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WORK EXPERIENCE

[26/06/2019 – Current] **Assistant Professor (Business Studies)**

School of Education, Bangladesh Open University

<https://bou.ac.bd/index.php/schools/soe>

City: Gazipur-1705

Country: Bangladesh

Main activities and responsibilities:

1. Delivering lectures on TV, radio, online, and face-to-face.
2. Preparing self-instructed learning materials.
3. Developing policies and curriculums of teacher education programs.
4. Conducting research.
5. Editing contents of the online teacher education programs.
6. Coordinating a B.Ed. Program study center.
7. Conducting examination.
8. Monitoring and organizing the study centers of teacher education programs.
9. Conducting training and workshop for teacher educators and other related parties.

Links: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PHAjbH1LSHE&t=212s>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SHy-OTnQx18&t=986s>

[01/07/2014 – 25/06/2019] **Lecturer (Business Studies)**

School of Education, Bangladesh Open University

City: Gazipur-1705

Country: Bangladesh

Main activities and responsibilities:

1. Delivering lectures on TV, radio, online, and face-to-face.
2. Preparing self-instructed learning materials.
3. Conducting research.
4. Organizing training and workshops for teacher educators and other related parties.

[05/02/2018 – 24/05/2019] **Part-time Faculty member (Business Studies)**

Institute of Education and Research (IER), Jagannath University

City: Dhaka-1100

Country: Bangladesh

Main activities and responsibilities:

1. Delivering face-to-face lectures for Bachelor of Education (Honors) students.
2. Conducting assessment tasks.
3. Developing Bachelor of Education (Honors) curriculum.

[15/09/2019 – 23/07/2022] **Master of Arts in Education**

University of Nottingham <https://www.nottingham.edu.my/index.aspx>

Address: University of Nottingham Malaysia, Jalan Broga, 43500, Semenyih Selangor Darul Ehsan, Malaysia.

Field(s) of study: Education

Final grade: **Distinction**

Level in EQF: EQF level 7

Type of credits: ECTS

Number of credits: 90

Dissertation title: SWOT Analysis and Strategies Development for a Paradigm Shift from Conventional to Blended learning: A Study on Teacher Education Programmes of ZZ Open University

Main subject / occupational skills covered:

Name of the modules and dissertation-

- Master level dissertation- Results- Distinction (Marks- 78%)
- Module: Understanding Curriculum, Learning, and Assessment, Results- Distinction (Marks- 73)
- Module: Practice Based Inquiry, Results- Merit (Marks- 68)
- Module: Teaching, Training and Technology, Results- Merit (Marks- 68)
- Module: Leading Learning, Results- Merit (Marks- 63)

[01/01/2015 – 31/12/2015] **Bachelor of Education**

Bangladesh Open University <https://www.bou.edu.bd/>

Address: Gazipur- 1705, Bangladesh

Field(s) of study: Education: Teacher training with subject specialization

Final grade: First Class (728 marks out of 1000 marks; 72.8% Marks)

Number of credits: 60

Thesis title: Exploring Pedagogical Practices of Teachers in BOU Laboratory School and Motivating Them for Practicing Pedagogy: Prescribed by Curriculum Planner.

[01/09/2012 – 30/08/2013] **Master of Business Administration**

University of Rajshahi <http://www.ru.ac.bd/>

Address: University of Rajshahi, Rajshahi- 6205, Bangladesh

Field(s) of study: Business Administration (Marketing)

Final grade: CGPA 3.729 (out of 4)

Number of credits: 36

Thesis: Result: A+ (80% and above); **Thesis title:** Family influence on consumer buying behavior: A study on the Bangladeshi consumer perspective

[28/12/2007 – 26/04/2012] **Bachelor of Business Administration**

University of Rajshahi <http://www.ru.ac.bd/>

Address: University of Rajshahi, Rajshahi- 6205, Bangladesh

Field(s) of study: Marketing

Final grade: CGPA 3.617 (out of 4)

[04/02/2020 – 19/02/2020] **Training on research methodology**
Center for Research and Training, East West University
<https://www.ewubd.edu/crtcenter-research-and-training>
Address: 1212, Dhaka, Bangladesh

[25/04/2017 – 21/05/2017] **Foundation Training for University Teachers**
Graduate Training Institute, Bangladesh Agricultural University
<https://gti.bau.edu.bd/>
Address: 2202, Mymensingh, Bangladesh

[20/11/2016 – 29/11/2016] **Training Programme on Research Methodology**
Centre for Advance Research in Humanities, University of Dhaka
https://www.du.ac.bd/main_menu/research_center_profile/36
Address: 1000, Dhaka, Bangladesh

PUBLICATIONS

[2022]

Implementing learning management system-integrated blended learning in teacher training programme at Bangladesh Open University (First Author)
<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/copl20/current>

Open Learning: The Journal of Open, Distance, and e-Learning journal has already reviewed it for publication.

