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Tedx Talks by UAP Architecture Alumni

On April 10, Dr. Intisar Ameen Tyne, a former student of Department of Architecture, UAP, was invited to talk at TEDx Talks on the idea of "Building Designs Manipulate Your Experience." With three majors in architecture, Intisar Ameen Tyne, Ph.D., is an assistant professor of interior design at Texas State University. She graduated with a Ph.D. in healthcare space design from the University of Kansas.

UAP Student placed 3rd in the student journalist contest of the 3rd Bangabandhu Inter-University Sports Championship

The Directorate of Students Welfare (DSW) of the University of Asia Pacific (UAP) is immensely proud to note that Noor-A-Robiyat Binta Ahammad, a student of the Department of English of the University of Asia Pacific (UAP) earned 3rd position in the student journalist contest of the 3rd Bangabandhu Inter-University Sports Championship comprising 125 public and private universities of Bangladesh. She also worked as one of the student journalists for UAP in the event that took place in the 3rd quarter of 2022 across the country.

UAP has been participating in this biggest university-based sports event since its first season which is organized by the Ministry of Youth and Sports of the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh. The Directorate of Students Welfare (DSW) made all necessary arrangements for the training of UAP players under the supervision of the advisors of respective sports clubs to take part in the championship of cricket (male), football (male), table tennis (male & female), badminton (male & female), chess (male & female) and cycling (male). In the event, Mohiuddin Rifat from the Department of English achieved 7th position in cycling, while Shohana Islam Sraboni from the Department of Law and Human Rights achieved 9th and Ashaduzzaman Shawon from the Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering achieved 13th position in female and male categories respectively.

Mr. Qayum Reza Chowdhury Elected as a Member of Executive Council of APUB

Mr. Qayum Reza Chowdhury, Member, Board of Trustees (BOT), University of Asia Pacific (UAP) has been elected recently the member of the Executive Council of the Association of Private Universities of Bangladesh (APUB).

The election of the Executive Council for the year 2023-2025 was held on 30th May 2023 according to the association's memorandum. Mr. Sheikh Kabir Hossain, Chairman, BOT, Fareast International University and Dr. KaziAnis Ahmed, Vice President, BOT, University of Liberal Arts Bangladesh (ULAB) has been elected Chairman and Secretary General, respectively.

Other elected members of the Executive Council are Mr. AKM Enamul Hoque Shameem, Port City International University; Mr. Nazrul Islam Babu, Sonargaon University; Mr. Kazi Rafiqul Alam, Ahsanullah University of Science and Technology; Mr. SadafSaj Siddiqui, Brac University; Mr. Shafiqul Islam Mohiuddin, BGMEA University of Fashion and Technology; Mr. Chowdhury Nafeez Sarafat, Canadian University Bangladesh; Mr. MdSabur Khan, Daffodil International University; Mr. AKM Nurul Fazal Bulbul, Exim Bank Agricultural University; Mr. Abdul Hai Sarker, Independent University Bangladesh; Mr. Riad Ahmed Tushar, Ishakha International University; Professor Abu Yousuf Md Abdullah, Northern University Bangladesh; Mr. Md Rezaul Karim, Southeast University.

UAP Students get VC's and Dean's List Award for Fall 2021 Semester

A total of 210 students of different departments of the University of Asia Pacific (UAP) received 'VC's Honor List Award' on 12 April 2023 for their outstanding academic results in Spring 2022 at the UAP auditorium.

Professor Dr. Qumrul Ahsan, Vice Chancellor, UAP, distributed certificates among the awardees while, Dr. M. Alauddin, Chairman, Board of Trustees (BOT), addressed the program as the Chief Guest.

323 students from the different departments were awarded Dean's list for their brilliant results.

Professor Dr. Md. Sultan Mahmud, Pro Vice Chancellor distributed the certificates among the awardees while Professor Dr. M. A. Baqui Khalily, Dean, School of Business, Acting Dean, School of Humanities And Social Science And School of Law; Professor Abu Sayeed Mostaque Ahmed, Dean, School of Environmental Sciences and Design; Professor Dr. Mohiuddin Ahmed Bhuiyan, Dean, School of Medicine; Professor Dr. Muhammad Mizanur Rahaman, Dean, School of Engineering; Professor Dr. Swarnali Islam Khandaker, Controller of Examinations, was present, among others.

