

Asian University of Bangladesh (AUB)

BACHELOR OF SOCIAL SCIENCE IN ECONOMICS

THE UNIVERSITY

Established in 1996, AUB is one of the largest government–approved private universities in Bangladesh with about 10,000 students in twelve academic programs under thirteen departments. AUB’s objective is to provide high quality education for human resources development in an ethico-human approach in order to produce graduates who are professionally skilled, morally upright and physical fit.

SALIENT FEATURES OF AUB

- Education is provided by highly qualified faculty members.
- Necessary textbooks are provided for each course for the entire semester.
- AUB has sophisticated digital computer labs, free internet and all other digital facilities.
- AUB is directly linked with reputed foreign universities of America, Asia, Australia and Europe with credit transfer facilities.
- Enlarged permanent campus with all modern facilities.
- Financial assistance is provided to the meritorious and needy students.
- AUB provides a non-political, non-smoking environment conducive for higher education with strict campus discipline.
- It is free from session jam
- The co-curricular activities of AUB help inculcate academic and leadership qualities among the students.
- AUB emphasis on moral and ethical values.
- A Quality Assurance Department looks after the quality of AUB’s education with the help and international Council of Advisors.
- Very Enriched Library, free transport and also hostel facility.

ACCREDITATION AND LINKAGE

AUB is a fully accredited university. It is approved and accredited by the University Grants Commission of Bangladesh. It is also accredited by APICS, which is an international accreditation body based in Switzerland.

AUB has signed memoranda of understanding with a number of reputed universities in North America, Australia, and Asia to avail the credit transfer facilities for the students. These universities include University of West Florida, USA; Ashland University, USA; University of Southern Queensland, Australia; University Jordan, International Islamic University, Malaysia; University of Yarmouk, Jordan; and Tehran University ; Iran.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

AUB students are active in four kinds of co-curricular activities: i) academic (debate, seminar, workshop, symposium, programming contest, etc.) ii) moral uplift iii) community service and iv) games and sports. AUB students won awards in these activities at the levels of national and inter-university competitions.

CLASSROOMS AND LABS

The classrooms and the computer labs of the university are fully air conditioned and well furnished with sufficient space for the students. Modern multimedia projectors and overhead projectors are used for analytical and graphic based lectures in the teaching – learning situation.

AUB has five Software Labs and four Digital Labs. The Software Labs are equipped with highly configured desktop PCs, which are operated with sophisticated and latest version of software, and the Digital Labs is fully developed with sophisticated and latest equipment. The PCs are provided in the class on one-to-one basis in order to enable students to learn practically and smoothly. The PCs are connected through networking.

LIBRARY

AUB has a library enriched with more than 1, 20, 000 books of different authors, those who are nationally and internationally recognized and famous. Besides, more than **Two Crores** online books and journals are available in the library for the students and faculty members.

AWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS AND FREE STUDENTSHIPS

The following awards scholarships and free studentship are available at AUB

- Best Students Award.
- Awards for Dean's List students.
- Scholarships for high achievers.
- Free studentship for the students securing A+ (GPA 5) at the HSC level may be considered.
- Free studentship for poor and meritorious students (up to 5% of students population)
- Free studentship for high achievers in the co-curricular activities.

BACHELOR OF SOCIAL SCIENCE IN ECONOMICS

The main objectives of this program are:

- To produce human resources who are proactive, creative and innovative in strategic planning and implementation and highly capable of facing the challenges of the modern business world.
- To produce business professionals who are academically excellent, administratively efficient and morally upright.
- To produce business graduates who are able to disseminate knowledge and conduct research in the field of business, economics and management.
- To produce exquisite environment for executives to interact and exchange views, ideas and experience.

Objectives of the Program Offering Entity

The objectives of the BSS (Hons) in Economics Program are to acquaint students with the basic concepts and ideas of economics. Besides the material on economics, there are some interdisciplinary courses that will prepare the students to face the multidimensional issues of the contemporary world.

