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Webinar Held at Journalism and Mass Communication Department (JMC)



Monday, March 2, 2026

The Department of Journalism and Mass Communication (JMC) at AIUB hosted a webinar titled “Revisiting the Political Economy of Mass Media in the Era of Artificial Intelligence” on March 2, 2026.

The webinar featured distinguished scholar Dr. Anisur Rahman, Assistant Teaching Professor, Department of Communication, University of Washington, USA. The session addressed critical transformations in global media systems driven by artificial intelligence, platform capitalism, data governance, and shifting power

structures within the media industry.

Pro-Vice Chancellor of AIUB, Prof. Dr. Abdur Rahman, and Advisor to JMC, Prof. Dr. AJM Shafiu Alam Bhuiyan, attended the webinar as special guests and shared their remarks.

The event was hosted by Dr. Pradip Kumar Panday, Head, JMC. Faculty members and students from various departments actively participated in a vibrant discussion during the Q&A segment.

AIUB Hosts Thalassemia Awareness Seminar and Signs MoU with Bangladesh Thalassemia Foundation



Tuesday, March 3, 2026

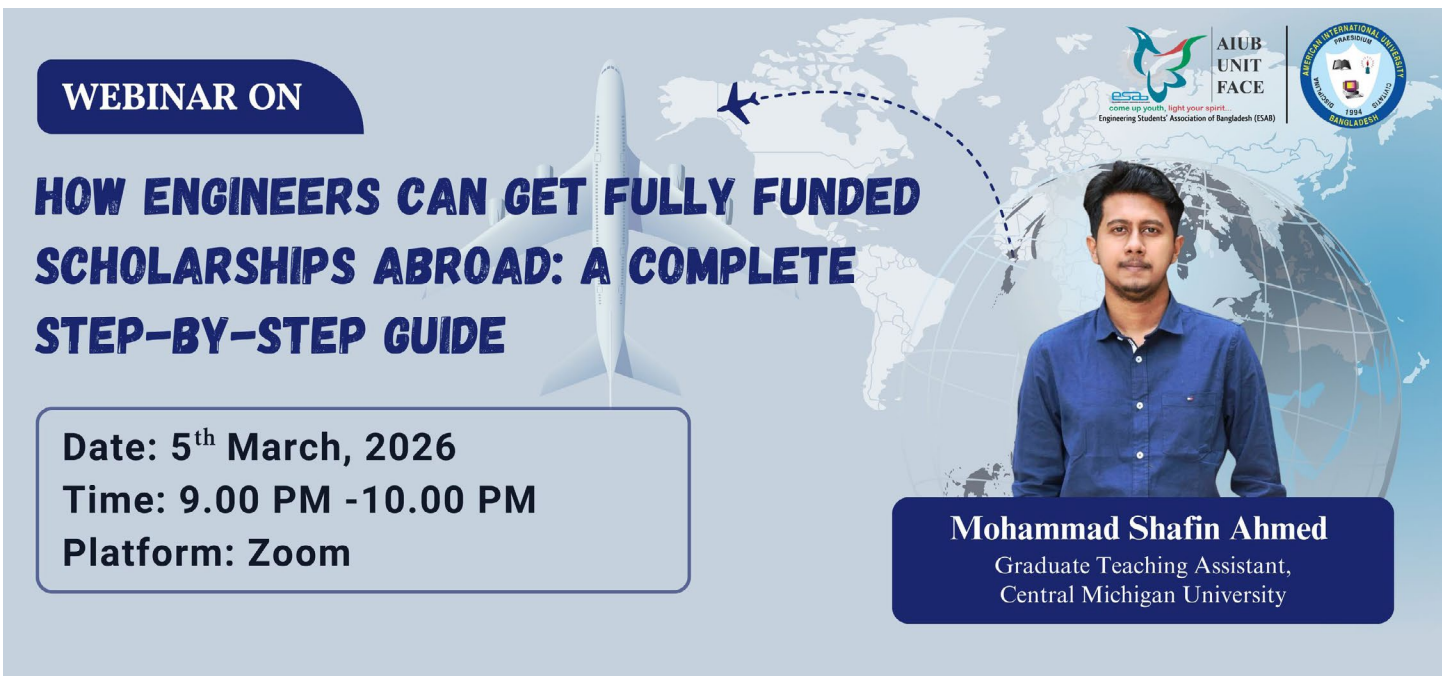
The Institutional Quality Assurance Cell of AIUB (AIUB-IQAC), in collaboration with the Bangladesh Thalassemia Foundation (BTF), organized a Thalassemia Awareness Seminar on March 3, 2026. The event brought together faculty, administrative officials, and students to raise awareness about thalassemia prevention, early screening, and community support for patients.

