will succeed in following your dreams, and someday become leaders in your fields. Continue to learn from others, widen your knowledge and gain deeper wisdom: this is my advice to you for your future advancement!

Once again, I congratulate you on your achievement and wish you the best as you set out into the world.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Choudhury".

Professor Jamilur R. Choudhury
Vice Chancellor



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Message

It is a great pleasure and privilege to congratulate BRAC University and its fifth graduating class.

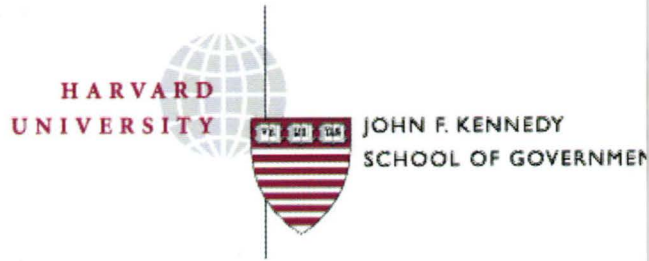
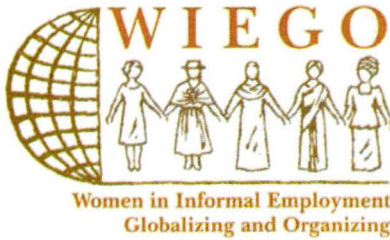
We live in an interconnected yet troubled world that needs new answers to persistent old problems and emerging new problems - as well as a renewed commitment to social justice. The challenge facing higher education today is how to equip the next generation of leaders with the skills they need to find answers to complex development problems and the values they need to promote social justice.

Now eight years old, BRAC University has equipped five batches of graduates with many of the necessary skills and values. As the graduates pursue their careers in private enterprises, public service, or non-governmental organizations, they will need to draw and build on these skills and values. I commend BRAC University – its founders, leaders, and faculty – for a job well done. And I congratulate the 2010 graduates of the University on their hard work and achievements.

Since 1971, Bangladesh has experienced greater economic growth and human development than was expected. Wide gender gaps in education, health, and employment have been narrowed. The graduates of BRAC University should take pride in – but also learn from - the key role that BRAC and other non-governmental organizations have played in promoting economic and human development of Bangladesh. But major challenges remain, including democratic governance, employment outside of agriculture and the garment sector, and expanded access to health and education services.

Congratulations again to the founders, leaders, faculty, and students of BRAC University – and especially to the graduating class of 2010. I wish you all the best for your future work and for your commitment to human development and social justice.

Marty Chen
Harvard Kennedy School
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Brief Biography of Martha Chen

Martha (Marty) Chen is a Lecturer in Public Policy at the Harvard Kennedy School and International Coordinator of the global research policy network Women in Informal Employment: Globalizing and Organizing (WIEGO). An experienced development practitioner and scholar, she specializes in the links between employment, poverty, and gender. Before joining Harvard University in 1987, she lived in Bangladesh for eight years where she worked with BRAC, as head of the women's program, and in India for six years where she served as field representative of Oxfam America for India and Bangladesh. She is the author of numerous books, including an early book on BRAC entitled *A Quiet Revolution: Women in Transition in Rural Bangladesh* and, more recently, *Progress of the World's Women 2005: Women, Work, and Poverty; Women and Men in the Informal Economy: A Statistical Picture; and Perpetual Mourning: Widowhood in Rural India*. Chen received a PhD in South Asia regional studies from the University of Pennsylvania.



Message

It is a high honor for me to join you in this great celebratory event.

Graduation – like birth, marriage, parenthood – is a landmark event of life. It represents the culmination of much investment of talent, time, money, and most important of all very hard work! It also marks a milestone in your life growth and learning process. From classrooms and structured studies, you will move into applying, using, and adapting knowledge in pursuit of your life's endeavors.

As you embark on your lives and careers, these formative years will play an increasingly important, not diminishing, role. For what you do in life will not be based on what you have memorized in the classroom. Rather, the totality of your educational experience has shaped how you think, understand, communicate, and assess life's unfolding adventures. These attributes gained through the educational process – some in the classroom but most without – will determine how you navigate your life choices ahead. And never forget the friendships that will be sustained through your lifetime.

So, this Convocation is a rite of passage. It brings to fruition all of the earlier investments that you and your family have made. It also demarcates the social and educational assets you will bring into your future. And most important of all, it will enable you to shift your learning from the classroom to the continuous search for truth, knowledge, and values that will bring richness to your lives and careers.

I join in extending my heartiest congratulations to all of you, especially the graduates and their families, for their achievements. And may I offer my sincerest best wishes for the exciting promise of your futures.

Sincerely yours,



Lincoln C. Chen, MD
President



Brief Biography of Lincoln C. Chen

Lincoln C. Chen is President of the China Medical Board. Started in 1914, the Board was endowed by John D. Rockefeller as an independent American foundation to advance health in China and Asia by strengthening medical education, research, and policies.

Dr. Chen was the Founding Director of the Harvard Global Equity Initiative (2001-2006), and in an earlier decade (1987-1996), the Taro Takemi Professor of International Health and Director of the University-wide Harvard Center for Population and Development Studies. In 1997-2001, Dr. Chen served as Executive Vice-President of the Rockefeller Foundation.

Earlier during the period 1970-1987, Dr. Chen worked in Bangladesh and India. In 1970 as a junior scientist, he worked at the Cholera Research Laboratory, and later he served as the Scientific Director of the newly-established ICDDR,B in 1976-1980. In 1973-1980, he was a program officer of the Ford Foundation in Dhaka, during which he was also a visiting professor of nutrition at Dhaka University and a visiting scientist at the Bangladesh Institute for Development Studies. In 1981-1987, Dr. Chen served as the Representative of the Ford Foundation for India, Nepal, and Sri Lanka.

In 2008, Dr. Chen assumed the Chair of the Board of BRAC USA, having completed two terms as Chair of the Board of CARE/USA in 2007. He serves as Co-Chair of the Advisory Committee to the FXB Center on Health and Human Rights at Harvard. Dr. Chen also serves on the Board of the Social Science Research Council, the Institute of Metrics and Evaluation (University of Washington), the Public Health Foundation of India, and the UN Fund for International Partnership (counterpart to UN Foundation). He was the Special Envoy of the WHO Director-General in Human Resources for Health (2004-2007), and the Founding Chair of the Global Health Workforce Alliance (2006-2008).

Dr. Chen is a member of the National Academy of Sciences' Institute of Medicine, the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the World Academy of Arts and Sciences, and the Council on Foreign Relations. He graduated from Princeton University (BA), Harvard Medical School (MD), and the Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene and Public Health (MPH).

Highlights



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BRAC University (BRACU) was established in March 2001. It is a broad-based academic institution that provides undergraduate and graduate degrees through the following programs:

Undergraduate Programs

- Bachelor of Architecture
- Bachelor of Arts in English
- Bachelor of Business Administration
- Bachelor of Laws
- Bachelor of Science in Applied Physics and Electronics
- Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
- Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Engineering
- Bachelor of Science in Electronics & Communication Engineering
- Bachelor of Science in Electrical and Electronic Engineering
- Bachelor of Science in Mathematics
- Bachelor of Science in Physics
- Bachelor of Social Science in Economics

Graduate Programs

- Master of Arts in English
- Master of Science in Applied Economics
- Master of Business Administration
- Master of Development Studies
- Master of Arts in Governance & Development
- Master of Public Health

- Master of Science in Biotechnology
- Master in Bank Management
- Executive MBA
- Master of Science in Electrical and Electronic Engineering
- Master of Engineering in Electrical and Electronic Engineering
- Masters in Early Childhood Development
- Master in Educational Leadership, Planning and Management
- Master of Disaster Management

Postgraduate Diploma & Certificate Programs

- Postgraduate Certificate in Disaster Management
- Postgraduate Diploma in Disaster Management
- Postgraduate Diploma in Early Childhood Development
- Postgraduate Diploma in Macroeconomic Analysis
- Postgraduate Certificate in Early Childhood Development
- Postgraduate Diploma in Educational Leadership, Planning and Management

The main campus is located in Mohakhali, Dhaka in the six-storied and twenty-storied BRAC University Building and Civil Engineers Bhaban, while the residential campus is located at Training and Resource Center (TARC), Savar. The institutes are located in Gulshan and Niketon in Dhaka City.



Highlights Partners in Education

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Over the years BRAC University has partnered with the following reputed academic institutions around the world to enhance our own educational experience by learning from others.

Institute of Governance Studies

- Korea Development Institute School of Public Policy and Management, Seoul, Korea
- Monash University, Australia
- Griffith University, Australia
- University of Manitoba, Canada
- Basel Institute of Governance, Basel University, Switzerland
- George Mason University, USA

Institute of Educational Development

- George Washington University, Washington, DC, USA
- National University of Educational Planning and Administration, New Delhi
- University of Sussex, UK
- Columbia University, New York, USA
- Aga Khan Foundation, Canada
- Open Society Institute - London
- Victoria University, Canada
- Yale University, USA
- Portland State University, USA
- University of Massachusetts, USA

James P Grant School of Public Health

- Bloomberg School of Public Health, Johns Hopkins University, USA
- Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University, USA
- George Washington University, USA
- Harvard School of Public Health, Harvard University, USA
- Heidelberg University, Germany
- International Centre for Diarrhoeal Disease Research, Bangladesh (ICDDR,B)

- Karolin Institute, Sweden
- Kerala Institute, India
- London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, UK
- TATA Institute of Social Sciences (TISS), India
- University of Amsterdam, Netherlands
- University of Aberdeen, UK
- University of Liverpool, UK
- University of Nagasaki, Japan

BRAC Business School

- Asian Institute of Technology, Bangkok
- Asian Institute of Management, Manila
- University of South Australia
- Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania, USA

Department of Architecture

- University of Illinois, Chicago, USA

Postgraduate Programs in Disaster Management

- Northumbria University, UK
- Katmandu University, Nepal
- Kyoto University, Japan
- Asian Disaster Preparedness Center, Thailand
- Asian University Network of Environment and Disaster Management (AUEDM)

BRAC Development Institute

- University of Manchester
- Institute of Development Studies, Sussex University



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Sir Fazle Hasan Abed

HIGHLIGHTS

President of the Governing Board receives Knighthood

The President of the Governing Board of BRAC University, Fazle Hasan Abed, was appointed Knight Commander of St. Michael and St. George (KCMG) by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II in the New Year's Honours List of 2009 – 10. Sir Fazle has been recognised for his notable contributions to the development efforts of the country.

The School of Engineering and Computer Science offers new programs

The School of Engineering and Computer Science which was formerly the Department of Computer Science and Engineering, expanded its curriculum at the undergraduate and postgraduate levels by offering a new undergraduate degree in Electrical and Electronic Engineering (EEE) and two new postgraduate programs: Master of Science (MS) in Electrical and Electronic Engineering and Master of Engineering (M. Engg.) in Electrical and Electronic Engineering. The classes of these programs have already begun.

FEATURES

The past year saw BRAC University solidify its position as one of the leading private universities of the country. The student body grew and new academic programmes were offered. The features that make BRAC University a popular educational destination continue to attract ever more students. The following are some of the more notable features of the university.

The Centre for Languages thrives

With a view to ensuring sophisticated and effective language teaching, the Centre for Languages (CfL) of BRAC University, previously known as the English language Programme (EI-Pro), was created in 2005. Since then, the goal of CfL has been to assist the students in developing the language skills they need to be successful in graduate schools and their professional lives. To achieve this, CfL focuses on implementing student centred and creative language teaching techniques by developing modules based on students' proficiency level. This not only eliminates the possibility of having mixed ability classes, but also ensures small classes with excellent interaction between teachers and learners. CfL believes in innovation; the main objectives of CfL faculty members are to inspire students to learn and enhance the skills they have.

As CfL perceives that learning does not take place in the classrooms only, it has initiated and successfully coordinated extra-curricular activities at the residential campus at Savar. These activities develop the students' creative abilities and assist in their language fluency. The main activities include quiz, debate, creative writing and sports. CfL is keen on bringing the creativity out of the students along with providing them authentic and real-life situations suitable to communicate in English. Furthermore, CfL also conducts



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seminars on social causes such as Drug Abuse, Nutrition Talk, Community Living and skills required in the job markets to develop students as competent individuals.

Considering the global expansion of business and growing demand from BRAC University students and people from all walks of life, CfL has been conducting courses in a number of foreign languages: Spanish, Chinese, Russian, Italian and French as well as Bangla, English and IELTS.



