

Introduction to the Course

Course Name: Bangladesh Studies

Course Code: GEBS 101

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Objectives of the Course

- ✓ To equip students with factual knowledge that will enable them to learn and critically appreciate the history, culture, and economy of Bangladesh.
- ✓ To trace the historical roots of Bangladesh as an independent state focusing on the social, cultural and economic developments that have taken place since its independence.
- ✓ To promote an understanding of the development of Bangladesh and its culture from ancient time.
- ✓ To create an awareness among the students about the History, Geography, Economics, Politics and Culture of Bangladesh.

Course Syllabus

| Week / Class | Topic | Rmks |
|------------------|---|---------------|
| Week 1 / Class 1 | Bangladesh Geography: Location, Area, Boundary, Physiography, River System, Forest and Climate, Demography of Bangladesh. | CT - 1 |
| Week 2 / Class 2 | Overview of the ancient Bengal; anthropological identity of the Bengali race; main trends in the history of medieval Bengal | |
| Week 3 / Class 3 | Bengal under the East India Company | |
| Week 4 / Class 4 | Religious and Social reform movements | |
| Week 5 / Class 5 | Nationalist movements, division of the Indian sub-continent | |
| Week 6 / Class 6 | Language movement 1948-1952, Education movement of 1962 | |
| Week 7 / Class 7 | Language movement 1948-1952, Education movement of 1962 | Mid term Exam |

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| Week 8 / Class 8 | Six-point movement of 1966; Mass uprising of 1969 | |
| Week 9 / Class 9 | War of Independence and Emergence of Bangladesh in 1971 | |
| Week 10 / Class 10 | Constitution of Bangladesh, Political Development and Democratic Transition (1971-1990) | CT - 2 |
| Week 11 / Class 11 | Constitution of Bangladesh, Political Development and Democratic Transition (1971-1990) | |
| Week 12 / Class 12 | Political Development (1991- Present), Bangladesh's contribution to world peace and security. | |
| Week 13 / Class 13 | Political Development (1991- Present), Bangladesh's contribution to world peace and security. | CT - 3 |
| Week 14 / Class 14 | Reserve | |

Distribution of Marks

| Item | Percentage of Marks |
|----------------------------|---------------------|
| CT (best two out of three) | 2x20=40 |
| Mid Term | 20 |
| Class Performance | 10 |
| Class Attendance | 10 |
| Final Examination | 120 |
| Total | 200 |

Books of Reference

- Bangladesh Studies: Md. Shamsul Kabir Khan and Daulatunnahar Khanam
- The Constitution of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
- Discovery of Bangladesh: Akbar Ali Khan
- History of Bangladesh, Vols, 1-3: Sirajul Islam
- History of Modern Bengal, Vol, 1: R C Majumdar
- Dynastic History of Bengal: Dr. Abdul Mumin Chowdhury
- A History of Bangladesh: William Van Schendel
- A History of Sufism in Bengal: Dr. Enamul Huq
- Geography of Bangladesh: Harun Er Rashid
- Banglapedia: National Encyclopedia of Bangladesh, Vols, 1-10: Sirajul Islam
- History of Bengal: (Mughal Period 1526-1765): R. A. Chandra
- Land of Two Rivers: Nitesh Sengupta