

NSU is building bridges between classrooms and cultures



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Bangladesh's education system faces structural divides, overemphasis on grades, and teacher crises; here's a roadmap for lasting transformation

Having spent my academic life across North America—from completing my Master's and PhD in the United States to pursuing my postdoctoral studies in Canada at the University of Calgary—I have had the privilege of teaching in both top private universities in the US and public institutions in Canada, such as the University of Calgary and the University of Windsor. Returning to Bangladesh, I began my journey in the private university sector, and North South University (NSU) has been at the centre of that journey.

When I first joined NSU, the business school was a small yet vibrant community. I led it for many years, overseeing both the BBA programme and the university's Career and Placement Office. Over the decades, I have seen NSU grow from a few thousand students to one of the most prominent universities in Bangladesh. I feel deeply fortunate to have contributed to shaping its business school and later to serve as its Vice-Chancellor.