Faculty Members as Invited Jurors

Naushad Ehsanul Huq, associate professor of UAP Architecture department was one of the jurors of Burger Award of the 10th cycle of Berger Award for Excellence in Architecture (BAEA). The Berger Award for Excellence in Architecture (BAEA) 10th cycle exhibition's opening ceremony took place on June 1, 2023, at the IAB Centre in Agargaon, Dhaka. Before the inauguration ceremony, a panel discussion titled "BAEA at 20 and Moving Forward" was arranged. Along with Ar. Khan Md. Mustapha Khalid, Ar. Iqbal Habib, Ar. Zishan Fuad Chowdhury, Ar. Nabi Newaz Khan, and Mr. Mohsin Habib Chowdhury, Chief Operating Officer of Berger Paints Bangladesh Limited, Naushad Ehsanul Huq was one of the invited speakers on the panel. Rupali Chowdhury, Managing Director of Berger Paints Bangladesh Limited, and Ar. Prof. Dr. Khandaker Shabbir Ahmed, President of the Institute of Architects of Bangladesh (IAB), attended the opening ceremony.

Associate Professor Ziaul Islam was one of the jurors in the final year thesis jury of 24 students at CUET which was held on May 3 and 4. He was also an external studio supervisor at CUET. Dr. Nawrose Fatemi attended the final year thesis jury at Ahsanullah University of Science and Technology on April 29.

Faculty Members of Department of Architecture Received Scholarship

Umme Tahmina Haque, Lecturer has been offered candidacy for a Master's in Architecture at the eminent Texas A&M University in Texas, USA starting from August 2023. The offer includes the University Top Off Scholarship along with Graduate Assistantship.

Iftekhar Uddin Ahmed, Lecturer has been awarded the prestigious Bangabandhu Science and Technology Fellowship for pursuing his Master's in Urban Design at the highly regarded University of Sheffield in the United Kingdom starting in September 2023.

Nabila Ferdousi, Lecturer has been awarded the prestigious Bangabandhu Science and Technology Fellowship and UCL Global Masters Scholarship for pursuing her Master's in Architecture and Historic Urban Environment at the esteemed Bartlett School of Architecture, University College London, in the United Kingdom, starting in September 2023. UCL is ranked # 1 in QS World University Rankings by Subject 2023: Architecture & Built Environment.

Workshop Conducted by UAP Alumni at BUET

A group of UAP alumni Ar.Md. Mostaque Ahmed, Fahim Hasin Sahan, and Khatib Taniza Bari Akash conducted aday-long interactive workshop on "Universal Accessibility" with the departments of Architecture, Civil Engineering, and URP at the premise of the Architecture department, BUET. The event was held on 22 June 2023.

UAP Architecture Alumni Travel-grant

UAP Architecture graduates in USA, an alumni organization of UAP architecture department graduates studying or practicing in the USA has organized a travel grant for the current students of the department. They have introduced this travel grant in 2016 and this was the second travel grant, and first after the covid pandemic. The travel grant contest was initiated in March of 2023 and the result was published on June 29, 2023. The winners were Ahmed Abid Rezwan, Jubair Ahmed, and Siraj Wasee Ishmam who will be exploring the vernacular architecture of Tipra and Murong community at Bandarban.

Arc. Ziaul Islam, New Director of OIA, UAP

On 15 June 2023, University of Asia Pacific (UAP) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with University College of MAIWP International, Malaysia at the Conference room of VC, UAP.

At that time, Ms. Ismat Zarin, Assistant Professor, Dept. of English, UAP handed over the directorship of Office of International Affairs (OIA) to Ziaul Islam, Associate Professor, Department of Architecture.

Ar. Ziaul Islam joined as an Associate Professor in the Department of Architecture, UAP on 17 October, 2006. Graduated from the Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET), Ziaul Islam actively engaged in academic activities. He has published a number of seminar papers and publications which reflect his academic interests in humansettlement and urban design. He is also affiliated with Architects Regional Council Asia (ARCASIA) as Honorary Secretary.

Dr. M. Alauddin, Chairman, Board of Trustees, UAP and Prof. Dr. Qumrul Ahsan, Vice Chancellor, UAP extended their sincere gratitude and praise to Ms. Ismat Zarin for her tremendous efforts and hard work over the past two years as the Director of OIA, UAP. The handover and reception ceremony was also attended by Prof. Dr. Sultan Mahmud, Pro-VC, UAP, Prof. Dr. Munshi Mahbubur Rahman, Treasurer In-charge, UAP; Prof. Shahriyar Anam, Register In-Charge & Proctor, UAP; Professor Dr. Mohiuddin Ahmed Bhuiyan, Dean, School of Medicine, UAP; Dr. Irin Dewan, Associate Professor & Head, Department of Pharmacy and foreign delegates from Malaysia.

Dr. Tanvir Ferdous Saeed, New Director of IEERD, UAP

On 14 June 2023, Wednesday the 26th Advisory Council Meeting of the Institute for Energy, Environment, Research and Development (IEERD) UAP was held in VC's conference room.

At that time, Dr. Irin Dewan, Associate Professor & Head, Department of Pharmacy handed over the directorship to Dr. Tanvir Ferdous Saeed, Professor, Department of Civil Engineering.

