

# Eastern University

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## The Advisor's Note

The EU Newsletter is essentially a semestral bulletin heralding a new semester and addressed primarily to freshers to the University. That is obviously the reason why it makes its appearance on the Orientation Day for each semester. The aim is to introduce the new members of the EU family - the freshers and their guardians in particular - to the major academic and cultural events that highlight the defining spirit of the University. It would be a pointless pleonasm to say that Eastern University is by its name and nature a seat of learning at the highest level to which its commitment has always been faultless. However, Eastern University also believes that the highest seat of learning, regardless of whatever 'local habitation and name' it bears, can not remain high unless it fosters a throbbing cultural life to crown its academic achievements. This belief has led to the formation of a number of clubs worked jointly by teachers, students and officials through which EU organizes and promotes a wide range of extra-curricular activities. They are meant to bring out and nurture the great variety of talents which freshers bring with them to Eastern University. We do want them to emulate big names in the academic and cultural life of the land.

Much more than thanks are due to those among the faculty and staff who have worked tirelessly to make the timely publication of the Newsletter possible.

## Credit Transfer for EU Students to the University of Worcester, UK

Eastern University has recently signed a progression agreement with Worcester University, UK, under which BBA students from EU after the completion of 6 semesters (60 credits) can transfer the remaining semesters and credits to Worcester. After the completion of the courses at Worcester University, they will get their degree from there. There are opportunities for scholarships up to two thousand pounds and part time jobs alongside study for the students of EU. University of Worcester is one of the topmost universities of UK, specially the Business Faculty of the university has earned good name in the education arena.



Eastern University has also signed a number of MoUs with the following overseas Universities and Institutions of Higher Education: Asian Institute of Technology, Bangkok, Thailand, Yunnan University of Finance and Economics, China, Tampere University of Applied Sciences, Finland, Franklin University, Ohio, USA, AIS, St Helen Institution, Auckland, New Zealand, London Premier College affiliated with London University, UK, Fen Liang (International) Art College in Jiang Xi province of China etc. In order to facilitate students' higher education with the partner Universities, Eastern University has recently opened its International Office.

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## EU Debating Club participated in WUDC



Eastern University Debating Club (EUDC) participated in the World Universities Debating Championship (WUDC) held in Manila, Philippines from December 27, 2011 to January 4, 2012. The team consisted of Nandita Adhikary, a student of English, and Ayesha Khatun, a student of BBA. Kazi Tahmina, Coordinator, EUDC, joined the program as an Adjudicator while Humaira Shegufta Chowdhury, Treasurer, EUDC, joined as an Independent Observer.

The World Universities Debating Championship (WUDC) known as the 'Olympics of Debating' is an annual gathering of the world's best debaters and public speakers. This year 396 teams from all over the world (including Oxford, Cambridge, Monash, Harvard, Yale, Stanford University etc.) participated in the DLSU Worlds. For Eastern University, it was the first time that it participated in any such competition. Kazi Tahmina, Coordinator, EUDC, adjudicated several teams from Columbia University, The University of York, Brown University, Cornell University, Victoria University of Wellington etc.

## Accomplishments of EU at "International Collegiate Programming Contest-2011"

The Eastern University Programming Team has been continuously securing good positions in the programming contests at home and abroad. Recently, in the "International Collegiate Programming Contest-2011" held at North South University, Eastern University Programming Team secured 3rd position amongst the private universities and 6th position among all the public and private universities of Bangladesh in the Dhaka Site of the Asia zone.

Earlier, EU Computing Club organized an Intra-University Programming Contest on October 22, 2011 in the CSE LAB, Eastern University. Professor Dr. Nurul Islam, Vice Chancellor, Eastern University, was present as the Chief Guest while Professor Dr. Mirza Golam Rabbani, Chairperson, Department of EEE, Eastern University, was the Special Guest on the occasion. The program was chaired by Dr. Mahfuzur Rahman, Chairperson, Department of CSE, Eastern University.