CfL has also offered training to corporate houses from July 2007 after it had started conducting classes on Communication Skills for BRAC Bank employees. Along with the classes, training on professional Etiquette was also introduced for BRAC Bank managers. Other organizations which CfL offers the training courses/workshops to are: Aarong, Aktel and Huwaie, Navana, BRAC Bank managers, Development Professional Programme (DevPro) jointly with BRAC Development Institute and BRAC Training Division, Basic Communication and Teaching Methodologies for Monitors of PACE, Academic English Course for the Masters program of BUIED, Induction Training for Young Professionals Program (YPP) of BRAC, Advanced English Language Training Program for the Regulatory Reforms Commission (RRC) of the Government of Bangladesh and Non formal Primary School Teachers and Monitors of BRAC Education Program.

Recently, CfL has joined hands with the Open University (OU) of U.K to provide tutorial support to the Training Development Coordinators of English In Action (EIA), a nine year project to improve the quality of communicative language teaching of English in primary and secondary schools of Bangladesh, participating in OU Masters program in Linguistics and ELT. Moreover, CfL is also responsible for the assessment of the OU MYTEC (Make Your Teaching Experience Count) Course delivered to 400 government school teachers across six districts in Bangladesh under EIA.

Student Affairs continues its superb work

BRAC University's mission is to achieve excellence in all round education. The components of all round education, i.e., learning, development and identity formation are interactive and add to each other. The students can experience all of these through participating in co-curricular activities along with regular studies. The University's Student Affairs department (SA) provides full support in this respect.

Clubs and Forums:

The co-curricular arena of the university is quite vibrant and student-oriented. The composition of each club or forum includes teacher/staff advisors and student representatives. Enrolment of members is done during the club fair held each semester. The Director of Student Affairs supervises the activities with the help of an Assistant Director and a Student Affairs officer. A multi use hall, two eighty-seat lecture halls, cafeteria and a planned semi-outdoor space with technical support are used for seminars, workshops, exhibitions, indoor games, competitions, fairs and cultural activities. The residential campus in Saver provides a play field for outdoor games. The facilities of BRAC throughout the country such as training centers with dormitories, transport and guides are available for tours and other events.

A yearly award system has been introduced for the students with major contributions as well as for the most



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active club. The SA has currently adopted the 'Ambassador Program', where students good in leadership, time management, collaboration and teamwork are selected from clubs and forums and trained to represent the university.

Annual assessment of the co-curricular activities has been conducted since 2006. University rules have been introduced for participating in the activities without hindering academic performance.

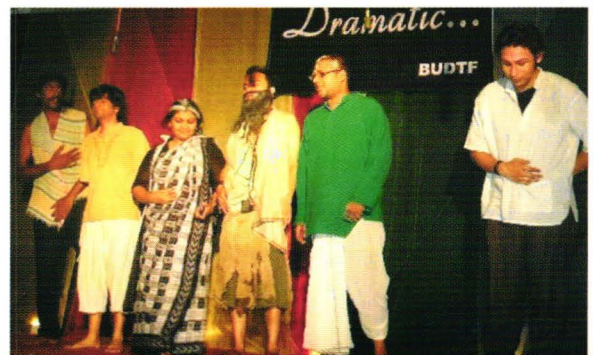
The Student Affairs emphasizes on the wholeness of university experience through synchronized development of body, mind and spirit. It aims at integrating co-curricular with academic learning, and stresses on service learning through community volunteer work.

There are a total of 30 student clubs and forums in the following categories:

Arts/Culture, Social Welfare/Community Service, International, Entrepreneurial, Subject related, Sports, Science.

These clubs and forums provide opportunities for developing leadership, confidence, goal setting, and sense of ownership, time management, collaboration and teamwork. The clubs and forums are:

- AIESEC in BRACU (International Club)
- Art Society BRACU
- BizBee Business Club
- BU Student Newsletter
- Computer Club, BUCC
- Cricket Club, BU
- Cultural Club, BUCuC
- Debating Club, BUDC
- Drama and Theater Forum, BUDTF
- BRAC University Electrical & Electronic Club, BUECC
- Economics Club, BUEC
- Entrepreneurship Development Forum, EDF
- Environment Awareness Forum, BUEAF
- Film Club, BUFC
- Football Club, GCBU
- Global Affairs Forum, GAFBU
- Indoor Games Club, BUIGC
- MBA Forum
- MONON
- National Heritage Forum BUNHF
- Natural Sciences Club, BUNSC
- OIKOS Dhaka (International Club)
- Photography Club, BUPC
- Rotaract Club of BRACU
- Rural Development Forum, RDF
- Social Development Forum, SDF
- Social Entrepreneurship Forum, BUSEF





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- BRACU PERECONS
- House of Volunteers, HoV-BRACU [affiliated with HoV-MIT, USA]
- BRACU Law Club (BULC)

Major Activities of clubs and forums include:

Club Fair, Film Show, Cricket, Football and Indoor Games, Trade Fair, Voluntary Blood Donation Campaign, Art, Photography and Hobby Exhibition, Seminar and Workshop, Competitions in Art, Debate, Music, Photography, film, Celebrating of national and international events such as Pohela Boishakh, International Mother Language Day, Independence Day, Victory Day, Business Plan, Photography, Computer programming, Publish Newsletter, Study Tour, Annual Drama, Archives, Annual Cultural Program, Research, Concert, Help Group/Help Sessions

Career Services Office

BRAC University, Career Services Office (CSO) is a fully functioning wing serving graduate and undergraduate students with their professional guidance. CSO works for the students in defining their career goals, and helping them to take necessary steps to achieve them. CSO is also affiliated with employers and HR agencies seeking fresh graduate recruitments.



In the year 2009 CSO actively organized various events to facilitate the student's employability in the job market both at home and abroad. CSO organized nine seminars along with several workshops, road shows and corporate visits throughout the year.

To promote greater understanding of needs and issues with the employment industry, "The Interview" session a modular component of Professional Skills Development Program (PSDP) was organized twice last year. Human Resource teams from renowned national and multinational companies attended the interview session including BRAC, Square Group, Prime Bank Ltd., BRAC Bank Ltd., Aarong, Novotel, bracNet, Augere, Citycell, Standard Chartered Bank Ltd., Trust Bank Ltd., Grameenphone, Therap, TechValley, Paxar, HSBC and The City Bank Ltd. CSO also arranged a series of on campus interviews by different renowned companies like Grameenphone, BRAC, BBDO and Unilever.

One of the major roles of CSO is to coordinate internship programs for students of various departments. CSO arranged 206 internship placements throughout the last year.

CSO has initiated the Applied MS Excel Training (AMET) for BRACU undergraduate students to meet the current soft skill need in the corporate world.



Anthem



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দেশ ও মানুষের জন্য ॥
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মিলিত প্রানের স্পন্দনে ॥
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NABILA NAUSHIN
Bachelor of Computer Science and Engineering

SUPRIYO SHAFKAT AHMED
Bachelor of Electronics and Communication Engineering

SADIA HOSSAIN
Bachelor of Business Administration

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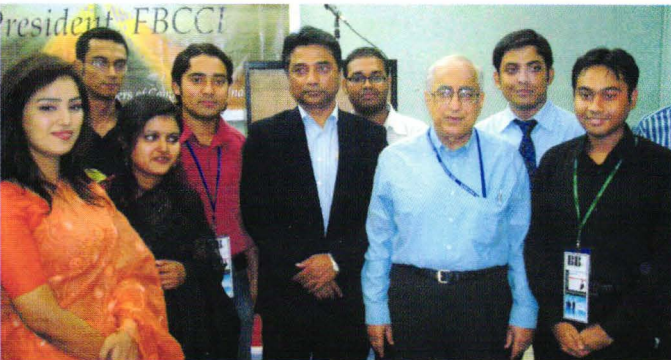
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Our journey over the last eight years from when we were born, a Department in 2001 transformed into a school in 2006, has been a very satisfying experience. We grew as we developed, we grew as our goals got stretched and we grew as our stakeholders became increasingly demanding. These have been our formative years as we blossomed out of a cocoon into an entity, an entity that rightfully claims a front desk alongside the competitors.

This year we shall be graduating about 350 students in different areas of specialization of our core programs, i.e. BBA and MBA. We now enter the market in a visible manner as our total input into the job market almost touches the thousand mark. These are our alumni, our stake in the future of the school and the nation at large. But it is not the number alone, but quality alongside that makes us distinct. Judging by our interaction with the market, employers in the main, we feel satisfied at having a job done well. Our graduates do connect.



Our vision is a place alongside the respected business schools in the region to be stretched to the continent. This is also our promise to our stakeholders, students both past, present and future. This requires planning, preparation and steadfast determination, all of which we take seriously. As we inch towards this goal through building the new, discarding the old and improving the existing we have made many contacts within the country and abroad that enhances the depth and spread of our program. We have gone cross-cultural as our students have the option to complete part of their course

requirements in universities abroad and vice-versa. Faculty exchange is gathering momentum and our students have started winning competitions within the country and abroad.

Though our MBA program is fairly new, we feel its format needs some changes as per the dynamics of the market, i.e. more BBA graduates, from BRAC University and other universities, joining the MBA program. To keep up with this change we shall be launching the EMBA program in the summer, while making necessary changes in the existing MBA and BBA curriculum. Both the BBA and MBA curriculum and their mode of operation have been thoroughly revised.

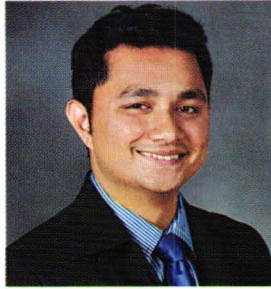
As we say goodbye to our new alumni, wishing them all the very best, we also promise them a school that they will find more responsive to their future needs through the newly created BBA Forum and the MBA Forum, our conduits to the large alumni. Keep up the good work and stay connected.



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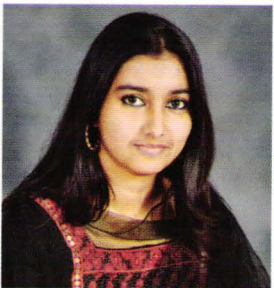
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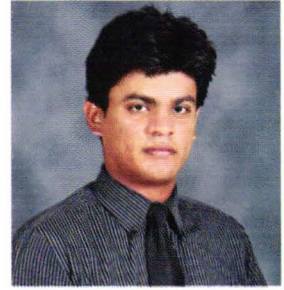
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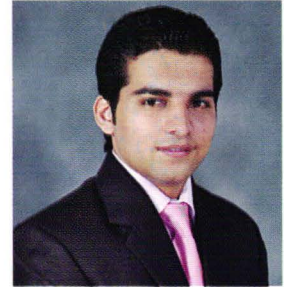
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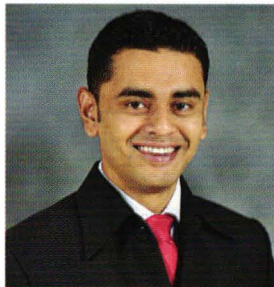
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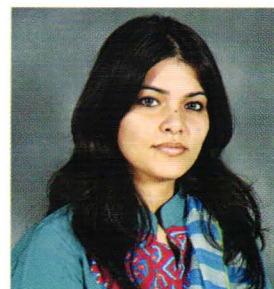
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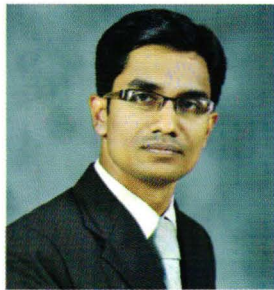
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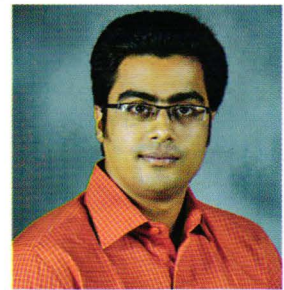
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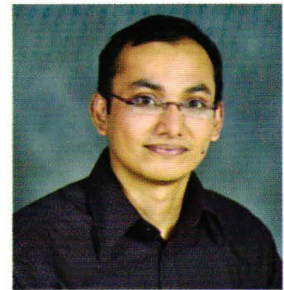
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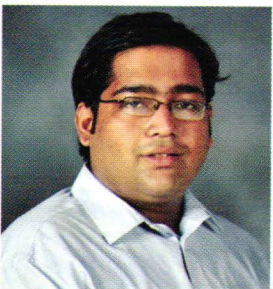
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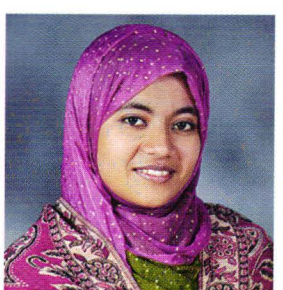
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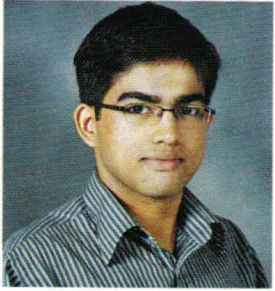
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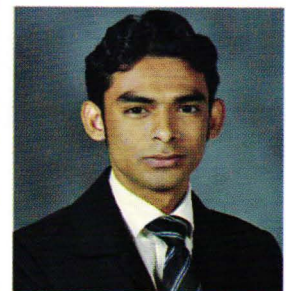
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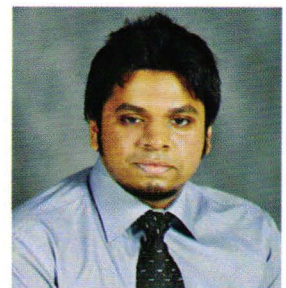
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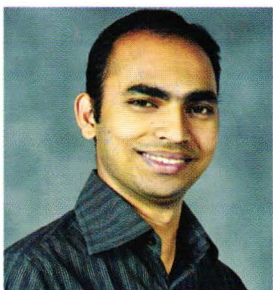
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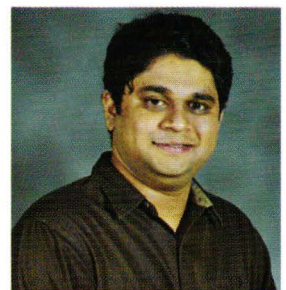
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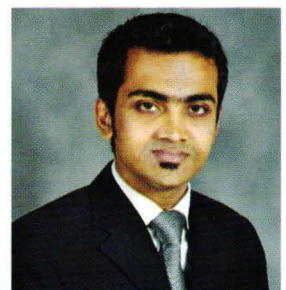
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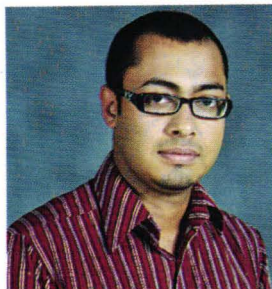