Dr. Saeed joined as an Associate Professor in the Department of Civil Engineering, UAP in May, 2016 and had been promoted as a Professor in May, 2019. He received many research and academic awards. These include book author reception award by the University Grants Commission of Bangladesh in the year 2016, University Grants Commission (UGC) Award in the year 2013 and UGC Gold Medal in 2016 for best research in Engineering and Technology, AIT fellowship during his MSc studies at AIT.

Dr. M. Alauddin, Chairman, Board of Trustees, UAP and Prof. Dr. Qumrul Ahsan, Vice Chancellor, UAP and Prof. Dr. Mohammad Shariful Islam, Member, Board of Trustees, UAP extended their appreciation and praise to Dr. Irin Dewan for her effort and hard work over the past two years. The handover and reception ceremony were attended by the Deans, Heads of different departments.

IQAC, UAP organized a workshop on "Effective way of showing PO attainment along with KPA through courses and FYDP" for the faculty members of EEE

On 12th June 2023, the Intuitional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), University of Asia Pacific (UAP), organized a workshop on "Effective way of showing PO attainment along with KPA through courses and FYDP" for the faculty members of the Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering at UAP. Dr. Khawza Iftekhar Uddin Ahmed, Professor, Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering, United International University (UIU) was the resource person in this workshop. The workshop started at 09:30 AM and continued until 2:00 PM. A total of 22 faculty members of the Department participated in the workshop.Professor Dr. Qumrul Ahsan, Vice Chancellor, UAP also attended the workshop and shared his valuable insights on Outcome Based Education (OBE). The workshop concluded with a vote of thanks by Professor Dr. Aloke Kumar Saha, Director, IQAC.

UAP participate in the Bangladesh Education Expo 2023 at BICC

University of Asia Pacific (UAP) proudly participated in the highly anticipated Bangladesh Education Expo 2023, held at the Bangabandhu International Conference Centre (BICC) in Dhaka on 05 June 2023.

Dr. Dipu Moni, Minister, Ministry of Education, Government People's Republic of Bangladesh, graced the occasion as the chief guest with her presence and shared her thoughts on the advancements made by private universities in Bangladesh.

The UAP Stall garnered significant attention with its exceptional digital presentation. The education minister visited the stall of UAP along with professor Dr Mesbah Uddin Ahmed, Chairman, Bangladesh Accreditation Council; Dr Biswajit Chanda, Honorable Member, Bangladesh University Grant Commission (UGC); Professor DrSatya Prasad Majumder, Vice Chancellor Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET); Professor Dr Anwar Hossain, Vice Chancellor, Jessore University of Science and Technology; Professor DrMashiur Rahman, Vice- Chancellor, National University; Mir Mohammad Jasim, President, ERAB.

Dr. M. Alauddin, Chairman, Board of Trustees, Abdul Mohin Chowdhury, Member, Board of Trustees, UAP; Prof. Dr. Qumrul Ahsan, Vice Chancellor, UAP; Prof. Dr. Munshi Mahbubur Rahman, psc, Treasurer In-charge, UAP, Md. Tarek Khan, Assistant Director, DSW welcomed the guests to the UAP stall.

The event, organized by the Education Reporters Association Bangladesh (ERAB), attracted a multitude of interested students seeking comprehensive information about the university's diverse programs, course curriculum, and extracurricular activities More than 60 educational institutions participated to highlight their latest achievements and developments at the day-long Expo. The event also featured two seminars focusing on the crucial topics of academic-industry linkage and research and also PhD opportunities in private universities.

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The Farewell Program of Batch-46, Department of Pharmacy, UAP

On 9th May 2023 marked the official end of yet another batch of pharmacy department of the University of Asia Pacific. The farewell program of Batch 46, Sphuron was celebrated with much enthusiasm at UAP plaza through the participation of peers of batch 46.

The event began with the Dean's introductory remarks, delivered by Prof. Dr. Mohiuddin Ahmed Bhuiyan, and was followed by the department head's remarks, Dr. IrinDewan. Mahbubul Haque, the president of EPSA and secretary of PCB, gave the students some words of encouragement as well.

Ms. Ramisa Anjum, Convener of Pharma Cultural Club, organized the overall performances. The ramp walk, dance, and songs done by the batch of 46 youngsters had a unique touch to it, but it also had a retro-meets-modern vibe to it. As a sign of their love for the students of batch 46, former faculty members Ms. Tabassum Jannat and Ms. Sayeeda Fahmee Chowdhury delivered their goodbye remarks via videos, which were shown on screen.

Felicitation Program held at UAP

A felicitation program for the newly enrolled advocates was organized by the Department of Law and Human Rights, University of Asia Pacific on 10th June, 2023 at UAP auditorium.

