



UNIVERSITY
INNOVATION HUB
PROGRAM

Innovate | Patent | Venture



ABOUT

UNIVERSITY INNOVATION HUB PROGRAM (UIHP)

Bangladesh aspires to develop a robust innovation and entrepreneurship ecosystem for a flourishing economy to keep pace with the dynamics induced by 4IR. Bangladesh High-tech Park Authority [BHTPA] has launched 'University Innovation Hub Program' for building of vibrant innovation hubs in 10 universities that will serve as the foundation for the aforementioned ecosystem. The program is one of the building blocks of Digital Entrepreneurship and Innovation Ecosystem Development (DEIED) project. The hubs are going to act as epicenters for raising greater awareness on importance of innovation, nurturing culture of innovation, inculcating entrepreneurship mindset, promoting a collaborative environment, and extensive support to innovation teams for building successful startups or enterprises. The hub will also strive to break stereotypes, which traditionally block entrepreneurship development process, especially gender biases. The graduates of the University Innovation Hub Program will be incubated and further nurtured by the BHTPA with a range of support, including physical and soft infrastructure.

The program is designed in a way that there will be a complete and comprehensive transfer of knowledge to the universities, including launching of new programs to be accredited by University Grants Commission [UGC] and international institutions.

The program is funded by the World Bank and is being executed by a consortium led by UPMCS Malaysia [UPM Consulting Services SDN, BHD] hosted by NDE Infratech [former MCC Limited] Bangladesh.

The target audience of the University Innovation Hub Program is students, graduates, alumni, and faculties, who aspire to bring technology driven and enabled innovation and commercialize those innovations by forming startup ventures.

UIHP Program Components

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Multi-Disciplinary
Teams are
Highly
Encouraged!
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INSPIRE

Innovation and
Entrepreneurship
Lecture Series

Lectures by renowned
innovators and founders

Eligibility Criteria

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innovators and founders



LEARN

Certificate Course on
Innovation and
Entrepreneurship

24 hours course for over a period
of 2-4 months on Innovation and
Entrepreneurship, for those who
are not ready for venture building
endeavor, but want to learn about
entrepreneurship and keeping
business as a future career option.

Eligibility Criteria

Students

Time commitment

1.5-3 hours hrs per week over a
period of 2-4 Months

VENTURE BUILDING

Innovation Cohort

Team-based activities with minimum 160
hours over a period of 4 months, which
include 80 hours of close mentorship for
prototype development and venture
building.

Eligibility Criteria

- A.** Number of innovation team members: 3-5 members Per Team more than one academic Discipline.
- B.** Composition of team: Students, Alumni and Faculties.
- C.** Must have at least one female member.
- D.** Must have at least one faculty advisor.

Time commitment

10 hrs per week for 4 Months (5 hours self-paced product development; 5 hours mentorship)

SIGN UP FOR NEXT CYCLE

BENEFITS

- 1.** Win
BDT up to 50,000 during 4-months of mentorship
BDT Up to 100,000 during post-graduation period.
- 2.** Extensive mentorship by **Renowned Experts and Founders** over 4 months
- 3.** Access to **Smart Bangladesh Accelerator Program** for growth of your venture
- 4.** Dedicated facilities at **Innovation Hub**

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