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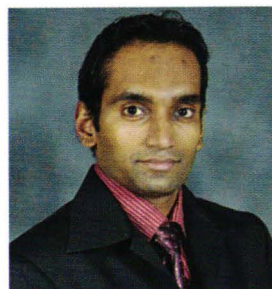
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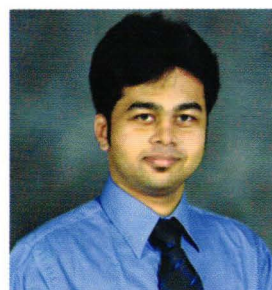
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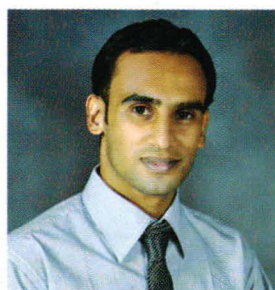
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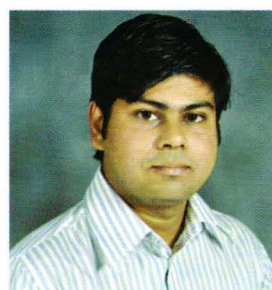
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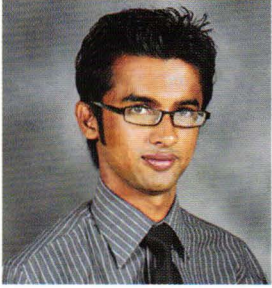
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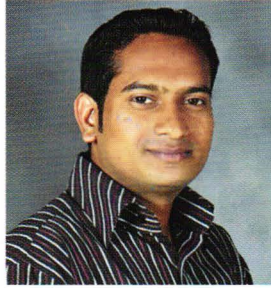
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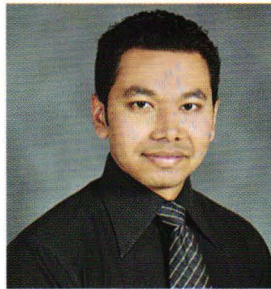
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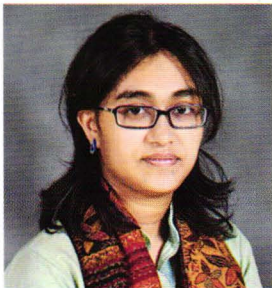
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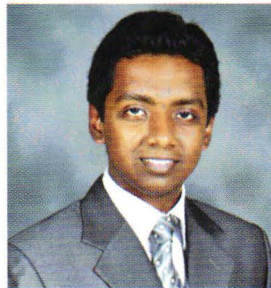
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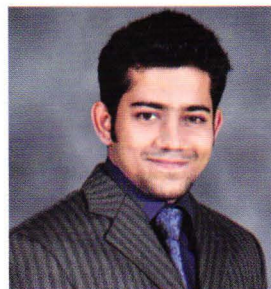
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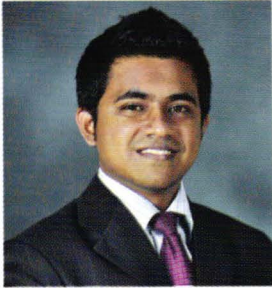
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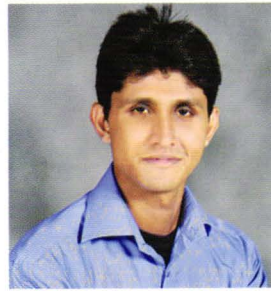
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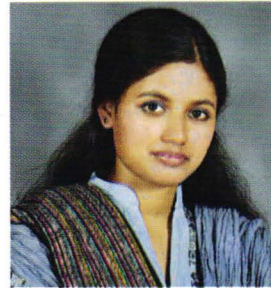
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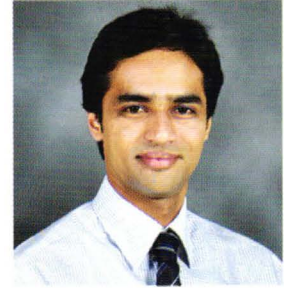
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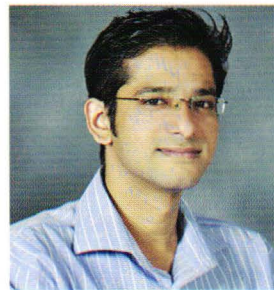
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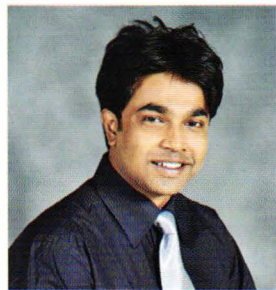
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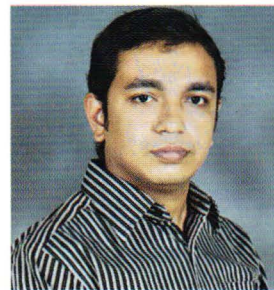
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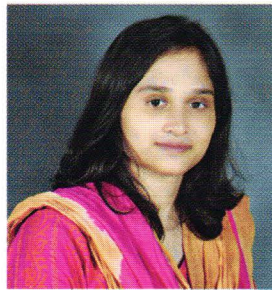
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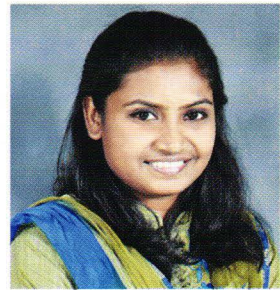
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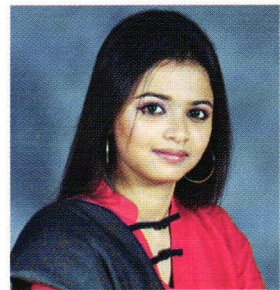
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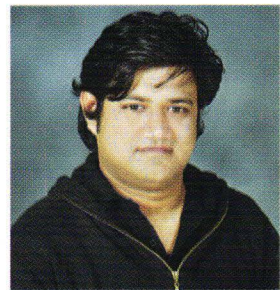
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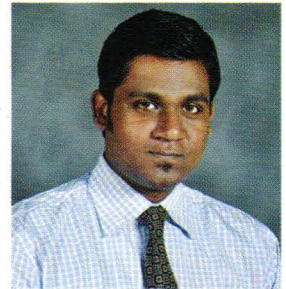
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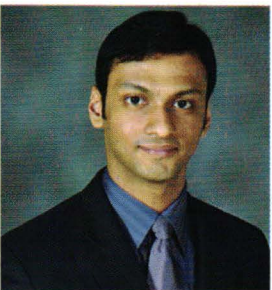
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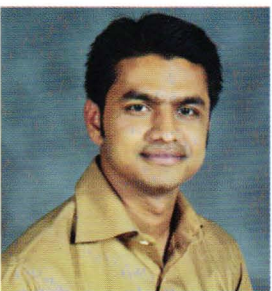
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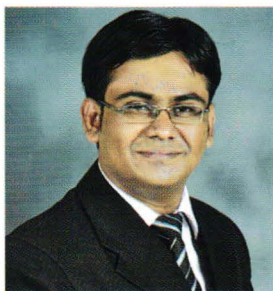
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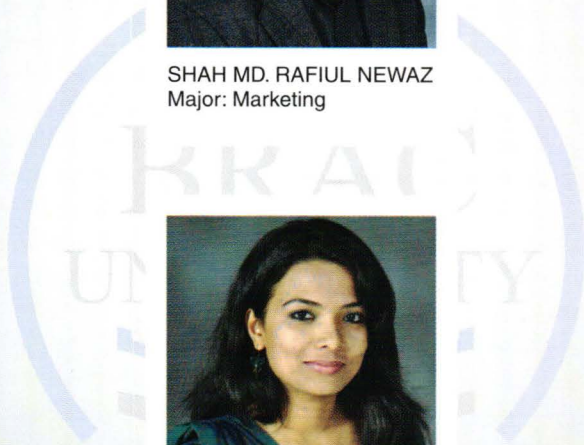
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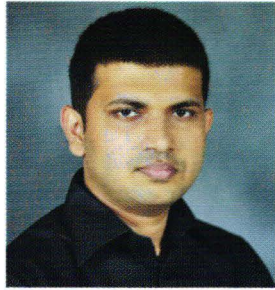


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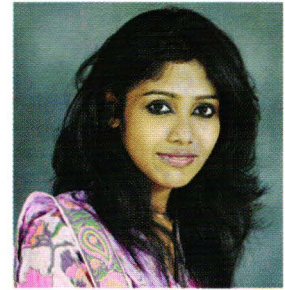




