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East West University Overview



East West University marks its presence in
QS ASIAN UNIVERSITY RANKING 2025

Ranked **4** **AMONG PRIVATE
UNIVERSITIES IN
BANGLADESH**

(441-450) in Asia, 120th in South Asia
13th among all Universities in Bangladesh

East West University

The idea of establishing a private university to provide quality education at an affordable cost in Bangladesh was first mooted by a group of prominent academics, business leaders, international civil servants, professionals, and education enthusiasts led by Dr. Mohammed Farashuddin. With this end in view, this group formed a non-profit, non-political, charitable organization called Progoti Foundation for Education and Development (PFED) in June 1996.

EWU originated from an endowment of the Foundation. The members of the Foundation now serve as the Trustees of the university as per the Private University Act of 2010. The original Board of Trustees included Mr. Jalaluddin Ahmed (expired on 03-



03-2016), Mr. S.M. Nousher Ali (expired on 09-05-2014), Mr. Farooque B. Chaudhury, Dr. Rafiqul Huda Chaudhury, Syed Manzur Elahi, Dr. Mohammed Farashuddin, Mr. Mohammad Zahedul Haque, R.Ph., Dr. Saidur Rahman Lasker, Dr. Muhammad Abdul Mannan, Professor Dr M. Mosleh-Uddin (Ceased to be a member as of 26 April 2016), Mr. Shelley A. Mubdi, Mr. M.A. Mumin (expired on 14-07-2017), Dr. Khalilur Rahman, Mr. H.N. Ashequr Rahman, MP, and Mrs. Razia Samad (expired on 13-11-2019). Md. Nasser Shahrear Zahedee joined the Board of Trustees in 2022. In the spirit of non-profit dispensation, Dr. Mohammed Farashuddin, Syed Manzur Elahi, and Mr. S.M. Nousher Ali as founding Vice Chancellor, Treasurer, and Registrar respectively did not take any pay and allowances from the university. Similarly, the 15 (fifteen) founding members also did not wish to receive any sitting allowances.

As per the provision of the Private University Act 2010, the Vice Chancellor is an ex-officio member of the Board of Trustees. After being accorded permission by the Government under the Private University Act (Act 34) of 1992, EWU was launched in September 1996; classes began in September with 6 faculty members and 20 students in a rented space at 43, Mohakhali Commercial Area, Dhaka.

EWU achieved a major milestone by shifting to its own campus at Aftabnagar, Dhaka on 12 May 2012. At the end of 2021, there are over 415 faculty members and approximately 12,291 students enrolled through a rigorous process of selection. Its growth testifies to its steady and significant progress towards promoting quality university education.

East West University Campus

On weekday mornings, scores of students pass through the gates of East West University and enter its sprawling, welcoming campus. The hustle and bustle of the city melts away, replaced by an electric hum in the air, the chatter of hundreds of conversations, and the sound of laughter and excitement. This is the EWU premises—a 9-storied, 4,58,957.04 square feet complex built on 7.75 bighas of land. Located at Aftabnagar, Rampura on Progoti Sarani, the red-brick building is affectionately called the Red Fort by students and alumni. In addition to the campus, the university also owns 5.95 acres of land at Mouja Vadham in Tongi, Gazipur.

While the EWU campus is well-equipped with a vast library and a variety of state-of-the-art laboratories in addition to its advanced infrastructure, the most well-loved aspect of EWU is its lush greenery and open spaces. In particular, the multicolored flowers and dense foliage of the Shaheed Minar area remain green and vibrant throughout the year, creating a serene yet lively atmosphere. The campus also has an expansive rooftop that is open to students.

The campus has been conceptualized to be student-centered in every way. The campus offers spaces for recreation, collaboration, relaxation, and state-of-the-art facilities that support research and extracurricular endeavors. There are study carrels located on all floors to provide learners with spaces to work in, as well as

a large, modern cafeteria that serves as a welcoming place to eat, relax, unwind, and connect with others.

Most important, perhaps, is the campus ground or courtyard, which is the focal point of EWU for its students. The students congregate here between classes to socialize with friends and peers. Students can be seen studying, sharing a laugh, playing guitars, singing songs, or even discussing world politics and current events on the campus ground. Furthermore, this is the part of the campus that comes alive countless times each year when clubs or departments host their various activities. The ground buzzes with energy, creativity, and camaraderie during events like the Winter Smile Fair or the yearly Agro-Biz Expo. The ground is also where new students are welcomed each semester through the orientation program, and it is where cultural events and even concerts take place.

The EWU campus is a lively and dynamic space where students can look forward to learning, collaborating, and participating in a variety of activities throughout their academic journey.





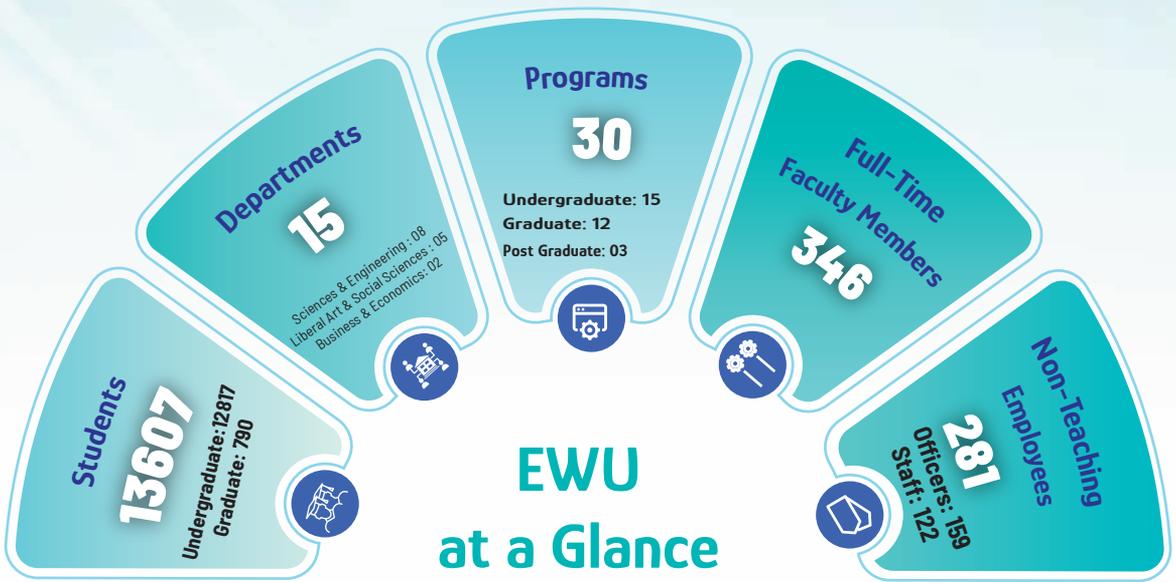
Vision

East West University was established with interrelated objectives of augmenting national capacity for tertiary education to a larger number of students and thereby contributing to the country's human capital development process.

EWU is committed to equip its graduates with professional skills and innovative and critical thinking capable of taking advantage of emerging opportunities at home and abroad. By providing access to affordable university-level education to students from less-well-to-do sections of the society, EWU seeks to harness the power of individuals through higher education, by raising employable skills and improving access to job opportunities, thereby contributing to a more balanced and just society. The vision that inspired EWU is to be a topnotch learning center that combines excellence in education with strong human values and social responsibility, aiming to improve the quality of life, principally of its students. In the process, EWU strives to broaden human welfare by promoting a knowledge-based society and informed citizenry, with respect for, and commitment to the ideals of pluralism and democracy.

Mission

The primary mission of EWU is to become a center of excellence for higher education, making quality postsecondary education accessible to a larger section of the community at an affordable cost, leading to wide dissemination of educational opportunities, advancement of knowledge creation, and promotion of economic, social and technological progress. EWU will excel in critical disciplines that address socio-economic challenges nationally and globally and advance creative pursuits necessary for innovative solutions to societal issues. EWU will provide a stimulating learning environment in which the faculty and students can discover, critically examine, preserve, and transmit knowledge, values, and wisdom to benefit society and improve the quality of life for all. Through its academic and administrative policies and programs, EWU will ensure that its students receive the highest quality of education, preparing them for a purposeful life, personally, professionally, and socially.

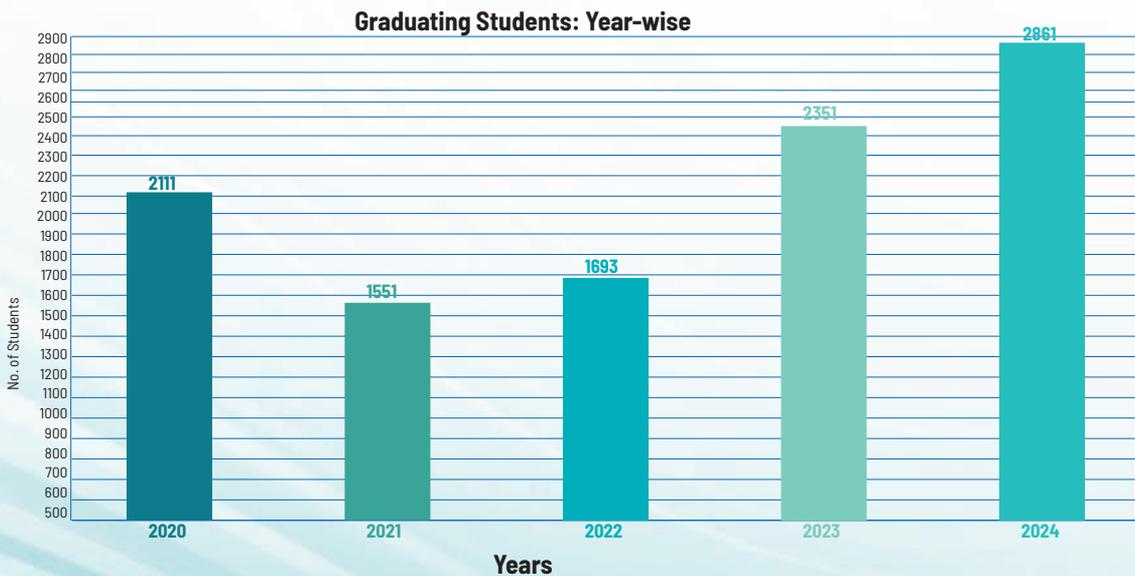


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- Center for Research and Training East West University (CRTEWU)
- Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)
- The Center for Urban Studies and Sustainable Development (CUSSD)
- Entrepreneurship Development Center (EDC)

Library

Printed Books	31,700 Copies
E-books	120,000+ Titles
Print Periodicals	167 Titles
Newspapers	18 Titles
Locally Hosted E-books	2100+ Titles
Report/Thesis	3600+ Titles
CD/D→VD-ROMs	2685 Titles
Online Journals	58,000+ Titles
Maps (Large size)	06 Copies
MRRHGD Collection	2643+ Copies



Building a Research Culture

East West University's Commitment to Academic Excellence in 2024

In 2024, East West University placed a strategic focus on building a research culture, reaffirming its commitment to academic excellence. Through targeted initiatives, the university has strengthened faculty engagement and provided greater institutional support for research activities.

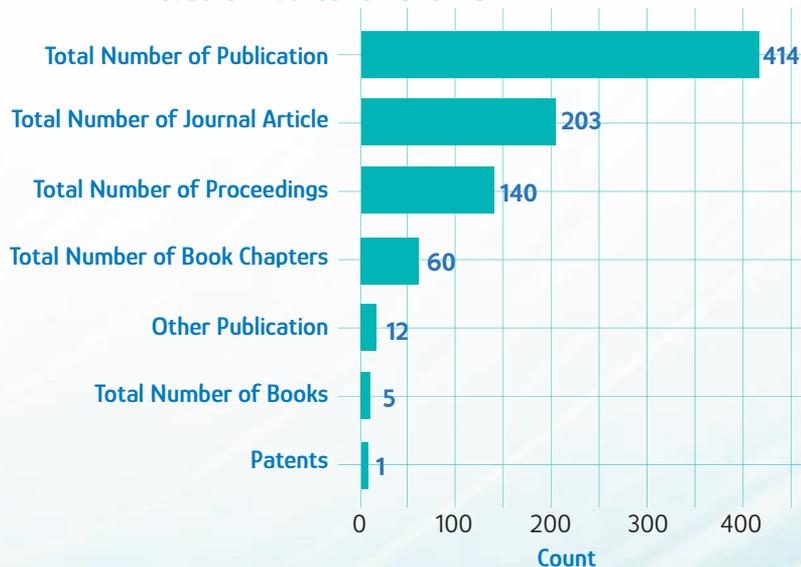
This year, EWU achieved a significant milestone by producing 414 research works—an impressive testament to the institution's growing emphasis on research-driven development. By prioritizing faculty development, improving institutional policies, and offering financial and logistical support, EWU has laid a strong foundation for sustained research excellence. The progress made in 2024 demonstrates East West University's commitment to establishing a sustainable research culture.

Looking ahead, East West University remains committed to enhancing its research infrastructure, promoting interdisciplinary collaboration, and continuously supporting the academic community in pushing the boundaries of knowledge. The strides made in 2024 reflect not only past achievements but also a clear vision for a future rooted in innovation and scholarly impact.

414 Research Articles Published

199 Research Papers Presented at National & International Conferences

Research Publication Overview



Leadership Messages

Message from the Chief Adviser

It is with great pride that I address you today, reflecting on our journey from its inception. I have gratitude and admiration for the transformative progress we have achieved over the past 28 years.

East West university was born with a vision of academic excellence, innovation, and inclusivity. Today, that vision has almost been realized in our dynamic community of about 13,000 students and an exceptional team of 350 full-time faculty members, including over 110 distinguished PhD scholars. This growth is a testament to our unwavering commitment to world class education, meticulous management practices, transparent recruitment of faculty members and student admission.

The leadership of our Vice Chancellor, Professor Shams Rahman, renowned for his expertise in Supply Chain Management, industrial engineering, and his ability to foster productive academic-industry collaborations, as well as our Pro-Vice Chancellor Professor Dr. Mohammad Ashik Mosaddik, whose record in research, pedagogy, and infrastructure development have strengthened our academic pursuits. Building on the strong foundations laid by our former leaders, our new academic direction has propelled us towards a global recognition. Notably, our programs in engineering and computer science have earned prestigious international accreditations, while our business and economics have similarly achieved global acclaim. These milestones not only enhance our academic reputation but also ensure that our students are equipped with skills that meet the highest global standards.

Central to our mission is a commitment to holistic education. In recognition of the potential and talent within our community, we have consistently invested in scholarships and financial aid—supporting not only meritorious students but also those in need, including

the children of freedom fighters. This generous support has paved the way for countless success stories, with our graduates now thriving in both local and multinational enterprises.

As we step into 2025, we are excited to unveil new initiatives that further enrich our academic and extracurricular landscapes. The establishment of interdisciplinary research centers, the enhancement of digital learning platforms, and the introduction of new cultural and technological events are all part of our ongoing efforts to foster an environment where creativity, collaboration, and community engagement flourish.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to every member of our university family—students, guardians, faculty, staff, and alumni—for your dedication and contributions. It is your commitment that continues to drive our institution towards greater heights. Together, let us continue to build on our legacy of excellence and innovation. I would like to express my sincere appreciation to all those who contributed to this report and to our continued pursuit of excellence at East West University.



Professor Dr. Mohammed Farashuddin
Chief Adviser and Founder Vice Chancellor
Founder President, Board of Directors
East West University
Former Governor, Bangladesh Bank



Message from the **Board of Trustees (BoT) Chair**

Over the span of nearly 28 years, since its inception in 1996, East West University has successfully made its mark as one of the top-tier tertiary education institutes in Bangladesh. From the small rented building in Mohakhali with just 20 students, we have expanded to our sprawling campus in Aftabnagar with over 13,000 students, 14 departments, and 350 full-time academics, including more than 105 Ph.D. professors. East West University stands as a testament to the transformative power of dedication and vision, renowned for academic excellence, innovative research, and a commitment to shaping qualified global citizens.

