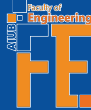


AIUB NEWSLETTER

Volume 3 | Issue 9 | October 2024



AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY–BANGLADESH

408/1 (Old KA 66/1), Kuratoli, Khilkhet, Dhaka 1229, Bangladesh
www.aiub.edu



Editorial Board

Editorial Members

Prof. Dr. Md. Asraf Ali
Dr. Asif Kamal
Dr. Shameem Ahmed
Dr. S. M. Hasan Mahmud
Soumendra Sankar Das
Rethwan Faiz
Md. Hasibul Islam
Dr. B M Sajjad Hossain

Coordinator

Md. Abu Mia Akanda Tuhin

Content Coordinator

Saadi Islam
Tanzina Tabassum Nova

Photography

Soumyak Saha Dhrubo

Student Contributor

Sumaiya Parvin Khushi
Jayed Zaman
Shariya Aslam Anchol

Design and Page Makeup

Sarowar Hossain
Siddika Mahbuba
Saad Mahmud
Abdullah Abu Saeed

Published By

American International University-Bangladesh



Contents

- NASA Space Apps Challenge Bangladesh 2024 Successfully Held at AIUB 01
- Commendation at CAA Awards 2024 for Architecture Student 02
- AIUB Earns QS Reimagine Education Shortlisted Badge for Sustainability Project 03
- AIUB - Finalist in the International Green Gown Awards 2024 04
- AIUB is an Institutional Partner of WePOWER 05
- AIUB Makes its Mark in Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2025 06
- Department of Law, AIUB Organized a Webinar on Research Methodology 07
- 3rd International Conference on Computing Advancements (ICCA) held at AIUB 08
- Freshman Student Orientation for Fall 2024-2025 Successfully Held at AIUB 09
- AIUB Receives Prestigious APQN Quality Award at AAC 2024 10
- AIUB Faculties Attended "The Business Plan Development Workshop" Organized by WePOWER 11
- Chairman, BoT Honored with Women Inspiration Award 2024 12
- Workshop on Short Article Writing 13



NASA Space Apps Challenge Bangladesh 2024 Successfully Held at AIUB

October 6, 2024, Sunday

The Bangladesh edition of the NASA Space Apps Challenge 2024 was hosted at AIUB from October 4–5, 2024, lasting 36 hours over two days. This prestigious event was organized by the Bangladesh Association of Software and Information Services (BASIS) in collaboration with BASIS Students' Forum.

During the inauguration ceremony on October 4, 2024, Professor Dr. Md Abdur Rahman, Pro Vice-Chancellor, AIUB; BASIS President Russell T. Ahmed; BASIS Senior Vice-President M. Rashidul Hasan; Vice-President (Finance) Iqbal Ahmed Fakhrul Hasan; BASIS Directors Mir Shahrulk Islam and Biplob Ghosh Rahul; NASA Space Apps Challenge 2024 Convener Abhijit

Bhowmik; and Advisor for the Bangladesh Chapter, Mohammad Mahdee-uz-Zaman, joined as guests.

During the closing ceremony on October 5, 2024, Her Excellency Ms. Helen LaFave, Chargé d'Affaires, U.S. Embassy in Dhaka, graced the occasion as the Special Guest. Ms. Nadia Anwar, Founder and Chairman, Board of Trustees, AIUB, attended as the Guest of Honor, alongside Mr. Mohammad Mamdudur Rashid, Managing Director & CEO, United Commercial Bank.

<https://www.aiub.edu/nasa-space-apps-challenge-bangladesh-2024-successfully-held-at-aiub>

Commendation at CAA Awards 2024 for Architecture Student

October 9, 2024, Wednesday

The Department of Architecture at AIUB proudly announces that Shahira Sarwat, an Architecture student, has received Commendation at the Commonwealth Association of Architects (CAA) Awards 2024 under the "CAA Presidents' Awards" category. Shahira's thesis project, titled "Heritage Sanctuary for Geology," was completed during the Fall 2023-2024 semester under the guidance of studio teachers Ashik Vaskor Mannan and Irfat Alam, with Arefeen Ibrahim serving as the project supervisor. The project focuses on the preservation of the unique geological features of Jaflong, Sylhet, a region known for its ancient limestone formations, Kopili Shale layers, and boulder beds dating back to the Eocene epoch.

Additionally, Shahira's project has been shortlisted for the final round of judging for the ARCASIA Thesis of the Year Award 2024, where it was selected as one of the three projects from the national level.



<https://www.aiub.edu/commendation-at-caa-awards-2024-for-architecture-student>

AIUB Earns QS Reimagine Education Shortlisted Badge for Sustainability Project

October 16, 2024, Wednesday

The American International University-Bangladesh (AIUB) proudly announces that its project, “Recycling Low-Density Polyethylene (LDPE) using Waste Plastic Bottles for 3D Printer Filament Production via Fused Deposition Modeling (FDM)”, has been shortlisted for the Sustainability Education Action Award in the prestigious 2024 QS Reimagine Education Awards.