WHY BSS (HONS) IN ECONOMICS

- Largest economics department among the private universities in Bangladesh.
- BSS (Hons) in Economics is highly valued for employment nationally and globally.
- Excellent blending of theoretical and practical exposure to modern economic education.
- Highly qualified and experienced faculty from within and also.
- Use of modern teaching aid and facilities.
- Well-equipped computer lab and internet facilities.
- Scholarships to deserving students.
- Credit transfer facilities in Canada, Australia, USA, UK and Malaysia.
- International standard curricula and education at highly affordable cost.
- Regular arrangement of job fair, workshops and seminars.

Admission requirements

- To get admission for the BSS program a student needs to achieve a total CGPA 6 from HSC and SSC together or CGPA 2.5 each separately in HSC and SSC.
- Candidates seeking admission to the program are selected on the basis of past academic records, a written test, and/or a viva examination.

English Language

Students of economics must possess at least a moderately good command over and workable knowledge of English language. Therefore, students who cannot demonstrate a minimum competency in the English language will be required to undergo a preparatory period of one semester at AUB before commencing the regular BSS (Hons) Program.

BSS (HONS) IN ECONOMICS: PATHWAYS AND REQUIREMENTS

The requirements for BSS (Hons) in Economics are as follows:

For the BSS (Hons) in Economics degree, a student will have to complete a four-year integrated program with 144 credit hours (46 courses + 1 Project (6 credit hours) = 47 courses) out of which 108 credit hours (34 courses + 1 Project) consist of core courses while the remaining 36 credit hours (12 courses) are from a general interdisciplinary body of knowledge. A student must obtain at least a "C" grade to pass in his or her examination in an individual course.

Semester wise course Distribution for Program: BSS (Hons) in Economics

1st Year 1st Semester		
1	0232-1101	Foundation English - I
2	0311-1101	Principles of Microeconomics
3	0222-2410	History of Emergence of Bangladesh
4	0311-2835	Political Economy of Underdevelopment
5	0311-3514	Bangladesh Economy
6	0311-3621	Interest free Banking and Insurance
1st Year 2nd Semester		
7	0231-1001	Bengali Language and Literature
8	0232-1102	Foundation English - II
9	0311-1103	Principles of Macroeconomics
10	0311-1205	Foundation of Islamic Economics
11	0541-2306	Quantitative Methods
12	0311-3618	Public Finance
2nd Year 1st Semester		
13	0542-1204	Statistical Methods
14	0223-1207	Islamic Ethics
15	0312-2210	Bangladesh Studies
16	0311-2307	Intermediate Microeconomics - I
17	0311-2308	Comparative Economic Systems
18	0311-3515	Money and Banking
2nd Year 2nd Semester		
19	0611-1101	Basics of Computers
20	0314-1103	Comparative Social Systems
21	0311-2309	Intermediate Macroeconomics - I
22	0542-2833	Applied Statistics
23	0311-4723	SAARC Economy
24	0311-4727	Development Finance
3rd Year 1st Semester		
25	0312-1205	Comparative Political Systems
26	0311-2410	Intermediate Microeconomics - II
27	0311-3619	History of Economic Thought
28	0311-3620	International Economics
29	0311-4828	Theory of Economic Development
30	0311-4936	Managerial Economics
3rd Year 2nd Semester		
31	0411-1103	Principals of Accounting
32	0311-2411	Intermediate Macroeconomics - II
33	0542-3513	Econometrics
34	0311-4829	Agricultural Economics
35	0311-4830	Industrial Economics
36	0311-4940	Economic Development in Islam

4th Year 1st Semester		
37	0412-1301	Principles of Finance
38	0311-4831	Rural Economics and Development
39	0421-4845	Comparative Legal Systems
40	0311-4935	Research Methodology
41	0311-4937	Urban Economics
42	0311-4938	Behavioral and Experimental Economics
4th Year 2nd Semester		
43	0311-2834	Labor Economics
44	0311-2836	International Finance and Economics
45	0311-4726	Economic Cooperation among Muslim Countries
46	0311-4832	Health Economics
47	0311-4949	Project

Courses Objectives: Program: BSS (Hons)in Economics

0311-1101 Principles of Microeconomics

The main rationale of this course is to provide fundamental knowledge of the economic organizations about human behavior in relation to their wants in societies and the underlying problems, principles and policies.

