

## **EVENING MASTER IN DEVELOPMENT STUDIES (EMDS)**

### DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

#### JAGANNATH UNIVERSITY, DHAKA

Department of Economics, Jagannath University is going to offer the MDS (Masters in Development Studies) evening program to provide the prospective students and professionals an enabling environment to learn the challenging and innovative techniques in the field of development studies. In an era of rapid globalization, the program is designed to focus issues pertinent to the Least Developed Countries in general and Bangladesh in particular. Highly experienced and renowned faculty members are committed to provide and share their theoretical and practical knowledge regarding various emerging issues on development front.

## 1. Title of the Program and Name of the Degree

This program is known as the "MDS (Evening)" program and students after completing all the requirements of the program will get Masters in Development Studies (MDS Evening) Degree from the Department of Economics which is under the Faculty of Social Sciences of Jagannath University.

## 2. Objectives of the Program

The Masters in Development Studies (MDS) is designed to provide advanced level techniques to the fresh graduates and the mid level career professionals who are either attempt to acquaint with new techniques or update their skills. The program aims to train young professionals willing to pursue a career in international or national organizations (both Government and non-government) or in the academic world. The program emphasizes development of research skills that are essential, not only for further academic research but also in practical development works at community, regional and national levels. The program will enable the students to:

- Understand the theoretical background to the major debates in development studies at the beginning of 21<sup>st</sup> century;
- Deepen the capacity to undertake advance level analysis of the major current issues and debates in contemporary world development and development studies;

- Contribute to practical policy formulation and implementation;
- Motivate the students to the applications of development studies in any area of practical concern
- Develop comprehensive understanding of the development economics and environment and also enable them to
  equip themselves with modern knowledge in business and technology;
- Shift career interests and also meet the growing demand of local organizations, entrepreneurs and other professional program.

#### 3. Admission Requirements

The duration of MDS (Evening) program is two year. The applicants with at least CGPA 2.75 in 3 years graduate level or masters level (minimum 2<sup>nd</sup> class either in 3 years graduates or masters level in case of traditional system) in any discipline can apply for appearing at the admission test to be held twice a year, June and December. Candidates seeking admission have to apply in prescribed forms within deadline announced by the Admission Committee of the MDS (Evening) Program. This Admission Committee will also decide the admission test schedule and admission criteria.

#### 4. Application Procedure and Selection Criteria

The applicants with above qualification will have to apply in the prescribed admission form. Total marks allocated for assessing the applicants' eligibility for admission into the MDS (Evening) program are provided below:

| Evaluation areas                              | Marks allocated                                     |
|---|---|
| Written test                                  | 100 (based on language and communication,           |
|   | writing skill, quantitative aptitude and analytical |
|   | ability)  |
| Viva-voce                                     | 16  |
| Qualifying points in SSC, HSC or Equivalents, | 84 (Highest qualifying points will be 12, so        |
| Bachelor and Masters Program                  | 12X7=84 and lowest will be 7 so, 6X7=42)            |
|   |   |
| Total   | 200   |

| S.S.C/H.S.C Equivalent  GPA/Division | Qualifying Points |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| ≥ 4.00/1st                           | 3                 |
| ≥ 3.00/2nd                           | 2                 |
| ≥ 2.00/3rd                           | 1                 |

| <b>Bachelors and Masters</b> | 1st Class/ ≥ 3.50 | 2nd Class/ $\geq 3.00$ | 3nd Class/  |
|------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-------------|
| Program                      | CGPA              | CGPA                   | ≥ 2.50 CGPA |
| Bachelors Degree (Pass)      | 4                 | 3                      | 1           |
| Bachelors Degree             | 5                 | 4                      | 2           |
| (Hons)                       |                   |                        |             |
| Master Degree                | 1                 | 1                      | 1           |

## 5. Summary of Courses and Credit Points

| Particulars                                      | Total No. of | Marks in each | Total | Credit Points | Total  |
|--|--------------|---------------|-------|---------------|--------|
|  | Courses      | Course        | Marks | (CP) in each  | Credit |
|  |              |               |       | Course        | Points |
| Courses Taught                                   | 11+2 = 13    | 100           | 1300  | 11x4  CP = 44 | 50     |
| Courses raught                                   |              |               |       | 2x3 CP = 6    | 50     |
| Research project/Internship with defense (50+50) |              | 100           | 6     | 6             |        |
| Viva voce  |              |               | 100   | 4             | 4      |
| Grand Total                                      |              | 1500          |       | 60            |        |

## 6. Fees and Other Charges

| SL | Head                                | Rate (BDT.)  |
|----|-------------------------------------|--|
| 1. | Registration Fee                    | Tk. 8,000 (at the time of admission)                           |
| 2. | Semester Fee                        | Tk. 2,000 (each semester except semester of thesis preparation |
| 3. | Course fee (total 60 credit points) | Tk. 1,500 per credit point                                     |
| 4. | Retake                              | Tk. 1,500 per credit point                                     |
| 5. | Improvement/Incomplete              | Tk. 1,500 per course   |
| 6. | Make-up mid-term fee                | Tk. 1,000 per mid-term   |
| 7. | Viva-voce fee                       | Tk. 1,000  |
| 8. | Admission Form                      | Tk. 500  |

- Computer Lab fee of Tk. 2,000 and Seminar Fee of Tk. 1,000 will be collected by the department once at the time of admission in to the program.
- All fees and charges are subject to changes.

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