Guided by a forward-thinking vision, East West University is dedicated to growth and continuous improvement, ensuring it remains a leader in education and a catalyst for positive change. The university's Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) plays a key role in this vision by aligning teaching with industry demands, bridging the gap

between theory and practice, and equipping students with the skills needed to excel in a dynamic professional landscape.

Additionally, the Center for Research and Training (CRT) fosters a collaborative and interdisciplinary research environment by funding projects that augment the university's academic reputation and contribute to its development as a scholarly

hub. Furthermore, the University's Faculty of Business and Economics has received unconditional accreditation from the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP) for the next ten years, enhancing the global recognition of its degrees and providing students with additional opportunities in the job market and higher education.

The University's Office of the Student's Welfare also provides students and graduates with guidance on their careers through the Career Counseling Center (CCC) as well as a Socio-Psyche Consultation Center with experienced counselors who offer a safe and confidential space for students to address emotional and psychological concerns. The University also launched an emergency ambulance service, reinforcing its commitment to student welfare and healthcare.

I would like to express my gratitude to the members of our Board of Trustees for their continual efforts to advance EWU, ensuring that we provide the highest quality education to our students while shaping the university into a domain of research and development. I also extend my thanks to the dedicated faculty and staff whose hard work has played a crucial role in our achievements.

Lastly, I thank everyone involved in compiling and preparing this annual report.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Manzur Elahi'.

Syed Manzur Elahi
Chairperson
Board of Trustees

Message from the **Vice Chancellor**

It is with great pleasure that I present this year's Annual Report, highlighting the notable progress we have made as a community of scholars, researchers, and innovators. The focus for 2024 has been on building a strong research culture at East West University. I believe we have successfully achieved our goal, as evidenced by the 414 research works produced by our faculty and students this year alone. This reflects the depth of inquiry and the collaborative spirit that defines our institution.

Recognizing that a thriving research environment is essential for both academic excellence and societal impact, we have taken significant steps to cultivate a culture that encourages faculty members and students to pursue research. A key aspect of EWU's research-driven approach in 2024 has been our emphasis on faculty development. With this in mind, we have introduced policies that allow senior faculty members to take reduced teaching loads, enabling them to dedicate more time to research and scholarly activities. Moreover, to promote a collaborative academic environment, senior faculty members are actively mentoring early-career faculty, guiding them through the research process, grant applications, and academic publishing. This mentorship model ensures that emerging scholars receive the support they need to develop their research capabilities and make significant contributions to their respective fields.

One of the most significant initiatives in 2024 has been our concerted effort to encourage faculty members to apply for research grants. EWU has introduced workshops and training sessions focused on grant writing and proposal development, providing faculty members with guidance on identifying funding opportunities, structuring research proposals, and meeting application requirements.

At the operational level, EWU has implemented several policy enhancements to facilitate and encourage research activities. The university has streamlined administrative procedures related to research, making it easier for faculty members to access resources, apply for grants, and collaborate with external institutions.

As we move forward, we remain steadfast in our mission to build a knowledge-driven future. I commend our researchers for their dedication and excellence, and I extend my deepest gratitude to all our partners, supporters, and stakeholders who help turn our vision into reality.

Let us continue to push boundaries, challenge the status quo, and inspire the next generation of thinkers and leaders.

Sincerely,



Professor Dr. Shams Rahman
Vice Chancellor



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Key Highlights of the University

New Programs

In response to evolving market demands, several departments at East West University introduced new academic programs in 2024. The newly launched programs are:

- Bachelor of Science in Data Science and Analytics, offered by the Department of Mathematical and Physical Sciences.
- Master of Pharmacy in Pharmaceutical Technology, offered by the Department of Pharmacy.
- Master of Social Science in Sociology and Social Policy (MSSP), a one-year, 40-credit program offered by the Department of Sociology.

Specialized Programs/ Courses

To upgrade curricula and address emerging academic and professional needs, various departments added new courses to their existing programs and some launched special programs:

- Sociology of Fourth Industrial Revolution [SOC-7418] and Sociology of Ethics and Morality [SOC-7419] are new courses launched by the Department of Sociology.
- EWU Law Clinic, a praxis-based pedagogical model introduced by the Department of Law to develop students' practical skills and critical consciousness.

Highlights of 2024

East West University (EWU) has recently celebrated a series of notable achievements:



- EWU inaugurated its new modern ambulance service to ensure efficient medical services for its community.
- The university inaugurated its newly renovated Boys' and Girls' Common Rooms — dynamic spaces designed to unwind, entertain, and engage in various indoor activities.
- The Faculty of Business and Economics received unconditional accreditation for 10 years from the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP), a US accreditation agency recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA).
- The Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) in Accounting program has been officially accredited by the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA), a globally

recognized professional accounting body.

- The Department of Business Administration achieved a significant milestone by joining the prestigious Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) Institute University Affiliation Program.



CFA Institute University Affiliation Program Ceremony

- The Department of Computer Science and Engineering was accredited by the Board of Accreditation for Engineering and Technical Education (BAETE) under the Institution of Engineers, Bangladesh (IEB).
- The OBE curricula of the LLB (Hons.), LLM, and BSc in Civil Engineering programs received official acceptance from the University Grants Commission (UGC) of Bangladesh.
- Professor Dr. Farhana Ferdousi, Chairperson of the BBA program, received the ACBSP Region 10 (South Asia Council) Teaching Excellence Award and was appointed Treasurer of ACBSP Region 10.



Professor Dr Farhana Ferdousi with the ACBSP Region 10 Teaching Excellence Award

- Professor Dr. Nikhil Chandra Shil, FCMA, from the Department of Business Administration, was appointed Director of Sadharon Bima Corporation.
- Dr. Zubair Hasan and Dr. Nazmul Abedin Khan, Associate Professors in the Department of Mathematical and Physical Sciences, were recognized in Stanford/Elsevier's prestigious Top 2% Scientist Rankings for 2024.
- Dr. M. Ruhul Amin, Professor in the Department of Mathematical and Physical Sciences, was awarded a prestigious Gold Medal by the Bangladesh Academy of Sciences for his exceptional contributions to Plasma Physics.



Dr M Ruhul Amin, Receiving the Gold Medal

- Professor Dr. Ekramul Haque, Adviser to the Department of Law, was appointed as a Member of the Constitution Reform Commission. Additionally, Ali Mashraf was appointed as an

Honorary Researcher of the Commission.

- Dr. Nazia Hoque, Associate Professor in the Department of Pharmacy, received the prestigious Fulbright Visiting Scholar Award 2024- 25 offered by the Department of State's Educational and Cultural Affairs Bureau, USA.
- Four faculty members from the Department of English obtained their PhDs:
 - Dr. Afia Arafat from Universiti Utara Malaysia,
 - Dr. Syeda Nadia Hasan from the University of Texas at Dallas,
 - Dr. Farzana Sharmin Pamela Islam and Dr. Ariful Islam from Jahangirnagar University.
- Eng. Fuad Yasin Huda, Department of Civil Engineering, received the Rees Jeffreys Award 2024 in Highway Engineering.
- The doctoral (PhD) thesis of Dr. Sadik Rahman from the Department of Civil Engineering has been awarded the Best Engineering PhD thesis by Sultan Qaboos University, Sultanate of Oman. Dr Rahman also received the National Research Award 2024 by the Ministry of Higher Education, Research, and Innovation, Sultanate of Oman.
- Students from the Department of Computer Science and Engineering presented research at seven national and international conferences, earning Best Paper Awards for two presentations. Research areas included automated disease detection, multimodal learning, and explainable AI in healthcare.
- Md. Saad Hossain and Nazim Patwary from the Department of Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology, and Nur A. Habiba Mukta from the Department of Sociology, were awarded the prestigious Erasmus Mundus Masters Scholarship for the 2024–2026 session, sponsored by the European Union.

Activities

- A signing of Memoranda of Understanding between East West University and two hospitals, Farazy Hospital Limited and Nagorik Specialized Hospital Limited, took place to provide specialized medical services to the EWU community.
- The Department of Pharmacy organized Pharma Carnival, Dental Campaign, and Lung Cancer Awareness Program.



Inauguration Ceremony of Pharma Carnival

- Biotech Fest 2024 celebrated the 12th anniversary of the Department of Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology.
- 4th Personal and Professional Development Conference (PPDC) was jointly organized by the Department of Information Studies, EWU Information Club, and the Workforce and Skills Development Agency (WSDA), New Zealand.
- The Department of Information Studies and UNESCO jointly observed Global Media and Information Literacy Week 2024.
- CSE Fest 2024, including Robotics Challenges and Programming Competitions, was organized by the Department of Computer Science and Engineering.
- A Workshop on Academic Research and Writing and a creative writing competition titled Wordsmith 2024 were conducted by the Writing Centre at the Department of English.
- East West University (EWU) organized a Public Lecture on 'World Trade and Bangladesh'. The event was addressed by renowned economist,

Professor Dr. M. G. Quibria, whose insights captivated the audience. He highlighted the importance of investing in health and education to develop skilled human resources and urged the government to address critical and vital issues like oil, gas, electricity, and banking sectors to remain competitive in the global economy.



- The 6th Nahreen Khan Memorial Lecture was held at East West University (EWU) on Wednesday, 27 November 2024, in the Manzur Elahi Auditorium. The keynote speaker was renowned intellectual and economist, Professor Rehman Sobhan. His lecture was titled "Constructing A More Just Society in Bangladesh."



Global Involvement

- The Department of Business Administration signed a Memoranda of Understanding (MoU) with the esteemed Asian Institute of Technology (AIT) and the USAID Feed the Future Bangladesh Improving Trade and Business Enabling Environment Activity.



MoU with Asian Institute of Technology (AIT)

- The Department of Information Studies signed a Memoranda of Understanding (MoU) with UIN Sunan Kalijaga, Indonesia, and signed a partnership contract with UNESCO to build a strong Media and Information Literacy (MIL) Network.
- The Department of Computer Science and Engineering signed a Memoranda of Understanding (MoU) with DAEJAYON (South Korea) and Retail AI Incorporation (Japan).



MoU with Retail AI Incorporation, Japan

- The Department of Law, in partnership with Bridges Across Borders Southeast Asia Community Legal Education Initiative (BABSEACLE), participated in the "2024 BABSEACLE Asia CLE Mock Sentencing Hearing Workshop and Event".
- Dr. Farhana Parveen from the Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering served as a Virtual Judge at the College of Engineering Senior Design Showcase of the University of Central Florida, USA, and as the Technical Secretary for IEEE WIECon ECE 2024, held in Chennai, India.
- Ms. Nabila Farhin and Ms. Nadia Rahaman from the Department of Law received a research grant from the University of South Carolina, USA, for their project titled "Empowering Workers for Justice: Legal Framework Review."
- Dr. Fouzia Mannan, Professor, Department of Sociology, received a research grant from the International Rice Research Institute (IRRI) for a five-month project titled "Power, Politics, and Elite Capture of Fresh Water Canals: A Feminist Political Ecological Analysis."
- Dr. Akhter Jahan, Associate Professor and Chairperson, Department of English, worked as a country collaborator on a project titled "Investigating the Impact of Inclusive Teacher Training in ODA Countries," conducted by Professor Judit Kormos, University of Lancaster, UK, and Professor Bimali Indrarathne, General Sir John Kotelawala Defence University, Sri Lanka.



Faculty of Sciences and Engineering

The Faculty of Science and Engineering at East West University strives for cutting-edge research, innovation, and scientific progress through quality education. The faculty actively engages students in hands-on learning and research-driven education, offering opportunities to collaborate with faculty members on exciting projects. Students gain exposure to real-world challenges and emerging scientific advancements through international and national conferences, seminars, workshops, and industry partnerships. The carefully picked faculty members have received global recognition for their contributions to research and academia, inspiring students to pursue excellence. As a result, students have also achieved similar recognition, from winning best paper awards to securing prizes in several competitions. Graduates from these programs go on to become accomplished professionals, academics,

and scholars. The faculty emphasizes leadership development and academic excellence, preparing students to contribute meaningfully to their fields and society.

The Faculty of Science and Engineering comprises six departments:

- Department of Civil Engineering
- Department of Computer Science and Engineering
- Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering
- Department of Mathematical and Physical Sciences
- Department of Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology
- Department of Pharmacy

Department of Civil Engineering



The Department of Civil Engineering (CE) at East West University (EWU) offers a UGC-approved B.Sc. in Civil Engineering program, structured under an Outcome-Based Education (OBE) framework. This ensures that students develop practical skills, technical expertise, and critical thinking abilities essential for success in the engineering industry. With a distinguished faculty—77% holding Ph.D. degrees—and access to nine advanced laboratories, students receive comprehensive hands-on training in Structural, Geotechnical, Transportation, Environmental, and Water Resources Engineering. The curriculum emphasizes sustainability, smart infrastructure, and emerging technologies, equipping graduates to address real-world challenges through innovative, research-driven solutions. Strong industry partnerships and research opportunities further enhance students' competitiveness in infrastructure

development, urban planning, and environmental sustainability.

Research Focus: In 2024, the Civil Engineering department was actively engaged in a broad range of research areas, including sustainable infrastructure systems, water and environmental engineering, and sustainable transportation systems. Research on sustainable infrastructure systems focused on evaluating the suitability of various cementitious and waste materials for use in reinforced concrete (RC) construction. In the field of water and environmental engineering, research involved data-driven water quality modeling and bio-electrochemical wastewater treatment. Transportation research combined econometric, statistical, and safety analyses to create new models for transportation systems.

Achievements in 2024

The Department of Civil Engineering at East West University continues to make significant strides in academic excellence, research, and student engagement. In 2024, faculty members and students earned prestigious national and international recognition.

- Engr. Fuad Yasin Huda received the Rees Jeffreys Award 2024 for Highway Engineering and the ATRF Best Student Presentation Award 2024 in Transportation Planning and Policy.



Mr. Shehanur Rahman Asif, a current CE student, received the Joy Bangla Youth Award 2023 for his impactful social initiatives.

- Dr. Sadik Rahman was honored with the Best Engineering Ph.D. Thesis Award from Sultan Qaboos University, Oman, and the National Research Award 2024 from the Ministry of Higher Education, Oman, for his outstanding contributions to Environmental Engineering.
- At Builtech Fest 5.0 (KUET), CE students showcased innovative projects on eco-friendly construction materials and sustainable rooftop technologies, earning significant recognition for their contributions.



Students engaged in industry-academia collaborations through specialized seminars, field visits, and technical workshops.

Department of Computer Science and Engineering



The Department of Computer Science and Engineering (CSE) at East West University (EWU) provides high-quality education and promotes innovative research across various domains of computer science. Our mission is to equip students with the necessary skills and knowledge to address evolving challenges in the tech industry while contributing to societal development. The department offers three comprehensive undergraduate and graduate programs, namely, Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) in Computer Science and Engineering (CSE), Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) in Information and Communication Engineering (ICE), and Master of Science (M.Sc.) in Computer Science and Engineering.

The curriculum is designed to provide a strong theoretical foundation coupled with practical experience in key areas such as Software Systems, Information Systems, Intelligent Systems, Hardware

Systems, and Networking Systems. The B.Sc. in CSE program is accredited by the BAETE, a member of the Washington Accord, ensuring international recognition and academic excellence.

The department is supported by state-of-the-art facilities. Highly qualified faculty members are committed to excellence in teaching and research. With a vision to drive technological advancements and sustainable transformation, the Department of CSE at EWU remains at the forefront of innovation, industry collaboration, and academic excellence.

Research Focus: The Department of CSE demonstrated strong research engagement in areas such as Artificial Intelligence, Robotics, Cybersecurity, and Intelligent Systems. In 2024, faculty members produced a wide range of scholarly outputs, including journal articles, conference papers, book chapters, and a patent, with active participation in international conferences.