The program was started by the welcome speech of Md. Abdur Rahim, Assistant Professor and Head, Department

of Law and Human Rights, UAP. Mr. Justice M. Enayetur Rahim, Hon'ble Judge of the Appellate Division, Supreme Court of Bangladesh was present as the chief guest at the event. In his speech, Mr. Justice M. Enayetur Rahim encouraged the newly enrolled advocates to contribute in establishing social justice and rule of law. Dr. M. A. Baqui Khalily, Acting Dean, School of Law, University of Asia Pacific delivered his speech as special guest. Prof. Dr. Qumrul Ahsan, Vice Chancellor, UAP presided over the program. Besides, the Department of Law and Human Rights also felicitated the Jessup mooters who got a chance to participate in the Philip c Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, 2023. After distribution of crests among the successful advocates and Jessup mooters, the program came to an end with the vote of thanks by Md. Asaduzzaman, Associate Professor Department of Law & Huma Rights, University of Asia Pacific.

Professor Shahadat Hossain, PhD visits Department of Civil Engineering, UAP

On 9th May 2023, Dr. MdSahadat Hossain, PhD, Professor of Department of Civil Engineering and Director, Solid Waste Institute for Sustainability at University of Texas at Arlington (UTA), visited the Department of Civil Engineering, University of Asia Pacific (UAP).

Prof. Hossain visited classrooms and laboratories of UAP Department of Civil Engineering while Prof. Dr. Muhammad Mizanur Rahaman, Dean, School of Engineering and Prof. Dr. Nehreen Majed, Head, Department of Civil Engineering accompanied him and briefed about the resources, services and physical and technical facilities available at UAP. Professor Hossain discussed the potential academic collaboration between the Civil Engineering Departments of UAP and UTA and agreed to work jointly to find out the common grounds to facilitate the credit transfers and students' enrollment in undergraduate and graduate programs at UTA

Prof. Sahadat Hossain also met with Professor Dr. Qumrul Ahsan, Vice Chancellor, UAP and shared his ideas on how both universities can work together to promote academic excellence.

Team UAP Participate in the International Moot Court Competition 2023 in the USA

UAP from the Department of Law and Human rights has successfully represented Bangladesh in the international round of White & Case Philip C. Jessup international Law Moot Court Competition, 2023.

The team were consisted of Mr. Shushil Kabir Miazi, Ms. Fatema Alam Oishee and Ms. Ananya Mahbub Sanchitha, who are the final year students of the LLB Program of the Department of Law and Human Rights, UAP. Mrs. Farzana Akther, Lecturer, Department of Law and Human Rights was also there as team coach. Jessup International round was held on April 8 to April 15 this year at Hyatt Regency Hotel, Washington DC, USA.

Team UAP secured 106th position in this prestigious moot court competition out of the 135 best law schools of the world. Moreover, Team UAP also secured 3rd position among the four Bangladeshi teams who got a chance to represent Bangladesh internationally.

UAP Signs MoU with University College of MAIWP International, Malaysia

University of Asia Pacific (UAP) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with University College of MAIWP International, Malaysia on 15th June 2023 at the Conference room of VC, UAP.

Prof. Dr. Qumrul Ahsan, Vice Chancellor, University of Asia Pacific, Prof. Dr. Wan Mohd Azizi Bin Wan Sulaiman, Vice Chancellor of University College of MAIWP International(UCMI) signed the MoU on behalf of the respective institutions.

According to the MoU, the two universities have agreed to cooperate and facilitate academic as well as research collaborations, exchange of students and faculty members, internship opportunities for students, arrange international conferences and workshops etc.

Among others, Dr. M. Alauddin, Chairman, Board of Trustees, UAP; Prof. Dr. Md. Sultan Mahmud, Pro-VC, UAP, Prof. Dr. Munshi Mahbubur Rahman, Treasurer In-charge, UAP; Professor Dr. Mohiuddin Ahmed Bhuiyan, Dean, School of Medicine, UAP; Prof. Shahriyar Anam, Register In-Charge & Proctor, UAP; Dr. Irin Dewan, Associate Professor & Head, Department of Pharmacy, UAP; Ismat Zarin, outgoing Director, Office of International Affairs (OIA), and Assistant Professor, Dept. of English, UAP; Ziaul Islam, newly appointed Director, Office of International Affairs (OIA), and Associate Professor, Dept. of Architecture; and other officials of UAP were present at the ceremony. The ceremony was arranged by the Office of International Affairs (OIA) of UAP.

CFA Organize a Case Competition titled 'The Next Big Thing in Finance'

Club of Finance & Accounting (CFA) of DBA, UAP, has successfully organized a case competition titled "The Next Big Thing in Finance" on 9th April 2023. A total of 39 students of the BBA program divided into 13 teams participated in the competition. The case was about how artificial intelligence (AI), particularly language models like Chat GPT, is poised to disrupt the financial service industry, the challenges it brings, and the prospects for business school students.

The competition was judged by two faculty members of DBA: Asst. Prof. Mohammad Rakiv and Asst. Prof. Mohammad Aminul Islam.