## Eastern University Mooters won "Best Memorial Award"

Eastern University Mooters were awarded the "Best Memorial Award" in the Henry Dunant National Memorial Moot Court Competition 2011 held from September 29 to October 1, 2011. The competition was organized by Faculty of Law, University of Dhaka in collaboration with International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC). The Mooters of Eastern University were Md. Mushfiqur Rahman, Faisal Siddiqui and Md. Galib Rushd Chowdhury. The EU team progressed to the quarter Final 2nd Level. Mooters from Public and Private Universities attended the three-day long competition.

## Orientation Ceremony: Fall 2011 Undergraduate Program



The Orientation Ceremony for the new undergraduate students of Fall 2011 was held from October 08 - 09, 2011 in the University Auditorium. Mr. Anwar Hossain Chowdhury, Chairman, Board of Trustees, Eastern University, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest while Professor Dr. Nurul Islam, Vice-Chancellor, Eastern University, presided over the ceremony. In his speech, the Chief Guest motivated the students to choose the proper path of education.

The ceremony was two day long. On the first day, a colourful freshers' reception was held followed by a presentation by Ms. Farida Yasmin, Deputy Registrar, EU, to acquaint the new students with the university ambiance and its regulations. On the second day, the university arranged a 'Club Fair' to introduce new students to all the clubs of the university. There were also options for the students to register on the spot for clubs and there were some souvenirs for them. The program was rounded off with a cultural function by Eastern University Cultural Club (EUCC).



## The Orientation Ceremony: Fall 2011 Master's Program



The Orientation Ceremony for Master's Programs was held on October 11, 2011 in the University Auditorium. Dr. Shahid Uddin Ahmed, Professor, Department of Management Studies and Former Vice Chancellor, University of Dhaka, graced the ceremony as the Chief Guest. Mr. Anwar Hossain Chowdhury, Chairman, Board of Trustees, Eastern University, was present as the Special Guest of the program. The Vice-Chancellor of Eastern University Professor Dr. Nurul Islam presided over the ceremony. M.A. students from all departments were present at the ceremony. Registrar Brig. Gen. Shafat Ahmed, ndc, psc (Retd.), welcomed the

freshers to the University. Deans from different faculties introduced their respective departments to the new students on the occasion.

## Arpana Awwal, a Faculty of EU, attends an International Conference in India

Ms. Arpana Awwal, Senior Lecturer, Dept. of English, EU, attended a conference entitled "Narrativizing the Margins" held from January 4-6, 2012 at Asam University, Diphu Campus, India. She presented a paper titled "Color Line: Race and Resistance in the novels of Harishankar Jaladas."



## Eastern University commemorates Victory Day



A discussion session followed by a cultural program was held in the Eastern University Auditorium on December 19, 2011 to observe the glorious Victory Day. The event was arranged by Eastern University Cultural Club (EUCC). Professor Dr. Nurul Islam, Vice Chancellor of Eastern University, presided over the discussion session while Ferdowsi Priovashini, a renowned freedom fighter and sculptor, was present as the Chief Guest. Mr. Anwar Hossain Chowdhury, Chairman, Board of Trustees, graced the occasion as the special Guest. On the occasion, the Chief Guest paid her tribute to all the freedom fighters and motivated the students to engage

their time, labour and intelligence for the betterment of the country. In his speech, the Special Guest said, "To build up a developed Bangladesh, proper leadership is very important." He also urged the students to be properly educated to be the future leaders of Bangladesh. Chairpersons, coordinators, faculty members and students from different departments were present at the program. After the discussion session, Eastern University Cultural Club presented a grand cultural function to commemorate the day. The cultural function was put together by Ms. Nazla Fatmi, Advisor, EUCC, and Ms. Tasnuva Rahman, Coordinator, EUCC.

## Admission Fair - Spring 2012

With a view to facilitating the aspiring students wanting to get admitted in the Fall Semester and providing them with necessary information about the university, Eastern University organized an Admission Fair. It was held from January 22-24, 2012 in Campus-5, Eastern University. In the fair, the aspiring students got an opportunity to have a face-to-face discussion with experienced and senior professors regarding higher education and career options. The fair proved to be the right platform for them to get all the information they needed. The university also offered concessions and gifts for the students upon their collecting admission forms.