Achievements in 2024

The Department of Computer Science and Engineering (CSE) at East West University (EWU) had an exceptional year in 2024, marked by academic excellence, groundbreaking research, and professional development initiatives.

- The CSE FEST 2024, a flagship three-day event, provided a platform for students to showcase their talents through robotics challenges, programming competitions, an IT Olympiad, gaming tournaments, and project exhibitions. The event also facilitated networking opportunities with industry leaders through job fairs, seminars, and panel discussions, helping students bridge the gap between academia and professional careers. Further strengthening academia-industry collaboration, the department organized a three-day field visit to Astha IT Research and Consultancy Ltd., where students explored AI-driven solutions, software development labs, and interactive sessions on emerging technologies such as natural language processing (NLP), blockchain, and cybersecurity. Additionally, a Robotics Workshop engaged 93 students in designing and developing autonomous robots, while guest lectures by industry experts provided insights into AI, algorithmic careers, and enterprise solutions.
- The department demonstrated remarkable research productivity in 2024, with faculty members producing 145 publications, including 45 journal articles, 71 conference proceedings, 41 book chapters, and one patent.
- Faculty members actively participated in 30 international conferences, including ICCA 2024, ICECET Paris, and ICACIS New Delhi, contributing to global discussions on emerging technologies. Students also engaged in 195 conferences, presenting innovative research in AI, robotics, and cybersecurity, and secured multiple Best Paper Awards at prestigious events.
- CSE students achieved notable success in national and international competitions, including "RobiDatathon 3.0," where a CSE team ranked among the top 20 and "EWU Science Carnival 2.0," where Team EWU Aqua won for their IoT-based Shrimp Farm Monitoring System. Students also participated in numerous technical workshops and training programs, enhancing their expertise in AI, data science, robotics, and cybersecurity.



Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering



Established in 2005, the Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering (EEE) at East West University (EWU) has remained committed to delivering high-quality education and advancing cutting-edge research. With approximately 600 students and 16 full-time faculty members (including two on study leave), the department fosters a strong academic foundation. The B.Sc. in EEE program, accredited by BAETE, a member of the Washington Accord, ensures a comprehensive blend of theoretical and practical knowledge, preparing graduates to tackle real-world engineering challenges.

Equipped with state-of-the-art laboratories, the department supports research and teaching in key areas such as power systems, renewable energy, electronics, telecommunications, and control

systems. Faculty members are actively involved in industry collaborations and research, fostering a culture of innovation and professional growth. Additionally, various student clubs and societies provide avenues for extracurricular engagement, leadership development, and networking opportunities.

Research Focus: The faculty members of the Electrical and Electronic Engineering Department were engaged in cutting-edge research across diverse fields, including nanoelectronics and nanotechnology, solar and renewable energy systems, machine learning applications, and advanced electrical drives in 2024. Their work contributed to both academic advancement and industrial applications.

Achievements in 2024

The Department of EEE had a remarkable year in 2024, demonstrating excellence in academic pursuits, research contributions, and professional development initiatives.

- The department hosted IEEE Distinguished Lectures and Seminars, featuring esteemed speakers including Prof. Anil Kottantharayil (IIT Bombay), Prof. Nowshad Amin (AIUB), and Engr. Md. Mezanur Rahaman (COO, SSG Solar).
- Faculty members demonstrated significant research contributions resulting in 15 publications: 10 journal articles and 5 conference proceedings. Dr. Farhana Parveen secured a research grant from CRTEWU, Dr. Fakir Mashuque Alamgir earned his Ph.D. in Electrical and Electronic Engineering from the University of Dhaka, two faculty members received university awards for publishing in Q1 journals, and Dr. Mohammad Ryyan Khan presented at the IEEE 7th International Conference on Developments in Renewable Energy Technology (ICDRET) and participated in international seminars on Agrivoltaics hosted by the Fraunhofer Institute.
- Additionally, faculty members participated in local and international workshops focusing on energy efficiency, renewable energy, and

AI-driven solutions, further strengthening the department's global research footprint.



- The department played a key role in discussions with the Asian Development Bank (ADB) and the Ministry of Finance, Bangladesh, regarding

the establishment of the Center for Innovation & Technology (CINTEC) at EWU. This initiative, set to launch in early 2025, will be part of the Skills for Industry Competitiveness & Innovation Program (SICIP).

- The department introduced a Photovoltaic (PV) Networking Session, bringing together 61 researchers, industry experts, and engineers from organizations such as IDCOL, SREDA, GIZ, SolShare, Huawei, and Solarland to advocate for the establishment of a national PV research consortium.
- Students also gained practical experience through an internship program with SSG Solar, where they received hands-on training in solar energy system installations.

Alumni Achievements

Alumni of the EEE department continued to excel in both academia and the professional sector.

Saad Mahbub Chowdhury, an EEE graduate, received the Gold Medal at EWU's 23rd convocation for academic excellence and is now a lecturer at BRAC University.

Md. Kamrul Hasan, an EEE alumnus, successfully defended his Ph.D. (summa cum laude) from the

University of Kassel, Germany, for research on 2D Actuated Micromirror Arrays for Smart Windows. He is currently a Research Associate at the Institute of Nanostructure Technologies and Analytics (INA).

Mahfuz Bhuiyan, an EEE graduate, secured a role as an Electrical Support Engineer at COGAN Electrical Services Pty Ltd., Australia.

Department of Mathematical and Physical Sciences



The Department of Mathematical and Physical Sciences (MPS) at East West University, established on May 14, 2017, focuses on five broad and interrelated disciplines: Mathematics, Statistics, Physics, Chemistry, and Data Science. These fields play critical roles in academic research and have practical applications across various industries, including technology, healthcare, and engineering.

Research Focus: This year, the faculty members of the MPS Department actively engaged in a diverse range of research areas, including material science,

cosmology, plasma physics, computational fluid dynamics, mathematical modelling, mathematical biology, data mining and statistical machine learning, Bayesian neural networks, deep learning, biostatistics, epidemiology, bioinformatics, material synthesis, heterogeneous catalysis, electrochemistry, environmental pollution and monitoring, sustainable energy, differential geometry, polymer chemistry, food chemistry, etc. Their works have been published and presented in reputed journals and national/international conferences/seminars.

Achievements in 2024

- Dr. Zubair Hasan, Associate Professor in the Department of MPS, delivered a keynote lecture at the 3rd International Conference on Mathematics and Science Education (ICMSE) 2024, organized by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Research, and Technology in collaboration with Halu Oleo University, Indonesia. The conference was held on Tuesday, November 12, 2024, at the Claro Hotel and Convention Center in Kendari, Indonesia.
- Dr. Md. Fazlul Karim, Professor, Department of MPS, East West University, received a publication reward from the university authority for publishing a research article in a Q1 journal in 2024. The paper titled "A numerical investigation on forced convection heat and mass transfer performance in a right triangular cavity", was published in the International Journal of Thermofluids.
- Dr. Thamina Acter, Associate Professor, Department of MPS, East West University received a publication reward from the university authority for publishing a research article in a Q1 journal in 2024. Her paper titled, "Environmental petroleomics – Application of ultrahigh-resolution mass spectrometry for molecular-level understanding of the fate of spilled oils", was published in the Trends in Environmental Analytical Chemistry.
- Dr. Fazlul Karim, Professor, Department of MPS, East West University, was selected to join the Advisory Committee for the 3rd National Mathematics Conference 2024, organized by the Bangladesh Mathematical Society and the Department of Mathematics at BUET.
- Dr. Md. Sohel Rana, Professor, Department of MPS, East West University, delivered a lecture on "Writing Articles in International Journals", on 10 May 2024 at IPB University, Indonesia. Prof. Dr. Md. Sohel Rana has been honored as the Chair of a session at the 8th International Conference.
- Prof. Dr. Md. Sohel Rana was honored as the Chair of an International Conference Session at the 8th International Conference on "The Role of Statistics and Data Science in 4IR," which was held from December 26 to 28, 2024, at the University of Rajshahi, Bangladesh.

Department of Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology



Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology represents one of the most dynamic and transformative fields in modern science, catalyzing revolutionary changes in agriculture, industry, healthcare, and environmental protection. Through the genomic modification of living organisms—including animals, plants, and microorganisms—this discipline is pivotal in shaping the future of biological and medical advancements.

The Department of Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (GEB) at East West University aims to provide students with not only the fundamental knowledge of biological sciences but also the practical expertise required to excel in research or industry. Since its founding in 2012, the department has grown from a small group of students to over 700 enrolled students, supported by 10 full-time faculty members, 6 adjunct professors, and 4 non-

academic staff. The department has also built four specialized laboratories, all outfitted with advanced scientific equipment to ensure that students are well-prepared for their future careers.

Research Focus: In 2024, the faculty members of the department published and presented research on diverse topics, including antimicrobial resistance, microbial degradation of plastics, cancer genetics and therapeutic enzyme discovery. Their work ranged from genome sequencing of multidrug-resistant pathogens, identification of microbes that can degrade plastics for energy source, in-silico characterization of plant pathogen effectors, and exploring genetic factors underlying breast cancer. These studies reflect the department's strong focus on applied microbiology, molecular oncology, and computational biology.

Achievements in 2024

The Department of Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology celebrated its 12-year milestone with an engaging event, "Biotech Fest 2024," on December 6th, organized by the Department of GEB and the Biotech Club, East West University.

- Two students, Md. Saad Hossain and Nazim Patwary achieved Erasmus Mundus and Erasmus Plus Scholarship, respectively for joint Masters.
- Tanbir Ahmed Niloy and Sharaf Nawar secured the champion and the first runner-up positions, respectively in Original Work based poster presentation at Biotech Fest 2024 hosted by GEB, EWU.
- Sadman Ahmed, a current student of the department, achieved the first runner-up position in idea-based poster presentation at the Biotech Fest 2024 hosted by GEB, EWU.
- Inan Rahman, a student from the department, was awarded the best poster presentation prize at 37th BSM Annual Conference.
- EWU Student Chapter was awarded as the best student chapter for their exceptional dedication among 18 Biotech Chapters of Network of Young Biotechnologists of Bangladesh (NYBB)
- Tuli Basak presented a poster at the 17th Asian Conference on Diarrhoeal Disease and Nutrition (ASCODD)-2024 held from December 8 to December 10, 2024, in Nepal.

Activities

Four students from GEB—Arpita Ghosh, TajwarNafis, Sharaf Nawar, and Jannatun Bari Jummah participated in a three-day training program on

“Laboratory Animals Used in Biomedical Sciences” organized by icddr,b. from December 2 to December 4, 2024.

Department of Pharmacy



The Department of Pharmacy at East West University is a premier institution committed to excellence in pharmaceutical education, research, and professional development. The department was formed in 2003 to address the global demand for highly qualified pharmacy professionals. Over the years, it has evolved into a renowned academic center, recognized for its academic rigor and research contributions; both nationally and internationally. The department is steadfast in its commitment to remain at the forefront of pharmacy education and practice, continuously enhancing its curricular offerings, driving innovative research, and fostering global collaborations.

Research Focus: In 2024, the Department of Pharmacy carried out its research efforts across several key areas of pharmaceutical science. These included the exploration of plant extracts for therapeutic applications, conducting in vivo studies to assess drug efficacy and safety, engaging in genomic research to understand drug-gene interactions, utilizing in-silico methods for drug design and modeling, and undertaking public health research to address community health challenges. The department's commitment to these diverse research domains underscores its dedication to advancing pharmaceutical knowledge and improving healthcare outcomes.

Achievements in 2024

- The Department of Pharmacy organized a seminar titled "Endometriosis: It's time to know the Disease" in collaboration with the ACME Laboratories Ltd., on March 7, 2024, featuring keynote speeches from renowned gynecologists and participation from students and faculty.



- A two-day free dental campaign was conducted on May 27–28, 2024, in collaboration with Pepsodent Bangladesh, promoting oral health awareness among university stakeholders.
- The department organized Pharma Carnival 2024 on December 3–4, 2024, featuring scientific seminars, poster presentations, skill development workshops, and cultural events.
- The Department of Pharmacy celebrated "World Pharmacists Day 2024". This year's theme, "Pharmacy meeting global health needs", highlighted the crucial role pharmacists play in addressing unmet healthcare demands worldwide.



Celebrating World Pharmacist Day

- Professor Shamsun Nahar Khan authored a chapter titled "Introduction to Bone Health and the Role of Nutraceuticals" in the book *Nutraceuticals and Bone Health* (CRC Press, 2024). She was also honored as an Invited Speaker at the BCSIR Congress-2023 (March 8–10, 2024), and served as a distinguished speaker and session chair at the World Forum for Women in Science Conference (April 15–17, 2024) in Rome, Italy.
- A research team led by Professor Sufia Islam published groundbreaking research in the Q1 journal *Life* (Basel), titled "Antimicrobial Susceptibility and Genomic Profiles of Multidrug-Resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*", funded by the EWU Center for Research and Training

(EWUCRT). As recognition for her exceptional contribution to high-impact research, Professor Sufia Islam was awarded the Publication Reward by East West University.

- Dr. Farhana Rizwan, along with her team members Senior Lecturer Mr. Mamunur Rahman and Lecturer Ms. Samiha Tamanna, received the Best Paper Award for their publication titled "Burnout Risks in Bangladeshi Physicians: A Multicenter, Cross-Sectional Study", published in *Heliyon Journal* (Q1 journal).
- Nearly 27 current students and recent graduates of East West University presented their thesis and project work at the International Conference on Pharmaceutical and Health Sciences, held at the University of Asia Pacific.



Students from EWU at ICPHS-2024

Faculty of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences

The Faculty of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences at East West University aims for excellence in education. Our Liberal Arts and Social Sciences program involves close interactions between students and faculty members, along with exposure to practical and contemporary issues through international and national conferences, seminars, workshops, field trips, and study tours. Our faculty members are highly research-oriented and strive to create knowledge by bridging theory and practice. Among our faculty, there are many nationally and internationally renowned researchers. Our students regularly take advantage of this by engaging in research projects, even at the undergraduate level. Graduates from our program become some of the most accomplished professionals, academics, and scholars.

At East West University, we direct our efforts toward nurturing the growth of enlightened Liberal Arts and Social Sciences graduates who care about society in particular and humanity in general. We strongly believe in and strive to infuse the quality of leadership in all our students. Under this faculty, we have five departments:

- Department of English
- Department of Sociology
- Department of Law
- Department of Social Relations
- Department of Information Studies

Department of English



The Department of English is one of the largest departments at East West University, consisting of approximately 48 full-time faculty members, and 1,247 active students. Among the student body, there are 1,152 undergraduates, 38 students pursuing an MA in TESOL, 7 in an MA in ELT, and 50 in an MA in English. In line with Outcome-Based Education, the department is now offering a diverse range of undergraduate and graduate courses in English language, linguistics, and literature, following its revised curriculum. Additionally, the Department provides four foundation courses to students from other departments within the university.

The Department of English actively organizes seminars, workshops, conferences, webinars, research activities, co-curricular events, and social gatherings. The "Seminar Series" emphasizes the Department's commitment to fostering a research-friendly atmosphere. The English Conversation Club is accessible to all students, and the revamped

Writing Center supports students in improving their English writing skills. Furthermore, the Center offers Undergraduate and Graduate Teaching Assistantships (UTA and GTA) to qualified students and provides funding for scholars to participate in international conferences.

Research Focus: Faculty-led research initiatives from the Department of English during 2024 spanned across several domains, contributing to innovative academic discourse. Studies on Applied Linguistics and ELT concentrated on teaching methodology, AI applications in language education, translanguaging, and the cultural analysis of music. Concurrently, studies from the literature stream explored critical themes such as gender, magical realism, race, dystopian and partition narratives, myth, Baul literature, ecofeminism, identity, diaspora, affective pedagogy, trauma, memory, folk traditions, and the intersection of generative AI and literary studies.

