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From the Office of the Students' Affairs

Daffodil International University

Dear Students, Alumni, Employees, and Friends of DIU,

Greetings!

As we enter a new month, we are filled with immense pride and excitement about the activities, achievements, and opportunities that continue to define our vibrant campus life at Daffodil International University.

In the previous month, July 2025, we witnessed remarkable contributions from our students across various fields, from academic excellence to extracurricular & co-curricular engagement. It is truly inspiring to see the passion and dedication with which our students are embracing challenges and achieving new heights.

Warm regards,

Students' Affairs Team



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News Desk



Industry-Academia Collaboration Summit 2025: A Transformative Milestone

The Industry-Academia Collaboration Summit 2025 wrapped up after two days of insightful dialogue, bringing together industry experts, academic leaders, and students. With 50+ experts and 2,000+ attendees, the summit covered key topics like Industry 5.0, curriculum alignment, and research commercialization. The event fostered valuable connections and set the stage for continued collaboration in reshaping education and employability in Bangladesh.

Round Table on Alumni's Role in Industry–Academia Collaboration

As a pre-summit event of the Industry–Academia Collaboration Summit 2025, DIU hosted an exclusive Round Table Discussion on “The Role of Alumni in Industry–Academia Collaboration.”

With the participation of 40 proud DIU alumni, the session highlighted ways to bridge the gap between classroom and career—through mentorship, collaboration, internships, placements, and industry-driven learning opportunities.



Group Session on “Overcoming Procrastination” Empowers DIU Students

The group session on "Overcoming Procrastination" was successfully conducted on 29, 30 & 31 July 2025, facilitated by Psychologist Mahmuda Islam Mim and organized by the Psychological Service Unit, Office of the Students' Affairs, DIU. Throughout the three days, students from different departments actively engaged in meaningful discussions to understand the root causes of procrastination.



Three-Day Session on “Understanding and Managing Depression” Held at DIU

A three-day group session on "Understanding and Managing Depression" was held from 26 to 28 July 2025, facilitated by Psychologist Farzana Khatun.



DIU Celebrates Micro-Credentials Day 2025: Empowering Futures Through Skill Development



Daffodil International University (DIU) celebrated Micro-Credentials Day 2025 with the theme “Empowering Futures Through Micro-Credentials” to equip students with job-ready skills. The event, organized by the DIU Micro-Credentials Academy and the Faculty of Science and Information Technology, aimed to bridge academic knowledge with industry needs. The program was inaugurated by Mr. Riazul Latif Chowdhury, Executive Director General of the Bangladesh National Museum, and featured special guests Mr. Mohammad Nuruzzaman Munna and Dr. Mostafa Shazzad Hasan, FCA. Professor Dr. M R Kabir, Vice Chancellor of DIU, presided over the event, which included networking, career counseling, and a showcase of over 100 Micro-Credentials courses.

Achievements



DIU Students Selected for Beihang International Summer School 2025

Two students from the Department of Software Engineering, DIU, Syed Hamim An Nafis and Sakibul Hasan Chowdhury, have left Dhaka to participate in the Beihang International Summer School (BISS) 2025 at Beihang University, China. The program, which runs from July 13 to 27, is fully funded through program grants. This prestigious event brings together young researchers and global experts to explore artificial intelligence, aviation, laboratory demonstrations, and cultural exchange. Beihang University, renowned for its leadership in aerospace and engineering, is a hub for cutting-edge research and innovation.



DIU Tops in Bangladesh in WURI Rankings 2025!

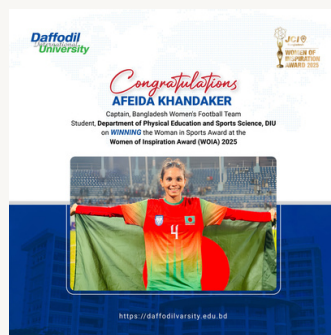
Daffodil International University (DIU) has secured top positions in the World University Rankings for Innovation (WURI) 2025:

- ◆ 8th in Ethics & Integrity
- ◆ 10th in SDG-Based Responses to Global Challenges
- ◆ 16th in Student Support & Engagement

These global recognitions highlight DIU’s commitment to ethical leadership, sustainable development, and student engagement. Congratulations to our leadership, faculty, and students for this remarkable achievement!



DIU Congratulates Afeida Khandaker on Winning the Woman in Sports Award



Daffodil International University (DIU) proudly congratulates Afeida Khandaker, Captain of the Bangladesh Women's Football Team and a student of the Department of Physical Education & Sports Science, for winning the Woman in Sports Award at the JCI Bangladesh Women of Inspiration Award 2025.