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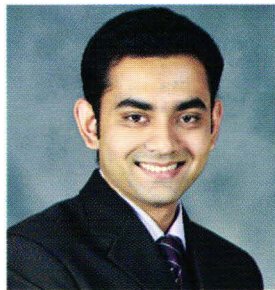
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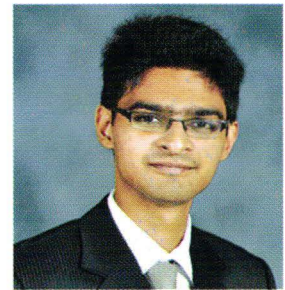
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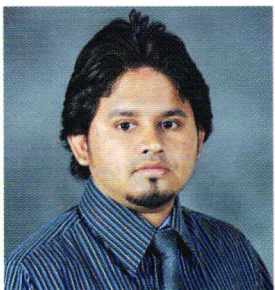
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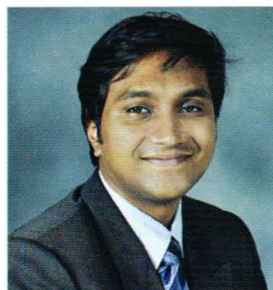
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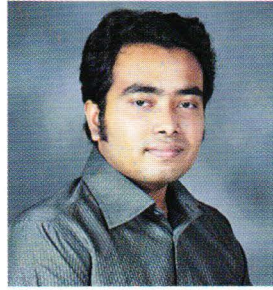
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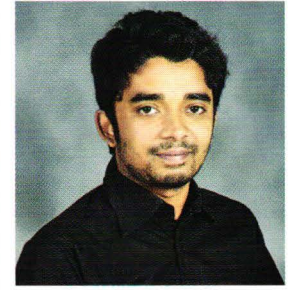
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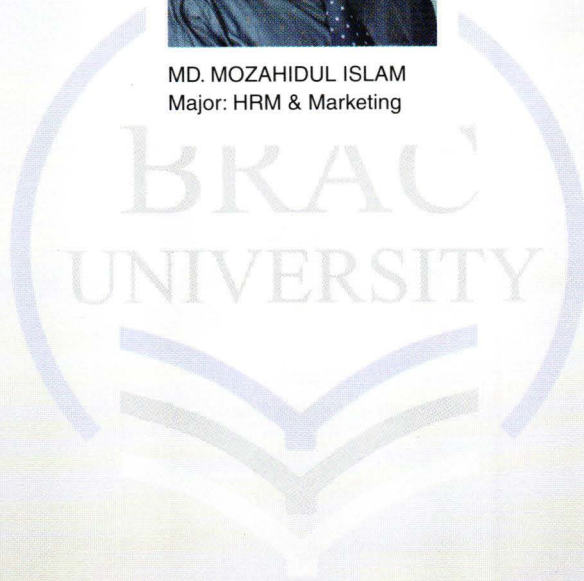
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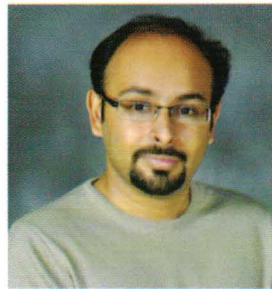
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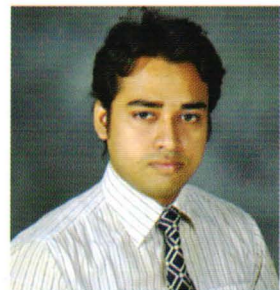
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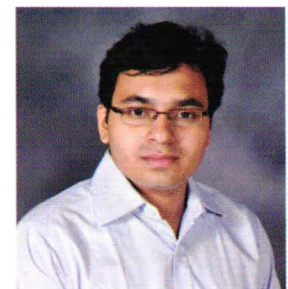
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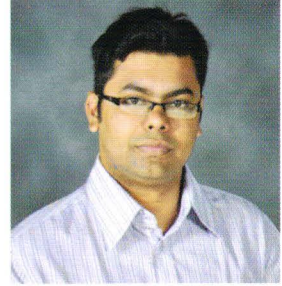
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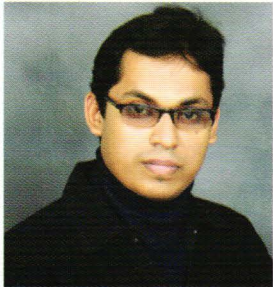
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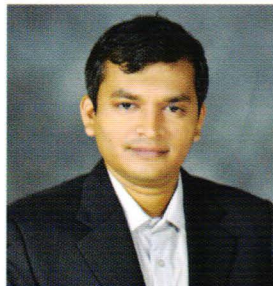
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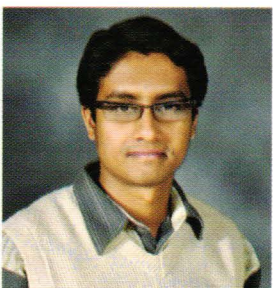
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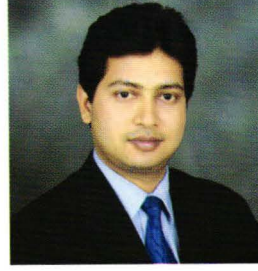
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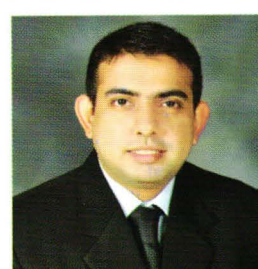
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School of Engineering & Computer Science



The School of Engineering and Computer Science embodies BRAC University's tradition of excellence as a leader in engineering education and research. The undergraduate and graduate programs offered by this school prepare their students to be well qualified for industry and academics to apply engineering principles across a wide range of disciplines. The school has been formed under which the Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering (EEE) and the Department of Computer Science and Engineering (CSE) come together. The EEE Department offers two undergraduate programs: Bachelor of Science in Electrical and Electronic Engineering (BSEEE) and Bachelor of Science in Electronics and Communication Engineering (BSECE), and the CSE Department offers Bachelor of Science in Computer Science (BSCS) and Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Engineering (BSCSE). The School of Engineering and Computer Science also expanded its curriculum to graduate levels by offering two graduate programs: Master of Science (M. Sc.) in Electrical and Electronic Engineering and Master of Engineering (M. Engg.) in Electrical and Electronic Engineering. Furthermore, the school is running a training program for Cisco Certified Network Associate (CCNA) under Cisco Networking Academy in BRAC University.

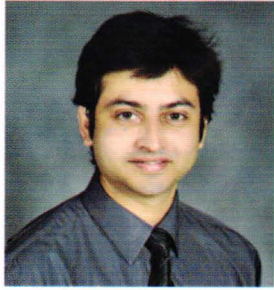


Besides focusing on academic programs, the School of Engineering and Computer Science encourages undergraduate and graduate students to engage themselves in research activities. Among the research groups, the Center for Research on Bangla Language Processing (CRBLP) with the support from the PAN Localization Project (PanL10n) of the International Development Research Centre (IDRC), Canada, and the Microsoft Corporation, USA is working on Bangla document processing with spelling and grammar checker and search engine, optical character recognition, speech processing, parts of speech tagging and related research areas. The Control Application Research Group (CARG) has initiated a research with Dhaka Power Distribution Company Ltd (DPDC) on Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system to analyze and improve their system. The Robotics Research Group started their research on robots that can follow a path using artificial intelligence and can be controlled using GSM cell phone and other controlling devices. The Network Research Group is exploring on different characteristics of wireless and wired networks such as security, channel optimization, and performance enhancement. In recent years, a significant number of faculty members and students from this school have published their work in more than seventy national and international conference proceedings and journals.

The School of Engineering and Computer Science boasts a dynamic student community with three student groups: BRAC University Computer Club (BUCC), BRAC University Electronics and Communication Club (BUECC) and BRAC University IEEE Student Branch. Guided by faculty members, the students of these clubs organize workshops, seminars, talent fests, programming contests, quiz contests, Olympiads and club fairs on different topics of telecommunication and information technology. Students from these groups have earned many awards and recognitions locally and internationally including the award of the "Most Vibrant Student Section" in the IEEE 125th Anniversary Region 10 Student Congress' 09.



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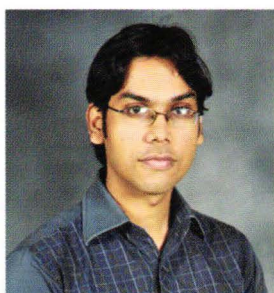
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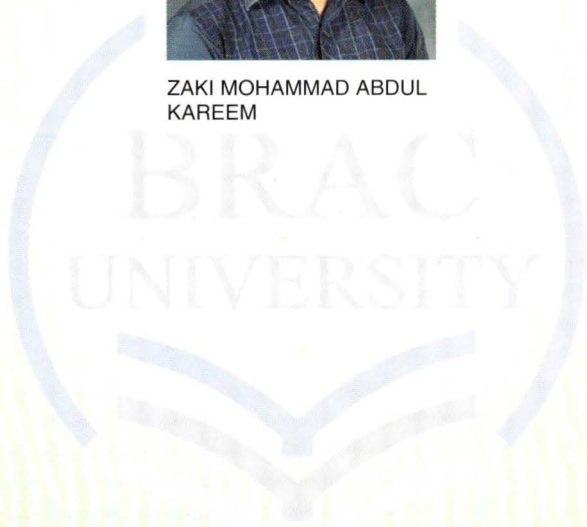
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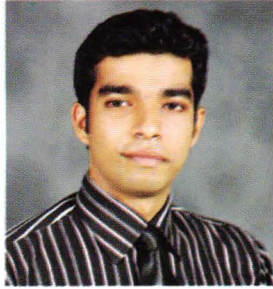
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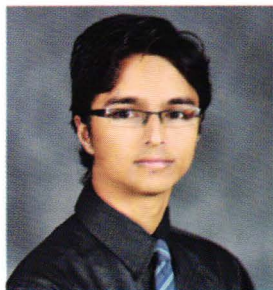
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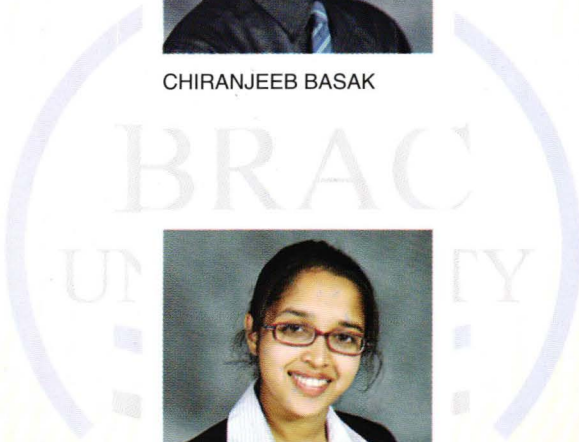
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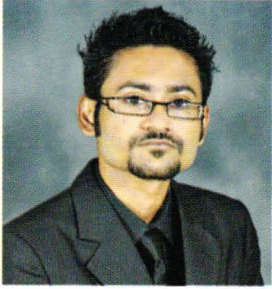


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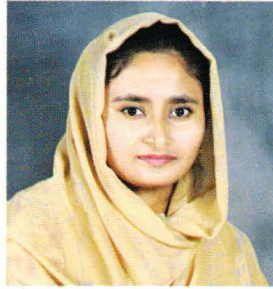


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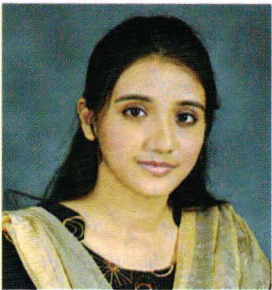
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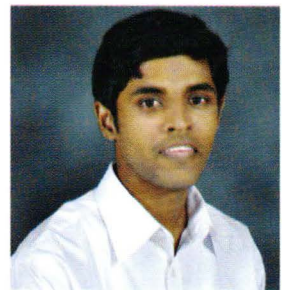
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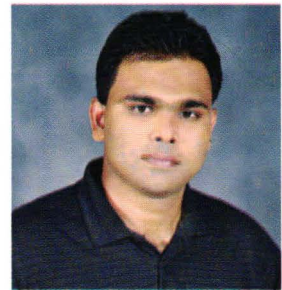
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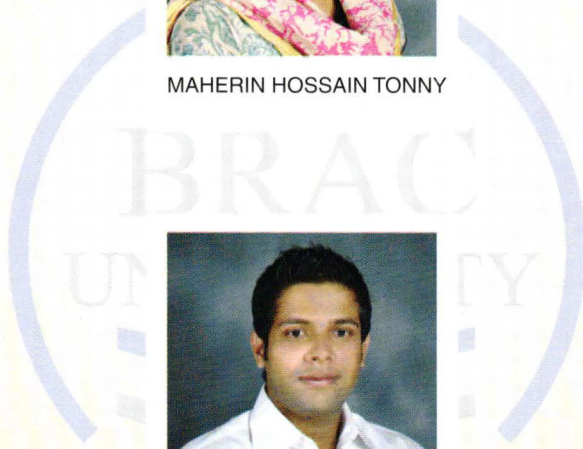
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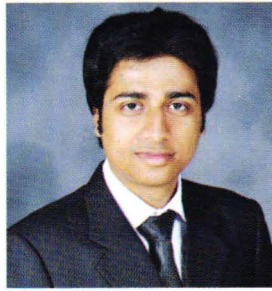


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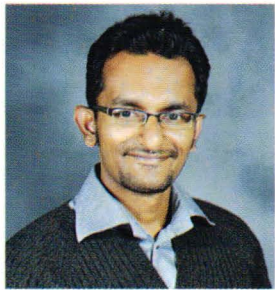
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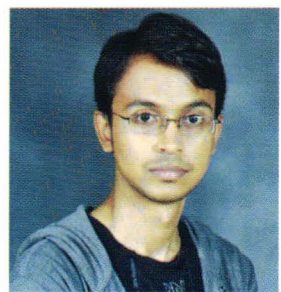
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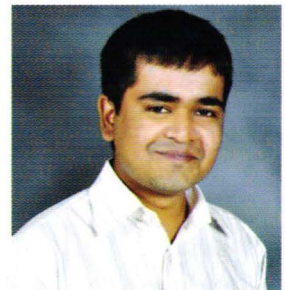
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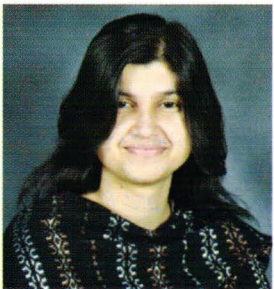
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School of Law



Law is much more than just principles and provisions. It is about justice, equity and fairness as well as the values around which societies organise themselves through orderly institutions. Law is not an isolated subject. It is intertwined with economics, development, business and the emerging globalised order. Law does not exist in a vacuum.