This year, the QS Reimagine Education Awards received over 1,300 submissions across 18 categories. AIUB’s project ranked in the top 25% of submissions after undergoing rigorous evaluation by more than 800 international judges. This recognition highlights AIUB’s ongoing commitment to innovative, sustainable solutions and underscores its leadership in sustainability education.

AIUB is honored to be among the shortlisted candidates and remains dedicated to continuing its positive impact on both education and the environment.



<https://www.aiub.edu/aiub-earns-qs-reimagine-education-shortlisted-badge-for-sustainability-project>

AIUB – Finalist in the International Green Gown Awards 2024

October 16, 2024, Wednesday

AIUB has achieved a remarkable distinction as the only university from Bangladesh to be named a finalist in the prestigious International Green Gown Awards 2024, in association with Allianz Global Investors. AIUB's project, titled "Recycling Low-Density Polyethylene using Waste Plastic Bottles for 3D Printer Filament Production via Fused Deposition Modeling", exemplifies the university's commitment to sustainability and innovation.



The winners of the Green Gown Awards were announced during Winners' Week (October 7-11, 2024), with a recording available on the official Green Gown Awards LinkedIn page. AIUB is deeply honored by the positive feedback from the judges, which encourages further development and broader applications of the project. This recognition reinforces AIUB's position as a leader in sustainability, driving positive environmental change on both a local and global scale.

<https://www.aiub.edu/aiub---finalist-in-the-international-green-gown-awards-2024>



AIUB is an Institutional Partner of WePOWER

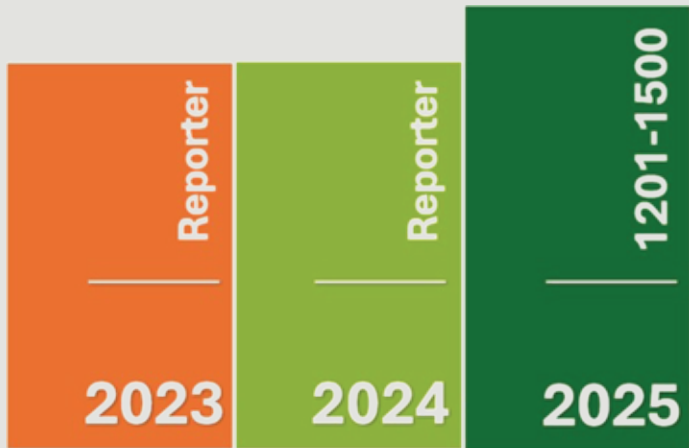
October 16, 2024, Wednesday

AIUB has become the first educational institution to join the "South Asia Women in Power Sector Professional Network (WePOWER)" as an institutional member.

WePOWER is a vibrant voluntary women's professional network in the Energy and Power Sector in South Asia that supports women's participation in energy projects and institutions and promotes normative change regarding women in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) education. AIUB became WePOWER's only educational partner in

Bangladesh in July 2024, developing a gender activities agreement under WePOWER's five pillars. WePOWER launched its Bangladesh National Chapter (BNC) on June 10, 2024, where AIUB was an honored invitee. AIUB also established a 10-member gender committee and, with WePOWER, hosted a seminar on "Female Students' Career-Building Opportunities in the Power Sector" on September 23, 2024.