0311-1103 Principles of Macroeconomics

Nowadays world's economy is growing and changing faster and macroeconomics is a branch of economics that studies how an overall economy-the market or other systems that operate on a large scale-behaves. Studying it make students able to understand the functions of macroeconomics.

0542-1204 Statistical Methods

The main rationale of this course is to provide a basic understanding of data analysis. Topics covered include measures of central tendency and variation, probability, discrete and continuous distributions, estimation and testing of population parameters, and linear correlation and regression.

0311-1205 Foundation of Islamic Economics

The main rationale of this course is to provide introduction about the meaning of Islam, the Islamic worldview, how knowledge is obtained in Islamic scholarship as well as certain fundamental concepts that is interlinked to form the framework of the Islamic Economic system.

0541-2306 Quantitative Methods

The rationale of this course is to serve as a simple introduction to basic mathematical methods and their application to economics. The topics include calculus, matrix algebra and linear programming. This course will familiarize students with more commonly used types of quantitative techniques used in economics and business.

0311-2307 Intermediate Microeconomics- I

The main rationale of this course to provide microeconomic theories and various policy debates, including concepts, rationale and associated analytical techniques. In this course emphasis will be given on the concept of value and the dynamics of different ideological systems within which the micro units operate.

0311-2308 Comparative Economics Systems

The main rationale of this course is to gain knowledge concerned with the production, consumption and transfer of wealth in case of different economic system in the world.

0311-2309 Intermediate Macroeconomics- I

The main rationale of this course to provide the knowledge of macroeconomic theory and various policy debates with a suitable coverage of the concepts, their national and associated analytical techniques.

0311-2410 Intermediate Microeconomics- II

The main rationale of this is to provide information on different market structures specifically imperfect competitive market structures as various types of market are operating throughout the world. More importantly, distribution is the major concern among the nations.

0311-2411 Intermediate Macroeconomics- II

The main rationale of this course is to provide fundamental knowledge of the modern approach to macroeconomics.

0311-2413 International Monetary Systems

International monetary system refers to the system and rules that govern the use and exchange of money around the world and between countries. Each country has its own currency as money and the international monetary system governs the rules for valuing and exchanging these currencies.

0542-2833 Applied Statistics

The main rationale of this course is to expose students to practical problems usually encountered by professional economists and business analysts. Topics include probability and probability distributions, sampling techniques, forecasting and time series analysis, hypothesis testing, analysis of variance, Chi-square test, and normal distribution.

0311-2834 Labor Economics

The rationale of this course is to analyze topics of behavior and outcomes in labor markets and other related markets. The main analytical tools will be theoretical but we will also be using real-world examples and applied techniques in order to evaluate the theoretical models and relate them to topical issues in public policy. You will need to be prepared to use microeconomics, algebra, and basic econometrics.

0311-2835 Political Economy of Underdevelopment

This is an introductory course to the political economy of underdevelopment and the politics of developing countries. Students will be introduced to theories of development and underdevelopment and we will review the challenges facing a select group of developing countries in Asia, Africa and Latin America as well as the policies some countries have used to improve their relative position.

0311-2836 International Finance and Economics

The rationale of this course to find the exchange rates, compare inflation rates, get an idea about investing in international debt securities, ascertain the economic status of other countries and judge the foreign markets.

0542-3513 Econometrics

The main rationale of this course is to provide fundamental knowledge of basic data analysis, regression analysis, testing, forecasting and use actual economic data to test economic theories.