The undergraduate law programme at the School of Law, BRAC University is designed to prepare students not only for careers in law – be they judges, lawyers, administrators or academics – but also aims at preparing students for taking up leadership roles in society. It firmly believes that lawyers should not only uphold the rule of law, but must also act as social engineers and use their knowledge and skills to become better citizens and influence others around them to be so.



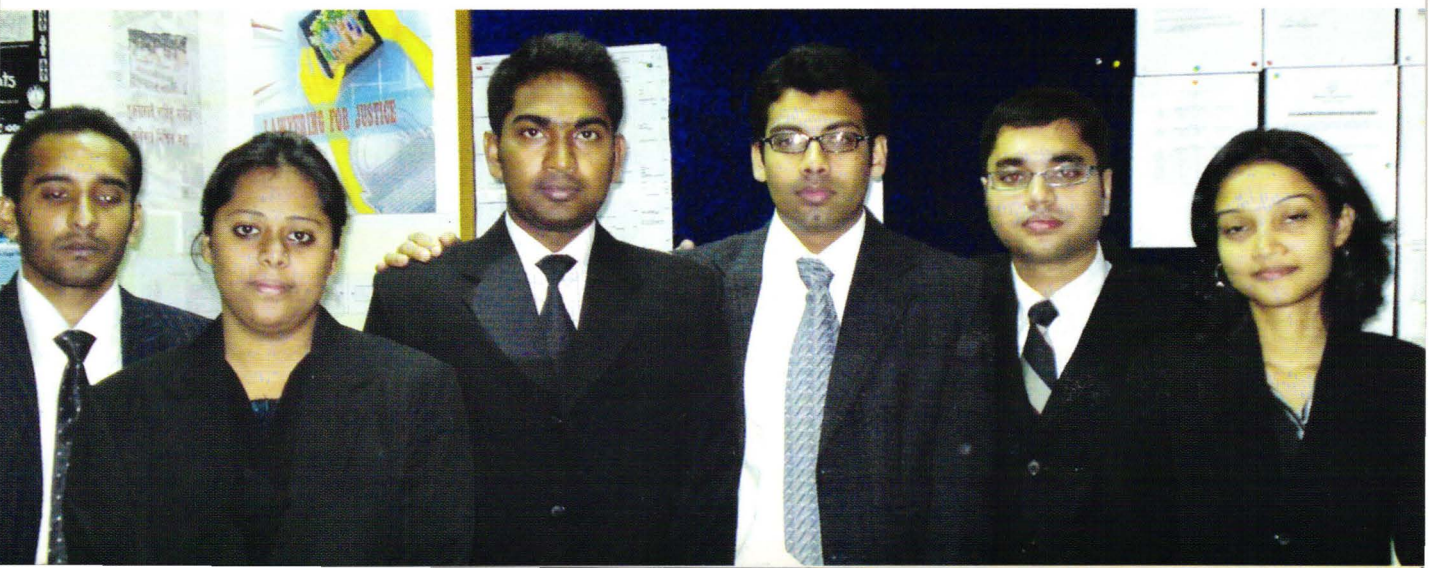
The School of Law, at BRAC University strives to impart an education to seek legal solutions that respect social, cultural and aesthetic needs of the people. The faculty come from a diverse range of academic backgrounds – holding postgraduate degrees from England, Australia, America and Bangladesh – with a variety of interests and expertise that are incorporated into the academic and research work of the School of Law and greatly help in improving the overall academic atmosphere and creating a variety of interests in the student body.

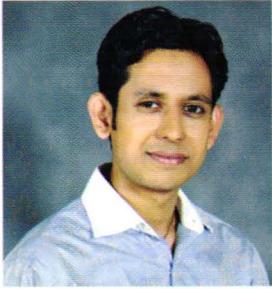
In 2008, the School of Law bid farewell to its first batch of graduating students, several of whom are lawyers today, while one has joined the judiciary. In this, 2010 graduation ceremony, we bid a bittersweet farewell to our second batch

of students – and our largest batch to date. We see promises of great things to come in this batch – lawyers, social leaders, academics and defenders of human rights.

Four years have created bonds that are hard to forget. We at the School of Law would like to remind every one of them that: graduation is only a concept. In real life, every day you will graduate. Graduation is a process that goes on until the last day of your life. If you can grasp that, you will make a difference wherever you are and in whatever you do.

Congratulations to you all!





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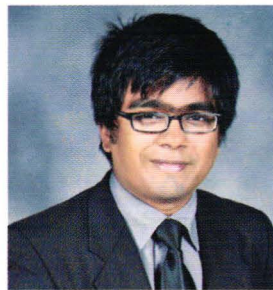
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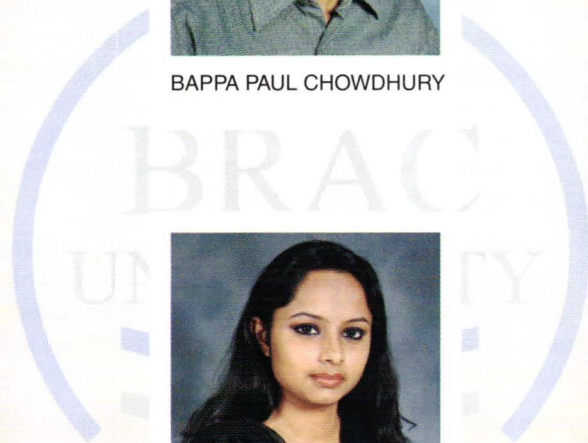
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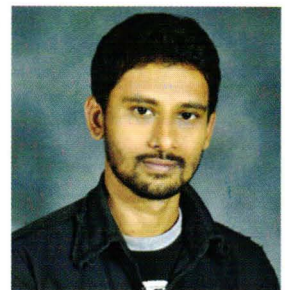
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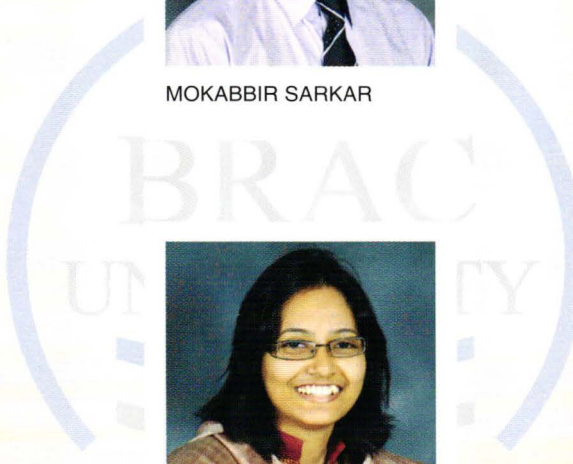
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The James P Grant School of Public Health (JPGSPH) was launched in 2004 and the first MPH Programme started in February 2005 with the aim to train future public health leaders and managers who are dedicated to improving the health outcomes of populations in disadvantaged locales of the world. The JPGSPH has a unique, community-oriented, multidisciplinary, experiential approach to learning that emphasizes critical, innovative, problem-solving strategies rooted in rigorous research and public health expertise.

SCHOOL'S ACTIVITIES DURING 2009

Master in Public Health (MPH) Programme

JPGSPH is recognized as one of the preeminent educational institutions in the world by the World Health Organizations (WHO). Since its inception, the School has graduated 106 students in 4 previous batches of the Programme representing 14 countries including Afghanistan, Canada, Ethiopia, India, Japan, Kenya, Bolivia, Myanmar, Nepal, Netherlands, Pakistan, Philippines, Singapore, Tanzania, The United States and Uganda. This year, in the fifth batch, 30 students from 12 countries are graduating.

Continuing Education Programme (CEP)

The Continuing Education Programme (CEP) offered a number of short courses geared towards capacity-building of health professionals, managers and practitioners from the public and private sectors during the last one year. In 2009, about 100 health professionals from the public and private sectors including a large number of NGOs and a few professionals from abroad received training through these short courses.

Research Portfolio

The JPGSPH has a growing research portfolio. Funded by external sources including the Department for International Development (DFID), Global Fund to Fight against AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (GFATM), International Development Research Centre (IDRC), the European Union (EU), the US-based National Institutes of Health (NIH), UNICEF and WHO (SEARO), the diversity of research projects include subjects like comprehensive primary health care, gender and reproductive health, tuberculosis, social determinants of health, health system strengthening, chronic diseases, and nutrition.

Integrative Research /Advocacy Centres

With a view to streamline and further strengthen its research and capacity building efforts, the School has established two centres:

- a) The Centre for Health Systems Studies (CHSS): The CHSS is geared towards conducting and promoting the generation, dissemination, and utilization of knowledge in health systems.
- b) Centre for Gender, Sexuality, and HIV/AIDS – This is an UNAIDS Collaborative centre for research and advocacy in diverse areas related to gender, sexuality, d sexual rights, and HIV/AIDS.

The Internship Programme

In the past one year, the school had accommodated Interns from George Washington University and Harvard from USA , Nagasaki University from Japan and Tata Institute of Social Science from India.

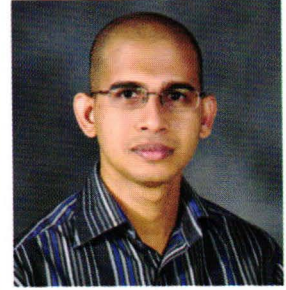




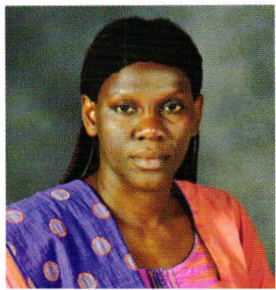
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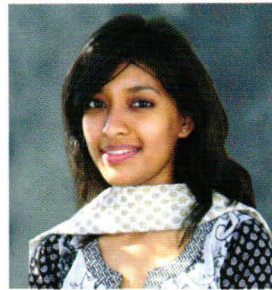
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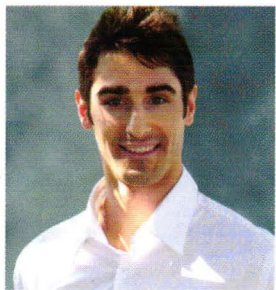
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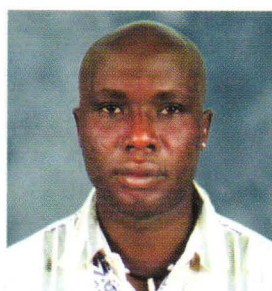
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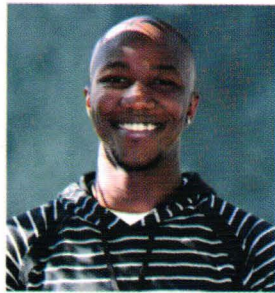
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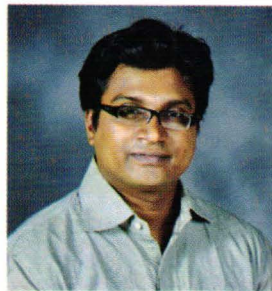
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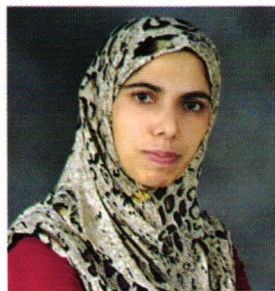
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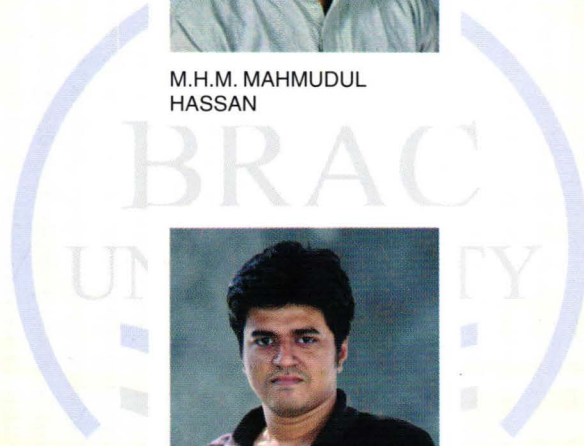
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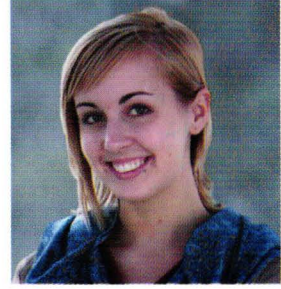




