

Causes of Absenteeism among Bangladesh University Students

Regularly attending the classes is significantly important for the student's learning process and for their services. However, University classes absenteeism is becoming an alarming situation for the organization admiration, teachers, parents and in society generally. We are making a survey to understand the influencing factors of absenteeism amongst university students.

Please take less than 7 to 10 minutes to complete the survey to have your insights with us, your answers will be anonymous .

* Required

1. University Name *

2. Which degree are you pursuing? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Bachelor of Science
- ☐ Bachelor of Business Administration
- ☐ Bachelor of Arts
- ☐ Other:

3. What year are you in university? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ 1st year
- ☐ 2nd year
- ☐ 3rd year
- ☐ 4th year
- ☐ Other:

4. Please indicate your age. *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Under 19 years
- ☐ 19-21 years
- ☐ 21-23 years
- ☐ Above 23 years
- ☐ Prefer not to say

5. Mention your gender? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Female
- ☐ Male
- ☐ Prefer not to say
- ☐ Other: _____

6. What is your home option for university life?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Living in home with family.
- ☐ Living in home without family.
- ☐ Living in University Hostel.
- ☐ Other: _____

7. How far do you have to go from your current location to get to University? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Below 1km
- ☐ 1km - 5 km
- ☐ 5km - 10km
- ☐ 10km - 15km
- ☐ 15km - 20km
- ☐ over 20km
- ☐ Other: _____

8. What is your current CGPA status?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Above 3.5
- ☐ Between 3.0 to 3.5
- ☐ Between 2.5 to 3.00
- ☐ Between 2.0 to 2.5
- ☐ Below 2
- ☐ Prefer not say

9. What is your current relationship status? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Single
- ☐ In a relationship
- ☐ Married
- ☐ Other: _____

10. What is your monthly family income?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Below 10k
- ☐ 10k - 20k
- ☐ 20k - 30 k
- ☐ 30k - 40 k
- ☐ over 40k

11. Beside studies which of the following option describes your current employment status? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Employed full-time (including freelance, self-employment, etc.)
- ☐ Employed half-time (including freelance, self-employment, etc.)
- ☐ Unemployed.

12. What is your monthly income?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ below 5k
- ☐ 5k - 10k
- ☐ 10k - 15k
- ☐ 15k - 20k
- ☐ over 20k
- ☐ Not applicable

13. How often do you miss classes in a month? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Never
- ☐ 1-2 days
- ☐ 3-4 days
- ☐ 5 or more

14. Do you have health problems?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ I have a medical condition for which I cannot attend the class.
- ☐ I have a medical condition, but still I can attend the class.
- ☐ I don't have any health problems.
- ☐ Other: _____

Observation on
students problem

Questionnaires to find out personal, physical, emotional, motivational, familiar and economic factors involved in the students absenteeism.

15. Rate the level of agreements that motivates you to skip classes?

Mark only one oval per row.

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
Lack of interest in degree	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Poor economic condition motivates not to worry about your degree	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Over expectation of your degree.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Good economic condition that make you to loss interest of having standard degree.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Rate of unemployment senior students in our country.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

16. Rate the level of agreements involving physical and emotional factors that force you to skip classes? *

Mark only one oval per row.

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
Health trouble or usual sickness.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Staying up late and not having enough sleep.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Don't feel secure about yourself.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Thinking of not able to pass the course	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mid/Final Exams are near so couldn't concentrate on study for exam pressure.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Over expectation to your parents.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

17. Rate the level of agreements involving personal, familiar, social and environmental troubles that force you to skip classes?

Mark only one oval per row.

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	neutral	Agree
Lack of parental care in academics after admitting into university	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Bad influence of peers and couple in relationship	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Traffic jam.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Weather effect.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Observation on Social, economical and environmental problem

Questionnaires to find out social, economical and environmental factors involved in the students absenteeism.

18. Select one or more reasons behind class absences *

Check all that apply.

- ☐ House is far from the university
- ☐ Transportation problem: Shortage of public commuting services
- ☐ Lower economic income
- ☐ I help my parents in their work, usually
- ☐ I work and earn some money for my family while remaining absent
- ☐ Have alternative leisure plans: cafeteria, sports, etc.
- ☐ Sleeping habit during class time.
- ☐ Back to back classes.
- ☐ Become tired due to previous class.
- ☐ Other: _____

19. Family problems that affect you in class:

Check all that apply.

- ☐ Problem with my parents
- ☐ Financial Problem
- ☐ Don't have any problems
- ☐ Other: _____

20. Rate your level of agreements with the statements ? *

Mark only one oval per row.

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly agree
Ethnic Discrimination" is a major factor of absenteeism	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
"Low social value for education" is a major factor of absenteeism	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
"Low level of job opportunities that match person's academic qualifications" is a major factor of absenteeism	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Observation on In-person and online class teaching methodology and attitude of faculty-student relationship problem

Questionnaires to find out teaching methodology and attitude of faculty-student relationship factors involved in the students absenteeism.

21. Rate the level of agreements to skip classes due to faculty's attitudes. *

Mark only one oval per row.

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
The teacher does not explain with clarity	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The classes are monotonous and bored	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The teacher does not motivate the students	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My teacher doesn't care to find out from me about my absenteeism.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My effort is not valued by the teacher	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My teacher is too strict.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

22. Rate the level of agreements to skip classes due to the teaching methods.

Mark only one oval per row.

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
The classes are very theoretic	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Excessive homework and project work for students	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Courses not relevant to real world	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
In class is not transmitted the relation between the subject and its applications	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The explanations are not adapted to my understanding	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The proximity of exams is very in number	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Better Teaching material is available on internet	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

23. Select one or more reasons for your absences in Online classes? *

Check all that apply.

- ☐ Lecture quality is not good
- ☐ Availability of recorded lecture material
- ☐ Somewhat Easy to make up missed lecture
- ☐ Very Difficult to understand the lecture
- ☐ Internet packages are costly
- ☐ Bad internet connection
- ☐ Social media distraction
- ☐ Movies/drugs/other attractions
- ☐ Preparation for other courses
- ☐ Other: _____

Observation on university and
classroom environment problem

Questionnaire to find out organizational and environmental
classroom issues involved in students' absence.

24. Give your opinion about a statement involving the university and the classroom environment that forces you to skip classes?

Mark only one oval per row.

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly agree
The classes are very consecutive	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Classroom is not adequate	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Classmates are not so much supportive	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My classmates bully me	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There are online platforms I don't need to attend in class	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My university does not provide counseling and discipline to students	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Dangerous practice of political / communal activity	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My university does not regularly inform parents about my absence	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My university does not provide any	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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25. Do you think the lack of adequate sports facilities in the university is one of the reasons for the absence? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Not always

26. Do you think that "difficulty in changing from regional language to English" in university is a reason of absenteeism?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Not always

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