Link: <https://www.aiub.edu/aiub-is-an-institutional-partner-of-wepower>



AIUB Makes its Mark in Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2025

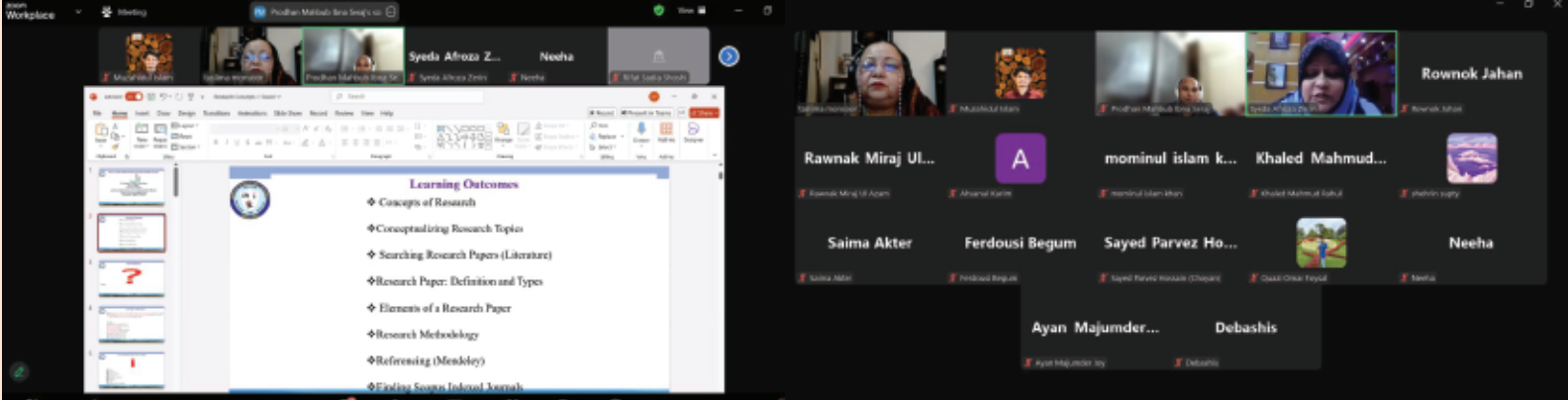
October 17, 2024, Thursday

The American International University-Bangladesh (AIUB) has proudly secured a position in the 1201-1500 band of the Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings 2025. These rankings evaluate universities based on five key categories: Teaching, Research Quality, Research Environment, International Outlook, and Industry.

This achievement represents a significant milestone for AIUB, reflecting its growing reputation and commitment to excellence

in research, industry partnerships, and internationalization. AIUB's entry into the global rankings is a momentous occasion, further affirming its position as a rising institution in the global academic landscape. The university is on a promising trajectory and poised to achieve even greater heights in the years to come.

<https://www.aiub.edu/aiub-makes-its-mark-in-times-higher-education-world-university-rankings-2025>



Department of Law, AIUB Organized a Webinar on Research Methodology

October 18, 2024, Friday

The Department of Law at AIUB organized a Webinar on Research Methodology on 18 October 2024, to introduce the students of the Department of Law to the initial know-how of research. The Webinar began with the gracious welcoming speech of the Honorable Advisor of the Dept. of Law Prof. Dr. Taslima Monsoor. Dr. Prodhon Mahbub Ibna Seraj, Associate Professor of English, guided researchers on sourcing credible

materials and cautioned against unreliable sources. He outlined research paper essentials, including abstracts, literature reviews, methodologies, data analysis, and reflecting on the study's impact. Followed by a Q&A Session, the event was concluded by a vote of thanks from the Head of the Department of Law, Dr. Syeda Afroza Zerín.



3rd International Conference on Computing Advancements (ICCA) held at AIUB

October 20, 2024, Sunday

The 3rd International Conference on Computing Advancements (ICCA), themed "Age of Computing and Augmented Life," was held at AIUB on October 17-18, 2024, organized by the Department of Computer Science in cooperation with ACM SIGAPP. ICCA 2024 received over 400 submissions, with 145 papers accepted in fields like Intelligent Systems, Machine Vision, Cryptography, and Human-Computer Interaction, to be published in the ACM Digital Library.

The two-day conference began on October 17, 2024, at the AIUB Auditorium, with addresses from Dr. Carmen Z Lamagna (Chief Patron, ICCA 2024; Member, Board of Trustees), Prof. Dr. Khandaker Tabin Hasan (Conference Chair; Head, Graduate Program, Computer Science), Prof. Dr. Md. Abdur Rahman (Special Guest; Pro-Vice Chancellor), and Prof. Dr. Saiful Islam (Chief Guest;

Vice Chancellor). The event included eight keynote speeches from leading figures in computing.

At the ICCA 2024 closing ceremony on October 18, Mrs. Nadia Anwar, Founder Member and Chairman of the Board of Trustees at AIUB, expressed her appreciation to the participants, volunteers, and organizers for their contributions. Prof. Dr. Mohammad Shorif Uddin, Vice Chancellor of Green University of Bangladesh, also shared his remarks, commending the conference's success and acknowledging the valuable contributions of the attendees.

Program Co-Chair, Prof. Dr. Md. Asraf Ali, provided a debriefing of the conference, and Program Chair, Prof. Dr. Dip Nandi, extended a vote of thanks to all involved. The conference event concluded with the distribution of plaques of appreciation to the contributors and a shared commitment to advancing research in computing.

<https://www.aiub.edu/3rd-international-conference-on-computing-advancements-icca-held-at-aiub->



Freshman Student Orientation for Fall 2024–2025 Successfully Held at AIUB

October 20, 2024, Sunday

The freshman student orientation for the Fall 2024-2025 semester at AIUB was held on 19 October 2024, at the AIUB campus. The new students attended sessions in various campus venues – AIUB Auditorium, Multipurpose Hall (Building D), Multipurpose Hall (Annex 7), and Meda Studio (Annex 2).