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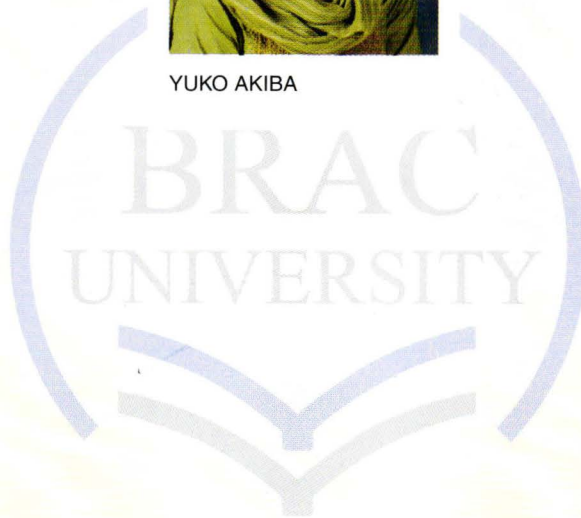
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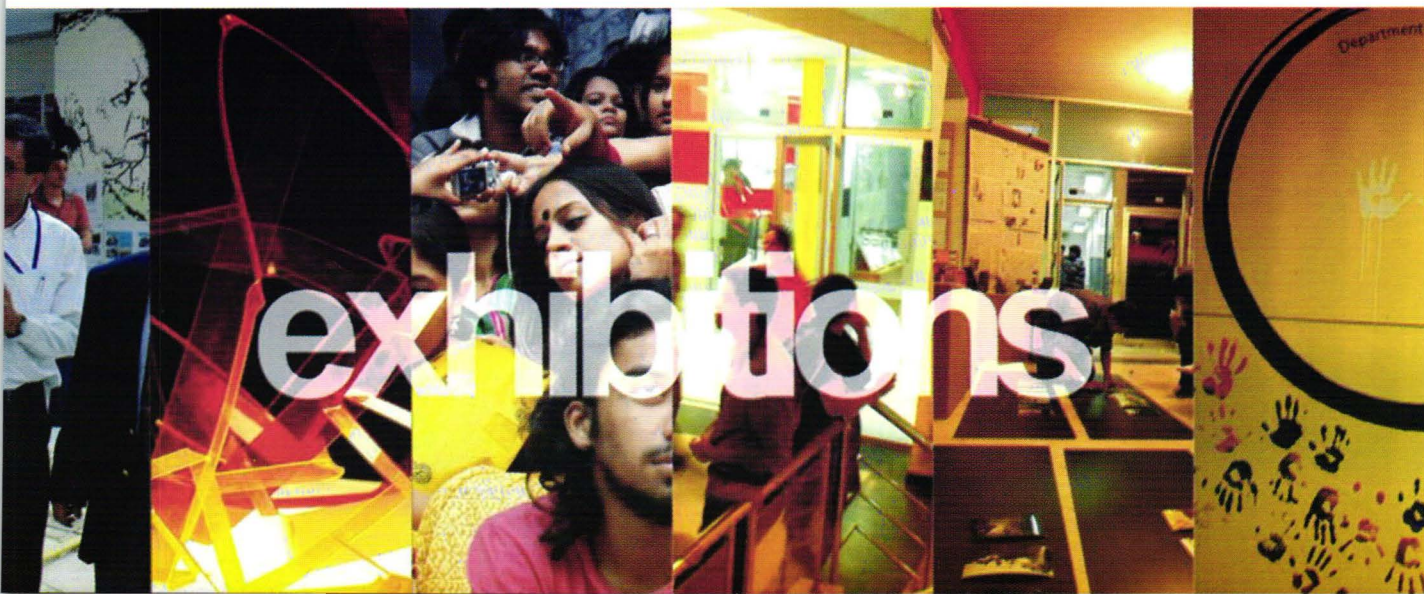
The Department of Architecture, that started its journey in Spring 2002 with 15 students and 3 enthusiastic faculty members, has evolved to have 200 students and 16 full-time well qualified faculty members in the last 8 years. The department offers 199 credit undergraduate degree in Architecture and more than 50 students have already graduated through its 5 year program.

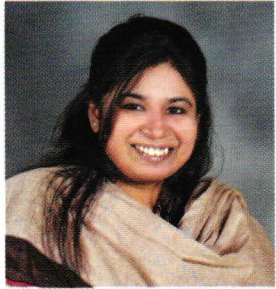
In order to maintain the quality of education, the department restricts the number of students to 25-30 through a competitive admission process. It already has gained reputation for providing high quality architectural education with the help of a group of faculties with strong academic and professional background. The design studios that are most important part of the curriculum are taught by at least 2 teachers, thus ensuring excellent student teacher ratio. Highly qualified external faculty members who are renowned in their individual fields teach the host of courses related to architecture such as painting, photography, sculpture and music appreciation.



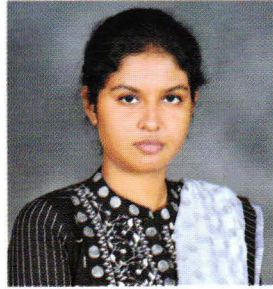
The academic environment at the department is enriched by its rich co-curricular activities and vibrant cultural life, amongst which are the Angan lecture series, ArchKids outreach program for children and the student cultural forum, 'Moitree'. The department also organizes 'Exhibitions' of the students' work and 'Design Charrettes' that develop interaction with other universities and encourage the students to excel. As part of course 'Practical Training', students are required to complete a semester of professional training in architectural offices and they do so not only in Bangladesh but also in India, Singapore, Hong Kong, Malaysia and USA. The department has a student and staff exchange collaboration with School of Architecture, University of Illinois at Chicago.

The department conducts research in different areas in collaboration with the Research and Evaluation Division of BRAC, British Council, etc. The undergraduate students are always encouraged to work on research projects that enable them to have exposure to the real world and at the same time, add to their experience. The department also provides several consulting services for various organizations. Prototype design of cyclone shelter for BRAC, interior design of University facilities and Post-disaster Housing in Noakhali for IUCN are the current works of the department.

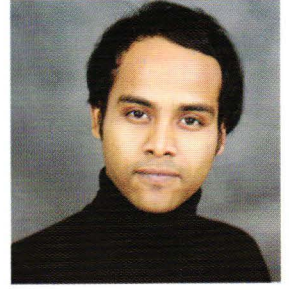




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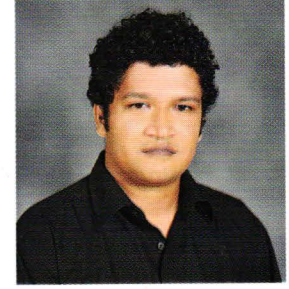
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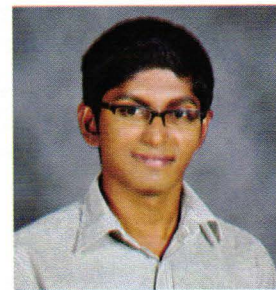
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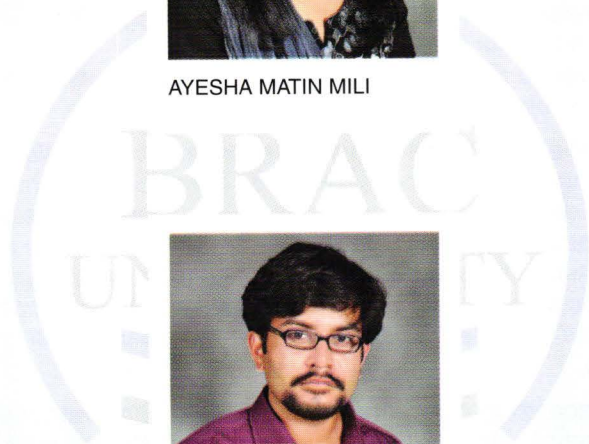
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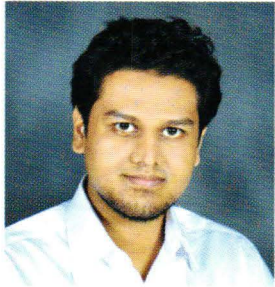


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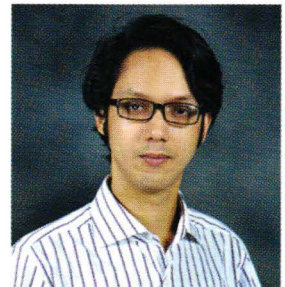




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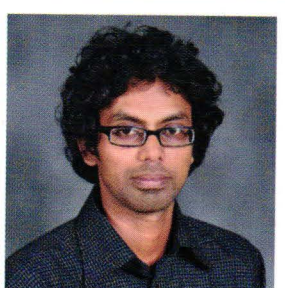
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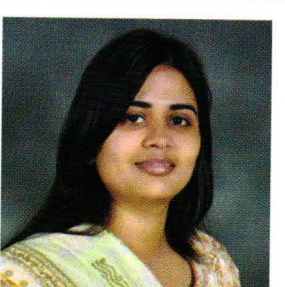
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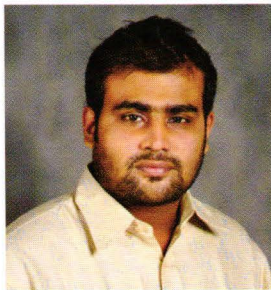
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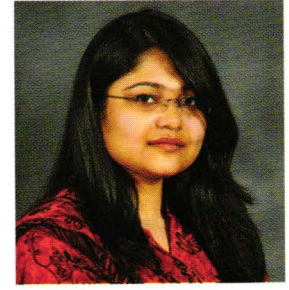
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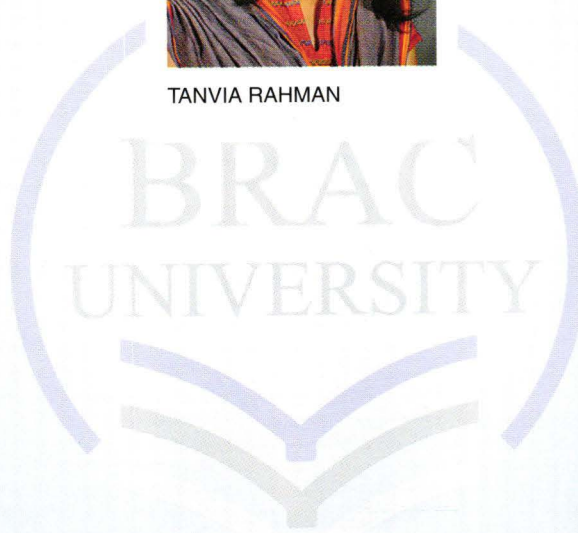
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BRAC University is one of the very few academic institutions around the world and the first in the region to offer formal academic programs in disaster management. The Postgraduate Programs in Disaster Management (PPDM) was started in Fall 2005 with a view to creating qualified professionals in this nationally and internationally significant field. This is a modular program (certificate, diploma and master's degree) with a progressively higher level of academic aptitude. So far 39 students have been awarded the Master in Disaster Management degree while another 29 completed Postgraduate Certificate and Diploma. The participants in the certificate and diploma programs are mostly government and NGO officials involved in disaster management related activities while students pursuing master degree include other professionals and fresh graduates as well. Graduates from PPDM are well-placed mostly in various national and international development organizations where, in many instances, they have secured their placements before their graduation.

Beside the academic programs, PPDM is working to build a resource center within itself where disaster related books/documents and services would be made available. So far PPDM has provided research and consultancy services to organizations such as IUCN and BRAC. These services include: improved design and construction of rural houses (IUCN); design of cyclone shelters (BRAC); design of stronger houses in cyclone affected areas (BRAC) etc.

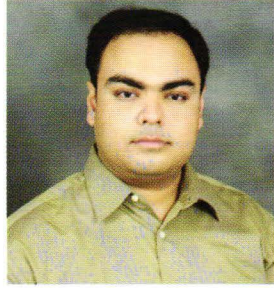
Presently PPDM has collaboration with ADPC, Thailand, Northumbria University in the UK, Katmandu University, Nepal and Kyoto University, Japan.

BRAC University is a member of the Asian Universities Network for Environment and Disaster Management (AUEDM) which has 14 member universities from all over Asia. Professor Fuad H Mallick, the Director of PPDM, is its Vice President of the Education wing of AUEDM.

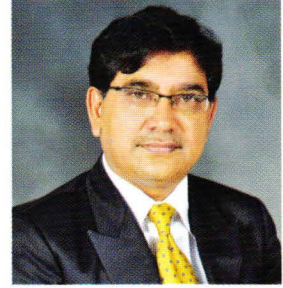
Postgraduate Programs in Disaster Management have been supported by OXFAM-GB, Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) and the Comprehensive Disaster Management Programme (CDMP).