## Workshop on Fire Fighting and First Aid at EU



The Community Volunteers Training Workshop (CVTW) on 'Collapsed Structure Search and Rescue, Fire Fighting and First Aid' was inaugurated at Eastern University (EU) on December 26, 2011. Professor Dr. Nurul Islam, Vice Chancellor of Eastern University, inaugurated the workshop as Chief Guest. Professor Dr. Md. Serajul Islam, Pro-Vice Chancellor of EU, was also present on the occasion. Md. Mojammel Haq, Assistant Director of Bangladesh Fire Service and Civil Defense, was the Special Guest at the workshop. In the three-day workshop, a team headed by Dinomoni Sharma of Bangladesh Fire Service and Civil Defense

trained 50 students of EU. In his speech, Prof. Dr. Nurul Islam mentioned that students should take part in different social activities and also stressed learning first aid and rescue training. Earlier, Prof. Dr. Md. Serajul Islam recalled the cyclone of 1970 and inspired students to train themselves in order to face natural calamities.

## Department of English organizes a seminar entitled "English Studies in the 21st Century Bangladesh: Realities & Relevance"



Department of English, EU, organized a national seminar entitled "English Studies in the 21st Century Bangladesh: Realities & Relevance" on January 7, 2012 in the University Auditorium. Professor Dr. Firdous Azim, Chair, Department of English, BRAC University, graced the occasion as the Key Note Speaker. A Complementary Paper was presented by Professor Dr. Nurul Islam, Vice Chancellor, EU. Dr. Shamsad Mortuza, Associate Professor, Dept. of English, University of Dhaka, Ms. Ifat Ara Nasreen Majid, Associate Professor, Institute of Modern Languages, University of Dhaka, and Shahidul Islam Khan, Senior Lecturer, Dept. of English, North

South University, were present as the Panel Discussants. Prof. Kashinath Roy, Dean, Faculty of Arts, EU, made the Vote of Thanks on the occasion. The seminar was coordinated by Tanvir Hasan Malik, Assistant Professor, and Sabrina Binte Masud, Assistant Professor, Dept. of English, EU. The seminar was divided into two sessions with lunch break in between and was rounded off with a lively open discussion session.

## EU Social Welfare Club distributes warm clothes in Dinajpur

Eastern University Social Welfare Club (EUSOWCL) distributed warm clothes in Dinajpur on December 30, 2011. More than 2,500 cold afflicted people gathered on Tebaria Eidgah Dimukhi Alim Madrassa ground to collect warm clothes. Md. Mohinur Rahman Munna, one of the Coordinators of EUSOWCL, along with Alhaj Md. Fazlul Haque Sarkar, a retired school teacher, Ansar Ali Sardar, and Kari Abdul Haque, Chairman, Berveri Union (2), Khansama, Dinajpur, gave away the clothes and blankets to the cold-hit people. Tebaria Shanti Songho, a local club, and Khansama Police Station assisted the volunteers in the distribution. Md. Khorsed Alam Novel, President of EUSOWCL, Md. Atiqur Rahman, Senior Vice President of EUSOWCL, Khandker Lutfor Rahman Jewel, Vice President and Mammonor Rashid, Secretary, were also present there with a group of 15 members of the club. EU Social Welfare Club purchased clothes and blankets with the money collected from the students, teachers and EU authority.



## Seminar on "Career Development with ICT & Management"



A seminar entitled "Career Development with ICT & Management" was organized by Eastern University on December 14, 2011 in the University Auditorium. Prof. Dr. Nurul Islam, Vice-Chancellor of Eastern University, chaired the session while Mr. Syed Alamgir, Executive Director, ACI Group, was present as the Chief Guest at the seminar. The Key Note Speech was presented by Mr. Md. Lutfor Rahman, CIO, Airtel, Mr. Sufi Faruq Ibne Abubakar, ICT Consultant, CEO, AMS, Mr. Chowdhury Shovon Rafique Shuvo, Manager HR & Admin, Mohammadi Group.

