



Master's in Economics (ME) & Master's in Development Studies (MDS)

(Weekend Programs)



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Why would you join the program?

The ME and the MDS programs are designed to provide advanced knowledge and skills to fresh graduates and professionals who intend to get acquainted with new techniques or acquire new skills. The program will enable the participants to:

- Learn the theoretical background of controversial issues in development studies in the 21st century
- Deepen the understanding of advanced analysis of the critical issues and debates in contemporary development
- Contribute to policy development and implementation
- Learn the applications of development studies in practical situations
- Equip themselves with current knowledge in business and technology
- Meet the growing demand for local and international organizations, entrepreneurs and other professional programs.

What additional facilities are available?

- **Networking:** Meet and greet with alumni, executives and professionals from relevant sectors who would share their professional experiences and provide valuable career guidance
- **Internship:** Interested participants, based on available opportunities, will be connected with relevant organizations for practical experience in the industry
- **Study Tours:** The program will arrange educational and fun industry tours for all the students to learn how projects and programs are run and how the day-to-day activities are undertaken in the real world
- **Seminars / Workshops:** Program participants will get opportunities to participate and

contribute to the seminars and workshops organized by the Department of Economics, JnU.

Where can you apply your skills?

The programs emphasize on critical thinking and problem solving skills of the young professionals who are willing to pursue their career in government organizations, international agencies, NGOs, research organizations, think tanks, consultancy firms, business firms, financial institutions, and multinational companies. The program will also develop both hard and soft skills for creating and managing social businesses.

Who are the faculties?

A dynamic group of renowned faculties from the Department of Economics, trained nationally and internationally, along with esteemed professionals with strong sector knowledge and teaching experience are engaged in teaching the economics and development studies courses.

How this program is structured?

- Program duration: 1 year(2 semesters)
- Registration validity: 2 years
- Required number of courses per semester: 3-5
- Required number of credits for graduation: 42
- Thesis: 3 credits (optional)
- Class duration: 3 hours
- Class days: Fridays and Saturdays

| Title | No of courses | Credit points |
|------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Courses | 10 | 4x10 = 40 |
| Viva voce | 1 | 2 |
| Thesis (Optional) | 1 | 3 |
| Total (without thesis) | - | 42 |
| Total (with thesis) | 3 | 45 |

What courses are taught in the programs?

Core courses – 05 – for MDS

- Development Studies: Theories and Approaches
- Principles of Economics
- Contemporary Issues in Development
- Public Policy and Governance
- Project Management and Appraisal

Electives – 05

- Monitoring and Evaluation
- Climate Change and Sustainable Development
- Advanced Research Methodology
- Social Entrepreneurship
- Political Economy of International Assistance
- Econometric Theory and Application
- Economics of Gender and Development
- Poverty and Development
- Urban and Regional Development

Core courses – 05 – for EME

- Advanced Microeconomics
- Advanced International Economics
- Advanced Macroeconomics
- Contemporary Issues in Development
- Selected Issues in Bangladesh Economy

Electives – 05

- Project Management and Appraisal
- Urban and Regional Economics
- Monitoring and Evaluation
- Resource and Environmental Economics
- Advanced Research Methodology
- Public Policy and Governance
- Economics of Health and Education
- Econometric Theory and Application

Thesis (Optional - 3 Credits)

[Courses can be offered if the number of students is minimum 15]

What is the teaching and learning process?

The program follows interactive learning strategy which is basically a combination of lecture and relevant activities. About 50-60% of each course will comprise of theoretical learning and the remaining 40-50% will be dedicated to application of the theories including case studies, group works, presentations, discussions etc.

Guest speakers with extensive industry experience and knowledge will run sessions on relevant topics

What are the eligibility criteria?

ME

- Minimum Honors in Economics, Statistics, Mathematics and Business
- Minimum CGPA of 2.5 or equivalent

MDS

- Honors / Master's with Pass course (any subject)
- Minimum CGPA of 2.5 or equivalent

What are the bases of Selection?

- ✓ Previous Results
- ✓ Statement of Interest (SoI)
- ✓ Viva / Test

How much does the program cost?

| Heads | Rate (BDT) ¹ |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Registration Fee | Tk. 10,000 |
| Semester Fee (per semester) | Tk. 3,500 |
| Course fee ² | Tk. 1,500 per credit |
| Readmission fee | Tk. 2,000 |
| Improvement/Incomplete | Tk. 1,500 per course |
| Students' Activity Fee | Tk. 5,000 |
| Seminar Fee | Tk. 2,000 |
| Viva-voce fee | Tk. 1,000 |

¹All fees are subject to change

²10% tuition fee waiver based on academic performance

How to Apply?

A complete application consists of the following:

- Properly filled out application form available online in the department website
- A statement of interest (SoI) of 1000 words maximum and contains (i) how your past education and /other experiences prepared you to be successful in the program; (ii) what you hope to achieve in the program, and (iii) why this particular program at JnU is the best place for you to pursue your interest
- Transcripts and certificates from each post secondary institution attended
- Application fee of Tk 500.00

Who are Coordinating the Program?



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