[2022]

Ensuring learner-centred pedagogy in an open and distance learning environment by applying scaffolding and positive reinforcement (First Author)

Asian Association of Open Universities Journal, Vol. 17 No. 3, pp. 289-304. ISSN: 2414-6994, DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1108/AAOUJ-05-2022-0064>

[2022]

Blended Learning Models for Teacher Education and Training Programs of Bangladesh Open University (First Author)

This research paper has been published as a book chapter.

Chapter title: Blended Learning Models for Teacher Education and Training Programs of Bangladesh Open University (Chapter 2). Authors: Md. Meraz Ahmed (First Author), Harshita Aini Haroon, & Khondoker Mokaddem Hossain

Book title: Blended Learning in Higher Education, Edited by Maria Antonietta Impedovo, Md Saifuddin Khalid, Kinley Kinley, and Margaret Chan Kit Yok

ISBN OA: 978-87-7210-760-8; ISBN Print: 978-87-7210-761-5; Publisher: Aalborg University Press | forlag.aau.dk

Note: This book is co-funded by the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union as part of the project "Blended Learning for Teacher Educators in Asia and Europe" conducted during 2016-2019.

Link: <https://vbn.aau.dk/da/publications/blended-learning-in-higher-education>

[2022]

Teacher Educators and Trainee Teachers' Attitude toward Online Teacher Education Courses (First Author)

Jurnal Pendidikan, Vol. 23, no. 2, Sep. 2022, pp. 78-90, e-ISSN: 2443-3586 | p-ISSN: 1411-1942, DOI: <https://doi.org/10.33830/jp.v23i2.3333.2022>

[2021]

Attitude towards entrepreneurship development courses of MOOCs (First Author)

Asian Association of Open Universities Journal, Vol. 16 No. 1, pp. 129-141. ISSN: 2414-6994, DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1108/AAOUJ-09-2020-0081>

[2021]

The challenges of secondary level business education in Bangladesh (First Author)

Jurnal Pendidikan, Vol. 22, no. 1, Mar. 2021, pp. 53-64, ISSN: 2443-3586 (Online) | ISSN: 1411-1942 (Printed), DOI: <https://doi.org/10.33830/jp.v22i1.1431.2021>

[2021]

Perceptions of entrepreneurship MOOCs: A case of Universitas Terbuka (Single Author)

Bangladesh Open University Journal of Teacher Education, Volume: 7, ISSN: 1812-7

[2020]

Reasons behind choosing teaching at secondary level as a career (Single Author)

Social Science Journal, Volume: 24 (Special Issue), March 2020, SSJ-ISSN: 1728-1474, Page No. 343-356

[2019]

The pedagogical practices of BOU laboratory school teachers and another eighty teachers (Single Author)

Bangladesh Open University Journal of Teacher Education, Volume: 6, No-1, 2019, ISSN: 1812-7517, Page No. 71-82

[2019]

MOOCS and entrepreneurship development: A comparative study on Bangladesh and Indonesia perspective (First Author)

<http://dpi-journals.com/index.php/dtssehs/article/view/33696>

DEStech Transactions on Social Science, Education and Human Science, (ICEdDE).

ISBN: 978-1-60595-658-9, ISSN: 2475-0042

DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.12783/dtssehs/ICEdDE2019/33696>

[2018]

Learner-centered pedagogical practices in MBA Program: A case study in Bangladesh Open University (Single Author)

Bangladesh Open University Journal of Business Studies, Volume- 4, Issue- 1 & 2, January-December, 2018, ISSN: 1811– 1556, Page No. 57-67.

[2018]

Teachers' job satisfaction: A study in secondary schools of Bangladesh (Second Author)

Journal of Contemporary Teacher Education, Volume: 2, Issue-1, 2018, Page No. 71-91, ISSN: 2522-3224 (Print) ISSN: Online 2523-109X, Link:

https://www.researchgate.net/publication/338750226_Teachers'_Job_Satisfaction_A_Study_in_Secondary_Schools_of_Bangladesh

RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

[06/10/2018 – 21/10/2018] **Inter-University Staff Exchange Fellowship Program**

Under the support of the Asian Association of Open Universities (AAOU) Inter-University Staff Exchange Fellowship Program, I successfully completed a research fellowship hosted by Universitas Terbuka (Open University of Indonesia) from October 7 to 22, 2018. The study title was "MOOCs and Entrepreneurship Development: A Comparative Study on Bangladesh and Indonesia Perspective". Link:

<https://www.ut.ac.id/node/1435>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wk6FNnu7Cz4>

PROJECTS

[08/12/2021 – 17/02/2022] **The Varieties of Democracy (V-Dem) Research Project**

The Varieties of Democracy (V-Dem) Research Project takes a comprehensive approach to understanding democratization. This approach encompasses multiple core principles: electoral, liberal, majoritarian, consensual, participatory, deliberative, and egalitarian. Each Principle is represented by a separate index, and each is regarded as a separate outcome in the proposed study. In this manner, this project will reconceptualize democracy from a single outcome to a set of outcomes.