0311-3514 Bangladesh Economy

This course mainly covers highlight major of Bangladesh economy including demographic structure, National income, Agriculture, Industry, Rural development, socio-economic development etc. that are very important for the economics graduates.

0311-3515 Money and Banking

This course provides an overview of Money and banking in the economy, including the history and functions of money, financial institutions and markets, central banking, and the conduct of monetary policy. The course aims to provide the student with an introduction to the role of money, financial markets, financial institutions and monetary policy in the economy, thus providing a solid foundation for further study or employment in the financial services industry.

0311-3516 Jurisprudence for Economics

The rationale of this course is to provide students with general knowledge of Shari`ah and Islamic jurisprudence. Topics covered are those related to economics and trade with detailed citations from the Quran and the Sunnah. The discussions will include the opinions of major schools of fiqh.

0311-3617 International Economic Institutions

The main rationale of this course is to familiarize the students with the contemporary international economic institutions, their establishment, objectives, functions, organizational structure and so on.

0311-3618 Public Finance

The main rationale of the Public finance is to provide fundamental knowledge about the role of the [government](#) in the [economy](#). It is the branch of [economics](#) that assesses the [government revenue](#) and [government expenditure](#) of the public authorities and the adjustment of one or the other to achieve desirable effects and avoid undesirable ones.

0311-3619 History of Economic Thought

This course will trace the evolution of economic thinking from the Scholastics through the early twentieth century. Major groups and thinkers covered include the Scholastics, the Mercantilists, the physiocrats, Adam Smith, Thomas Malthus, David Ricardo, Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels, the early Marginalists, Alfred Marshall, John Maynard Keynes, and F.A. Hayek.

0311-3620 International Economics

Now international trade is playing dominating role in the field of international trade. For instance, not only Sri Lanka but also all countries are experiencing serious problem in international economies and all are depending with each other. Today's world is concerning on food sovereignty rather than food security as few countries are using their local food as a weapon.

0311-3621 Interest Free Banking and Insurance

This course has been designed to prepare and familiarize the students in the field of Islamic banking and insurance. Major topics to be covered are the history and evaluation of Islamic banking, Islamic philosophy of ownership of financial resources, problem of interest, basic features of the conventional banking system, Islamic banking Models, case studies of the practice of Islamic banking in Pakistan, Sudan, Malaysia and Bangladesh.

0311-4723 SAARC Economy

The South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) is an economic and geopolitical organization, was established to promote socio-economic development, stability, welfare economics and collective self-reliance within its member nations.

0311-4726 Economic Cooperation among Muslim Countries

This course will enlighten the students with the understanding of the theory of economic integration among the Muslim Countries. Issues that are discussed include the resources of Muslim countries for economic development, cooperation in trade, joint venture, technology, exchange of institutional settings, and problems and prospects of intra-Islamic cooperation.

0311-4727 Development Finance

The rationale of this course is to elaborate the methods and sources of development finance. The domestic sources of development finance covers the Keynesian approach, quantity they approach, taxation, voluntary savings, mobilizing and channelizing investable resources. The external sources of development finance include grants, soft and commercial loans, direct foreign investment and multinational cooperation, foreign aid and its Implications.

0311-4828 Theory of Economic Development

The main rationale of Economic Development is to examine major theories of economic growth and development and to provide an analytical framework for formulation and appraisal of development strategies. Emphasis is given on development choices facing the contemporary third world, including Bangladesh.

0311-4829 Agricultural Economics

The main rationale of this course is to analyze the aspects that influence the agricultural economy and distribution of resources, such as land, raw materials, labour and machinery.

0311-4830 Industrial Economics

The main rationale of this course is to provide fundamental knowledge of the industrial economics or industrial organization of human societies and the underlying theories principles, evidence, issues and perspective policies. The course attempts to make students understand as to how the economic industry governs the behavior of consumers, producers and various kinds of markets, and the ways in which economic forces operate within the industrial sector.