The prize-giving ceremony for the competition was held on the following day, 10th April 2023. The event was graced by the honourable chief guest, Dr. M. A. Baqui Khalily (Professor and Dean, School of Business, UAP) and the honourable special guest Dr. Mahbubul Haque (Associate Professor, DBA, UAP).

All participants received a certificate of participation, and the top three teams were awarded crests. The event concluded with a vote of thanks by the Convener of CFA, Asst. Prof. Imroz Mahmud.

IQAC Organize a workshop on 'Teaching –Learning and Assessment' for the Faculty Members

The Intuitional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), University of Asia Pacific (UAP), organized a workshop on "Teaching-Learning and Assessment" for the faculty members of Pharmacy Department on 13th April 2023 at UAP.

Dr. Sukumar Saha, Professor, Department of Microbiology and Hygiene, Faculty of Veterinary Science, Bangladesh Agricultural University (BAU) was the resource person.

The workshop commenced with an introduction of Dr. Sukumar Saha by Professor Dr. Aloke Kumar Saha,Director, and IQAC and Professor, Department of Computer Science and Engineering (CSE).

Professor Dr. Qumrul Ahsan, Vice Chancellor, UAP; Professor Dr. Mohiuddin Ahmed Bhuiyan, Dean, School of Medicine; Dr. Irin Dewan, Associate Professor & Head, Department of Pharmacy; Professor Dr. Swarnali Islam Khandaker; Professor Dr. Sardar Mohd. Ashraful Islam and other faculty members of the Department of Pharmacy, UAP attended the workshop. At the end of the

workshop, The honorable Vice Chancellor of UAP Professor Dr. Qumrul Ahsan, Vice Chancellor of UAP and Prof Dr. Aloke Kumar Saha, Director, IQAC, UAP handed over a token of appreciation to Professor Dr. Sukumar Saha.

Central English Language Club organizes Workshop on Public Speaking

UAP Central English Language Club successfully organized a workshop titled 'Break the Barriers: A Workshop on Mastering the Art of Public Speaking' on the 9 th April 2023 at the UAP auditorium. The workshop was conducted by Mr. Shahnawaz Hossain Jay, an education consultant and IELTS instructor. He is also the Founder of The English Republic and co-founder of Edu Xpert.

The Director of DSW, Mr. Takad Ahmed Chowdhury inaugurated the workshop attended by more than 250 students from different departments of the university. The Director, along with Ms. Afroza Aziz Suchana, an Assistant Professor of the Department of English and Adviser, UAP Central English Language Club welcomed the guest with tokens of appreciation.

The workshop was very well-received by the participants. At the end, the club Advisor Ms. Afroza Aziz Suchana thanked everyone, especially the facilitator for the time and effort he invested for the session organized by the UAP Central English Language Club.

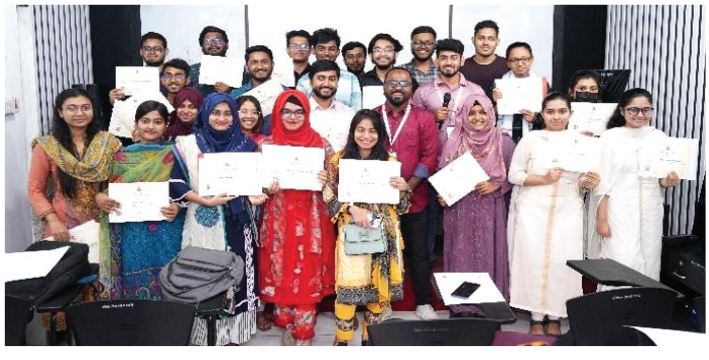
The workshop yielded very positive feedback from the participants, which is a testament to the quality of the presentation and enthusiasm.

EEE Tech Fest 2023

EEE Project Club of the Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering (EEE), UAP, in cooperation with the IEEE UAP Student Branch successfully organized EEE Tech Fest 2023 on 29th March at the UAP Plaza.

Dr. Mohammed Alauddin, Chairperson, Board of Trustees, and Prof. Dr. Qumrul Ahsan, Vice Chancellor, UAP jointly inaugurated the fest while Prof. Dr. Sultan Mahmud, Pro Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dr. Mohiuddin Ahmed Bhuiyan, Acting Treasurer, Professor Dr. Muhammad Mizanur Rahaman, Dean, School of Engineering, UAP; Dr. G. R. Ahmed Jamal, Associate Professor and Head, EEE, UAP were present among others.

A total number of 375 participants took part in EEE Tech Fest 2023. The fest included segments like Project showcasing, Idea generation competition, Programming contest, Robo soccer competition and quiz contest. 28 groups exhibited their projects in two different categories such as Smart Systems and Energy Security. All these projects offered innovative and practical solutions. During the Idea Generation competition students brainstormed to develop ideas for overcoming fire hazard and gas leakage problems in our city. Students from both the EEE and CSE department took part in the Programming contest. Quiz contest was joined by participants from all the disciplines at UAP. Robo soccer competition displayed the advances made by the UAP EEE Project club in the field of robotics.