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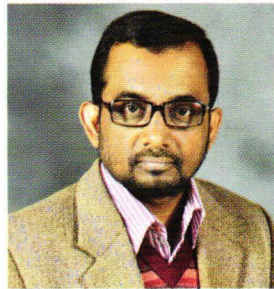
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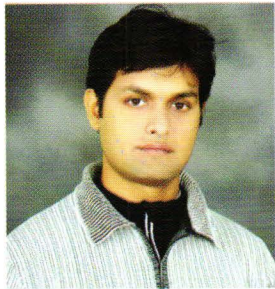
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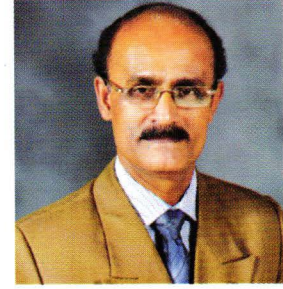
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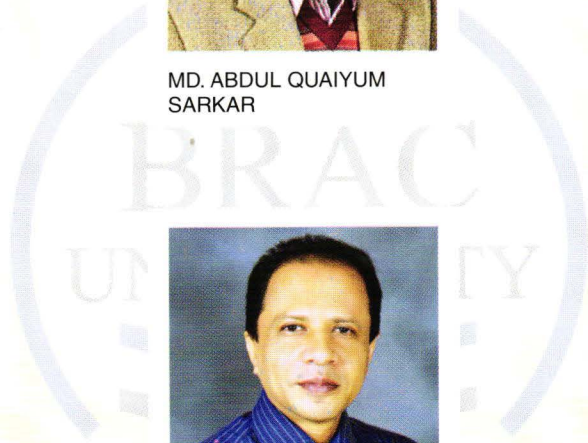
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The Department of English and Humanities offers a Bachelor and a Master of Arts in English. The BA programme offers three concentrations: Literature, Linguistics & ELT, and Media & Cultural Studies.

The Literature concentration which introduces students to a wide variety of English writing from different historical periods and regions, aims to inculcate a strong analytical orientation amongst students, encouraging them to explore the relationship of literary works to their historical and cultural contexts.

The Linguistics and ELT concentration offers a balanced curriculum of theory and practice, and equips students with the skills required for English language teaching.

The Media and Cultural Studies concentration, which is interdisciplinary in nature, gives students a good foundation in the history of ideas and cultural theory, enabling them to interpret ever-changing cultural traditions and gain insight into their own experience.

In the final year, all students write a dissertation under the supervision of a faculty member, or do an internship related to their major concentration. Dissertation topics and internship placements are decided by the department in consultation with the students. The dissertation helps students hone their academic writing and research skills, making the transition to an MA programme easier, while the internship offers hands-on training, a rare opportunity to bridge the gap between theory and the practice before plunging into the job market.

The MA programme offers two concentrations: Literature, and Applied Linguistics & ELT. Students can also take a combination of the two. The Literature concentration brings students up to date with feminist, post-colonial, and post-modern approaches to literature and prepares them for participation in the burgeoning cultural industry. The Applied Linguistics & ELT concentration prepares students for a career in language teaching through a solid grounding in linguistics, various approaches to language teaching and hands-on teaching training.

The Curriculum as a whole puts special emphasis on writing courses to develop students writing skills. The department lays special emphasis on honing writing skills of students, and faculty members do intense and individual mentoring so that rigorous academic standards are maintained.

The department has been very active this year, organizing a series of seminars and discussions aimed at reviewing and bringing adequate changes to the existing curriculum. The conference on Shakespeare looked at contemporary readings of his works and was followed by a conference looking at literary and cultural ties with the Caribbean, bringing into focus the post-colonial arena and its broader ties with culture. Student participation in these conferences has been noteworthy.

A very exciting addition to the department has been the establishment of a media lab, and it is hoped that the media and cultural studies concentration will be able to proceed in new directions based on this new facility.





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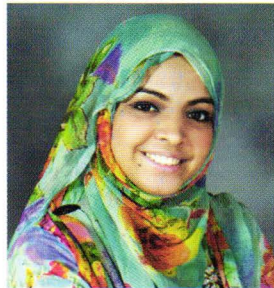
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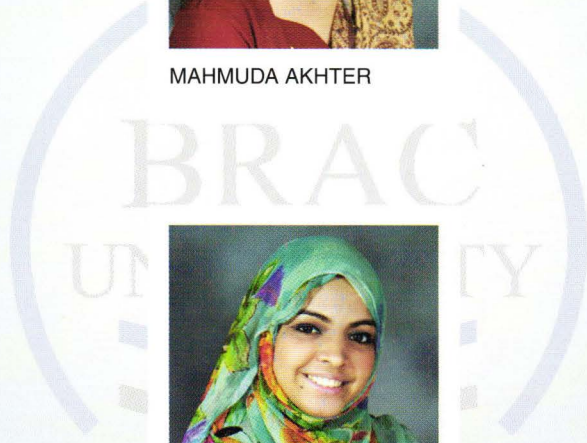
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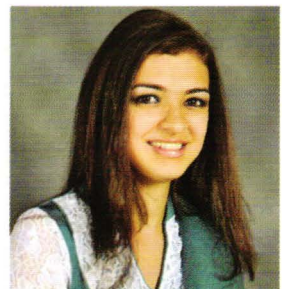
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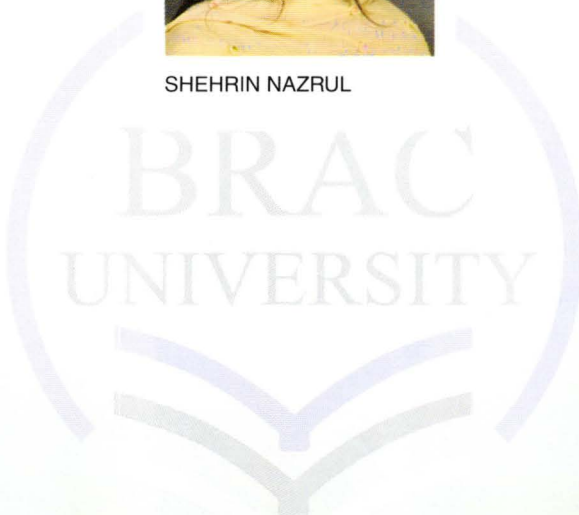
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2009 was a good year for the Department of Economics and Social Sciences (ESS) for several reasons. The 5th Convocation will witness the highest number yet of ESS students graduating with the degree of Bachelor of Social Science (BSS) in Economics. A number of new faculty with PhDs have joined the Department at the level of Assistant Professor and above, making ESS one of the Departments with the highest number of Doctorates in BRAC University; while through a competitive process, ESS obtained, jointly with the Bangladesh Institute of Development Studies (BIDS), the privilege of offering a unique Postgraduate Diploma in Macroeconomic Analysis (PGDMA) designed for civil servants of the Government of Bangladesh. As a result, ESS now provides three separate qualifications, the BSS in Economics at the undergraduate level and the Master of Science in Applied Economics (MSAE) and PGDMA at the postgraduate level. The Diploma, in particular, reflects the growing reputation of ESS as a Department which offers a quality education tailored to flexible needs.



With reputation comes the ability to attract increasingly good students and ESS is home to certainly some of the most capable and talented students in all of BRAC University. Some past students of ESS who went overseas to attend well regarded postgraduate programmes in Economics and other social sciences have already graduated and found employment as practitioners or academics in their chosen specialisations. An increasing number of students from other Departments are opting for either a double-major in Economics or choosing to minor in it, and the Sociology minor offered by ESS continues to be extremely popular. The second batch of the MSAE is nearing completion of its degree and the third intake has already begun classes.

At ESS great emphasis is placed on the close interaction between faculty and students. As the goal of the Department is not merely to impart a body of knowledge, but to create well rounded individuals with sharp minds and refined analytical abilities, it is believed that promotion of this practise creates the most conducive atmosphere for learning. At ESS students and faculty keep each other preoccupied!

Alongside its core function of teaching, the Department maintains a full schedule of talks and seminars to disseminate knowledge and actively encourages its faculty to conduct research which has resulted in a number of publications in refereed international journals. ESS faculty members are currently participating in the Investment Climate Research Program being jointly funded by the International Finance Corporation (IFC), which is part of the World Bank Group, and the UK's Department For International Development (DFID). In addition, the largest number of clubs and student bodies of BRAC University continue to be led by teachers of this Department.

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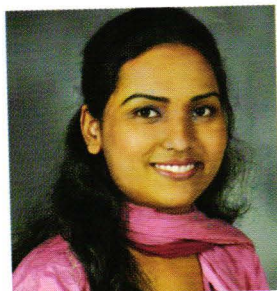
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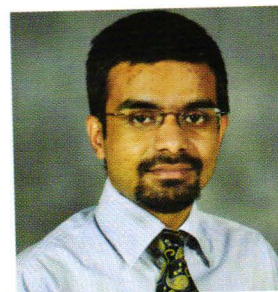
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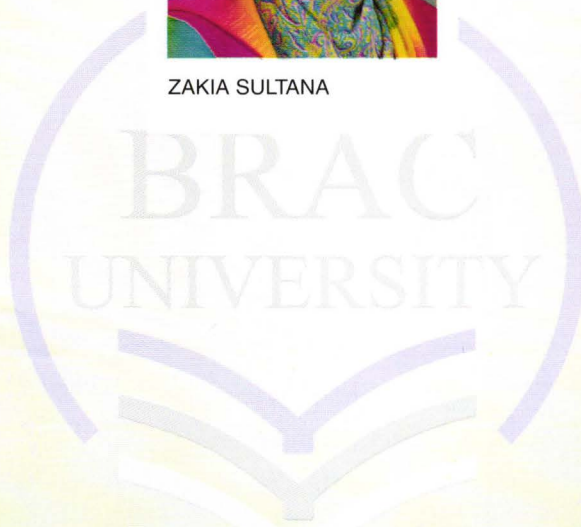
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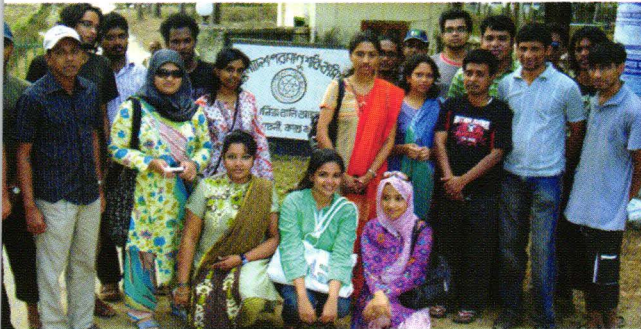
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The essence of science is change and development. Science plays a vital role in the development and progress of modern technology, whether it is in physical sciences, biosciences, medicine, social sciences, engineering, agriculture, business, commerce or management. The Department of Mathematics and Natural Sciences (MNS) at BRAC University has been functioning right from the start of BRACU's journey in 2001. The Department is providing quality education in basic and applied sciences and mathematics to the students of different disciplines of BRACU.

The Department of MNS offers courses in physical and life sciences, mathematics, statistics, economic geography and environmental sciences. It started the undergraduate programme for the degree of Bachelor of Science (BS) in Physics from Fall 2005 Semester. It needs to be mentioned here that BRAC is the first and perhaps the only private university in Bangladesh to introduce undergraduate programmes in basic sciences. In the ensuing fifth convocation two students are expected to get their undergraduate degrees majoring in physics. The MNS Department also offers undergraduate programmes in Applied Physics and Electronics and Mathematics. It plans to introduce undergraduate programmes in Pharmacy, Biotechnology, Microbiology and Biochemistry in the near future.



The Mathematics and Natural Sciences Department also started the MS Biotech programme in the Spring 2007 Semester. Four students under this programme obtained their MS degrees in the last convocation. The Department also envisages to start M Phil and MS programmes in physics. These postgraduate programmes will create an environment for research which is a sine qua non for creation of new knowledge.



