



## School of Humanities and Social Sciences Master in Development Studies (MDS) program

*Builds interdisciplinary professional challengers*

**ADMISSION OPEN**  
**Summer 2020**  
**(July – October)**

**To cope with COVID 19 pandemic situation,  
we will conduct ONLINE Teaching in Summer 2020**

The United International University (UIU) offers **Master in Development Studies (MDS)** program since Fall 2009 with a commitment to contribute in producing young professionals with capacity of interdisciplinary knowledge and skills to response to the growing demand of professionals in government, NGO and private sectors in Bangladesh. Central aim of this program is to build interdisciplinary knowledgeable, skilled and capable young leaders in Sustainable Development and managing uncertainties applying ‘Adaptive Development Management (ADM)’ approach.

An 18 months long 39 credit hours MDS program focuses on Interdisciplinary Education and Research. Students have scope to get engaged in collaborative research projects; participate in International Conference on Sustainable Development held in February every year at UIU; produce and publish articles jointly with UIU Faculty; build networks with knowledge institutions in home and abroad and national and international organizations through participation in forums, seminars and conference.

### **Admission Requirements**

- Candidates must have a bachelor degree with a second class/division or CGPA 2.00 or above in a scale of 4.00 in any discipline from a recognized public or private university.

### **Credit Requirements**

For MDS degree, a student has to complete 39 credits, with 11 courses of 3 credits each and thesis of 6 credits. Students have to complete 09 (Nine) Core Courses, which are mandatory and 02 (Two) Elective Courses (6 credits). Student must take two [additional] Elective Courses if she/he does not opt for Thesis.

### **Course and Credit Structure of MDS**

## Core Courses

Course Code	Course Title	Credits
MDS 501	Economics for Development	3
MDS 503	Sociology & Social Anthropology of Development	3
MDS 505	The Political Economy of Underdevelopment	3
MDS 510	Sustainable Development: Policies & Tools	3
MDS 511	Philosophy and Forms of Development and Governance	3
MDS 530	Program and Project Analysis and Design	3
MDS 633	Poverty Analysis and Programs	3
MDS 686	Disaster Management	3
MDS 690	Research Methodology and Tools for Development	3
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>27</b>

## Elective Courses (any two)

Course Code	Course Title	Credits
MDS 521	Development Organization and Management	3
MDS 550	Micro finance: Theory, Principles and Performance	3
MDS 605	Public Policy Analysis, Approaches and Techniques	3
MDS 622	Governance and Development Management	3
MDS 640	Environmental Impact Assessment	3
MDS 682	Gender and Development	3

## Thesis/ Two selective courses: 6 credit hours

Course Code	Course Title	Credits
MDS 698	Thesis	6

*Highly qualified faculty from UIU and different universities are engaged in teaching MDS courses.*

## Total Cost of the Program (MDS)

Particulars	Amount (BDT)
Admission Fee (for one time only)	15,000
Student ID Card (refundable)	2,000
Trimester Fee (@5,000 x 4 trimester)	20,000
Tuition Fees (@3,700 x 39 credits)	144,300
Total	179,300

**At the time of admission, a student has to pay Tk.15,000 as admission fee, Tk.5000 as trimester fee, and Tk.2000 (refundable) for ID card.**

The MDS students having five years' experience of working in government, semi government and NGO sector will be entitled to **40% tuition fee waiver.**

Top 20% of UIU students get 25% to 100% tuition fee waiver on the basis of trimester examination results.

### **Required documents for admission**

1. Photocopies with attestation of all certificates, marks sheet, testimonials, National ID Card/Birth Certificate/Passport, National ID Card of Father/Mother, 2 copies of recent passport size & 1 copy of stamp size photograph (which you uploaded online) are required to submit for admission.
2. The signature of Father/Mother/Guardian is mandatory on the Admission Form. If anyone puts his/her signature as a guardian, the photocopy of National Id Card of the signatory has to be submitted in the Admission Office.

**Please apply Online- [www.admission.uiu.ac.bd](http://www.admission.uiu.ac.bd) or visit [www.uiu.ac.bd](http://www.uiu.ac.bd)**

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