Workshop on "App Development"

The Research and Publication Unit of CSE, UAP, in association with Creative IT institute, organized a 3-day workshop, starting from March 28, 2023, on "App Development". The main focus of the training was to provide hands-on training on App Development followed by an Industrial visit.

Workshop on "Future Healthcare Challenges and Opportunity"

A workshop on "Future Healthcare Challenges and Opportunity" was organized by CDC on 26 July, 2022. Resource person was Dr. Arif Reza Anwary, Edinburgh Napier University.

Training on Introduction to Machine Learning

This course was conducted online during the semester break from June 4 to July 2. Around 30 students completed this 45 hours training session. As part of this course/training, different Machine Learning algorithms were taught in-depth with hands-on training.

Workshop on Hands-on Training on Blockchain

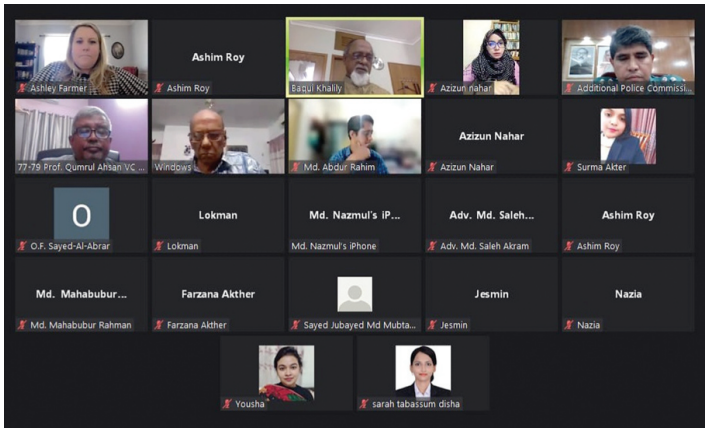
The workshop was conducted over two sessions, the first one being held on February 11th from 11 am to 1 pm, and the second one on February 18th from 11 am to 12 pm. The sessions were conducted on Zoom and Google Meet, and around 65 students had registered for the workshop. During the two sessions, on average about 30 students had joined.

UAP Law Organized Virtual Seminar on 'Benefits and Challenges of Using Body Worn Cameras by Police'

Department of Law & Human Rights, University of Asia Pacific organized a virtual seminar on 'Benefits and Challenges of Using Body Worn Cameras by Police'. The event took place on 21st May 2023 from 7:30 pm to 8:35 pm. Dr. Ashley K. Farmer, Associate Professor of the Department of Criminal Justice Sciences, Illinois State University (USA) was Keynote Speaker of the event. Dr. Farmer reflects on the beginning of the use of BWC in the US and how the use of BWC contributes to reducing complaints, reducing police use of force, increasing police accountability, and increase in the public trust on police.

Mr. Md. Munibur Rahman, Deputy Inspector General, Bangladesh Police and Additional Police Commissioner (Traffic), Dhaka Metropolitan Police was a special guest and informed that around 70% of the police use BWCs in the traffic division of DMP. He highlighted that there are benefits of using BWC that include evidence, accountability, and increase of public trust on police.

Mr. Md. Nazmul Haque, former Additional Inspector General, Bangladesh Police, and former Rector, Police Staff College, was chief guest of the event and briefly discussed the use of BWC in Bangladesh.



Departmental faculty members and students participated in the seminar. The seminar was inaugurated by a welcome speech by Dr. M. A. Baqui Khalili, Acting Dean, School of Law, UAP and Mr. Md. Abdur Rahim, head of the Department of Law and Human Rights of UAP. Dr. M. Alauddin, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of University of Asia Pacific appreciated the organization of the seminar and reassured the UAP's goal of engaging in research in emerging issues. Professor Qumrul Ahsan, Vice Chancellor of University of Asia Pacific encouraged the faculty members and students to do research on the topic and gave vote of thanks to the speakers, guests, and the audience.

Workshop on "Teaching structures to architecture students".

Institute of Architects Bangladesh IAB hosts a number of CPD seminars and workshops on a range of topics pertaining to the practice and operations of architecture. They held a number of seminars, workshops, and masterclasses on the structure and seismic safety of architecture from April 28 to May 3 of 2023. S M Ehsan Ul Haque Shawpnil and Iftekhar Uddin Ahmed, two of our faculty members, attended the workshop titled "Teaching Structures to architecture students" on May 2 at the IAB location. The teaching strategy and the pros and cons of structural courses in the architectural curriculum were the main topics of the workshop.

Department of Architecture, UAP organize Iftar

Every Ramadan, students from the architecture department organize an iftar with all of their fellow students, faculty, and staff to honor the spirit of giving and caring that permeates this holy month. More than 250 students, faculty members, and staffmembers attended an iftar-mehfil that students arranged for Ramadan 2023 on June 6 at the jury space of the architecture department.