## Selim Al Din's 'Shongbad Cartoon' staged by EUDTF



Eastern University Drama and Theatre Forum staged a Bangla drama named 'Shongbad Cartoon' by the Late Selim Al Din, a renowned playwright of the country on January 10, 2012. It was staged in the University Auditorium. Mr. Anwar Hossain Chowdhury, Chairman, Board of Trustees, Eastern University, inaugurated the event as the Chief Guest while Vice-Chancellor of Eastern University Professor Dr. Nurul Islam graced the occasion as the Special Guest. Prof. Dr. Md. Serajul Islam, Pro-Vice Chancellor, EU, was also present on the occasion. The play was directed by Shat-El-Kabir and the whole program was put together by Ms. Nazla Fatmi, Coordinator, EUDTF.

## Seminar on "Application of SPSS in Business Research" & SPSS Training Certificate Giving Ceremony

A seminar entitled "Application of SPSS in Business Research" followed by a Certificate Giving Ceremony was organized by Eastern University on November 2, 2011 in the University Auditorium. Mr. Anwar Hossain Chowdhury, Chairman, Board of Trustees, Eastern University, graced the occasion as Chief Guest while Professor Dr. Nurul Islam, Vice Chancellor, Eastern University, was the Guest of Honor at the seminar. The Key Note Speech was presented by Dr. A.K. Fazlul Haque Shah, Professor, Dept. of Marketing, University of Dhaka and Former Vice Chancellor of EU. Professor Dr. Md. Serajul Islam, Pro-Vice Chancellor and Dean, Faculty of Business, EU, presided over the ceremony.

## Visual Club of EU holds "Film Show-Fall 2011"

Visual Archive, a visual club of Eastern University, organized a three day long Film Show from October 18-20, 2011 in the University Auditorium. Renowned film director Morshedul Islam inaugurated the film show. Professor Dr. Nurul Islam, Vice Chancellor, Eastern University, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest while Prof. Dr. Md. Serajul Islam, Pro-VC, Eastern University, presided over the ceremony. After the inauguration ceremony, a film titled *Amar Bondhu Rashed*, directed by Morshedul Islam, was screened. The whole program was arranged by



Ms. Arpana Awwal, Coordinator, Visual Archive and Ms. Parisa Islam, Executive Member, Visual

## Inter Faculty Victory Day Cricket Tournament 2011

An Inter Faculty Victory Day Cricket Tournament 2011 was held at Sheikh Jamal Dhanmondi Club field on January 02, 2011. The tournament was organized by Eastern University Sports Club (EUSC). Professor Dr. Nurul Islam, Vice Chancellor of Eastern University, inaugurated the tournament. Faculty of Business Administration won the Championship Trophy. Professor Dr. Md. Serajul Islam, Pro-Vice Chancellor of EU, handed over the Championship Trophy to the winning team. The tournament was coordinated by Mr. Safiqul Islam, Coordinator, EUSC, and Mr. Rofiussan, Convenor, Inter Faculty Victory Day Cricket Tournament 2011.

## A talk on "Metaphysical Poetry" at the Dept. of English

A talk on "Metaphysical Poetry" was held in the Dept. of English of Eastern University on October 25, 2011. Sudeshna Chakravarti, Professor, Dept. of English, Calcutta University, spoke on 'The nature of duality in Andrew Marvell's poetry' and on metaphysical concerns in the songs of Hason Raja and Lalon Shah. Ms. Sureya Huda, Chair, Dept. of English, EU, was present on the occasion. Tanvir Hasan Malik, Assistant Professor, Dept. of English, EU, conducted the seminar.