Representing the Office of Student Affairs (OSA), key faculty members delivered presentations on university policies, academic regulations, and student resources.

Mrs. Nadia Anwar, Founder Member and Chairman of the AIUB Board of Trustees, joined as the chief guest. She warmly welcomed the new students and thanked their parents for entrusting AIUB with their children's higher education. Prof. Dr. Saiful Islam, Vice Chancellor of AIUB, also delivered a welcome speech. Additional welcome addresses were given by the Pro-Vice Chancellor, Proctor, and Deans of the Faculties of the university.

<https://www.aiub.edu/freshman-student-orientation-for-fall-2024-2025-successfully-held-at-aiub>

AIUB Receives Prestigious APQN Quality Award at AAC 2024

October 24, 2024, Thursday

AIUB has been honored with the APQN (Asia-Pacific Quality Network) Quality Award in the category of Best/Model Internal QA Award at the APQN Academic Conference (AAC) 2024, held in Saint Petersburg, Russia. This prestigious recognition underscores AIUB's steadfast commitment to upholding the highest education standards, fostering quality assurance, and cultivating a culture of continuous improvement. AIUB's dedication to quality education is well-established. In May 2016, it was named the Best Model Internal Quality Assurance (IQA) University for Asia and the Pacific at the APQN international conference in Nadi, Fiji Islands. AIUB also hosted the APQN Academic Conference (AAC) 2023 in Bangladesh, further reinforcing its leadership in promoting quality education in the region. These repeated accolades reaffirm AIUB's position as a

top institution in the Asia Pacific region, dedicated to maintaining global academic standards and excellence.



<https://www.aiub.edu/aiub-receives-prestigious-apqn-quality-award-at-aac-2024>



AIUB Faculties Attended “The Business Plan Development Workshop” Organized by WePOWER

October 24, 2024, Thursday

On October 17, 2024, four female faculty members, Ms. Susmita Ghosh (Associate Professor, Faculty of Engineering & Assessor (IQAC-AIUB)), Dr. Humayra Ferdous (Head, Dept. of Physics), Dr. Effat Jahan (Assistant Professor, Faculty of Engineering), and Ms. Nazia Farhana (Assistant Professor, Faculty of Business Administrative) attended “The Business Plan Development Workshop” organized by WePOWER. It was chaired by Ms. Urmi Tamanna, Joint Secretary of the Power Division and Chair of the Bangladesh National Chapter, WePOWER, and facilitated

by Ms. Alia Meher, Joint Secretary of the Power Division and General Secretary of the Chapter. Ms. Tanushree Bhoomik led the session, drawing on her extensive experience establishing WePOWER national chapters in India, Bhutan, Nepal, and Sri Lanka. At the end of the event, institutional partnership certificates were given to the three new partners, with AIUB being the only educational institution to receive a membership certificate.

<https://www.aiub.edu/aiub-faculties-attended-the-business-plan-development-workshop-organized-by-wepower>



Chairman, BoT Honored with Women Inspiration Award 2024

October 27, 2024, Sunday

Mrs. Nadia Anwar, Founder Member and Chairman of the AIUB Board of Trustees, has been honored with the Women Inspiration Award 2024 by Junior Chamber International (JCI) Bangladesh.

Mrs. Anwar received the award in recognition of her exemplary leadership, inspirational role in encouraging others to pursue their dreams, and influence on societal progress. The ceremony took place at Hotel Le Méridien, Dhaka, on Friday, October 25, 2024, where ten remarkable women were honored across various categories.

Dr. Iftekharuzzaman, Executive Director of Transparency International Bangladesh and Head of the Anti-Corruption Reform Commission served as chief guest, with Nazma Mobarek, Secretary of the Ministry of Women and Children Affairs, as special guest. JCI Bangladesh's 2024 National President, Imran Kadir, and Rasheda K Choudhury, CEO of Campaign for Popular Education (CAMPE), also spoke at the event.

<https://www.aiub.edu/chairman-bot-honored-with-women-inspiration-award-2024>



Workshop on Short Article Writing

October 30, 2024, Wednesday

The Department of Law of American International University-Bangladesh hosted a “Short Article Writing Workshop” at Media Studio on October 30, 2024, to give law students the fundamental abilities needed to write successful short articles. Professor Dr. Taslima Monsoor, the esteemed advisor of the Department of Law shared the introductory remarks. Dr. Tazul Islam, Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Social

Sciences also encouraged the participants through his speech. Fahim Faisal Khan Alabi (Lecturer, Department of Law) served as the workshop’s anchor. Special guest H. M. Nazmul Alam (Lecturer, Department of English, IUBAT – International University of Business, Agriculture, and Technology) graced the occasion by sharing his knowledge of writing well-structured pieces that may be published in newspapers or blogs.



AIUB

where leaders are created