Masterclass on “Architectural and structural configuration for earthquake-safe buildings”

Tahmina Rahman, a lecturer in the architecture department, attended the masterclass on "Architectural and structural configuration for earthquake-safe buildings" on May 03, 2023. The class's main topics were structural problems and earthquake safety in architecture practice in Bangladesh. Both the workshop and the masterclass were conducted by Prof. Andrew Charleson from the Architecture department, Victoria University of Wellington.

Workshop on “Teaching for active learning”

S M Ehsan Ul Haque Shawpnil, Lecturer along with three other faculty members from the department of English, DBA, and Pharmacy attended a three-day workshop titled as “Teaching for active learning” (TAL, batch 10) organized by the Foundation for Learning Teaching and Research (FLTR) and held at Green University Bangladesh from 8 to 10 June.32 teachers from 8 public and private universities attended the event. The workshop sessions included Bloom’s taxonomy, OBE system of education, teaching ethics, application of multiple intelligence and emotional intelligence, social capital, Interactive teaching and learning methods etc.

Department of Architecture arranges annual study tour in Sylhet

The Department of Architecture arranges study trips to a variety of historic and contemporary locations in and around Dhaka. Following the COVID-19 outbreak, the department hosted its first study tour in Sylhet from June 10 to 12 this year. At the event, which included visits to the Sreehatta – Samdani art center, the BRAC Learning Center, Lauacharaeco park, and Luayuni Holicchera Tea Estate, more than hundred students and six faculty members participated. By physically touring architectural sites, students gained experiences and strengthened their bonds with one another.

Industrial Visit to MHC Apparels (Pvt.) Ltd

The Department of Business Administration (DBA), University of Asia Pacific (UAP), arranged an Industrial Visit on June 17, 2023, to MHC Apparels (Pvt.) Ltd. The visiting team consisted of twenty-four MBA students, the program coordinator Md. Aminul Islam, and the industry expert Mr. Musharrof Hossain, Head of HR at ICDDR,B.

The primary objectives of the visit were to familiarize the students with the different departments and functions of MHC Apparels (Pvt.) Ltd., observe their operational processes, and learn about their management practices. MHC Group organized a structured tour that included presentations, interactive sessions, and a tour of their relevant departments. The students were assigned a 10-point assignment in response to their industrial visit.

The industrial visit to MHC Group was an enriching experience for the MBA students, providing them with practical insights into the garment industry and the operations of a prominent company.

Orientation Program of MBA and EMBA students for Spring 2023

The Department of Business Administration (DBA) conducted the MBA and EMBA orientation program on 13 May 2023. The program was a great success with the participation of all the newly admitted students for Spring 2023. The event was honored by the presence of Dr. Jesmin Sultana, the Head of the Department of Business Administration.

Students were introduced to the program, campus, academic policies, regulations, and available resources. They were also given an overview of the curriculum and course offerings of the MBA and EMBA program.

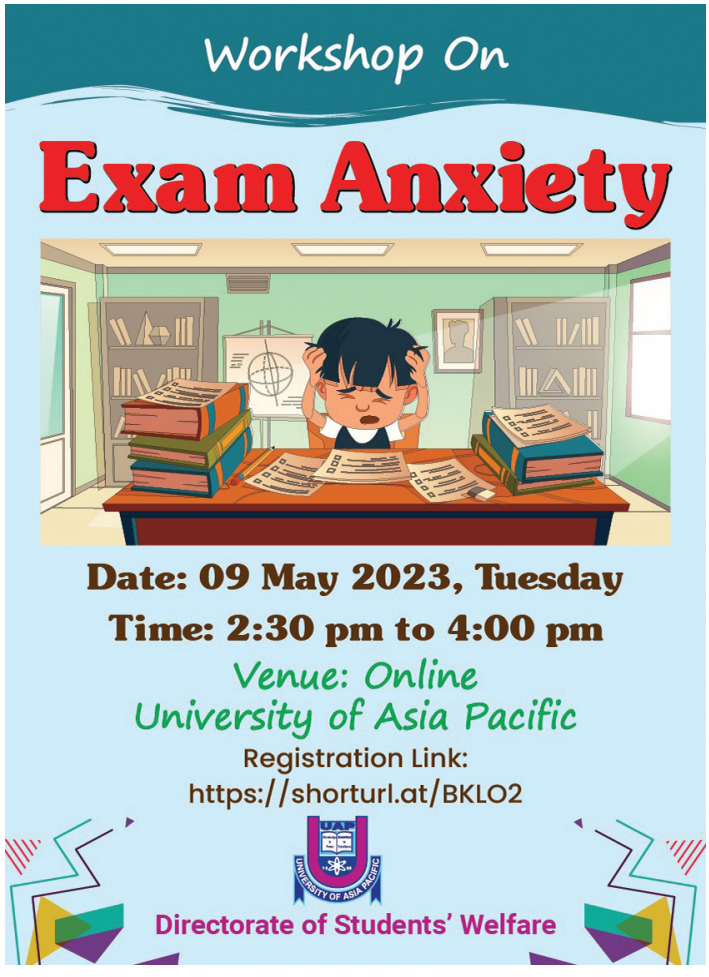
The program was a concerted effort of the MBA Business Club and the DBA to welcome the newly enrolled with open arm and warm reception.