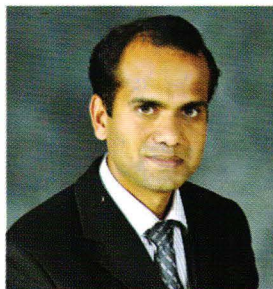


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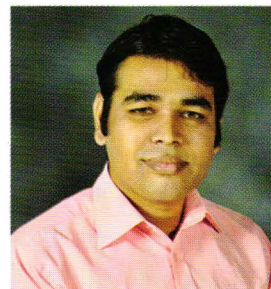




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BRAC Development Institute (BDI), at BRAC University was established in July 2008. Since its inception BDI has initiated several academic programs and conducted critical research in several disciplines. BDI aims to promote research and builds knowledge on practical solutions to problems of the poor in the global South. It takes as its starting point the hugely successful and massively scaled up development interventions by local development institutions. BDI intends to build knowledge around exciting initiatives in the South, develop new ideas and strategies, pilot test these and furnish practitioners, policy makers and funders with important good practice lessons. Its core functions include:

--creating knowledge: highlighting the innovative development experiences in the South and ensuring their visibility and voice in the global development discourse

--convening experts: providing a space for practitioners, academics and policy makers to come together to focus on specific problems of the poor and develop new strategies and pathways

--incubating ideas: field testing specific ideas through pilots and distilling good practice lessons for adaptation and scale up

--advocating policy: interfacing with policy makers to adopt pro-poor development strategies



BDI offers the following degree and certificate courses:

Master of Development Studies (MDS)

The Master of Development Studies (MDS) is an evening program and requires the completion of a minimum of 45 credits. The program is designed to provide a rigorous and critical understanding of development theory and practice from a broad inter-disciplinary perspective and frequently draws upon human resources and field experiences of BRAC. It is designed to create professionals who have conceptual clarity, analytical skills and academic knowledge to address strategic and practical challenges in development. It is targeted to mid-level government and NGO staff and provides practical tools to be more effective in the workplace. The faculty members of MDS constitute local and international academics and practitioners.

Postgraduate Certificate Course on Management of Land Acquisition Resettlement and Rehabilitation (MLARR)

MLARR is a three-month postgraduate certificate course for government officials, private and public sector land developers, development practitioners and interested postgraduate students. MLARR ensures course participants can design, implement and develop resettlement and rehabilitation strategies based on global best practices. Students acquire the necessary tools and techniques for carrying out complex development projects, including the communication skills required to manage project affected people within the existing legal frameworks and international standards.

An Introduction to Financial Services for the Poor

BDI offers a two week introductory course on financial services for the poor. It is targeted towards those with little or no knowledge of microfinance. It is grounded in the experience of Bangladesh but provides a broad global picture of the state of microfinance, its emergence and challenges, the diversity of financial products on offer and the need to have a strong poverty focus. It is taught by multiple instructors, using different pedagogical methods, and includes extensive field visits.



Research Themes:

Economic Transformation

A core area of BDI research is on economic transformations. This includes setting up pilots in different countries to test out new models and new ideas. It also includes dissemination of successful interventions at BRAC (especially BRAC's ultra poor program) and elsewhere. It will also include advocacy with policy makers and donors to adopt good practice lessons from successful programs. The following projects have started:

- ✦ Graduating the poorest out of extreme poverty through linking social protection programs with access to financial services
- ✦ Building markets for the poor by creating effective value chains
- ✦ Extending appropriate financial services to the poorest
- ✦ Publishing an annual "State of Microfinance Report"

Empowerment of Women

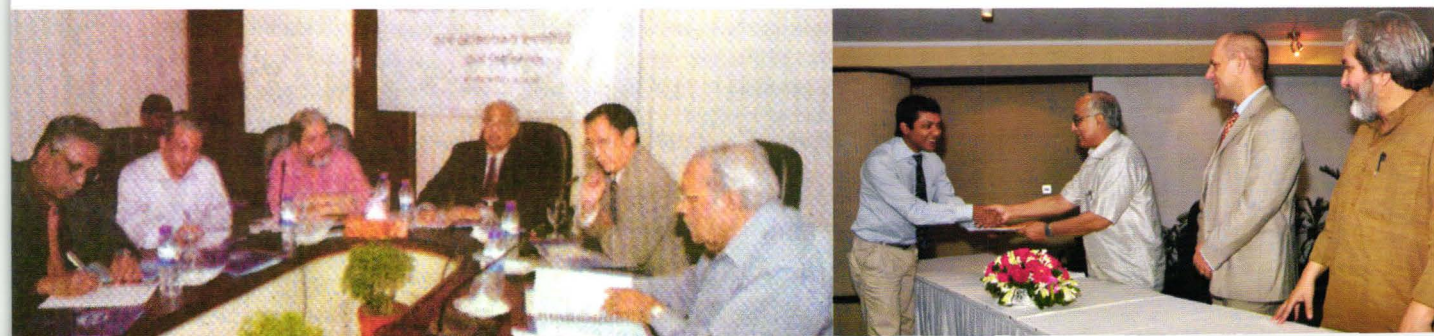
The Women's Empowerment research theme at the BRAC Development Institute seeks to understand and assist in transforming gender relations. Projects within this theme analyze the factors that affect the lives of women in order to enable more equitable gender relations. They attempt to affect women's empowerment by highlighting women's negotiations in socio-cultural and political spheres. They also look at men and masculinities and minority communities in order to interrogate their relationships to women's positioning.

Urban Poverty

BDI has identified urban poverty and practical solutions to urban poverty as a major challenge and one of its priorities. In line with this, BDI has partnered with the Department of Architecture and School of Public Health of BRAC University and Water Aid to start an action research in the slums of metropolitan cities and secondary towns in Bangladesh. The project will use an integrated approach to poverty reduction and will pilot test a mix of interventions in these selected slums. BDI is also researching the links between climate change and urban poverty to ensure increased climatic resilience of urban poor.

Democracy and Governance

Research conducted under the Democracy and Governance theme attempts to understand how best to create and implement mechanisms that lead to effective citizen engagement (specifically of the poor, of women and the marginalized) in local government, increased accountability over its resources and improved performance of Union Parishads. It also explores the mobilizing and mediating practices of grassroots development organizations to better understand how people gain citizenship and strengthen their engagement with the state.





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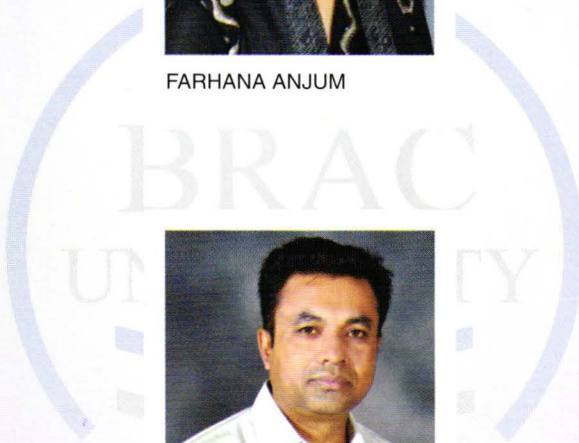
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The Institute of Governance Studies started its mission in 2006 under the umbrella of BRAC University with a view to recognize and endorse effective, transparent, accountable, equitable, and citizen-friendly governance in Bangladesh and in South Asia. Since its inception, the Institute has been a pioneer in disseminating quality education, research and training in the field of governance and development. It offers a post-graduate degree and professional training and undertakes extensive and invaluable research in the concerned field.

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The Masters in Governance and Development (MAGD) program, a residential program exclusively for civil servants of Bangladesh, has been designed in consultation with the Ash Institute of Democratic Governance and Innovation of the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy at the National University of Singapore, Monash University in Australia and the University Of Malay in Malaysia. The objective of the MAGD is to enhance the knowledge and skills of individuals so that they can rise above their narrow environment and are equipped to confront the complexities of development in the context of their society against the backdrop of an increased globalisation.

An important facet of the Institute's core mission is to conduct research on governance and disseminate the findings to the public. Since 2006, the Institute publishes annual State of Governance in Bangladesh reports, policy papers, and studies of public institutions. The focus of the Institute is applied research and policy analysis. The public policy research is designed to enhance the knowledge on governance and to constructively engage the government and the public stakeholders in the institutional reform process. In addition to research responsibilities, the research team emphasizes building capacity of young Bangladeshi scholars who have opportunities to work independently and with senior local and international faculty and to publish.

This year, the Institute launched two new wings, one being the Journalism Training and Research Initiative (JATRI), aiming to develop and promote investigative journalism in Bangladesh through world-class training and research, the other being 'The Affiliated Networks for Social Accountability in South Asia (ANSA-SA)', aiming to build capacity through training and skills-building on social accountability, provide a knowledge platform for dissemination of best practices, facilitate networking and regional exchanges among practitioners to strengthen capacity and provide technical assistance and grants to practitioners engaged in demand-side governance initiatives.

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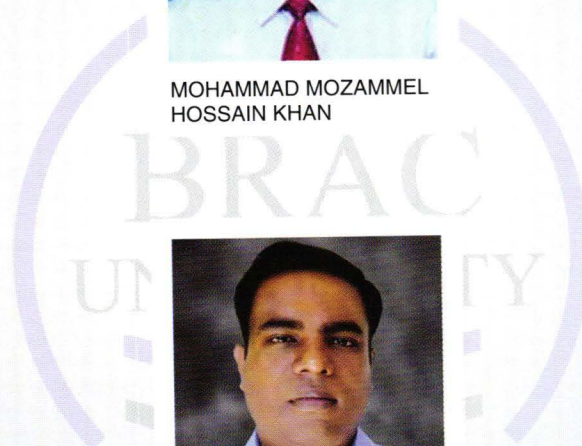
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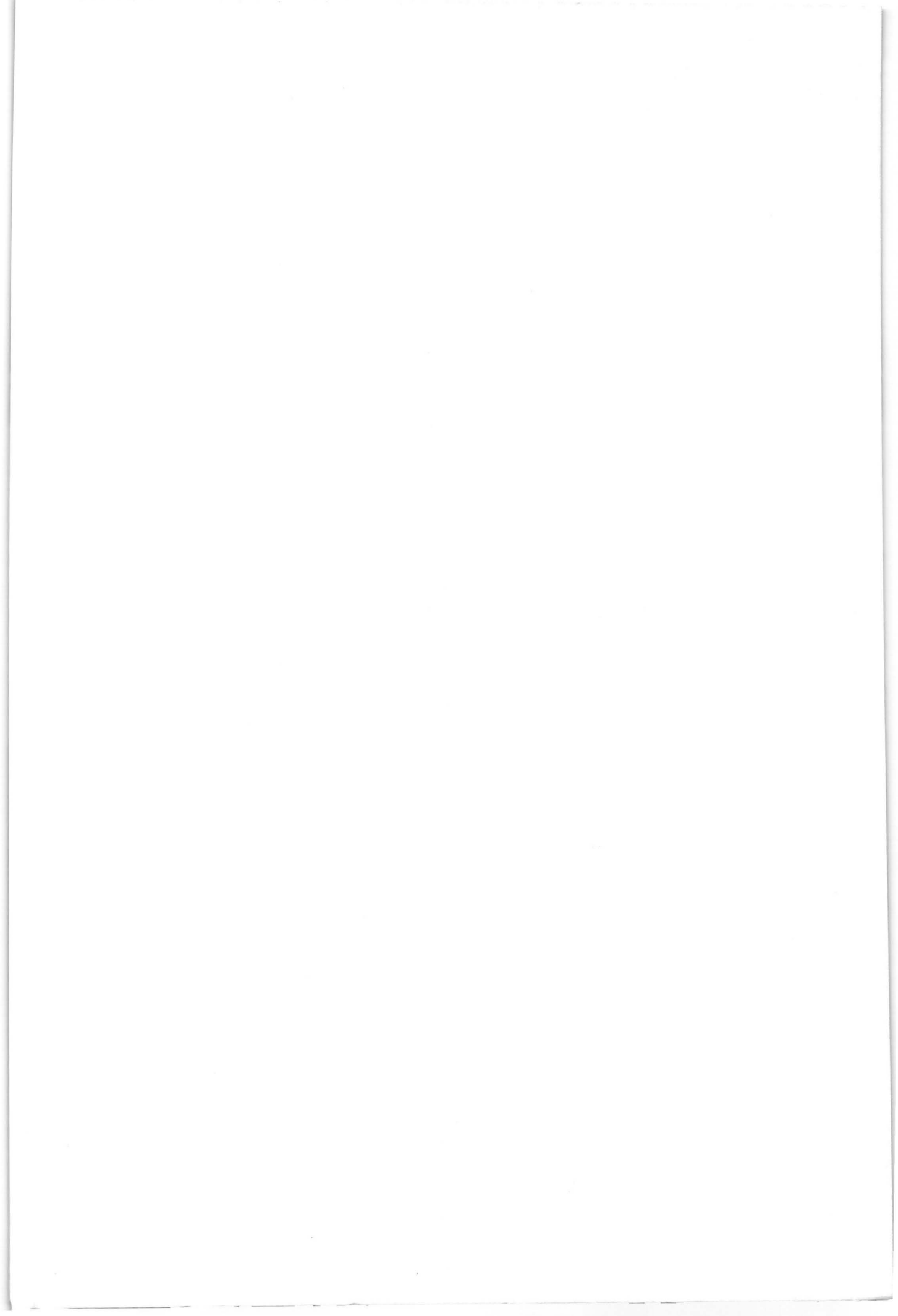
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