0311-4831 Rural Economics and Development

The main rationale of this course is to provide a basic understanding of rural economics and rural development and policy framework for rural development.

0311-4832 Health Economics

The main rationale of this course is to provide introduction to financing and Economic evaluation of health care, health service management, Economics of health care, health policy and planning, costs of health service and benefits.

0311-4935 Research Methodology

The main rationale of this course is to develop a research orientation among the scholars and to acquaint them with fundamentals of research methods. It includes discussions on sampling techniques, research designs and techniques of analysis.

0311-4936 Managerial Economics

The main rationale of this course is to learn how the techniques and theories of microeconomics can be used to explain how firms and consumers behave.

0311-4937 Urban Economics

Today's world are confronting the major contemporary issues such as urban areas, exploring possible economic solutions to the problems of housing, transportation, education, employment, poverty, Crime, existence of cities, city location, city size, the causes of growth and decline, and the spatial distribution of alternative activities within cities.

0311-4938 Behavioral and Experimental Economics

Behavioral economics is a rapidly expanding field that is continually growing in prominence. It offers a robust alternative using insights and evidence that rest more easily with our understanding of how real people think, choose and decide.

0311-4939 Project

The main rationale of this course is to provide a basic understanding of practical orientation or real life situation by thesis/ internship should be experienced by the students, so that s/he can feel comfortable and confident while starts working.

0311-4940 Economic Development in Islam

The course is designed to represent the main challenges faced by the world today, are the challenge of re-developing and restructuring their economy in such a way are considered commensurate with the Shari'ah role point of view. Economic development is one of the subjects that basically are categorized as a science that offers an approach in reaching the ultimate goals of developing economics science. However, the conventional approach, that has been built, is being considered failure in solving the problems, such as poverty, backwardness in human capital, and attainment in proper jobs and life, and even a climate change issue. As Islam is a complete and comprehensive tenets, so that it is being laying as a teaching that close to some characters, such as, hard effort, struggle, movement, and also highly motivation toward social change and economic development.

0231-1001 Bengali Language and Literature

ভাষা মানুষে মানুষে যোগাযোগের প্রধানতম বাহন। পৃথিবীর হাজার হাজার ভাষার মধ্যে বাংলা ভাষা এমন একটি ভাষা যেটি তার ইতিহাস ও ঐতিহ্যে সমৃদ্ধ। আর বাংলা সাহিত্য - সেটিতো নিজেই রত্নগর্ভ। বিনুকের অন্তরালে প্রোঞ্জুল মুক্তোর মত বাংলা সাহিত্য ও তার স্ব স্ব শাখার স্ব স্ব সাহিত্য গুণে সমৃদ্ধ। এ কোর্সে শিক্ষার্থীরা বাংলাভাষা ও সাহিত্য সম্পর্কে বিশদ ধারণা লাভ করতে পারবে।

0611-1101 Basics of Computer

One of the core requirements for students studying Basics of Computer is to understand how computer hardware and software work and can adapt to any change. This course is designed to familiarize students with computers and their applications. It will also emphasize the use of computers and technology throughout their university and future careers

0232-1101 Foundation English-I

The course puts together all the core linguistic skills for a learner to develop interpretive, interpersonal, presentational communication skills for effective use. It would act as an interface between the personal and professional growth of a learner's language abilities.

0232-1102 Foundation English- II

The aim of this course is to develop the learners speaking, listening, and writing skills in different situations in the business world

0314-1103 Comparative Social Systems

The main rationale of this course is to study of society on Islamic perspectives. It helps to understand how Islam serves several functions of society, giving meaning and purpose of life, serving as an agent of social control, promotes a culture which *can* serve every possible *form* of benefit to *humans*. The study also compares the values of Islamic and western societies and explains how Islam motivating people for positive social change

0411-1103 Principles of Accounting

The main rationale of this course is to provide fundamental knowledge of understanding and manipulating formal descriptions of recording process, summarizing the transaction, classifying the transaction and prepare the financial statements of any kinds of organization.