MBA Business Club organized a discourse on 'Exploring Higher Education Opportunities Abroad'

The MBA Business Club of the Department of Business Administration conducted a presentation on "Exploring Higher Education Opportunities Abroad." The purpose of the event was to provide MBA and BBA students with valuable insights and advice on pursuing further education in international institutions.

Mr. Adeeb Bin Faisal, Ms. Nafisa Shamim, both Uni Search experts, and Mr. Mehedi Hasan, a former UAP MBA student who had been awarded a full scholarship to study in the United States, were invited to share their personal experience through a presentation and interactive question-answer round with the attending BBA and MBA students.

The program was led by Md. Aminul Islam and attended by distinguished guest Mr. Musharrof Hossain, Head of Human Resources at ICDDR,B as well as several faculties of the department.



Workshop on Examination Anxiety held at UAP

The Directorate of Students' Welfare (DSW) organized a workshop titled 'Examination Anxiety' from 2:30 pm to 4:00 pm on Tuesday, May 9, 2023. Ms. Ayesha Islam, Socio Counselor of University of Asia Pacific facilitated the workshop for the hundreds of participating students by discussing the concept and engaging students with activities to understand their own experiences ahead of their Fall 2022 final examinations.

The objective of the workshop was to make the students understand anxiety and how they can help themselves when they feel anxious due to any kind of examination. The causes and effects of exam anxiety, management techniques, and some tips to deal with anxiety were discussed. Moreover, how appreciating oneself can help to manage anxiety during the examination was emphasized in the session. At the end, what they were getting out of this workshop was asked to reflect on. The concluding part took place by giving and receiving thanks and warm wishes from the students.

The participating students expressed a great deal of satisfaction and shared their interest to attend more such workshops. The Social Counselling Center is thankful to the admin and management staff of the University of Asia Pacific who supported the workshop and made it successful.

UAP Film Club organized Film Appreciation Course on Film and AD Making

On 03 May 2023, UAP Film Club organized a Film Appreciation Course on Film and Ad Making at UAP Auditorium. The club regularly organizes such workshops focusing on sharing knowledge on Film and Media to inspire and incubate the interested students of UAP.

In the inaugural speech, Mr. Md. Tarek Khan, Assistant Director, DSW welcomed the guests and the participants and thanked the UAP Film Club for organizing the workshop.

Mr. Syed Gousul Alam Shaon, a renowned Ad Maker, Film Producer and Scriptwriter attended the workshop as the resource person. Mr. Shaon won the National Film Award jointly with Mr. Anam Biswas in the Best Cinematography category for the film "Ayanabaaji".

The event was also attended by Ms. Kazi Noshin, Lecturer, Department of CSE and Adviser, UAP Film Club and Ms. Ritu Rani Das, Lecturer, Department of Civil Engineering who were the adjudicators of a “Scriptwriting Competition” held on 12-19 April 2023 using an online platform. It was also organized by the UAP Film Club. In the end, the guests handed over the prize money and certificates to Shoeb Shahriar, Reg. No.: 20105037, Ibrahim Ahmed, Reg. No.: 22102035 and Neamul Mobin Jim, Reg. No. : 19105090 who placed 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the Scriptwriting, respectively.

DSW arrange workshop on “Let’s Appreciate Ourselves”

With the objective of raising awareness about mental health and how to take care of one’s own mental well-being, the Directorate of Students’ Welfare (DSW) of the University of Asia Pacific (UAP) organized a workshop on Self Appreciation titled, “Let's Appreciate Ourselves” for the employees of UAP on 12th June 2023.

Mr. Takad Ahmed Chowdhury, the Director of Directorate of Students’ Welfare (DSW), inaugurated the workshop with an introductory speech thanking the administrative staff members of the university who attended the valuable workshop.

Ms. Ayesha Islam, the Socio Counselor of UAP facilitated the interactive and lively session, which started an icebreaking segment. She then briefly discussed the concept of appreciation and highlighted the necessity of practicing well-being strategies in our daily lives. Her session also focused on the signs and symptoms of mental health problems, strategies to manage stress, different types of mental health treatment, and how to build professional and healthy relationships.

A total 40 participants attended the workshop and shared their positive feedback and satisfaction. They found it very impactful and at the end of the session they appreciated each other and as well as the facilitators. They also expressed their interest to attend more such workshops in the future.

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