The seminar opened with a welcome address by Dr. Muhammad Wasiful Alam, Head, Department of Public Health and MPH Program, AIUB. Professor Dr. Syeda

Masooma Rahman, Vice-Chairman of BTF, introduced the foundation's mission, followed by a presentation on "Thalassemia and Awareness" by Dr. Razia Sultana, Transfusion Medicine Specialist, BTF.

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between AIUB and BTF by Dr. Carmen Z. Lamagna, Member, AIUB Board of Trustees, and Professor Dr. Syeda Masooma Rahman. The program concluded with a vote of thanks by Prof. Dr. Md. Abdur Rahman, Pro-Vice Chancellor, AIUB.

Webinar on “How Engineers Can Get Fully Funded Scholarships Abroad: A Complete Step-by-Step Guide”



WEBINAR ON

HOW ENGINEERS CAN GET FULLY FUNDED SCHOLARSHIPS ABROAD: A COMPLETE STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE

Date: 5th March, 2026
Time: 9.00 PM -10.00 PM
Platform: Zoom

Mohammad Shafin Ahmed
Graduate Teaching Assistant,
Central Michigan University

Logos for ESAB (Engineering Students' Association of Bangladesh), AIUB Unit Face, and American International University are visible in the top right corner.

Thursday, March 5, 2026

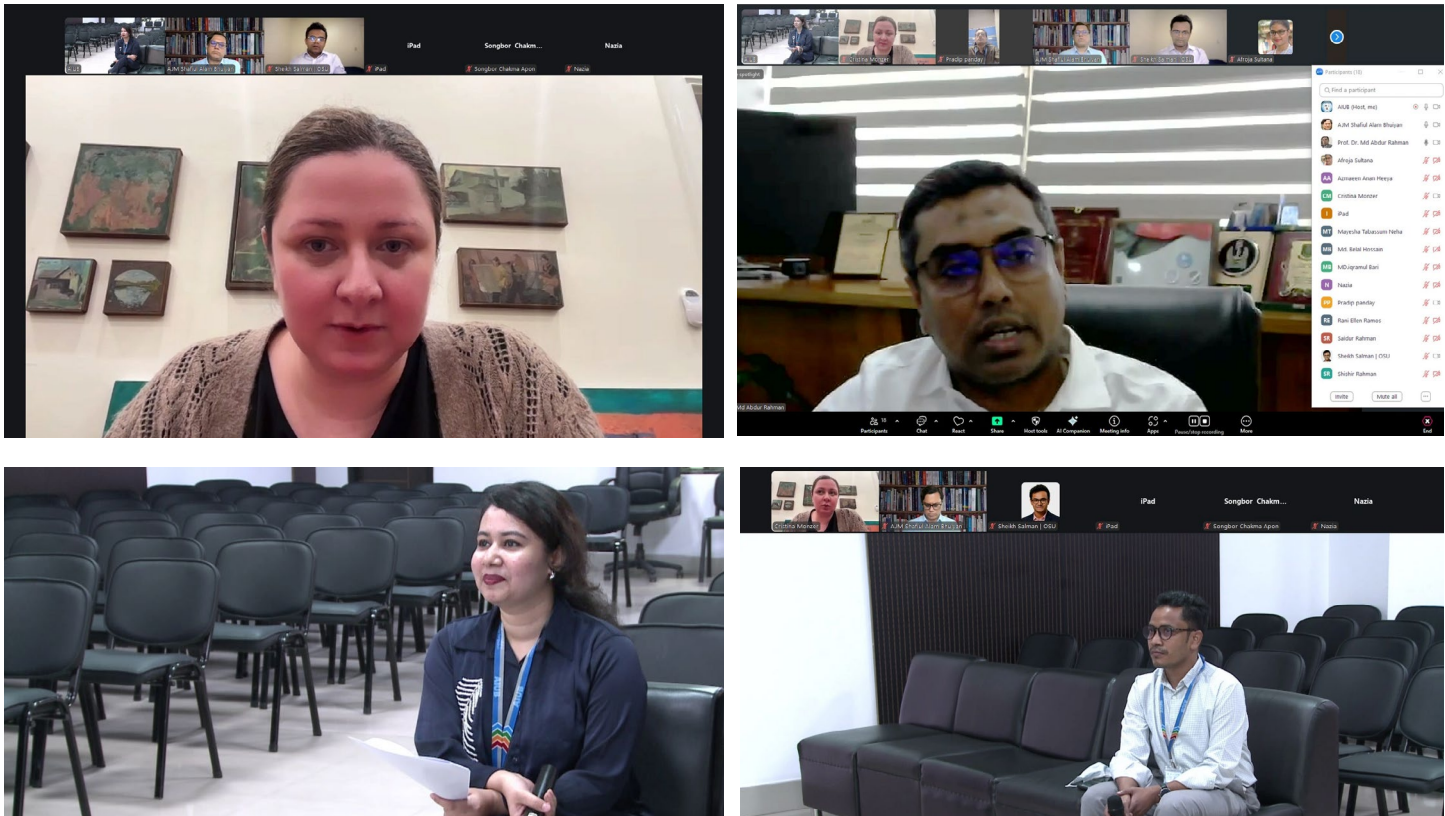
On March 5, 2026, the Engineering Students' Association of Bangladesh (ESAB) – AIUB Unit Face organized a Zoom webinar titled “How Engineers Can Get Fully Funded Scholarships Abroad: A Complete Step-by-Step Guide.”