Achievements in 2024

The achievements of the Department in 2024 emphasize its research-friendly environment, which aligns closely with the mission and vision of the university. One of the Department's major accomplishments in 2024 is the significant increase in participation in national and international conferences, along with regular publications in Scopus-indexed journals by faculty and students. In 2024, faculty members presented

46 papers at 45 conferences, published 10 research articles in esteemed journals, released 4 books from renowned publishers, contributed to 8 conference proceedings, and attended 94 workshops, seminars, and training sessions. Several faculty members are also engaged in various research projects both domestically and internationally, focusing on areas such as environmental and sustainability issues.

- The Writing Centre of the Department of English organized a successful event on creative writing competition consisting of a total of 73 aspiring creative writers, 20 artists, and 12 musicians from the Departments of English, Computer Science and Engineering, Business Administration, Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology, Population and Public Health Sciences, and Economics. The center also arranged a workshop on how to research and publish in renowned journals.
- This year has been quite memorable for the English department, as both faculty members and students made significant contributions to the research culture. Multiple faculty members and students participated in 6 different national conferences at Jahangir Nagar University, Shahjalal University of Science and Technology, BRAC, North South University, and ULAB.



- In addition, four Faculty members, Dr. Afia Arafat, Assistant Professor, Farzana Sharmin Pamela Islam, Assistant Professor, Syeda Nadia Hasan, Senior Lecturer, and Ariful Islam, Senior Lecturer received their PhD degrees in 2024.
- Kaniz Fatema, Senior Lecturer, completed the EWUCRT-funded Project as the primary and only investigator.
- Imran Jahan Digonto, Lecturer has joined the Young South Asian Leaders Initiative (YSALI). It is a network, sponsored by the U.S. Bureau of Education and Cultural Affairs. He is also pursuing his 2nd Masters in Development Studies at IUB on scholarship.

- Solika Akhter, Lecturer has attained a 100% score in the OPEN Course titled "Creating and Implementing Online Courses" in Winter 2024.
- Samia Afroz Ria, Shamim Ahmed, Sadia Afroj Tithi, students from the Department, published their research paper entitled "Masculine Charade: Unveiling Toxicity in The Playboy of the Western World by J. M. Synge" in the International Journal of Diverse Discourses in 2024.
- Afnan Binte Helal, a student from the MA in English program, was the recipient of the prestigious "Best Paper Award" at the 10th Inter-University Student Conference and Cultural Competition 2024 on "Language Weaponization and Sociopolitical Change" organized by The Department of English and Humanities at ULAB.
- Raisa Nuzhat, a student of MA in TESOL from the Department was recognized as one of the best poster presenters at the BELTA-NSU International Conference 2024. She has attained the position of 2nd Best Presenter at the conference.
- Al Imran Ibna Atiq, in the 2024 RACEWU and EWUSC intra-university tournaments, has become the Champion in three such events as Carrom (Boy's Single and Double) and Chess (All Boys & Girls).
- Jahra Anjum from the Department of English, EWU won the Best Campus Ambassador Award at the Dhaka University Model United Nations Conference DUNMUN 2024 in the premises of the University of Dhaka.



Jahra Anjum receiving her Award

Department of Sociology



The Department of Sociology at EWU combines teaching, research, and creative practice with a commitment to fostering healthy communities and addressing society's needs. It equips students with analytical, interpretative, and quantitative skills, a critical understanding of society, and interdisciplinary courses. The program offers national and international exposure and access to cultural activities.

The program offers students classroom training and theoretical and practical exposure through reflective pedagogy. They are placed in various development agencies, banks, and organizations as interns and trainees. The program covers various topics, including societal state, culture, social change,

community health, social ecology, environment, gender development, participatory research, indigenous knowledge, and economic development. We believe in merit-based treatment and foster a learning environment that promotes mutual respect, interactive dialogue, and practice.

Research Focus: Faculty members of the Department of Sociology published or presented research in several areas, including the Sociology of Health, Sociology of Suicide, Men and Masculinities, Sociology of Gender, Sociology of Religion, Environment and Climate Change/Disaster and Health, Political Sociology, Migration, Information Economy, Digital Health, and the Sociology of Globalization.

Achievements in 2024

- The Department of Sociology at East West University initiated a Sociology Seminar Series to explore critical sociological issues pertinent to contemporary society, with a thought-provoking seminar titled "The Political Economy of Paid Work: Bangladesh's Readymade Garment Workers" on May 5, 2024.
- Professor Dr. Fouzia Mannan was invited to present her research paper titled "Changing Lives of Women in Rural Bangladesh: A Feminist Perspective" at the prestigious BDI 2024 International Conference, themed "Bangladesh Reimagined: The Next Half-Century." The conference, organized by the Bangladesh Development Initiatives (BDI) for 2024, was hosted at the University of California, Berkeley.
- Dr. Mannan has received research grants from the International Rice Research Institute (IRRI) for her project titled "Power, Politics, and Elite Capture of Fresh Water Canals: A Feminist Political Ecological Analysis." This five-month research project began on April 1, 2024. The findings from this study will be published in a journal article, which is scheduled for submission by March 2025. Moreover, Dr. Anisur Rahman Khan became an editorial board member for Discover Social Science.
- S M Anowarul Kayes Shimul, Senior Lecturer in the Department of Sociology, has been enrolled in the PhD program in Sociology at the University of Hawaii at Manoa. Dr. Tanjeela was the Keynote speaker: A Round table discussion on "Women's Land Rights: Challenges and

Way Forward (ভূমিতে নারীর মালিকানা স্বত্ব- সীমাবদ্ধতা এবং করণীয়) organized by Badabon Sangha-A Women's Rights Organization on 4 November 2024.

- Helal Uddin, Senior Lecturer in the Department of Sociology received Publication Reward 2024, for publishing Q1 journal articles in 2023 from East West University, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

Activities

Students of the Department of Sociology visited an Old Age Home at Hota Para, Gazipur, on November 29, 2024. As a part of the practical learning from firsthand experiences, the students of the courses SOC 320 (Social Gerontology), SOC 107 (Social Problems and Analysis), and SOC 106 (Historical Sociology) spent a day with 145 elderly inhabitants of the old age home. The chairperson of the Department, Dr. Fouzia Mannan, and course teachers, Dr. Anisur Rahman, Dr. Rasel Hussain, and Ms. Ruma Parvin accompanied and guided the students throughout their day at the old age home.



On December 13, 2024, the students of SOC 304 (Sociology of Environment) went on a field trip to explore the Buriganga River and the ecological environment of Boldha Garden. The trip was supervised by faculty members Dr. Mumita Tanjeela, Dr. Rasel Hussain, and Md. Helal Uddin. Furthermore,

on November 22, 2024, a field trip to Balihati Jamindar Bari (Museum) and Balihati Village, located in Saturia, Manikganj, was organized as part of the Rural Sociology course SOC-205, under the supervision of Dr. Mumita Tanjeela.

On December 11, 2024, the Sociology Department organized a field trip to Joyeeta in Dhanmondi. This was closely related to the course titled Women, Society, and Development (SOC415), as it aimed to incorporate women's perspectives into project planning.



On April 18, 2024, the Department of Sociology organized an enriching field trip for students enrolled in SOC 406 (Sociology of Development), SOC 401 (Classical Sociological Theories), SOC 313 (Criminology), and SOC 311 (Feminist Thoughts). This excursion, a pivotal part of their coursework, aimed to facilitate direct engagement with communities and gather invaluable data from the field.

Alumni Achievements

Jannatul Ferdous, a distinguished alumna of the Sociology Department at East West University, is currently pursuing her MA in Sociology (2023–2025) at South Asian University, New Delhi, India.

Nur A. Habiba Mukta has also been awarded the prestigious Erasmus Mundus Masters Scholarship in "Public Health in Disasters" for the 2024–2026 session, sponsored by the European Union. Azmain Tanjim has secured fully funded admission with a Graduate Teaching Assistantship in the master's program in Sociology at Western Michigan University (WMU), United States of America for Fall 2024. Ariz-

Un-Elma has been admitted to the Asian Institute of Technology in Thailand for an MA program in "Development and Sustainability" with the AIT Scholarship for the 2024–2026 academic year.





The Department of Law is a benchmark department of the university, featuring a diverse group of students and faculty members. The department consists of 14 full-time faculty members. The department offers a wide array of courses for students doing LLB and LLM. To produce the country's leading legal professionals, the Department of Law has developed a curriculum that promotes a culture of critical thinking and practical learning through moot courts and law clinics. The students are introduced to mooting and advocacy skills very early on through various workshops. Every course offered by the department is tailored to ensure that students can continuously apply their learning from such workshops. Due to the strong emphasis on mooting and advocacy, there have been some notable achievements in various national and international moot court competitions.

A flagship feature of the Department is the law clinic. The Department of Law at East West University remains the only private university offering clinical

legal education. The department emphasizes practical learning through moot courts and law clinics and is a hub for critical thinking and research.

Research Focus: In 2024, faculty members of the Department of Law published and presented research on critical legal issues, including human rights, custodial deaths, cyber law and policy, legal writing, atrocity crimes against the Rohingya, and ADR mechanisms in Bangladesh. Their work also addressed human trafficking, climate change law, and the establishment of credited law clinics at East West University. Further areas of focus included transitional justice, accountability for human rights violations, the role of legal institutions in addressing genocide, environmental crises, and digital hate speech, as well as emerging legal challenges such as ecocide, climate litigation, cyber governance, and constitutional reform. Environmental litigation, including Public Interest Environmental Litigation (PIEL), and disaster-related reproductive rights have also been explored.

Achievements in 2024

The Department of Law at East West secured the fourth position among 32 teams in the Bangladesh Qualifying Round of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition. The team also received the third-best memorial award. The national round was organized by the International Law Students Association (ILSA) in collaboration with the US Department of Justice, Hearth Bangladesh, and held at the American International University-Bangladesh

(AIUB) from 1-3 February 2024.

- East West University (EWU) Moot Court Team was awarded the "Best New Team Award" in the Anti-Corruption Moot Court Competition 2023. This prestigious event was co-organized by Transparency International Bangladesh (TIB) and the Dhaka University Moot Court Society (DUMCS) from 6 to 9 March 2023.

- East West University (EWU) Moot Court Team has successfully advanced to the semi-finals of the esteemed 15th Henry Dunant Memorial Moot Court Competition 2024, which took place on November 8-9, 2024. In collaboration with the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB) organized this competition.
- The East West University Law Clinic organized a session on the 'Stages of Civil Suit', conducted by Justice Md. Zakir Hossain, PhD, Honorable Judge of the High Court Division, Supreme Court of Bangladesh. The two-day-long sessions, starting on 23 November 2024 provided a comprehensive understanding of civil litigation, covering the pre-trial, trial, and post-trial stages from applied and pragmatic perspectives.
- The department also organized a seminar titled 'Career Talk: Life after Law School' on Friday, May 10, 2024, where Ms. Pia Conradsen, who works with Victim Advocates International (VAI) as the Coordinator of the Rohingya Victim Group, delivered a speech to fourth-year law students at EWU. She provided valuable insights into selecting a career path after completing a legal degree.
- Sayeed Hossain Sarwar and Ali Mashraf presented 'From Textbook Law to Law in Action: A Blueprint of Credited Law Clinic at East West University' in the Regional Conclave on Justice Education in Asia organized by Bharati Vidyapeeth, New Law College, Pune, India and Global Alliance for Justice Education (GAJE) 2024. Ali Mashraf, Lecturer, Department of Law, East West University, was invited by Dhaka Law Review to conduct the Online Training Session titled "Unlocking the Art of Legal Writing" for the students of the Department of Law, University of Dhaka on 24 April 2024.
- Mohammad Pizuar Hossain was invited as the speaker and trainer in the series of workshops arranged by Asia Justice and Rights (Indonesia) on responses to atrocity crimes against the Rohingya in Myanmar. Ms. Nabila Farhin and Ms. Nadia Rahaman, Senior Lecturer, Department of Law, East West University received a research grant from the University of South Carolina, USA for a research project on "Empowering Workers for Justice: Legal Framework Review". Collaborating with Bangladesh Legal Aid and Services Trust (BLAST), the eight-month project ended in February 2024.
- Ms. Nadia Rahaman, a Senior Lecturer in the Department of Law at East West University, was invited to serve as an Adjudicator for Jessup Russia, the Russian National Qualifying Rounds of the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, 2024. Held from February 11-12, 2024, the Jessup competition is renowned as the World Cup of moot court competitions. Ali Mashraf, Lecturer, Department of Law, East West University, served as a Memorial Adjudicator in the European Qualifying Rounds of Oxford University's Monroe E. Price Media Law Moot Court Competition 2023/24 in cooperation with the Bonavero Institute of Human Rights in January 2024. Ali Mashraf, Lecturer, Department of Law, East West University, was invited as an adjudicator by Jessup Guatemala to judge the Online Jessup Latin American Rounds on 15 February 2024.

Activities

Department of Law, East West University, organized the seminar "Practice and Procedure in Family Courts: A Judge's Perspective" for the spring 2024 cohort of EastWest University Law Clinic 4.0 on 8 March 2024. Mr. Shapon Hossain, Assistant Judge, Family Court, District and Sessions Judge Court, Chapainawabganj, delivered the keynote address. The seminar focused on practical aspects of handling family disputes before family courts in Bangladesh and the application of family laws in family court procedures.



Department of Social Relations



The Department of Social Relations (DSR) was established on 1 June 2005 as an academic unit within the Faculty of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences at East West University. Since its inception, the department has been playing a key role in the university's academic landscape by providing diverse General Education (GEN) courses to all students across various disciplines. It offers cross-cutting multidisciplinary undergraduate and postgraduate programs focusing on populations, public health, and environmental issues. The department currently offers the following programs:

- Bachelor of Social Sciences (BSS) in Population and Public Health Sciences (PPHS)

- Master of Population, Reproductive Health, Gender and Development (MPRHGD)
- Postgraduate diploma in Population, Public Health and Disaster Management (PPDM)

The department is working tirelessly to advance the vision of East West University. Our faculty members embody the values of interdisciplinary collaboration and inclusivity and have a reputation for exceptional teaching quality and tailored support for the students, fostering a culture of excellence at EWU.

Research Focus: The research focus of the department in 2024 included population sciences, public health, student health, environmental issues, psychology, urbanization, migration, refugee studies, history, tourism, ICT and gender.

Achievements in 2024

- Touhida Tasnima, Assistant Professor, completed her Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in November 2024 from the University of Malaya, Malaysia on gender and media. Ruhun Wasata, Senior Lecturer (on leave) received several prestigious grants. Kazi Nujhat Naila, Lecturer, received the Dean's Award 2024, Department of Geography and Environment, Faculty of Earth and Environmental Sciences, University of Dhaka.
- Abdullah Al Mamun, Lecturer, won the best poster presentation award at the 6th Asian Population Association (APA) Conference 2024 in Kathmandu, Nepal for a poster titled "Premarital Sex and Its Correlates among

the Reproductive Age Women in Bangladesh: Findings from Bangladesh Demographic and Health Surveys". Md Rezwan Siddiqui, Senior Lecturer, presented a paper titled "Migrants in Urban Water: A Synthesis of Dhaka" at the "International Workshop on Urbanization and Sustainable Water Management Strategies in the Global South" held on 4-5 November 2024 in Munich, Germany hosted by the Department of Geography Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität (LMU), Germany.

- Sayada Nazila, a student of the PPHS program was awarded the 'Psycure Youth Mental Health Fellowship 2024'. Puja Chakraborty, a student

of PPHS won the 1st prize at the “East West University Voice of Youth – A Canvas for People & Planet”, organized by East West University Environmental & Social Club on 15th December 2024. Four students Sabiha Binta Siraj, Rifa Tafia Rithin, Sayeda Nazila, and Adib Mostafa from

the Department of Social Relations attended a workshop on “Capacity Building Training for Tobacco Control Youth Advocates”, organized by Dhaka Ahsania Mission in collaboration with the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids (CTFK).