## EU Language Club organizes "Wordworm - 2011"



A vocabulary contest titled 'Wordworm-2011' was organized by Eastern University Language Club (EULC) on December 22, 2011 in Faculty of Arts. The Prize Giving Ceremony was held on January 2, 2012 in the University Auditorium. Professor Dr. Nurul Islam, Vice Chancellor, Eastern University, was the Chief Guest of the ceremony. Prof. Dr. Serajul Islam, Pro-VC, EU, and Prof. Kashinath Roy, Dean, Faculty of Arts, EU, were present as Special Guests on the occasion. Ms. Sureya Huda, Chair, Dept. of English, EU, delivered the welcome speech. Shibaji Mridha, Coordinator, EULC, gave the Vote of Thanks and Ms. Irene Siddque, Executive Member, EULC, conducted the program.

Participants securing first 10 positions were given special prizes, and among them Maruf Hasan, a student of Faculty of Law, won the title 'Wordworm-2011.' A movie was screened before the prize giving ceremony, and an instant listening quiz was conducted based on the movie. Three students won prizes in this section. Students from all departments participated in the program with great zeal and showed much enthusiasm for the enrichment of their vocabulary.

## A Talk on "Comparative Religion & Teaching Style of Jesus"

Eastern University organized a talk entitled "Comparative Religion & Teaching Style of Jesus" on December 12, 2011 in the University Auditorium. The Key Note Speech was delivered by Prof. Dr. Douglas Jacoby, D. Min, Drew University, M.T.S, Harvard University. Professor Dr. Nurul Islam, Vice Chancellor, Eastern University, was the Chief Guest while Professor Dr. Aminul Islam, Former Dean, Faculty of Arts and Director, Institute of Humanities, University of Dhaka, was the Guest of Honor on the occasion. The session was presided over by Prof. Kashinath Roy, Dean, Faculty of Arts, Eastern University.



## Seminar on 'Contribution of Eastern University in Higher Education' in Noakhali



A seminar entitled "The Contribution of Eastern University in Higher Education" was held on December 28, 2011 at Noakhali Municipality Auditorium, Noakhali. Mr. Anwar Hossain Chowdhury, Chairman, Board of Trustees, Eastern University, presided over the program while Lt. Colonel (Rtd.) S. I. M. Nurunnabi Khan (Bir Bikram), Member, Advisory Council, Sector Commanders Forum, was the Chief Guest. Mr. Harunur Rashid Azad, Mayor, Noakhali Municipality, was present as

Special Guest. Among others, Professor Dr. Md. Serajul Islam, Pro-VC, Eastern University, spoke on the occasion while Dr. Muhammad Shafiullah, Psc., Director, MBA Program, delivered the Welcome Speech. Four local colleges were honoured for their contribution in Education on the occasion.

The seminar was rounded off with a cultural program by a famous music band 'Green' from Dhaka. Teachers and students of various educational institutions of Noakhali and numerous govt. & non-govt. employees from different sectors attended the program.

## Seminar on 'Contribution of Eastern University in Higher Education' in Kishorganj

Recently a seminar entitled "The Contribution of Eastern University in Higher Education" was held at Shilpokala Academy, Kishorganj. The program was presided over by Mr. Anwar Hossain Chowdhury, Chairman, Board of Trustees, Eastern University. Mr. Md. Emdadul Haque Chowdhury, Additional Deputy Commissioner (Education & Information), Kishorganj, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. Among others, Dr. A. B. M. Shahidul Islam, Member, Board of Trustees, EU, spoke on the occasion while Professor Dr. Md. Serajul Islam, Pro-VC, Eastern University, delivered the Welcome. colleges were given special awards for their contribution in Education.



A famous music band 'Green' from Dhaka performed on the occasion. Teachers and students of various educational institutions of Kishorganj and a large number of govt. & non-govt. employees from different sectors graced the program with their participation.



### Obituary

Md. Mehedi Hasan, a student of EEE, EU, died on December 5, 2011 in a tragic road accident (Innalillahe... Rajeon).

Eastern University organized a Milad Mahfil on December 13, 2011 in the University Auditorium.

## Rag Day



15th Batch, Faculty of Law



16th Batch, FBA



10th Batch, Faculty of E&T