Background
Established in 1992 the National University, Bangladesh is mainly an autonomous affiliating University. It is located in a place 30 kilometres away from the Dhaka capital city. The University has 2154 affiliated colleges & institutions and offers various academic programs for graduate and post-graduate degrees. In terms of the enrolment of students it is one of the largest universities in the world. It has a total enrolment of 2 million students.

Academic Programs
The National University conducts graduate and post-graduate academic programs, such as, Master of Advanced Studies (MAS) Program, M. Phil., and Ph. D. in its central campus at Gazipur. The University has five Academic Committees (Arts, Social Sciences, Natural Science, Life and Earth Sciences, and Business Studies) consisting of academic disciplines. Since 2006 the University offers a two-year M.Phil. and three-year Ph. D. program in Bangla, English, History, Islamic History and Culture, Arabic, Islamic Studies, and Sanskrit (Academic Committee-Arts); Sociology, Economics, Political Science, Information Science & Library Management, Social Work, Anthropology, and Home Economics (Academic Committee-Social Sciences); Physics, Chemistry, Statistics, Mathematics, and Computer Science (Academic Committee-Science); Zoology, Psychology, Botany, Soil Science, Geography (Academic Committee-Life and Earth Science); Accounting, Management, Marketing, Finance (Academic Committee-Business Studies).

Photo: Launching ceremony of Master of Advanced Studies (MAS) Program at National University
Master of Advanced Studies (MAS) Program

The University starts a Master of Advanced Studies (MAS) program from the academic year 2014-2015. It offers the opportunity to pursue research supported by expert supervision besides course works. The specialty of this program is to carry on research for a thesis to be written in a period of one year. Graduates will get the scope of gaining real-life knowledge through this program and thus they will prove worthy enough to the benefit of the nation and the society. A major portion of total number of seats in each discipline would remain reserved for college teachers. It will provide for them a rare opportunity in particular to research on an area of academic interest in some details.

Duration of the Program

Beginning from July, the duration of the program is one year and a half. In turns, all enlisted disciplines of the University will be included in the program.

Goal

The Master of Advanced Studies (MAS) program aims to provide a comprehensive training in a particular discipline by providing class room teaching alongside original research works. The goal of the program is to provide an excellent Thesis-based Learning/Education with focus on professional development among college teachers in particular in order to equip them with the knowledge and skills necessary for imparting quality education to students.

Semesters

The program consists of three semesters of equal duration. The duration of each semester is 20 working weeks of classroom teaching and an additional week for exam preparation. Publishing of semester final results will take a very short time and the next semester classes will be commenced immediately after.

Program Format

One year and six month Master Program worth a total of 42 credits for degrees in Arts, Social Sciences, Sciences and 50 credits for MAS in Business Administration.
### Program details for MAS in Arts, Social Sciences & Sciences

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### Admission

Students having Bachelor (Honors) degree on any relevant discipline can apply. However, college teachers, who are believed to be key actors in changing country’s educational system from a traditional to an innovative and modern one, are highly encouraged to apply. Around 20 students (80% amongst affiliated college teachers & 20% from students having at least a Bachelor (Honors) degree in each discipline have the chance of getting enrolment. Students having the following requisite qualification may apply:

- Minimum Bachelor (Honors) degree in related discipline from any University approved by the University Grants Commission (UGC)
- A minimum BBA/BBS/B.Com (Honors) degree for admission into MAS in Business Administration Program
- Equivalent degree from home and abroad
- Minimum one first division/class from SSC to Bachelor degree and minimum second class in the Bachelor degree (GPA 3.00 out of 5 or CGPA 2.75 out of 4)
- No third division/class at any level of education
- Students who have already achieved Master degree from any UGC approved University/Institution
- Admission test both written and oral
- Merit order to be followed to confirm enrollment

### Degree Requirements

To obtain MAS degree, students must satisfy the following requirements:

- CGPA 2.00 or better at all examinations (theoretical, thesis/internship report, viva voce)
- Grade Point Average (GPA) 2.00 or better separately in thesis/internship and viva voce
- CGPA 3.75-4.00 shall be a MAS degree with distinction and that will be recorded in the academic transcript
**Tuition Fees**
The following table is guideline* for assessing the total cost of the program assuming that a student will complete the programs in one year and six months. The total cost per semester may vary depending on the number of courses taken by a student and the corresponding time to complete the program.

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*Subject to changes over time

**Faculty**
Besides National University, the Program has a large pool of adjunct faculties consisting of experts from other Public Universities, research organizations and reputed think tanks.

**Facilities**
National University is committed to provide a research-based learning environment that is of a global standard. It guarantees following facilities for the students:

- Scholarships and living allowances for meritorious students
- Excellent research facility for thesis work
- Access to internet with high speed
- Rich library resources
- Classroom with multimedia
- Meeting and interacting with eminent resource persons
- Scope of publishing research papers in NU Journals or Thesis in book form

**Accommodation**
- This is an on-campus program. In order to provide accommodation for everyone, a multi-storied dormitory building with a capacity of 400 seats will be constructed in the campus starting from the current fiscal year

**Special Advantage**
- Students will have opportunity to get direct enrolment into Ph. D. program after successful completion of MAS
Student Counseling & Career Service Office

- Information regarding admission requirements, procedures, scholarships and any other queries is available from the office of the Dean, Centre for Post-Graduate Studies, Training & Research during office hours or in the website of NU, www.nu.edu.bd/

Medical Centre

- Qualified doctor is available at the campus from 9.00AM - 4.30PM to provide emergency medical services

Application Procedure

- Application forms are available at NU website- http://www.nu.edu.bd for completion and submission

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