Activities

A field trip was organized for students studying PPHS204: Quantitative Research Methodology on May 11, 2024, under the supervision of Professor Dr. Md. Mobarak Hossain Khan. The students were taken to Shitarampur Village of Gopalganj District.

A field trip was organized for the course students studying PPHS204: Quantitative Research Methodology on December 21, 2024, under the supervision of Professor Dr. Md. Mobarak Hossain Khan. The students were taken to Dhamgor, Bandor, Narayanganj.



Department of Information Studies



The rapid growth of information and technology demands skilled professionals to manage, organize, and disseminate knowledge effectively. Information Studies programs equip individuals with the necessary expertise to address these challenges, fostering critical thinking, problem-solving, and technological proficiency. This interdisciplinary field plays a crucial role in shaping the future of information management and ensuring equitable access to knowledge. The program has attractive career opportunities at home and abroad which include National and International Information Institutions.

Research Focus: The research focus of the Department of Information Studies in 2024 was on a range of topics in the fields of information and knowledge management, information behavior and practices, information literacy, community informatics, information quality, research data management, open science, and related areas. The core research focus of the department was to explore the complexities of the information society through interdisciplinary lenses, while simultaneously cultivating the next generation of researchers with a strong foundation in both theory and practice.

Achievements in 2024

- Dr. Dilara Begum, Professor and Chairperson, Department of Information Studies, East West University has been selected as the 'Regional Editor' for the prestigious journal, 'Digital Library Perspectives', a Scopus-indexed Q1 journal.
- Md. Hasinul Elahi, Senior Lecturer, Department of Information Studies, East West University participated in the 5th A-ICONICS (Adab-International Conference on Information and Cultural Sciences) as a presenter which was held at UIN SunanKalijaga Yogyakarta, Indonesia from May 28-30, 2024.
- Dr. Dilara Begum, Professor and Chairperson, Department of Information Studies, East West University was invited by the Department of Archives and Library, Ministry of Cultural Affairs, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh to deliver the Keynote Speech at the National Library Day 2024. Abdur Rahaman Sumon, Senior Lecturer, Department of Information Studies, East West University attended the Media and Information Literacy Week 2024 as a Guest Speaker. The program was organized by the Civil Aviation School & College, Kurmitola, Dhaka in association with UNESCO Dhaka Office.
- Tahia Rahman Bevor, an undergraduate student of the Department of Information Studies at East West University, has led her team, "Code Black," to a remarkable victory at the World Science, Environment, and Engineering Competition (WSEEC) 2024.

Activities

Forty-four students were involved in internships with industry.

Fifty-six students enrolled in ISL301 and INF7204 courses took part in a field trip to the National Archives of Bangladesh, Agargaon, Dhaka as part of their coursework on May 7, 2024.



Faculty of Business and Economics



The Faculty of Business and Economics offers undergraduate and graduate degrees that aim to improve global business and economic skills as well as flexible technology knowledge to prepare students for career advancement. Furthermore, the Faculty integrates diversity into its programs, faculty and staff representation, and campus climate to ensure that students receive a comprehensive education. The faculty members are research-oriented, actively generating knowledge through research. Their theoretical and practical experiences complement their classroom instruction

in developing managerial and leadership skills.

The Faculty of Business and Economics, East West University offers the following degrees:

- The Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA)
- Master of Business Administration (MBA)
- Master of Business Administration for Executives (EMBA)
- Master of Bank Management (MBM)
- Bachelor of Social Science (Economics)
- Master of Development Studies (MDS)

Department of Business Administration



The Department of Business Administration at East West University (EWU) focuses on developing responsible business leaders through a dynamic and supportive learning environment that promotes both academic and professional growth. The department offers three main programs: Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA), Master of Business Administration (MBA), and Executive Master of Business Administration (EMBA). Students can choose from seven majors in the BBA and eight in the MBA/EMBA programs. As the largest department in the university, it caters to approximately 3,500 students with a dedicated faculty of 80 members. Graduates of this department have achieved success in prominent organizations such as British American Tobacco, Unilever, and Standard Chartered Bank, showcasing the effectiveness of the department's holistic educational approach.

The Department of Business Administration strives to achieve its goal of developing managerial and leadership skills through ongoing research,

academic-industry collaborations, and activities aimed at bridging the gap between theoretical knowledge and practical applications.

Research Focus: In 2024, faculty members of the Department of Business Administration at East West University (EWU) engaged in diverse research areas including Sustainable Development Goals, foreign direct investment, integrated reporting, corporate governance, logistics, microfinance, performance evaluation, performance appraisal etc. Faculty members also participated in various national and international conferences as a key note speaker and presenter. Faculty members contributed as reviewers of ranked and scopus indexed journals.

Faculty members published 33 publications, including 32 journal articles and one conference proceeding. In addition, five papers were presented at international conferences. The papers focused on topics related to Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Green Marketing, Microfinance Institutes, impact of Digitization, Corporate Governance, COVID-19, etc.

Achievements in 2024

The Department of Business Administration (DBA) enjoyed outstanding achievements in 2024, including global recognition, collaboration with renowned institutions, research, and student engagement.

- The highlight of DBA's achievements was its 10-year unconditional accreditation from ACBSP, as well as the signing of an MOU with The Asian Institute of Technology (AIT).
- DBA also became affiliated with the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) Institute University Affiliation Program. In addition, the Accounting Discipline of Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) received accreditation from Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) and renewed its MOU with the Institute of Cost and Management Accountants of Bangladesh

(ICMAB) for another five years.

- Faculty members received noteworthy accolades. Professor Dr. Nikhil Chandra Shil, FCMA was appointed Director of SadharonBima Corporation for a term of 3 years.



Seminar on "Deglobalization to Decarbonization: A Comprehensive Review of Supply Chain Management"

- In 2024, two seminars were organized for faculty members. One focused on the future of supply chain management, while the other attempted to improve instructors' teaching methods.



- The Department of Business Administration (DBA) made significant efforts to boost student engagement in 2024. A total number of 180 BBA students were placed in different organizations to apply their classroom knowledge in the real-world. Guest speakers from renowned firms including as Meghna Executive Holdings, Meghna Bank PLC, KPMG Bangladesh and others were invited to share their expertise in at least eleven courses of the BBA Program. Students

in the BBA and MBA/EMBA programs went on industrial tours to companies such as Akij Bakers Ltd. Factory, Akij Footwear Limited Plant, PRAN Industrial Park, and others to gain real-world experience with industry procedures. DBA hosted at least seven seminars, attracting speakers from major business organizations such as UniLever, BanglaLink, Eastern Bank PLC, and others.



Industrial Tour at Akij Group, Krisnopura, Dhamrai, Dhaka, Spring – 2024



Seminar on – "tips and tricks to get ready for the job"

Alumni News

Alumni also achieved notable recognition, including Ajoy Kumar Kundu, an EWU EMBA alumnus and CEO of Advertising, Mediacom Advertising Limited. He was

awarded for Excellence in Creative Communication at COMMWARD 2024.

Department of Economics



The Department of Economics at East West University is one of the premier establishments for education and research in Economics in Bangladesh. It has been providing leadership in creating excellent human capital to meet the need for young talents in the field of Economics both locally and globally. The alumni of the department are prominently present in various research organizations and universities at home and abroad.

Research focus: In 2024, the Department of Economics was engaged in a broad spectrum of

research areas that spanned from theoretical to applied domains of macroeconomics, microeconomics, and econometrics. Faculty members' research areas included, but were not limited to, development economics, applied micro and macroeconomics, geopolitics, natural resources and environmental economics, health economics, international trade, etc.

Faculty members made a substantial contribution to academia in 2024.

Achievements in 2024

The Department of Economics made significant success in 2024 through excellence in education, research, and student involvement.

- Faculty members have also made research a top priority, publishing 11 publications, including 7 journal articles and 4 book chapters. In addition, five papers have been presented of which 4 were at local conferences and 1 at international conference. The Faculty members also attended 9 training and seminars of which 7 were local and 2 international. In fact, the Department led the way in pioneering research collaboration in the local academia by organizing the 3rd Research Conclave.
- They participated in at least 13 seminars, workshops, or training as key resource persons, with 12 being local and one being international.
- Students have also achieved notable recognition. At least three papers by BSS and MSS students have been published or accepted in peer-reviewed, reputable journals.
- The Department of Economics made major efforts to increase student engagement in 2024. A total of 95 students were assigned to various companies to apply their classroom knowledge in real-world conditions.
- Students in BSS Economics participated in industrial tours organized by the EWU Economics Club to Akij Food and Beverages Limited to get real-world experience with industry procedures, as well as a field trip to the Moheshkhali area to survey the local economy. A session on STATA 4.0 was held to help students improve their technical skills in using econometrics tools for research.

Institutions and Centers



Center for Research and Training East West University (CRTEWU)

The Center for Research and Training East West University (CRTEWU) promotes academic and applied research to create and disseminate new knowledge. It provides financial support to faculty members who conduct research. The Center organizes international/national conferences, seminars, symposiums, and workshops to facilitate the dissemination and exchange of knowledge. To share research results with academia, researchers, and policymakers, CRTEWU publishes two academic journals: East West Journal of Business and Social Studies (EWJBSS) in the fields of business and economics, and East West University Journal of Humanities (EWJH) in the field of

humanities and social sciences. In the last sixteen years (2007-June 2024), CRTEWU allocated approximately Taka 76 million to support faculty research and training, publications of research reports and journals, and to sponsor conferences, seminars and workshops.

The Center is currently chaired by Dr. Rafiqul Huda Chaudhury, a Member of the Board of Trustees of the University. At present, Dr. Muhammed Shahriar Haque, Professor, Department of English, EWU, and Dr. Md. Sohel Rana, Professor, Department of Mathematical and Physical Sciences, EWU, hold the positions of the Executive Director and Deputy Executive Director, respectively

Achievements in 2024

- **International Publications:** Center for Research and Training East West University (CRTEWU) developed a dynamic, user-friendly, and informative website in 2024. Please visit our website by following the link given below- <https://www.crtewu.org/>
- **Research Proposals:** Center for Research and Training East West University (CRTEWU) invited research proposals for its 17th Internal Funding Round on 28 January 2024 from all faculties/ fields. In response to the 'Call for Research Proposal-Round 17', the center received 20 research proposals from the faculty members of East West University. The center released research grants for four research proposals in 2024.

Research studies supported by CRTEWU have yielded research papers and three of them have been published in international journals.

- **Presented paper in International Conference:** A research paper titled "Carriage State of Streptococcus Pneumoniae and their Antibiotic Resistance Profiles among Healthy School Children in Dhaka, Bangladesh" by Dr. Farjana Khatun, Associate Professor, Nigar Sultana Tithi, Senior Lecturer, Ms. Nishat Nasrin, Assistant Professor and Dr. Sufia Islam, professor, Department of Pharmacy, EWU, was presented in the "BCSIR Congress-2023" held on March 2024 at Bangladesh
- **Research Report**

The center received the following research

reports in 2024: "Plagiarism Policies in Bangladeshi Universities: A Critical Perspective" by Dr. Muhammed Shahriar Haque, Professor, Department of English, East West University.

"Screening and Characterization of L-asparaginase Producing Bacteria from the Soil in and around Dhaka City, Bangladesh" by Dr. Md. Mohiuddin Kabir, Associate Professor, Department of Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology, East West University, and Dr. Chowdhury Faiz Hossain, Professor, Department of Pharmacy, East West University.

"Rohingya Influx in Bangladesh: Perceptions and Attitudes of the Local Population" by Dr. Md. Mobarak Hossain Khan, Professor, Mr. Rezwan Siddiqui and Ms. Rubayat Kabir, Senior Lecturer, Department of Social Relations, East West University

"Isolation, Identification and Antibiotic Susceptibility Testing of Common Respiratory Pathogens Collected from Nasopharynx of Asymptomatic School Children in Dhaka City" by Dr. Sufia Islam, Professor, Ms. Nishat Nasrin, Assistant Professor, Ms. Nigar Sultana Tithi, Senior Lecturer, and Dr. Farjana Khatun, Assistant Professor, Department of Pharmacy, East West University

- **Research Publications in 2024:** East West Journal of Business and Social Studies (EWJBSS) published two volumes in 2024:
 - Special Issue, Vol. 9-11, 2023 has been published in July 2024

- Vol. 12, 2024 was published in December 2024.

Abstract of Published Papers-2022, vol.17 was published in 2024. The Abstracts of Published Papers is an annual publication of Center for Research and Training East West University (CRTEWU)

- **Research seminars:** In 2024, CRTEWU organized a total of 13 seminars, including 7 research seminars and the rest as knowledge sharing seminars



Ms. Ferowza Sawpnill, Chief Teaching Fellow and Program Coordinator for

the MA in Education, Asian University for Women and Ms. Tansum Tanha, Teaching Fellow in the MA in Education program, Asian University for Women in the Knowledge Sharing Seminar 'Innovation in Education'

- **Training :** Training on 'Qualitative Research for Data Analysis using NVivo Software':



Training session in the CRTEWU Research Hub on 'Qualitative Research' for data analysis using NVivo Software by Dr. S M Nurul Alam, Professor of Anthropology (Retd), JU, Dhaka, Bangladesh and Mr. Md. Ali Imam, Assistant Scientist Child Health Unit, International Centre for Diarrheal Disease Research, Bangladesh.

Executive Development Center (EDC)

The Executive Development Center (EDC) at East West University (EWU) was established in 2018. Before this establishment, approval from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) was received on September 28, 2016. Continuing the enhanced skills program, EDC launched the Skills for Industry Competitiveness and Innovation Program (SICIP) on 31 July 2024. This

well-structured, nine-month Graduate Diploma in Leather, Leather Goods, and Footwear Management (GDLFM) has a curriculum designed to meet industry demands and promote productivity, innovation, market competitiveness, and green business practices in Bangladesh's leather and footwear industry.

Achievements in 2024

- **Skills for Employment Investment Program (SEIP) :** EDC-SEIP, EWU completed the GDLFM by training 529 out of the targeted 600 trainees, achieving an impressive completion rate of 88.2%. Many graduates have been absorbed into the leather and footwear industry, fulfilling the targeted outcomes of the SEIP program. This initiative contributes to the development of skilled managers, meets industry demands, and fosters entrepreneurship.
- **Skills for Industry Competitiveness and Innovation Program (SICIP) :** EDC received a contract from The Ministry of Finance, GOB to continue SICIP program. Accordingly, an agreement was signed between SDCMU, SICIP, and EDC, EWU, on 31 July 2024 to provide executive training for mid-level employees of the Leather, Leather Goods, and Footwear Sector.
- **Short Certificate Courses:** EDC organized a Training Need Assessment (TNA) workshop on May 11, 2024. The workshop aimed to design new certificate courses for Leather, Leather Goods, and Footwear sectors.
- **Celebration Ceremony of GDLFM:** The Graduating Celebration Ceremony was held at Manzur Elahi Auditorium at the EWU campus on December 8, 2024. Dr. Salehuddin Ahmed, Adviser to the Ministry of Finance and Ministry of Science and Technology, Bangladesh, was the chief guest. Professor Dr. Mohammed Farashuddin, Chief Adviser of EWU and former Governor of Bangladesh Bank, presided over the event.

Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

To ensure inclusive and equitable quality in education and to promote lifelong learning, EWU established the IQAC on January 12, 2016. IQAC has been working to develop quality assurance practices to further enhance the academic and administrative performance of the university. IQAC organizes a range of workshops focused on teaching-learning methodologies, student assessment and evaluation, as well as seminars and relevant training programs. IQAC also assists EWU in submitting data for Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings, QS World University Rankings, and Sustainability Rankings.



Achievements in 2024

Professor Dr. Sufia Islam, Director, IQAC, was selected as a Trainer on writing proposals for the "Academic Transformation Fund (ATF)" of Higher Education Acceleration and Transformation (HEAT), UGC.