0312-1205 Comparative Political Systems

To study this course the students will learn comparative study regarding the contemporary political system. Comparative politics is a field in political science characterized either by the use of the comparative method or other empirical methods to explore politics within countries. Substantively, this can include questions relating to political institutions, political behavior, conflict, and the causes and consequences of Political Change and economic development. When applied to specific fields of study, comparative politics may be referred to by other names

0223-1207 Islamic Ethics

Islam is the complete code of life. Now a day's world is not peaceful because of the man in the world are very aggressive and non-ethical. So that, *Islamic Ethics* course is very important for leading excellent life in the society and making batter world. Every man has to maintain *Al-Akhlaq-e Hamidah* and *Ihsan* according to order of creator. It is very essential to encourage for learning and implementing this type of activity.

0412-1301 Principles of Finance

This is the introductory course of finance. It includes the concepts of finance and business finance, functions of finance, concepts of risk and return, business risk and financial risk, time value of money and its applications present value and future value, annuity due, perpetuity, growing perpetuity, loan amortization, valuation (components and process), sources of financing, short term financing, long term financing through common stock, preferred stock and issuance of bonds and convertibles, lease financing and term loan, introductory concepts on working capital, financial ratios and their interpretations. After learning the course, learners should be familiar with major topics in modern finance and communicate with others within and outside of the business world. With a deep understanding of the financial side of the business, they will be in a better position to make informed decisions and plan for the financial future.

0312-2210 Bangladesh Studies

The course provides students with a general understanding of various topics covering the overall concept of Bangladesh's history, society, economics, and politics. Five major areas of concentration are-

- i. Historical roots of Bangladesh
- ii. Emergence of Bangladesh
- iii. Socio-Economic-cultural aspects
- iv. The Constitution of Bangladesh
- v. Governance, ethnicity politics and foreign policy of Bangladesh

This is a multidisciplinary course designed to equip students with knowledge about two focal themes relating to Bangladesh. The first theme is the inevitability of the emergence of Bangladesh as a state entity in the context of a long historical background starting from the 4th Century B.C., and the second theme draws attention to the experience of Bangladesh as a small state in the Third World in governance and democratization. The course contents are arranged and presented in a way that avoids unnecessary factual details and emphasizes major themes and trends to get across the twin objectives to students. The students attending this course are expected to be made aware of the past, present, and future of Bangladesh.

0222-2410 History of Emergence of Bangladesh

This course is designed to equip students with the knowledge with a historical sense of the past of this country under internal colonialism that covered the life of two decades while remaining as eastern part of erstwhile united Pakistan. The objective of this course is to give the students information and knowledge about the state of the economy, politics, power structure, governance, and decisions of decisive consequences by the state apparatus and the conditions of employment, bureaucracy, military, language, culture, education in comparative perspectives with the then West Pakistan vis-à-vis erstwhile East Pakistan. The protest movements and struggles one after another and the stages of development towards the autonomy of East Pakistan and then towards liberation for bringing it out of internal colonialism would be learned by the students. Thus, they will have thorough knowledge about the history of the emergence of independent Bangladesh through the armed struggle of people's war nature in 1971. This course has been designed for under graduate students to help them get acquainted with the rich history of Bangladesh and subsequently understand present Bangladesh in the light of history. The course will eventually enhance their understanding of the current phenomena in the wide backdrop of historical proceedings which will make them responsible national and global citizens. This course provides insightful information and analysis about our socio-political, economic, and cultural origins of the people with which we might have been less familiar, and thereby increasing our awareness, patriotism, and affinity as a worthy citizen of the country.

0421-4845 Comparative Legal Systems

Law is very essential for human life. There are many verses and Hadith about Law of our creator. So we have to know the Islamic law due to obligatory for human life. This is very important to know that, the different between modern law and Islamic Law from different perspective. So that *The Comparative Legal System* Course is very essential.