DIU's MPH Program Receives Curriculum Validation from APHEA

Daffodil International University (DIU) is proud to announce that the Master of Public Health (MPH) program under the Department of Public Health has officially received Curriculum Validation from the Agency for Public Health Education Accreditation (APHEA). This achievement marks a significant milestone, confirming that DIU's MPH curriculum aligns with internationally recognized standards in public health education. It is a crucial step toward achieving full APHEA accreditation.

Daffodil International University Shines in Global Ranking for Innovation



Daffodil International University has proudly secured **10th place** in the **World University Ranking for Innovation (WURI) 2025** under the category of **SDG-Based Responses to Global Challenges**.

This recognition comes for the impactful project titled “SolarAchieve: Empowering Marginalized Coastal Pregnant Women with Climate-Resilient, Frugal Solar Technology for Safe Water and Maternal Health.” Special appreciation goes to Khalid Md. Bahauddin, Assistant Professor of the Department of Environmental Science and Disaster Management, DIU, who led the project as the Team Leader.



DIU Hosts South Korean Delegation for WFK IT Volunteer Program

Daffodil International University (DIU) welcomed a South Korean delegation for the fourth World Friends Korea (WFK) IT Volunteer Program from 12–31 July 2025, supported by the National Information Society Agency (NIA). The program focused on ICT training, best practices, and knowledge exchange with students from the Department of Software Engineering. Participants also engaged in cross-cultural activities and language learning sessions, further strengthening ties between Korea and Bangladesh.

International Affiliation

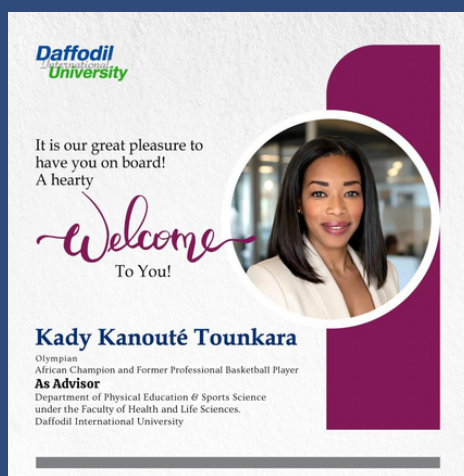
DIU Hosts APSP & APFDP 2025 — Uniting 17 Nations for Global Learning & Exchange

Daffodil International University (DIU) proudly hosted the Asia-Pacific Summer Program (APSP) and Asia-Pacific Faculty Development Program (APFDP) 2025 in association with AUAP, bringing together over 60 participants from 17 countries including the USA, Sweden, Japan, Türkiye, India, Nepal, and more. APSP featured 3-credit international courses, industry visits, field trips, and cultural exchanges, while APFDP provided a platform for global academic leaders to engage in discussions on education, research, and innovation.



DIU Launches Honors Program in Partnership with Purdue University Fort Wayne (PFW)

Daffodil International University (DIU) has launched its Honors Program in partnership with Purdue University Fort Wayne (PFW), USA, to offer students global-standard education, research, and mentorship. The inaugural cohort of 6 Honors Scholars from the Department of Computer Science & Engineering, DIU, were honored with symbolic Honors Pins at the event. Distinguished guests, including Professor Dr.M. R. Kabir, Vice Chancellor of DIU, and Ms. Farah Amer Combs, Director of the Honors Program at PFW, graced the occasion. This collaboration strengthens DIU's commitment to world-class academic excellence.



DIU Welcomes Ms. Kady Kanouté Tounkara as International Advisor for the Department of Physical Education & Sports Science

Daffodil International University (DIU) is proud to welcome Ms. Kady Kanouté Tounkara, Olympian, African Champion, and former professional basketball player, as the new International Advisor for the Department of Physical Education & Sports Science. Her global experience and athletic excellence will inspire and elevate DIU's sports education and international collaborations.

Faculty of Business & Entrepreneurship

Department of Accounting

DIU Accounting Students Gain Practical Insights Through Industry Visit

On 12th July 2025, the Department of Accounting organized an industry visit for students of Batch 2A at Tomij Uddin Textile Mills Ltd and IR Limited, Konabari, Gazipur. The visit was designed to connect what the students learn in class with real business practices. Students observed how raw materials are handled, how products are made, how machines operate, production management, and supply chain operations. This experience helped them understand the industry better and made their learning more practical.



HEAT Project

Professor Dr. Mohammad Rokibul Kabir, Head of the Department of Accounting at Daffodil International University has been selected to lead a significant project under the Higher Education Acceleration and Transformation (HEAT) initiative, funded by the University Grants Commission (UGC) of Bangladesh. Titled “Capacity Building of Retail Investors for a Robust Capital Market in Bangladesh,” the project aims to educate and empower retail investors with the knowledge and skills needed to actively participate in the country’s capital markets. This initiative seeks to enhance financial literacy, promote transparency, and contribute to the development of a more resilient and vibrant financial ecosystem. The project reflects the commitment to advancing higher education through impactful research and community engagement, supporting Bangladesh’s journey toward a stronger and more inclusive economy.