- Project proposal writing on the Academic Transformation Fund (ATF) of the Higher Education Acceleration and Transformation (HEAT) Project, UGC.
- BAC Program Accreditation Process for PSAC Members of the Department of English, Sociology, Information Studies and Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology.
- Quality Assurance System in Tertiary Education.
- Workplace Competence/Skill, Continuing Professional Development, Time and Stress Management.
- Impact of Research and Publications on Global Ranking.
- Teaching Pedagogy, Assessment tools, Rubrics, and Continuous Quality Improvement.
- Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) organized a training program on 'Teaching, Learning and Research' in collaboration with CRTEWU. The training program was held from October 2024 to February 2025

Department of Students' Welfare and Career Counseling Center

The Department of Students' Welfare (DSW) at East West University (EWU) promotes students' development through services supporting academic, professional, personal, and mental well-being while encouraging leadership, extracurricular engagement, and career readiness. DSW operates through three

key units: the Career Counseling Center (CCC) for career guidance and job placement, 22 EWU Clubs for personal growth and leadership, and the Socio Psyche Counseling Center (SPCC) for mental health support and counseling.

Career Counseling Center (CCC)

The Career Counseling Center (CCC) at East West University (EWU) plays a vital role in bridging academic learning with professional aspirations. As part of the Department of Students' Welfare, the CCC supports students in their professional journeys through internships, job placements, and career development initiatives. Collaborating with top employers, CCC organizes events such as job fairs, workshops, and seminars, providing students with the skills necessary to thrive in a competitive job market.

Job Placement

241 EWU graduates successfully placed in different prominent organizations such as:

- Standard Chartered Bank
- Nestlé
- Pathao Ltd
- MetLife Bangladesh
- Apex Footwear Limited
- bKash Limited
- Bangladesh Bank
- BEXIMCO Group
- ACME Laboratories Limited
- Eastern Bank PLC
- Robi Axiata Limited
- Square Pharmaceuticals PLC
- Apex DMIT Ltd.
- Dhaka Bank
- Siemens Energy Bangladesh Ltd.

- Popular Pharmaceuticals PLC
- JMI Group
- Genew Bangladesh Ltd.
- ERA-InfoTech Limited
- CodersTrust Bangladesh
- Walton Group
- Banglalink Digital Communications Ltd. and many others.

Internship Placement

198 students secured internships in different esteemed organizations such as:

- Bank Asia Limited
- Bkash Limited
- Siemens Energy Bangladesh Ltd.
- Square Pharmaceuticals PLC
- Coca-Cola Bangladesh
- Renata Pharmaceuticals Ltd.
- UCB Bank Limited
- Walton Group
- Dhaka Bank
- Samsung R&D Institute Bangladesh
- Mutual Trust Bank Ltd.
- Prime Bank PLC
- Upay
- Apex Footwear Limited, and many others.

Achievements in 2024

- Organized a successful Job Fair for Career Search 2024, with 87 companies and over 2,000 student participants. Over 100 graduates were recruited for full-time positions.
- Held 10 impactful workshops, including CV Writing Workshops and Career Talks with bKash, Augmedix, and Coca-Cola.
- Signed an MoU with LightCastle Partners for the SheSTEM program to support female STEM students and collaborated with Apex DMIT Limited, J&Z Group, Akij Resources, Creative IT Institute to provide EWU students with internship and job placement opportunities.
- Hosted the Italian Design Day in collaboration with the Italian Embassy, highlighting careers in design and sustainability.
- Strengthened partnerships through corporate affiliations with organizations like UNDP, BRAC

Bank, Axiata Digital Bangladesh (Private) Ltd., Bangladesh Youth Leadership Center (BYLC), BRAC Bank Ltd., B-Trac Technologies Ltd., Corporate Ask, DBL Group, Dhaka Bank Ltd., DHL Bangladesh, Dot 5 Pvt. Ltd., FinSource Limited, Global Freight Ltd., Golden Harvest FinTech Ltd., GoZayaan, Healthcare Pharmaceutical Ltd., Innovision Consulting Pvt. Ltd., Lala Move, MetLife Bangladesh, MindShaper, Multidrive Services Ltd., Nextdecade, Parkway Healthcare, Popular Pharmaceutical Ltd., Power Ride Services Ltd. (Amar Taka), Prime Bank Ltd., R.S. Corporation, Rancon Motor Bikes Limited, Reckitt Benckiser (Bangladesh) PLC, REVE Systems, Robi Axiata, Solvers, Transcom Beverages Ltd., Upay, UCB Fintech Company Ltd., Unilever Bangladesh, United Commercial Bank Ltd., Wadhvani Foundation, and ZUNOKS.

Significant News

East West University Hosted Successful 'Job Fair for Career Search 2024' : The Career Counseling Center (CCC) and the Department of Business Administration (DBA) of East West University (EWU) jointly organized the nationwide 'Job Fair for Career Search 2024' on February 10, 2024.



Insightful sessions during EWU Job Fair 2024: On February 10, 2024, during the Job Fair, the CCC and DBA of EWU organized three impactful sessions:



"Campus to Corporate: Take Charge of Your Early Career!" - Conducted by Mr. Foad Hasan, Region Head of Marico Bangladesh Ltd., focusing on transitioning from academia to professional life.

"Getting Ready for Your Future Career" - Led by Ms. Sharina Tofazzal, Head of Talent & Development at Coca-Cola Bangladesh, with EWU alumni sharing career insights.

"U.S. Graduate Studies Opportunities" - Presented by Mr. Sheak Md. Shabuddin, EducationUSA Adviser, offering guidance on pursuing graduate programs in the U.S.

Career Talks : CCC hosted several career talks in 2024. Significant talks include: "From Campus to Career: Redefine Yourself" on March 5, 2024, and "Navigate Your Future Career with Augmedix" on March 19, 2024.

EWU Partners with LightCastle for SheSTEM Program: On February 25, 2024, a SheSTEM discussion session was held with LightCastle Partners to address gender gaps in STEM education. Supported by the Embassy of the Netherlands, the program promotes skill development, industry collaboration, and networking for female STEM students, tackling barriers to their success in Bangladesh.

Celebrating Italian Design at East West University:

The Embassy of Italy in Dhaka, in collaboration with the Career Counseling Center, East West University hosted the Italian Design Day at East West University on 15 May 2024. The event, themed “Manufacturing Value: Inclusiveness, Innovation, and Sustainability,” highlighted Italian vase craftsmanship.



H.E. Mr. Antonio Alessandro, Ambassador of Italy to Bangladesh, inaugurated the event, discussing Italy’s design heritage. Keynote speaker Ms. Assia Karaguiozova, an Italian designer and editorialist, shared her expertise in fashion photography and

design, emphasizing heritage, creativity, and sustainability.

Election Reform Commission Hosts Discussion with University Students at East West University

: The Election Reform Commission of Bangladesh, in collaboration with East West University’s (EWU) Career Counseling Center, organized an exchange of views program on electoral reforms on November 26, 2024, at EWU’s Manzur Elahi Auditorium. Key participants included Dr. Badiul Alam Majumdar, Chairman of the Election Reform Commission, Dr. Tofail Ahmed, Chairman of the Local Government Reform Commission, along with other commission members, academics, and policymakers.

Seminar on Stress Management : On September 1, 2024, the Department of Students’ Welfare organized a seminar on stress management at East West University. The keynote speaker, Ms. Fabia Hannan Mone, a WHO ex-medical officer, shared effective stress management strategies, such as relaxation, exercise, proper sleep, and good communication.

Workshop

Throughout the year CCC conducted several workshops. The significant ones were:

Healing Minds: How to Overcome Trauma: On September 11, 2024, a workshop titled “*Healing Minds: How to Overcome Trauma*” was held in Room 126. The session, conducted by Ms. Rabeya Shikder Shathi, a counselor psychologist at Mindshaper, focused on identifying the causes, signs, and types of trauma.



Trauma Management and Total Fitness : On September 18, 2024, the Department of Students’ Welfare organized a workshop on “*Trauma Management and Total Fitness*” in Room 126. The session, led by Mr. Mohammed Mahmuduzzaman from the Quantum Foundation, emphasized the importance of meditation and physical fitness for mental well-being.

CV Writing Workshop: The Career Counseling Center organized two CV Writing Workshops: one on May 23, 2024, conducted by Md. Hasanuzzaman Begh, SAVP, Eastern Bank PLC, and another on December 3, 2024, led by Nazran Kabir, Sr. Manager, Eastern Bank PLC. Both workshops focused on creating professional CVs, interview skills, and the importance of formal attire and communication.

The Centre for Urban Studies and Sustainable Development (CUSSD)

The Centre for Urban Studies and Sustainable Development (CUSSD) is an interdisciplinary research center at East West University (EWU) that brings together researchers from several disciplines. Since Bangladesh has extremely high population density and urban sprawl, the Center is devoted to exploring ways in which this density can be harnessed to advance development objectives in fields such as housing, public health, education and sanitation.

Achievements: Several publications by faculty members and students from the department that utilize night-light data from satellite to explore issues such as GDP and development inequality were sponsored by the Center.

The introduction of the use of nightlight data in development research in Bangladesh.

The Writing Centre of English Department

The Writing Centre at the Department of English offers students of East West University assistance in improving their English writing skills. Throughout academic years, the Centre continues to provide ample opportunities for East West University students to master their command of the English language. Each new semester, the Centre organizes various workshops and events to encourage student engagement and performance.

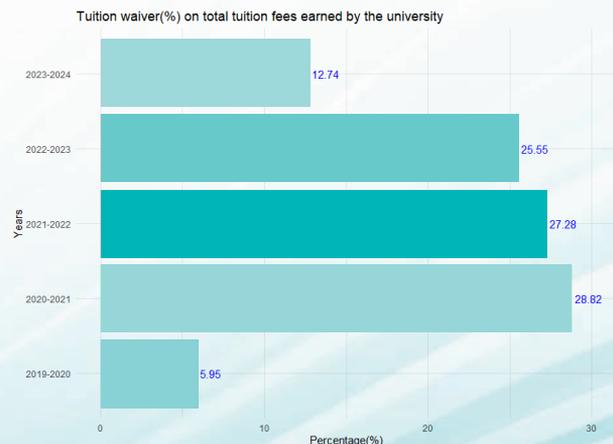
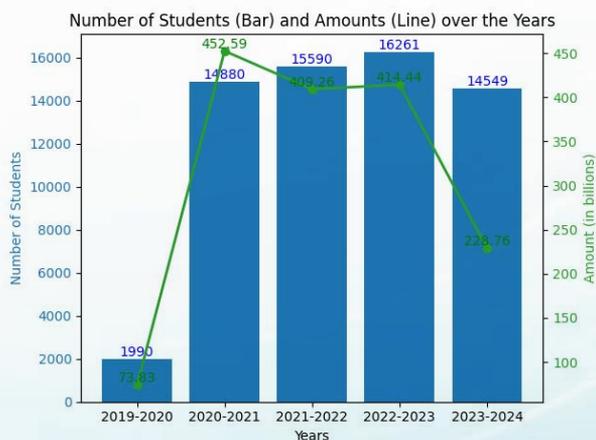
Key Highlights: The Writing Centre organized a Creative Writing Competition titled “Wordsmith 2024” on May 9, 2024. This competition provided a platform for students to showcase their creativity, originality, and literary skills across various genres.

The Writing Centre hosted a workshop titled “Academic Research and Writing” for faculty members of the Department of English on December 26, 2024. Dr. Fakrul Alam, an eminent scholar and renowned professor, conducted the workshop.

Scholarships and Financial Assistances

Since its inception, East West University has been awarding merit scholarships and need-based financial assistance to deserving students. Each year, the university distributes around 9% of its total earnings among 20% or more of its regular students. According to the provision of the Private University Act, 2010, private universities are required to provide scholarships to 6 (six) percent of their enrolled students who are meritorious but come from less well-to do families (of which 3 percent is

reserved for the wards of freedom fighters). Since its inception, the founders of East West University have adopted a policy of not paying any profit or dividend to themselves and of using a good proportion of its operating surplus towards nurturing merit and providing financial support to students in need. In the last twenty-seven years, the scholarship and financial assistance policy adopted by East West University has become a source of great encouragement to meritorious and financially constrained students.



Benefits to students are awarded in the following ways:

1. Merit Scholarships

EWU has generous merit scholarships/financial assistance programs. A sum of Taka 213,966,518 (Twenty-one Core thirty-nine Lac sixty six thousand five hundred and eighteen) was awarded to 14,041 students in 2023-2024. Full-year tuition waiver merit scholarships (for a maximum of one-fourth of the total credit requirements of the program for undergraduate students) were awarded to:

- a. Top scorers in undergraduate admission tests with a minimum score of 75% marks: five (5) from the Faculty of Business and Economics, four (4) from the Faculty of Sciences and Engineering, and two (2) from the Faculty of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences. Top scorers in graduate admission tests with a minimum score of 75% marks: one each in MBA and in MS Telecommunication Engineering provided that at least 20 students get admitted to the program.
- b. Candidates scoring GPA 5.00 (securing A+ in all subjects, including 4th subject) in the most recent SSC & HSC examinations were awarded 100% Tuition Free Merit Scholarship at entry level in Undergraduate Programs for 4 (four) years subject to qualifying in the admission test.
- c. Candidates securing 7 (seven) A's in O' Level examination (in one sitting) and 3 (three) A's in A' Level Examination (in one year) were awarded 100% Tuition-Free Merit Scholarships at entry level in Undergraduate Programs for 4 (four) years subject to qualifying in the admission test and maintaining certain requirements.
- d. District Quota: One deserving and underprivileged student from each district achieving a GPA of 5.00 in the most recent SSC and HSC examinations will be awarded a full-tuition Merit Scholarship, including accommodation, for four years of undergraduate study at EWU, contingent upon qualifying for admission test.
- e. Candidates scoring GPA 5.00 (including the 4th subject) in the immediate past SSC & HSC examinations, are awarded 50% waiver of Tuition Fee as Merit Scholarship at entry level in Undergraduate Programs for the first 1 (one) year subject to the fulfillment of certain requirements.
- f. 100% Tuition Free Merit Scholarship was provided to students who received undergraduate degree from EWU with CGPA 4.00 for a maximum of two

years of studies in Graduate programs at EWU. For the graduate program EWU provides the same benefits under the same terms and conditions to the students having first classes in both Honors and Masters from public universities.

- g. Top 10% students (10% of the actual number of students of each batch of each department enrolled during the immediate past year) who have completed at least one-fourth of the total credit requirement of the undergraduate program during the immediate past year with a CGPA of 3.90 and above received full-tuition free Merit Scholarship for equal number of credits to be adjusted in the next three consecutive semesters.

2. Trustee's Scholarship

A Trustee member may award 500% tuition fee waiver to five students (100% each) or more than five students distributing this 500% at his/her discretion in each semester or a Trustee member may award a maximum of up to 45 credits tuition fee waiver in each semester or higher as per requirements under his/her discretionary quota.

3. Financial Assistance

East West University also provides financial assistance to students in the following criteria:

- a. **General:** EWU granted financial assistance to deserving students on a need-cum-merit basis. Undergraduate applicants who have completed at least 12 credits in the immediate past semester with a minimum CGPA of 2.60 and with demonstrated financial need. Similarly, applicants of graduate programs who completed 6 credits in the immediate past semester with a minimum CGPA of 2.80 and had proof of financial need were offered financial assistance to cover part of the tuition fees.
- b. **Family Concession:** East West University offered sibling and spouse benefits to students.
- c. **Freedom Fighters' Scholarship:** The university also offered maximum 100% tuition waiver scholarship to the wards of wounded, deceased and financially needy freedom fighters, subject to the fulfillment of certain requirements.

4. Benefits for EWU Employees

EWU granted 50% tuition fee waiver to EWU employee based on their CGPA.