The keynote was delivered by Mr. Mohammad Shafin Ahmed, Graduate Teaching Assistant at Central Michigan University, who shared insights from his academic journey and outlined practical steps for applying to fully funded scholarships abroad. The

session helped participants understand opportunities and preparations required for higher studies abroad, and was followed by an interactive Q&A.

The program concluded with closing remarks by Mr. Md. Shahariar Parvez, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Engineering and Special Assistant (OSA), AIUB, and Mentor, ESAB AIUB Unit Face, who also presented the speaker with an e-certificate of appreciation.

Webinar on Computational Social Science Held at JMC Department, AIUB



Thursday, March 5, 2026

The Department of Journalism and Mass Communication (JMC) at AIUB organized a webinar titled “Messy Data, Big Questions: Social Science in the Computational Age.” The session featured Dr. Christina Monzer, Postdoctoral Fellow at the Politics, Identities and Communication Lab, Annenberg School for Communication, University of Pennsylvania.

The webinar was attended by Prof. Dr. Abdur Rahman, Pro-Vice Chancellor, AIUB; Prof. Dr. AJM Shafiu Alam Bhuiyan, Advisor, JMC Department; and Prof. Dr. Pradip Kumar Panday, Head of the Department, along with faculty members and students. Prof. Dr. Panday

delivered the welcome address, and Prof. Dr. Abdur Rahman and Prof. Dr. AJM Shafiu Alam Bhuiyan shared their remarks. Assistant Professor Nasrin Akter hosted the program. In her keynote presentation, Dr. Christina Monzer discussed the potential of computational social science to address major social questions using digital data.

The webinar concluded with an interactive discussion session, providing valuable insights into the growing role of computational methods in journalism, media research, and social science.

AIUB Secures Spot on Global Leaderboard in the 9th Annual SDG Teach-In 2026



Friday, March 6, 2026

AIUB has secured a place on the global leaderboard of the 9th Annual SDG Teach-In 2026, a worldwide sustainability education campaign led by Students Organising for Sustainability UK (SOS-UK), held from 1–31 March 2026.

As of 6 March 2026, AIUB achieved recognition in two leaderboard categories: joint 4th position in Top 10 Institutions (Educators Pledged), alongside Ulster University, and 2nd globally in the Learners Reached category (proportional to institutional size). Other

featured institutions include De Montfort University, Birmingham City University, University of Exeter, and University of the West Indies.