Role: Country Expert (Bangladesh)- Supporting the data collection by providing expert information via online surveys. Link: <https://www.v-dem.net/project.html>

[31/12/2020 – Current]

Post-COVID Online Learning Readiness of the Learners of the School of Business at Bangladesh Open University

This research project is being done with the financial grant of Bangladesh Open University.

Role: Co-Researcher

[30/06/2018 – 29/06/2019]

Does Administrative Supervision Matter for school performance? An investigation in Secondary Schools of Dhaka Division

This research project has been done with the cooperation of the National Academy for Educational Management (NAEM), Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

Role: Team member of the research team.

[30/06/2018 – 30/12/2018] **The Challenges of Business Education in Bangladesh at Secondary Level**

This research project has been done with the financial grant of Bangladesh Open University.

Role: Main Researcher

[31/12/2017 – 29/06/2018]

ICT Preparedness of M.Ed. and B.Ed. Students of Bangladesh Open University: An Explorative Study

This research project has been done with the financial grant of Bangladesh Open University.

Role: Associate Researcher

[20/12/2017 – 23/12/2017]

Program Self- Assessment Report: M.Ed. and B.Ed. Programs, School of Education

This research project has been done with the cooperation of the Institutional Quality Assurance Cell of Bangladesh Open University.

Role: Field Investigator

[31/12/2015 – 30/12/2016] **Assess the impact of disaster on women, children and the disabled**

This research project has been done with the cooperation of the Ministry of Disaster Management and Relief, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

Role: Co-researcher

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

[28/03/2022 – 30/03/2022]

9th International Conference on Electrical and Electronics Engineering 2022 (ICEEE 2022) 29-31 March 2022, Alanya, Turkey.

Paper Presenter, Title: Implementing Learning Management System Integrated Blended Learning in the Teacher Education Programme of Bangladesh Open University

<http://www.iceee.org/iceee22.html>

[20/02/2020 – 22/02/2020]

International Conference on Education in the Twenty First Century, Regional Institute of Education, Bhubaneswar (National Council of Educational Research and Training, New Delhi), India.

Regional Institute of Education, Bhubaneswar, India.

Paper Presenter, Title: MOOCs for entrepreneurship development: A study on University of Terbuka (UT) perspective

[18/08/2019 – 21/08/2019]

**1st International Conference on Education in the Digital Ecosystem,
Universiti Teknologi Mara, Malaysia**

Kuching, Sarawak, Malaysia

Paper Presenter, Title: MOOCS and Entrepreneurship Development: A Comparative Study on Bangladesh and Indonesia Perspective

<http://blteae.eu/conference>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L4FtCdMKhEI>

[18/07/2019 – 19/07/2019]

**1st International Conference on Prospects and Challenges of Sustainable
Development in Developing Countries**

Faculty of Social Science University of Rajshahi, Bangladesh.

Paper Presenter, Title: Reasons behind choosing teaching profession at secondary level

[19/01/2019 – 21/01/2019]

**4th International GCSTMR Congress- 2019, Bangladesh Open University,
Bangladesh University of Science and Technology and University of Dhaka**

Dhaka, Bangladesh

Participant

[03/02/2017 – 04/02/2017]

**1st International GCSTMR Congress- 2017, Bangladesh Open University and
University of Dhaka, Bangladesh.**

Dhaka, Bangladesh

Participant

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Mother tongue(s): Bengali

Other language(s):

English

LISTENING B2 READING B2 WRITING B2

SPOKEN PRODUCTION B2 SPOKEN INTERACTION B2

DIGITAL SKILLS

My Digital Skills

Microsoft Office | Zoom | Google Drive | Outlook | Google Docs | Power Point | SPSS Statistical Tool

HONOURS AND AWARDS

[29/06/2010] **Meritorious Student Award** Awarding institution: Zilla Parishod, (District Council) Pabna, Bangladesh

[08/2008] **Rajshahi Education Board Scholarship** Awarding institution: Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

VOLUNTEERING

[2010 – Current] **Advisor of BADHON (A Voluntary Blood Donor's Organization)** Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Hall Unit, University of Rajshahi, Bangladesh.