5. The Medha Lalon Scholarship

In order to be able to extend further support towards nurturing merit, particularly to students from middle class background, to female students, and to students from outside the metropolis, the Board of Directors of East West University set up in 2002 a scheme

called the East West University Medha Lalon Fund. This need-cum-merit based financial assistance is awarded from the annual earnings of the East West University Medha Lalon Fund deposited in a lucrative five-year interest earning Scholarship Deposit Account of Mercantile Bank Ltd.

Medha Lalon Scholarships

Sl.	Name of Scholarship	Name of Sponsors	Amount in Taka
1	Sujat Ali Mazumder Scholarship	Mr. Jalaluddin Ahmed (deceased)	Tk. 45, 000 a year
2	Anjuman Ara Begum Scholarship	Mr. Jalaluddin Ahmed (deceased)	Tk. 45, 000 a year
3	S.M. Sahiruddin Scholarship	Mr. S. M. Nousher Ali (deceased)	Tk. 45, 000 a year
4	Rowshan Ara Begum Scholarship	Mr. S. M. Nousher Ali (deceased)	Tk. 45, 000 a year
5	Sanuwar Bakht Chaudhury Scholarship	Mr. Farooque B. Chaudhury	Tk. 45, 000 a year
6	Sofia Khatun Scholarship	Mr. Farooque B. Chaudhury	Tk. 45, 000 a year
7	Lutful Bari Md. Munsur Chaudhury Scholarship	Dr. Rafiqul Huda Chaudhury	Tk. 45, 000 a year
8	Shamsunnessa Begum Scholarship	Dr. Rafiqul Huda Chaudhury	Tk. 45, 000 a year
9	Sherifa Chowdhury Scholarship	Syed Manzur Elahi	Tk. 45, 000 a year
10	Sherifunnesa Begum Scholarship	Syed Manzur Elahi	Tk. 45, 000 a year
11	M. Mahtabuddin Scholarship	Dr. Mohammed Farashuddin	Tk. 45, 000 a year
12	Chamak Chand Scholarship	Dr. Mohammed Farashuddin	Tk. 45, 000 a year
13	M. Sujat Ali Scholarship	Mr. Mohammad Zahedul Haque, R.Ph	Tk. 45, 000 a year
14	Shakina Khatun Scholarship	Mr. Mohammad Zahedul Haque, R.Ph	Tk. 45, 000 a year
15	Mujibur Rahman Lasker Scholarship	Dr. Saidur Rahman Lasker	Tk. 45, 000 a year
16	Khodeza Abu Taher Scholarship	Dr. Saidur Rahman Lasker	Tk. 45, 000 a year
17	Moulvi Muhammad Shamsheer Ali Scholarship	Dr. Muhammad A. Mannan	Tk. 45, 000 a year
18	Momena Khatun Scholarship	Dr. Muhammad A. Mannan	Tk. 45, 000 a year
19	Abu Ahmed Abdul Hafiz Scholarship	Mr. Shelley A. Mubdi	Tk. 45, 000 a year
20	Syeda Shaher Banu Chaudhurani Scholarship	Mr. Shelley A. Mubdi	Tk. 45, 000 a year
21	Abdul Kaher Scholarship	Mr. M. A. Mumin (deceased)	Tk. 45, 000 a year
22	Habiba Banu Scholarship	Mr. M. A. Mumin (deceased)	Tk. 45, 000 a year
23	AlhajjAbdur Rahman-Begum Walida Rahman Scholarship	Dr. Khalilur Rahman	Tk. 45, 000 a year
24	Justice Nurul Huda-Begum Sufia Huda Scholarship	Dr. Khalilur Rahman	Tk. 45, 000 a year
25	M.A. Haque Scholarship	Mr. H. N. Ashequr Rahman MP	Tk. 45, 000 a year
26	Abdur Rahman Scholarship	Mr. H. N. Ashequr Rahman MP	Tk. 45, 000 a year
27	Abdul Jabbar Scholarship	Mrs. Razia Samad (deceased)	Tk. 45, 000 a year
28	Abdus Samad Scholarship	Mrs. Razia Samad (deceased)	Tk. 45, 000 a year
29	East West University Scholarship	East West University	Tk. 45, 000 a year
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41	Dutch-Bangla Bank Ltd. Scholarship	Dutch-Bangla Bank Ltd.	Tk. 45, 000 a year
42	Suraiya Farashuddin Scholarship	Mrs. Suraiya Farashuddin	Tk. 45, 000 a year
43	Suraiya Farashuddin Scholarship	Mrs. Suraiya Farashuddin	Tk. 45, 000 a year
44	Standard Chartered Bank Scholarship	Standard Chartered Bank	Tk. 45, 000 a year
45	Standard Chartered Bank Scholarship	Standard Chartered Bank	Tk. 45, 000 a year
46	Eakub H. Chowdhury Scholarship	Samson H. Chowdhury (deceased)	Tk. 45, 000 a year
47	Eakub H. Chowdhury Scholarship	Samson H. Chowdhury (deceased)	Tk. 45, 000 a year
48	Mercantile Bank Limited Scholarship	Mercantile Bank Limited	Tk. 45, 000 a year
49	Mercantile Bank Limited Scholarship	Mercantile Bank Limited	Tk. 45, 000 a year
50	Naushaba-Kalim Sharafi Scholarship	Professor Naushaba Kalim Sharafi	Tk. 45, 000 a year
51	Mutual Trust Bank Ltd. Scholarship	Mutual Trust Bank Ltd.	Tk. 45, 000 a year
52	Mutual Trust Bank Ltd. Scholarship	Mutual Trust Bank Ltd.	Tk. 45, 000 a year
53	Prime Bank Ltd. Scholarship	Prime Bank Ltd.	Tk. 45, 000 a year
54	Prime Bank Ltd. Scholarship	Prime Bank Ltd.	Tk. 45, 000 a year
55	Eastern Bank Ltd. Scholarship	Eastern Bank Ltd.	Tk. 45, 000 a year
56	Eastern Bank Ltd. Scholarship	Eastern Bank Ltd.	Tk. 45, 000 a year
57	The TM International Bangladesh Ltd. (AKTEL) Scholarship	TM International Bangladesh Ltd. (AKTEL)	Tk. 45, 000 a year
58	Rakibur Raza Education Scholarship	Dr. Ishfaqur Raza	Tk. 45, 000 a year
59	Dr. Ameerul Haque Scholarship	Mrs. Roshen Ara Haque	Tk. 45, 000 a year
60	Dr. Ameerul Haque Scholarship	Mrs. Roshen Ara Haque	Tk. 45, 000 a year
61	M.A. Mumin Scholarship	Mr. Mansoor Mumin	Tk. 180,000 a year
62	Syed and Nasim Amanatullah Scholarship	Syed and Nasim Amanatullah	Tk. 45, 000 a year

In addition, Mrs. Rehana Akhtar Khanam, a former UN official, has arranged scholarships for students from lower-middle-class families at East West University (EWU). She has created a fund in the name of her parents, 'Abdul Latif Khan-Jahanara Khanam Chowdhury Scholarship Fund, East West University' and donated 50 (fifty) lac taka to the

fund. The earnings from this fund are given as a new scholarship to EWU students who come from less-well-to do families.

The selection of scholars and financial beneficiaries is conducted through a computerized system that ensures complete transparency.

Alumni Contributions and Experience



East West University's alumni form an integral part of its enduring legacy and success, contributing not only to academic excellence but also to broader sustainable development. Their achievements and leadership directly support SDG 4: Quality Education by mentoring current students, sharing knowledge through guest lectures, and fostering lifelong learning. By taking up leadership roles in diverse industries and engaging in innovative research and technology projects, our alumni bolster SDG 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth and SDG 9: Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure. Their active involvement in fundraising, industry advisory roles, and strategic partnerships further reinforces SDG 17: Partnerships for the Goals, creating invaluable networks that inspire future generations and drive sustainable societal progress. Their engagement in sports and community development (e.g., participation in international triathlons) also contributes to holistic well-being and social cohesion,

resonating with SDG 3: Good Health and Well-Being and SDG 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities.

- Alumni have taken on leadership roles in multinational tech companies, contributing to cutting-edge projects in AI, software development, and data analytics. Award-winning students and researchers, Saad Mahbub Chowdhury, Md. Kamrul Hasan, and Mahfuz Bhuiyan, exemplify excellence in STEM.
- Alumni have advanced in higher studies and research abroad, achieving placements in prestigious institutions and research labs. The achievements of alumni, Jannatul Ferdous, Khaingnoe Ching, Abdullah Al Nahian, Imtiaz Ahmed Siddik, Jobeda Akter Rini, Nur A Habiba Mukta, Azmain Tanjim, and Ariz-Un-Elma, in securing international scholarships is a testament to quality education, while their international exposure supports global collaboration.



Imtiaz Ilahi (ID:2001-3-95-043) is an accomplished professional with over 25 years of diverse experience spanning military service, marketing, advertising, and digital transformation. He is a graduate of Bangladesh Military Academy and completed his MBA from East West University. Imtiaz is the Managing Director of – Graphic People and Software People – two of the largest ITES companies in Bangladesh, delivering outsourced technology services across 60+ countries. Under his leadership, both the companies have been recognized with awards including multiple National Export Trophies, DHL Business Excellence Award and Daily Star ITC Award underscoring its impact on Bangladesh’s export sector and global presence. He is also actively involved in sports community development, encouraging aspiring and amateur athletes. As an amateur triathlete, he has completed a number of international races, including Norseman and multiple Ironman races, demonstrating resilience in personal and professional pursuits. On 3 August 2024, he participated in The Norseman triathlon, held in Norway, which is one of the most challenging triathlon races. It starts with a 3.8 km swim in sea, followed by 180 km bike ride through rugged mountains and end with 42.2 km run which finishes on top of a mountain. Imtiaz Ilahi is the first Bangladeshi to participate and successfully complete this grueling race.



Ajoy Kumar Kundu (ID: 2001-3-91-007), CEO of Media & Advertising, Mediacom Limited & Maasranga Television, is an Executive MBA graduate of 2001 and a media expert with over 30 years of experience in Bangladesh’s media and entertainment sector. In 1997, he was given the responsibility to initiate Mediacom Limited, a venture started by Square Group, where he currently serves as Chief Executive Officer. He currently manages operations across his organizations, generating an annual revenue of approximately 400 crore BDT (~USD 40 million). His organization Mediacom Ltd. was awarded for Excellence in Creative Communication at COMMWARD 2024 on 19 October 2024.



Md. Abdul Kader Miah (ID: 2020-3-95-090), who graduated at Summer 2022, has been promoted to Senior Assistant Secretary and appointed Assistant Controller (Systems), Database and Web Administration, Controller of Certifying Authorities (CCA), Government of Bangladesh. He belongs to the 30th batch of BCS (Admin) cadre.



Afsana Ferdoush, Head of Human Resources at New Zealand Dairy Bangladesh Ltd, achieved several key milestones in 2024. She introduced employee benefits such as insurance facilities, leave encashment, maternity benefits, gratuity, and WPPF. She played a crucial role in designing the organizational structure across functions and JDE for the top team while conducting talent mapping for critical roles. Additionally, she developed and implemented a reward and recognition scheme along with a job rotation policy. Afsana successfully aligned HR policies and processes with labor laws and launched a leadership program to build a strong talent pipeline within the organization. Furthermore, she implemented an integrated HRIS to manage the employee lifecycle, performance management, and support top management in retaining and developing talent.



Ayon Ahmed, Director of Finance & Administration at Diesel Power Services Ltd. (DP), a company specialized in Diesel Gensets, achieved 1000 projects in 2024, including Power Management in Padma Bridge Railway Project.

Student Developments (Clubs)

East West University offers a variety of student clubs under the supervision of faculty moderators to provide opportunities for personal growth and skill development. Through the twenty-two clubs at EWU, students connect with industry professionals, find like-minded peers, and engage in social work and community outreach. Year-round club activities also play a role in advancing the university's

commitment to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through various student-led initiatives; including SDGs 2 (Zero Hunger), 3 (Good Health and Well-being), 4 (Quality Education), 6 (Clean Water and Sanitation), 9 (Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure), 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), 13 (Climate Action), and others. Students can join the following clubs:

Agro-Industrialization Club		EWU Health and Well-Being Club	
Business Club		IEEE Student Branch	
Club for Performing Arts		Investment and Finance Club	
Computer Programming Club		Model United Nations Club	
Creative Marketing Club		Photography Club	
Cyber Security Club		Robotics Club	
Debating Club		Rotaract Club	
Economics Club		Science Club	
Electronics Club		Sociology Club	
English Conversation Club		Sports Club	
Environmental & Social Club		Telecommunication Club	

EWU Clubs conduct and organize various activities throughout the year to achieve the following objectives:

Professional and Academic Development and Industry Exposure

The Business Club, Investment & Finance Club, Economics Club, and Creative Marketing initiatives contributed to professional growth and industry exposure. The Business Club developed entrepreneurship and leadership skills through BriefCase 3.0, a corporate case competition. Moreover, the Investment & Finance Club enhanced financial literacy with NeXTor, a stock market simulation and investment competition, while the Agro-Industrialization Club promoted industry insights

through economic discussions and industrial visits, such as the Agro Biz Expo 2024. The Economics Club held a competition, themed "Mapping the Worldwide Economic Crisis" to explore global economic challenges and their potential solutions and organized an industrial visit to Akij Food & Beverage Ltd to learn more about industrial operations and career prospects.



Prize Winners of Briefcase 3.0



NeXTor Champions

Social Responsibility and Community Engagement

The Environmental & Social Club, Rotaract Club, Sociology Club, and Model United Nations Club contributed to social responsibility and community engagement. The Environmental & Social Club raised sustainability awareness through the Eco-Fair 3.0 and social support programs like the Voice of Youth-A Canvas for People & Planet event focusing on climate change. The Rotaract Club organized a blood donation drive and the Winter Smile Fair. On

the other hand, the Sociology Club promoted social activism and mental health awareness through a mental health seminar. Meanwhile, the Model United Nations Club members displayed diplomacy and leadership skills through the participation of their delegations at various MUN conferences and events.



Voice of Youth-A Canvas for People & Planet



Eco Fair 3.0



Award Winners of Canvas 4.0



Delegates from EWUMUN Club

Cultural, Arts, and Creative Expression

The Club for Performing Arts showcased Bangladeshi culture through events like the Rangila Utsav 1431 with a Boishakhi fair and cultural performances, including a Dhak band. Meanwhile, the Photography Club, Debating Club, and English Conversation Club focused on developing artistic and communication skills: the Photography Club hosted 'Photo Fest Asia 2024' and participated in several competitions, the Debating Club won several debate competitions across the year, and the English Conversation Club organized a Reviewer's Fest to improve reviewing, writing, and speaking abilities.



Participants of SFURON 5.0



Participants of SFURON 5.0



Debating team at Khulna Nationals 2024



Winners of SEUDC Nationals 2024



Contribution to Technology and Innovation

The Science Club, Robotics Club, Computer Programming Club, Electronics Club, Telecommunications Club, and IEEE Student Branch contributed to the advancement of technological innovation. The Science Club hosted the much-anticipated EWU Science Carnival 2.0, a dazzling showcase of scientific brilliance and creativity. The club also organized an excursion to the National Museum of Science & Technology and held a seminar on "The Science of Meditation & Practice". The Robotics Club gathered a huge number of robotics and tech enthusiasts under the banner of EWU National Robo Fest 2024. Meanwhile, the Computer Programming Club participated in several programming contests, including BUET Inter-University Programming Contest, and achieved remarkable successes. Additionally, The Electronics Club organized the "Circuit Masters Clash: ARDUINO Edition" event to enhance students' skills in electronics and microcontroller programming. The IEEE EWU Student

Branch hosted a lecture event, "Let's Talk About Career Development," which aimed to inform students about the hurdles of professional careers. The Telecommunications Club successfully hosted "The Royal Hat Presents: National Telco Warfare 2024" and arranged a seminar with industry leaders on career development.