AIUB’s Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) coordinated the university’s participation. AIUB is also a signatory of the Responsible Futures International 2024/25 initiative, led by SOS-UK in partnership with the International Association of Universities (IAU).

AIUB Team Secures 3rd Position in Bangladesh at ICPC Asia West Continental Finals 2025



Saturday-Sunday, March 7-8, 2026

Team AIUB_Modularity secured 3rd place in Bangladesh and 35th overall at the ICPC Asia West Continental Finals 2025, held on March 7–8, 2026, organized by the Department of CSE at Bangladesh University of Business and Technology.

The team ranked behind only SUST and BUET, outperforming participants from KUET, RUET, CUET, DU, IUT, BRAC University, and others. Notably, they surpassed 21 Indian teams and all participating Pakistani teams. The team had earlier ranked 20th at the

ICPC Dhaka Regional Onsite Contest 2025 to qualify.

Team members Faisal Amin Abir, Shamin Yasser, and Ahnaf Tanvir Tasin (Department of Computer Science and Engineering) were coached by Israfil Diganta and Abdullah Al Rawaha Anik, ACM ICPC Trainers at AIUB. They were mentored by Abhijit Bhowmik, Associate Professor and Special Assistant, OSA, and Md. Al-Amin, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science, AIUB.

Seminar on “Power, Planning and Progress: Women at the Forefront of Engineering”



Sunday, March 8, 2026

On March 8, 2026, the IEEE AIUB Student Branch, in collaboration with the IEEE AIUB Student Branch WIE Affinity Group, organized a seminar titled “Power, Planning and Progress: Women at the Forefront of Engineering.”

The program commenced with the inaugural speech by Dr. Gour Chand Mazumder, Assistant Professor, FE, AIUB. He then invited the distinguished speaker of the session, Engr. Tasnuva Binte Anowar, Executive

Engineer, Power System and Renewable Integration, Dhaka Power Distribution Company Limited (DPDC), to the stage. She explained the planning structure used for energy distribution across Dhaka and provided valuable insights into the power distribution system. The lecture concluded with an interactive Q&A session. Following the Q&A session, Prof. Dr. A.B.M Siddique Hossain, Dean, FE, AIUB, delivered the closing remarks. Afterwards, a token of appreciation was presented to the speaker by Prof. Dr. A.B.M Siddique Hossain.

AIUB Social Welfare Club – Shomoy Organized the Distribution of “Oder Eid, Amader Khushi 2026”



Thursday, March 12, 2026

The AIUB Social Welfare Club – Shomoy organized “Oder Eid, Amader Khushi 2026” on March 12, 2026, at Kathpencil Pathshala, Tejgaon, Dhaka, spreading Eid-ul-Fitr joy among underprivileged children and families.

The program was preceded by a week-long campus booth campaign, with students, faculty, and staff contributing to the drive. Club members volunteered to prepare gift packages containing essential food items, which reached families of approximately 120 children enrolled at Kathpencil Pathshala — an institution

supporting children from marginalized communities where Shomoy members regularly volunteer.

Prof. Dr. Manzur H. Khan, Proctor of AIUB; Stanley Rodrick, Associate Professor, Department of Marketing and Special Assistant, Office of Student Affairs; and club mentor Hamidul Islam [Hamid], Associate Professor, Department of Marketing, and Special Assistant, Office of Student Affairs, personally distributed the Eid gift packages. The children welcomed the volunteers with warmth and excitement.

AIUB Leads National Accreditation: EEE Program First to Be Accredited by BAC with Top Evaluation Score



Thursday, March 12, 2026

AIUB's Bachelor of Science in Electrical and Electronic Engineering (EEE) program received official accreditation from the Bangladesh Accreditation Council (BAC) on March 12, 2026. The certificate awarding ceremony was held at the BAC Conference Hall in Dhaka.

Representing AIUB were Prof. Dr. Saiful Islam, Vice Chancellor; Dr. A B M Siddique Hossain, Dean, Faculty of Engineering; Prof. Dr. Farheen Hassan, Director,

IQAC; and Mr. Nafiz Ahmed Chisty, Associate Professor and Head (Undergraduate), Department of EEE.