[10/2005 – 11/12/2010] **Ex-cadet of Bangladesh National Cadet Corps (BNCC- The Volunteers)** Government Shahid Bulbul College Unit, 35 Battalion Mohasthan Regiment, Bangladesh.
Cadet No. 05450136
<http://bncc.info/>

WORKSHOPS PARTICIPATION

[20/11/2020 – 21/11/2020]

UNLEASH Hack 2020 in Bangladesh focusing on SDG3: Good Health and Well-Being and SDG4: Quality Education

Successfully completed the two days virtual programme addressing SDG3 & SDG4 from the perspective of Bangladesh.

<https://unleash.org/news/unleash-hacks-organizing-teams-selected/>

[11/10/2020 – 14/10/2020]

Capacity Building of BOU Faculty members on Design and Development of Self Learning Material

This virtual workshop was organised jointly by Bangladesh Open University and Commonwealth Educational Media Centre for Asia (CEMCA), Delhi.

<https://www.cemca.org/news/online-capacity-building-workshop-development-outcome-based-self-learning-materials-bangladesh-#.YKV1gggzbiU>

[25/08/2020 – 26/08/2020] **Online training program on Video Content Development**

This virtual training program is organised jointly by Commonwealth Education Media Centre for Asia (CEMCA), India and Bangladesh Open University.

<https://www.cemca.org/news/online-training-faculty-members-bangladesh-open-university-bou-video-content-development#.YKV1j6gzbiU>

[24/07/2019 – 24/07/2019]

Workshop on Blended Learning in Bangladesh Open University using Flipped Classroom

This workshop is organised by Bangladesh Open University and the Aalborg University, Denmark, with the support of the Erasmus+ project on 'Blended Learning Courses for Teacher Educators between Asia and Europe (BL_TEAE)'.

<http://blteae.eu/article/workshop-blended-learning-bangladesh-open-university-using-flipped-classroom>

[27/05/2019 – 27/05/2019]

Workshop on Blended Learning using Software Clickers takes place in Bangladesh.

This workshop is organised by Bangladesh Open University and the Aalborg University, Denmark, with support from the Erasmus+ project on 'Blended Learning Courses for Teacher Educators between Asia and Europe (BL_TEAE)'.

<http://blteae.eu/article/workshop-blended-learning-using-software-clickers-takes-place-bangladesh>

[07/05/2019 – 09/05/2019]

Workshop on Instructional Design for OER-based Blended Vocational Education and Training through Distance Education

Bangladesh Open University organises this workshop with support from Commonwealth Educational Media Centre for Asia (CEMCA), New Delhi.

<https://www.cemca.org/news/instructional-design-oer-based-blended-learning-workshop-held-bou#.YKVmhggzbIU>

[23/04/2019 – 23/04/2019]

VET Integrated HSC and eBEd/eMEd Curriculum Development Bangladesh Open University

This daylong workshop is organised by Bangladesh Open University and Commonwealth Educational Media Centre for Asia, India.

<https://www.cemca.org/news/vet-integrated-hsc-and-ebedemed-curriculum-development-bangladesh-open-university#.YKV326gzbIU>

[03/12/2018 – 04/12/2018] **Workshop on Objective Based Education**

This workshop is organised by The Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Bangladesh Open University.

<https://www.bou.edu.bd/index.php/iqac>

[22/04/2018 – 25/04/2018]

Workshop on Design and Development of the Project on "Impacting Education and Open schooling through OER- Making a difference among the learners"

This daylong workshop is organised by Bangladesh Open University and Commonwealth Educational Media Centre for Asia, India.

<https://www.cemca.org/news/workshop-design-and-development-project-impacting-education-and-open-schooling-through-oer-maki#.YKV5JagzbIU>

[24/02/2018 – 26/02/2018] **Workshop on Research Methodology**

This workshop is organised by The Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Bangladesh Open University

<https://www.bou.edu.bd/index.php/iqac>

[21/01/2018 – 24/01/2018] **International Workshop on Blended- Learning Courseware for Asian Region**

This workshop is organised by Bangladesh Open University and the University of Dhaka, Bangladesh, with the support of the Erasmus+ project on 'Blended Learning Courses for Teacher Educators between Asia and Europe (BL_TEAE)'.

<http://blteae.eu/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=asOBIIaZe0>

[02/09/2016 – 03/09/2016]

Capacity Enhancement Programme on Open Educational Resources for BOU Academics (Master Trainers)

This workshop is organised by Bangladesh Open University and Commonwealth Educational Media Centre for Asia, India.

<https://www.cemca.org/news/oer-capacity-enhancement-programme-cep-bou-academics-master-trainers-bangladesh#.YKV7ZqgzbIV>

[13/08/2016 – 17/08/2016]

Workshop on Launching Online Program (Use method of LMS Platform for E-Learning)

Bangladesh Open University, Bangladesh organise this workshop.

NETWORKS AND MEMBERSHIPS

[2010 – 2014] **Ex-executive member of BIBORTON (A Creative Organization)**

Department of Marketing, University of Rajshahi, Bangladesh

REFERENCES

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