Blood Donation Program



Team from CUET Inter University Programming Contest Code Storm 1.0



Islamic University of Technology's 11th IT Fest 2024 (IUPC)



EWU National Robo Fest 2024

Sports and Well-Being

The Sports Club and the Health and Well-Being Club promoted sports activities alongside mental and physical well-being. SMC+ EWU Winter Smash 2024, the grandest national badminton tournament, kicked off at East West University, uniting nationwide universities in a battle for glory. The Sports Club inaugurated a dedicated sports room for EWU students. To highlight the significance of sports and its ability to foster solidarity among students, the

club also organized the Indoor Sports Carnival and a marathon. The EWU Health and Well-Being Club (EHWC) started its journey in October 2024 through the initiative of the Department of Social Relations (DSR). Through this club, the students will contribute to building a healthy society and help achieve greater public health goals for the society by organizing various awareness programs and events at EWU.



Participants of the Marathon



The Opening of EWU Health and Wellbeing Club



Sustainability and Social Responsibility Initiatives

East West University remains steadfast in its commitment to environmental stewardship and community well-being, directly aligning with multiple UN SDGs. Our initiatives to minimize our ecological footprint and enhance community resilience support SDG 13: Climate Action and SDG 15: Life on Land through activities such as tree plantation programs, campus greening, and energy conservation projects.

The university's robust sustainability efforts are enhanced through academic and community collaborations:

- **Green Computing Course & Technology Integration:** By offering dedicated courses on energy-efficient technologies, we promote sustainable practices that align with SDG 4: Quality Education and SDG 9: Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure.
- **Waste Management and Recycling Initiatives:** Our Plastic Pollution Awareness Outreach and waste management sessions emphasize SDG 12: Responsible Consumption and Production.
- **Community Engagement & Humanitarian**

Response: The flood relief fund, medical outreach during crises, and collaborative projects with external partners (e.g., DAEJAYON) underline our commitment to SDG 3: Good Health and Well-Being and SDG 17: Partnerships for the Goals.

- **Campus and Departmental Activities:** Initiatives such as tree-planting drives, environmental seminars, and community-building events such as the Iftar get-together further contribute to SDG 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities.

Each initiative not only enhances our campus's sustainability but also serves as a practical demonstration of our commitment to a greener and more equitable future.

On 5 September, 2024, East West University initiated a contribution to assist flood victims in the eastern region of Bangladesh, following a devastating flood in August 2024. The Board of Trustees, faculty members, and administrative officers collectively donated a total of Tk. 3,371,663 to the Chief Advisor's Relief and Welfare Fund.

Department gatherings such as the Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering EEE Iftar Get-together 2024 bring together students, alumni, and faculty during Ramadan promotes social cohesion and community solidarity, directly contributing to SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities) and SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-Being) through communal well-being.



Iftar Get-Together 2024

Events such as the Plastic Pollution Awareness Outreach Program, organized in collaboration with the University of Dhaka, educate students and community members on waste reduction, reuse, and recycling, supporting SDG 12 (Responsible Consumption and Production) and SDG 13 (Climate Action).



Plastic Pollution Awareness Students' Outreach Program 2024

Seminars and Research Initiatives at the Department of Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (GEB) such as the Genome Editing Lecture, Research Facility Visits, and Biotech Fest bolster SDG 4 (Quality Education) and SDG 9 (Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure) by promoting scientific inquiry and cutting-edge research.



Seminar on Genome Editing

Greening Activities (Indoor Plants and Balcony Gardens) aim to improve air quality and enhance biodiversity on campus. The university also initiated a tree plantation program to contribute to environmental sustainability and enhance the campus landscape. These efforts align with SDG 15 (Life on Land) and contribute to healthier indoor environments (SDG 3: Good Health and Well-Being).



Planting Tree outside the Campus

Events such as the Winter Sports Carnival 2024 not only promote physical fitness and teamwork but also strengthen community spirit.



Winter Sports Carnival 2024

Participation in Environmental and Governance Forums with lecturers moderating discussions on maritime integrity and judicial independence contributes indirectly to SDG 16 (Peace, Justice, and

Strong Institutions) by promoting ethical practices and governance.

Cultural events, excursions, and celebrations such as "PithaUtsob" and "Basanto Baron foster cultural engagement and experiential learning, supporting SDG 4 (Quality Education) and SDG 11.



The Department of Sociology organized "Basanto Baron (বসন্ত বরণ-১৪৩০)" to uplift the cultural integration among the students

Field trips focused on environmental awareness such as visits to ecological sites like the Buriganga river and Boldha Garden help students observe the impact of human activities on the environment, directly supporting SDG 13 (Climate Action) and SDG 15 (Life on Land).

Orientation Programs and Alumni Roundtables foster networking, mentorship, and professional growth, thereby strengthening SDG 8 (Decent Work and Economic Growth), SDG 9 (Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure), and SDG 17 (Partnerships for the Goals).

Corporate collaborations and networking initiatives engaging with industry experts and facilitating discussions on curriculum development and career opportunities further drive innovation and sustainable economic development.

Philanthropic Efforts and Commitment to Social Responsibility

Donations made for Flood Affected People

East West University has shown a strong commitment to social responsibility through its philanthropic efforts. In response to the devastating floods that struck the eastern region of Bangladesh in August 2024, the university made a significant contribution to support the affected victims. The Board of Trustees, along with faculty members and administrative staff, collectively donated a total of Tk. 3,371,663 to the Chief Advisor's Relief and Welfare Fund.

Blood Donation Campaign

East West University organized a Blood Donation Campaign in collaboration with The Quantum Foundation to raise awareness about thalassemia, a blood disease, and to encourage people to donate blood to help save the lives of many thalassemia warriors. Approximately 130 bags of blood were collected and donated during the event.



Standing Beside the Injured Students of July Uprising

EWU played a pivotal role during the July-August Uprising of 2024. During the unrest, the university's medical center provided medical assistance, treating approximately 400 to 500 individuals, including students, police officers, and members of the general public. Additionally, EWU offered full tuition waivers to 16 students, while 3 others received financial support to cover their medical expenses resulting from injuries sustained during the uprising.

Facilities

EWU Modern Cafeteria



In 2024, East West University inaugurated a modern cafeteria to provide fresh and hygienic food in a pleasant environment. The facility was officially opened by Syed Manzur Elahi, Chairperson of the Board of Trustees, EWU, and former Adviser to the Caretaker Government of Bangladesh.

The cafeteria can accommodate approximately 500 individuals at a time and is equipped to prepare meals for up to 10,000 people daily. It features artistic interior design, central air conditioning, and an automatic fire extinguishing system, ensuring a safe and comfortable dining experience.

Common Rooms and Indoor Game Room



The newly renovated common rooms offer students a dynamic space for relaxation and recreation. Equipped with state-of-the-art amenities, the facilities include indoor games such as table tennis, chess, and carom, along with comfortable seating areas that promote social engagement and leisure. The upgraded spaces have been highly appreciated by students for enhancing the campus experience.





Socio-Psyche Counselling Center

Recognizing the growing need for mental health support, East West University established a permanent Socio-Psyche Counseling Center under the Department of Student Welfare in 2022.

The center operates from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM on working days and addresses a range of student concerns, including academic stress, financial

hardship, low self-esteem, relationship challenges, and mental health issues such as anxiety and depression.

Through professional counseling, the center aims to foster resilience, enhance self-confidence, promote emotional well-being, and empower students to make informed personal and academic decisions.



East West University Medical Center

The EWU Medical Center remains committed to promoting the health and well-being of students and staff. Open throughout working hours, the center offers medical check-ups, provisional diagnoses, treatment for minor illnesses, and referrals to specialized healthcare services when necessary.

Staffed by two senior medical officers and a nurse, the center is equipped with an ambulance for emergencies and provides first-aid services, health consultations, and preventive healthcare advice. It continues to play a vital role in maintaining a safe and healthy university environment.

Financial Performance

Hoda Vasi Chowdhury & Co

Chartered Accountants

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Trustees of East West University

Report on the Audit of Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of East West University (the "University" or "EWU") which comprise the balance sheet as at 30 June 2024 and the income and expenditure statement, statement of changes in Fund and the cash flow statement for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the University as at 30 June 2024 and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) and other applicable laws and regulations.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the University in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (IESBA Code), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the IESBA Code and the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Bangladesh (ICAB) Bye Laws. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other matters

The financial statements of the University for the Year ended 30 June 2023, were audited by another auditor who expressed an unmodified opinion on those statements on 10 December 2023.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements and Internal Controls

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements of the University in accordance with IFRS and in accordance with prescribed format of the University Grants Commission (UGC) of Bangladesh as per section 45(1) of the Private University Act 2010 and other applicable laws and regulation for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing these financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the University's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the University or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the University's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the University's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the University to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Dhaka, 12 January 2025
DVC No: 2502051512AS797060



Shaikh Hasibur Rahman FCA
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**East West University
Balance Sheet
As at 30 June 2024**

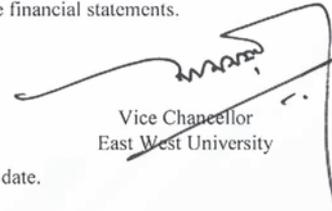
Prepared using the reporting form-PUFR-III.A (a) prescribed by University Grants Commission (UGC) of Bangladesh

Particulars	Notes	Amount in Taka	
		30 June 2024	30 June 2023
Assets			
Non-current assets		3,993,576,028	3,777,490,588
Fixed assets	4	3,891,119,453	3,456,279,329
Capital work-in-progress	5.1	6,403,723	230,886,022
Long term investment	5.2	96,052,852	90,325,237
Net current assets		4,743,759,998	4,691,858,500
Current assets	6	4,974,536,825	4,791,494,202
Current liabilities	7	(230,776,827)	(99,635,703)
Fund employed (non-current assets plus net current assets)		8,737,336,026	8,469,349,088
Financed by			
Funds		8,737,336,026	8,196,338,472
Statutory reserve fund	8	50,000,000	50,000,000
Trust fund	9	7,500,000	7,500,000
General fund	10	7,150,254,344	6,707,429,316
Long-term liabilities (lease liability for the hired building)	11	-	4,710,298
Accumulated depreciation fund	12	1,529,581,681	1,426,698,858
Liabilities		-	273,010,616
Deferred revenue (tuition fees received in advance)	13	-	273,010,616
Financed by (funds plus liabilities)		8,737,336,026	8,469,349,088



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The annexed notes form an integral part of these financial statements.



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**East West University
Income and Expenditure Statement
For the year ended 30 June 2024**

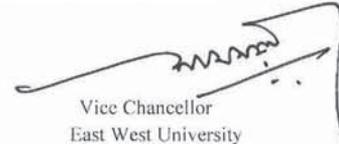
Prepared using the reporting form-PUFR-III.A (b) prescribed by University Grants Commission (UGC) of Bangladesh

Particulars	Notes	Amount in Taka	
		30 June 2024	30 June 2023
A. Income-academic		1,854,458,970	1,798,416,345
Admission income-sale of admission forms		12,346,400	11,814,000
Academic income-tuition fee and others	14	1,842,112,570	1,786,602,345
B. Expenditure-academic		1,179,431,749	1,299,349,222
Academic expenses	15	1,140,045,103	1,264,140,684
Admission expenses	16	10,852,876	12,487,298
Academic research expenses	17	24,077,990	17,795,915
Publication expenses	18	4,455,780	4,925,325
C. Excess of income over expenses-academic (A-B)		675,027,222	499,067,124
D. Income-non-academic		12,931,580	13,369,173
Non-academic income	19	12,931,580	13,369,173
E. Expenditure-non-academic		407,860,848	401,846,874
Non-academic expenses	20	407,860,848	401,846,874
F. Income over expenditure-non-academic (D-E)		(394,929,268)	(388,477,701)
G. Operating income over expenses (C+F)		280,097,954	110,589,422
H. Financial income over expenses/expenses over income		355,642,671	280,242,523
Interest income/profit from investment	21	369,429,069	281,691,084
Less: Financial expenses	23	(13,786,398)	(1,448,561)
I. Excess of income over expenditure before tax (G+H)		635,740,624	390,831,945
Less: Income tax expenses	22	192,915,597	-
Excess of income over expenditure after tax		442,825,027	390,831,945



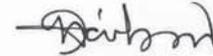
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East West University
Statement of Changes in Fund

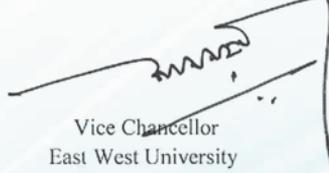
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c) Statement of Change in Funds as per Act CI.44 (1)

Particulars	Notes	Amount in Taka	
		30 June 2024	30 June 2023
i) Changes in Reserve Fund			
Balance at 01 July 2023	8	50,000,000	50,000,000
Fund added by the member of trustees		-	-
Fund added by others		-	-
Balance at 30 June 2024		50,000,000	50,000,000
ii) Changes in Trust Fund			
Balance at 01 July 2023	9	7,500,000	7,500,000
Fund added by the member of trustees		-	-
Fund added by others		-	-
Balance at 30 June 2024		7,500,000	7,500,000
iii) Changes in General Fund			
Balance at 01 July 2023	10	6,707,429,316	6,309,303,384
Fund added by the member of trustees		-	-
Fund added by others		-	-
Excess of income over expenditure		442,825,027	390,831,945
Transfer of special Fund		-	-
Prior year's adjustment		-	7,293,987
Balance at 30 June 2024		7,150,254,346	6,707,429,316
iv) Changes in Special Fund			
Balance at 01 July 2023		-	-
Fund added by the Member of Trustees		-	-
Fund added by others		-	-
Balance at 30 June 2024		-	-
v) Changes in long term liabilities			
Balance at 01 July 2023		4,710,298	13,685,015
Adjustment during the year	11	(4,710,298)	(8,974,717)
Balance at 30 June 2024		-	4,710,298
vi) Changes in accumulated depreciation fund			
Balance at 01 July 2023 (Annex-A)	12	1,426,698,857	1,403,980,086
Charged for the year		122,120,752	112,547,528
Adjustment/(disposal) during the year		(19,237,929)	(93,289,348)
Prior year's adjustment		-	3,460,591
Balance at 30 June 2024		1,529,581,681	1,426,698,857
Total fund		8,737,336,026	8,196,338,472

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Cash Flow Statement
For the year ended 30 June 2024

Prepared using the reporting form-PUFR-III.A (d) prescribed by University Grants Commission (UGC) of Bangladesh

Particulars	Notes	Amount in Taka	
		30 June 2024	30 June 2023
(A) Cash flows from operating activities			
Excess of income over expenditure		442,825,027	390,831,945
Adjustment for non-cash expenses:		-	10,754,579
Depreciation		122,120,752	112,547,528
Prior year's adjustment/Adjustment		-	-
Changes in working capital	24	(511,997,688)	489,800,038
Net cash flow from operating activities		52,948,091	1,003,934,090
(B) Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of fixed assets	25	(434,840,124)	(916,998,323)
Less: Sale proceeds of fixed assets		(19,237,927)	(93,289,348)
Capital work-in-progress	5.1	224,482,299	14,317,657
Increase in long term investment	26	(5,727,615)	(4,414,746)
Net cash flow from investing activities		(235,323,367)	(1,000,384,760)
(C) Cash flows from financing activities			
Increase in finance/donated fund/loan		(4,710,298)	(8,974,717)
Decrease in finance/donated fund/loan		-	-
Net cash flow from financing activities		(4,710,298)	(8,974,717)
Cash surplus/(deficit) for the year (A+B+C)		(187,085,574)	(5,425,387)
Cash and bank balance at beginning of the year		306,964,428	312,389,815
Cash and bank balance at the end of the year		119,878,854	306,964,428
Cash and bank balance consist of:			
Imprest fund	6.5	44,507	8,488
Cash at bank	6.6	119,834,347	306,955,940
		119,878,854	306,964,428

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