AIUB's EEE program demonstrated exemplary leadership throughout the process. It was the first in Bangladesh to submit its Self-Assessment Report (SAR) to BAC on May 21, 2024, and hosted the first-ever External Quality Assessment (EQA) visit by BAC from January 21–23, 2025, establishing AIUB as a trailblazer in institutional quality assurance.

AIUB Secures Global Top Position in SDG Teach-In 2026 Leaderboard



Monday, March 16, 2026

AIUB has secured 1st place globally in the second phase of the 9th Annual SDG Teach-In 2026, an international sustainability education initiative led by Students Organising for Sustainability UK (SOS-UK), held from 1–31 March 2026.

As of 17 March 2026, AIUB ranked 1st worldwide in both key leaderboard categories “Top 10 Institutions (Educators Pledged)” and “Learners Reached (in proportion to institutional size)”, surpassing renowned institutions such as Birmingham City University,

University of Exeter, and De Montfort University.

This achievement builds on AIUB’s earlier recognition in the initiative’s first phase and reflects the dedicated efforts of its faculty and the coordination of AIUB-IQAC. AIUB’s participation in Responsible Futures International, delivered in collaboration with the International Association of Universities (IAU), further underscores its commitment to sustainability-focused education.

AIUB Faculty members at the 7th Asia Pacific International Conference on IEOM



Wednesday-Friday, March 25-27, 2026

The 7th Asia Pacific International Conference on Industrial Engineering and Operations Management (IEOM 2026) was held from March 25–27, 2026, at Novotel Bangkok on Siam Square, Thailand, hosted by Thammasat University and organized by IEOM Society International.

AIUB's Faculty of Engineering was represented by three speakers. Dr. Md. Saniat Rahman Zishan, Professor and Director, FE, delivered a keynote titled "Transforming Engineering Education: Innovating Curricula for a Human-Centered Future." Dr. Chowdhury Akram Hossain, Head, Department of Computer Engineering,

presented on "Energy Efficient Industrial Bangladesh." Dr. Md. Ehasanul Haque, Head, Department of Industrial & Production Engineering, spoke on electrodeposition in steel-structured materials.

AIUB faculty expressed gratitude to Dr. Ahad Ali, Associate Professor and Director of Industrial Engineering, Lawrence Technological University, Michigan, USA, and CEO, IEOM Society International, and Mr. Aqib Islam, Director, IEOM Bangladesh Operations, for their support.

AIUB – AIT strategic partnership strengthened

Saturday, March 28, 2026



A significant step towards a purpose-driven collaboration unfolds as Yunus Center AIT formally welcomes Dr. Carmen Z. Lamagna, a respected academic leader and Board Member of AIUB, on March 28, 2026, to mark the launch of a strategic partnership. Held under the auspices of the Asian Institute of Technology (AIT), Thailand, the event reflects a shared commitment to advancing social business principles and strengthening ESG (Environmental, Social and Governance) -focused initiatives. On behalf of Yunus Center at AIT, Thailand, Professor Faiz H. Shah, Executive Director, signed the mutual non-disclosure agreement as a follow-up to the ongoing strategic collaboration between AIUB and AIT.



By bringing together institutional expertise, leadership experience, and a common vision for sustainable impact, the partnership aims to foster innovation, capacity building, and responsible development across regions.



AIUB Secures Position in QS World University Rankings by Subject 2026 for CS & Information Systems



Tuesday, March 31, 2026

AIUB has achieved a significant milestone by being recognized in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2026. The university has been placed in the 651–700 band for Computer Science and Information Systems, marking a notable step forward in its journey toward global academic recognition.

The QS World University Rankings by Subject is widely regarded as one of the most prestigious international benchmarks for higher education institutions. It evaluates universities based on key performance indicators such as academic reputation, employer reputation, research impact, and international

collaboration. AIUB's inclusion in this ranking reflects its consistent efforts to enhance the quality of education, research output, and industry engagement in the field of computing.

The rigor of this year's evaluation was unprecedented; QS scrutinized the academic reputation and research trajectories of approximately 6,273 institutions globally. Of these, only 1,908 met the stringent criteria for published ranking. So the presence within this elite percentage is a direct reflection of the collective intellectual contributions and dedication of CS faculty, researchers, and students.



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