Department of Real Estate

Honoring a Visionary: DIU Launches 2nd Edition of Dr. Toufiq M. Seraj’s Landmark Real Estate Textbook

The Department of Real Estate, Daffodil International University (DIU) proudly hosted the inauguration of the textbook “Real Estate Development: Theoretical and Practical Issues in the Context of Bangladesh” by the late Dr. Toufiq M. Seraj.

Dr. Ariful Islam, Executive Director of Sheltech Consultants (Pvt.) Ltd., attended as the Chief Guest and highlighted Dr. Seraj’s pioneering contributions to the real estate sector, inspiring young scholars to pursue impactful research.

The second edition of the book features a new chapter, “Marketing in Real Estate”, authored by Dr. Amir Ahmed, Head of the Department of Real Estate, DIU, further enhancing its academic value.



Faculty of Engineering

Department of Architecture

DIU Inaugurates Student-Built Open Classroom and Pavilion at Knowledge Valley



On July 27, 2025, the Department of Architecture, DIU inaugurated a student-built Open Classroom and Pavilion at Knowledge Valley. Constructed by Level 3, Term 2 students as part of their Craftsmanship course, the project showcases hands-on learning, teamwork, and architectural creativity.

Professor Dr. M. R. Kabir, Vice Chancellor of DIU, inaugurated the pavilion and distributed certificates to participants. Now a functional space for classes, discussions, and exhibitions, it reflects DIU's commitment to student initiative and interdisciplinary learning.

Faculty of Science & Information Technology

Department of Department of Computer Science & Engineering



DIU CSE Students Visit Datasoft Manufacturing & Assembly (DMA) for Industry Learning

On 24 July 2025, a student team from the IoT Lab, Department of CSE, DIU visited Datasoft Manufacturing & Assembly Inc. Limited (DMA) as part of an industry exposure program. The students explored industry practices, technologies, and real-world applications, gaining insights valuable for their future projects and careers.

Research Publication



Research Title- TeaNet8: A real time Android application-based Tea Leaf Disease detection using fine-tuned transfer learning and Gradient-Weighted Class Activation Mapping visualization

Researchers at Daffodil International University have developed TeaNet8, an Android app that uses AI to detect and classify eight types of tea leaf diseases with 97% accuracy. The app helps farmers identify infections early, reducing crop damage and supporting sustainable tea production in Bangladesh.

Lab Work



AR/VR & Game Development Lab, DIU – Project Spotlight: RannaReady

The AR/VR & Game Development Lab at Daffodil International University showcased its project RannaReady, which won UIHP grants at the United International University. This success enabled the team—Takey Yeasir Sajin, Mehrab Hossain, and Mahazabin Rahman—to launch a startup, reflecting the lab's dedication to innovation, entrepreneurship, and advancing AR/VR and game development technologies.



IoT Lab at DIU Develops Smart Irrigation System for Sustainable Rice Production

The IoT Lab, Department of CSE, Daffodil International University, is collaborating with the Bangladesh Rice Research Institute (BRRI) on the project “IoT-Driven AWD and Weather Forecast-Integrated Intelligent Irrigation System for Sustainable Rice Productivity in Bangladesh.” Currently in the field testing stage, the development team is addressing technical challenges to optimize the system. On 1 July 2025, the Honorable Associate Head of the Department of CSE and Convener of the IoT Lab visited the project site, observing progress and providing valuable feedback and practical guidance. His insights are expected to support the team in overcoming obstacles and advancing toward the successful completion of this important research initiative.



DIU's AR/VR Project Ongona Earns Special Recognition at Traction Ovvudoy

The AR/VR & Game Development Lab at Daffodil International University highlighted its project Ongona, which participated in Traction Ovvudoy at BRAC University. The project earned Special Recognition, showcasing the team's creativity, innovation, and excellence in AR/VR and game development.

Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences

Department of English

DIU Faculty Shines at British Council's ELT Master's Dissertation Awards 2025



Ms. Rabeya Binte Habib, Assistant Professor, Department of English, DIU, has received a Special Commendation in the British Council's ELT Master's Dissertation Awards 2025 for her UCL (IOE) dissertation, nominated as the Best TESOL Dissertation. Her research has been recognized for its innovation, academic excellence, and real-world impact, and will be published by the British Council—an inspiring milestone for ELT professionals worldwide. This remarkable achievement reflects DIU's continuous pursuit of academic excellence.

Club Activities

DIU Air Rover Scout Group Completes Mate & Skill Development Courses

The **Daffodil International University Air Rover Scout Group** successfully conducted the Mate Course and Skill Development Course, focusing on leadership, teamwork, and practical service skills. Activities included Firefighting, First Aid Training, Hiking, Pioneerism, and Disaster Response. The group also celebrated its 12th anniversary and participated in field visits to the Bangladesh Air Force Museum, Nandan Park, and the historic Birulia Zamindar House.



19th Investiture Ceremony of DIU Air Rover Scout Group

The **DIU Air Rover Scout Group** held its 19th Investiture Ceremony at Daffodil Smart City, where a record 90 Rover Scouts took their oath. Professor Dr. M Lutfar Rahman, Honorable Vice Chancellor of DIU, graced the event as Chief Guest, inspiring the scouts to uphold the values of the movement. The newly inducted members will now join the Mate and Skill Development Courses with nearly 200 Rover Scouts in total.



DIU Change Together Club Wins 1st Place at BUP Folk & Cultural Fest 2025!

Daffodil International University Change Together Club secured 1st place in Folk Dance at the prestigious BUP Folk & Cultural Fest 2025. Through their energy, elegance, and cultural pride, the team impressed both the audience and judges, highlighting the rich cultural heritage of Bangladesh. This achievement reflects the dedication and talent of our students, and we are immensely proud of their accomplishments beyond the stage.



DIU Volunteer Service Club Hosts Ribbon Cleaning Festival

Daffodil International University Volunteer Service Club organized the Ribbon Cleaning Festival on 21st July 2025 with the spontaneous participation of students and faculty members. The day-long program aimed to promote cleanliness, responsibility, and community spirit among participants. Teachers and students actively joined the initiative, making the event vibrant and successful. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who participated in this noble effort.

DIU Mathematics Olympiad – Summer 2025 Preliminary Round Completed

The Preliminary Round of the DIU Mathematics Olympiad – Summer 2025 concluded successfully, with around 909 participants showcasing their skills and enthusiasm. From this round, approximately 150 students will advance to the Final Round.



Pen & Perspective Corner



“Comparison is the thief of joy.”

We’ve all been there—at a family wedding or social gathering where, instead of enjoying the moment, someone casually drops a comparison that stings. “Your cousin is younger but already married.” “Look at his career growth!” “She was always better in studies.”

Though often said without much thought, these remarks can feel like heavy blows to our confidence.

Comparisons regarding behavior, career, property, or lifestyle are prevalent in our society. Unfortunately, these comparisons can create negative effects on an individual’s mental health. They often lower self-esteem, foster feelings of inadequacy, and generate thoughts such as “I am not good enough” or “I will never succeed.” As a result, many individuals begin to avoid social or family events out of fear of being judged, or they may find themselves reacting emotionally in ways they later regret.

Since avoiding comparisons completely is challenging, it becomes essential to learn how to safeguard our mental well-being in such environments. The strategies you may follow for that:

1. **Set healthy boundaries** - Limit conversations or interactions that make you uncomfortable.
2. **Communicate respectfully** - Express your feelings calmly when comparisons hurt.
3. **Learn to say “No”** - Decline discussions that affect your peace of mind.
4. **Focus on your strengths and values** - Remind yourself of your unique journey and accomplishments.
5. **Stay positive** - Shift attention from negative remarks to positive aspects of life.
6. **Celebrate others’ success** - Acknowledge others’ achievements without self-criticism.
7. **Practice gratitude** - Cultivate appreciation for the blessings you have.
8. **Regulate emotions** - Respond mindfully rather than reacting immediately.
9. **Seek professional help if needed** - Consult a counselor or psychologist when necessary.

-----Mahmuda Islam Mim, Psychologist, DIU



Your Water is Crystal Clear... But is it Really Clean?

You can't see it.
You can't smell it.
But one sip could send you to the hospital.

Even the clearest glass of water can secretly carry millions of invisible germs — from Cholera bacteria to Hepatitis A virus. These aren't just “stomach bugs” — they can cause weeks of illness or even take lives.

⚠ Common Everyday Mistakes That Make Water Unsafe:

- Reusing bottles without washing them.
- Leaving water uncovered overnight.
- Filling from “clear” but untreated sources.
- Dipping cups or hands directly into containers.

💡 4 Simple Ways to Protect Your Health:

Boil for 5–10 minutes before drinking — it's the cheapest life-saver.

Use filters or chlorine tablets if boiling isn't possible.

Always wash bottles/jars before refilling.

Keep containers covered and away from dust or insects.

🌿 Public Health Tip: Safe water isn't just about thirst — it's about life. Every drop matters.

🗣 If this helped you, share it — because safe water today means a healthier tomorrow.

-----Mollika Mahjabin, Student, Department of Public Health, DIU