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Message from the Chancellor

My dear graduates,

I am writing this to you as the Chancellor of this esteemed institution, filled with pride and hope, as we celebrate your achievements and embark on a new chapter of your lives. Today's convocation is a special occasion, not just because of your academic milestones but also because it coincides with a remarkable achievement in the realm of science and exploration—the Chandrayaan-3 lunar mission, which is a testament to the scientific prowess and determination of our nation.

It showcased our ability to reach beyond our earthly boundaries and explore the mysteries of the Moon. The successful landing of the Vikram lander on the south pole of lunar surface, while overcoming all hurdles, demonstrated the indomitable spirit of human curiosity and the pursuit of knowledge. It taught us that setbacks are merely stepping stones on the path to progress, and failure is not the end but a part of the journey towards success. As we celebrate the Chandrayaan-3 mission, I want you, our graduating students, to draw inspiration from this achievement. You, too, are embarking on a journey—one that involves building the nation, just as scientists and engineers built the spacecraft that journeyed to the Moon. Your education here has equipped you with knowledge, skills, and the potential to be builders of our great nation.

Building the nation means recognizing that our nation, like any grand structure, requires a strong foundation. This foundation is built upon the values of integrity, inclusivity, truthfulness and compassion. It is constructed through the bricks of education, innovation, and hard work. It is adorned with the pillars of leadership, democracy, responsibility, and empathy. You, the graduates of today, are the architects of tomorrow. You hold the blueprints to shape the future, to construct a society that is equitable, sustainable, and prosperous. It is your responsibility to use your knowledge and skills to solve the challenges that our nation faces, whether in the realms of science and technology, healthcare, education, or social justice.

Remember that building a nation is not the work of a single person or a single generation. It is a collective effort, a symphony of minds and hearts working in harmony. It is about creating an environment where every citizen can thrive, regardless of their background or circumstances.

As you step out into the world, equipped with your degrees and the lessons you have learned here, I urge you to be builders of a better nation. Embrace challenges as opportunities for growth. Be compassionate leaders who uplift others. Innovate and create solutions to the problems of today and tomorrow. And always, always strive for excellence in everything you do. In closing, let us celebrate not only the achievements of our graduates but also the limitless potential that lies within each one of you. Just as Chandrayaan-3 reached for the Moon and beyond, reach for your dreams and aspirations with unwavering determination. Be the builders of a nation that we can all be proud of—one that shines as brightly as the stars in the night sky. As builders of the nation, you are tasked with the responsibility of pushing the boundaries of knowledge, just as our scientists pushed the boundaries of space exploration. Be seekers of truth, advocates of progress, and champions of innovation. Look beyond the horizon of what



is known, and venture into the uncharted territories of discovery. Whether you choose a career in the sciences, the arts, business, or any other field, remember that the pursuit of knowledge is a lifelong journey.

Embrace diversity and inclusivity in your personal and professional lives. Celebrate differences, for they are what make our society rich and resilient. Challenge prejudice and discrimination wherever you encounter them, for they weaken the very foundation of our nation. Be advocates for equality and justice, and strive to create a society where every individual has the opportunity to thrive, regardless of their background. Just as the Moon and the Earth are part of a delicate cosmic balance, so too is our environment a fragile web of interdependence. As builders of the nation, you must be stewards of our planet. The challenges of climate change, environmental degradation, and resource depletion require your attention and action. Remember that our nation's future is intimately linked with the health of our environment, and it is your responsibility to ensure that we leave a legacy of stewardship and sustainability for generations to come.

In conclusion, my dear graduates, the world stands before you, as a canvas awaiting your brushstrokes, a stage awaiting your performance, a laboratory awaiting your experiments, and a nation awaiting your leadership. Just as the Chandrayaan-3 mission ignited the imaginations of millions and showcased the limitless potential of human endeavor, so too your journey can inspire others and leave an indelible mark on our nation.

As you step into the world, always remember that you are not alone in your quest to build a better nation. You are part of a community, a nation, and a world that shares your aspirations for progress and prosperity. Congratulations once again, and may your journey be marked by purpose, integrity, and the unwavering commitment to be builders of a nation that stands as a beacon of hope and progress for all.

Thank you, and God bless you all.

Fr Januarius Sangma
Chancellor & Salesian Provincial

Message from the Vice Chancellor

Greetings to the graduates of 2023! Let me congratulate you as you receive your degrees from Don Bosco University. Your presence here on campus and to see you grow with us, has given us immense joy. You are now ready to enter the wider world as leaders of society. You have the right attitudes, values, and determination to make a significant impact on your work and beyond.

At this moment, we fondly remember, Fr. Dr. Stephen Mavelly, our Founder Vice Chancellor, a person of great sagacity and indomitable spirit, who inspired you for the past 2 or 3 or even 5 years as you did your various studies and research here; who played a pivotal role in the conceptualisation and planning of the University, and steered its development to create for itself a unique niche among national and international institutions of higher education. Formulating strategies, scouting for resources, working with a close-knit team and addressing their needs, and forging ahead with verve and passion are just a few of the tasks he handled with the finesse he is known for.

As you can vouch, Infrastructure alone does not make our university. Fr. Stephen has spent his energy in selecting and handpicking a wonderful bunch of various board members, Directors, Heads of Departments, faculty, administrative staff, technical staff and support staff. He took pains to infuse into them his vision and dream of a Don Bosco University, and moulded them into one well knit family that breathes the ethos and values of Don Bosco University. This is the real elan vital of our university that soars ahead taking obstacles as opportunities. With such a committed team and a vibrant student community of over 4000 university ambassadors, we forge ahead as a university growing in strength and quality. Thanks to the collective effort of our entire faculty, staff, student ambassadors and networking groups, ours is an all-time high record of admissions this year.

During your life here, our Founder Vice chancellor helped you see through the post pandemic world order that change is the only constant in life. In line with this experience, he handpicked the theme for the year:

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There is an urgency to embrace change and seek new experiences, trying out new combinations, abstractions, and creations, becoming a part of all that you meet.

Our country has set itself on the path to self-reliance. Our Universities and research institutions focus on applied research and development work, without losing touch with the fundamental or basic research. We have moved from knowledge based to Outcome Based in every respect.



Our G20 Presidency has put its imprint on the global education agenda - *vasudhaiva kutumbakam*, where one's interest becomes the interest of all, and our inherent heterogeneity reassures world nations that ours is a hand of friendship. It is important to note the developments on the side-lines of the G-20 summit in New Delhi, Our Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi and President Joe Biden jointly announced the IMEC (India-Middle East-Europe Economic Corridor), which will be driven by the G-7 countries' partnership for Global Infrastructure and Investment (PGII).

The National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 has synchronized the degree system and introduced the National Academic Depository (NAD) and Academic Bank of Credits (ABC) to ensure flawless transfer of credits in a student-centric system. We can see the new vitality that has come into our academic life as we began our 4 year degree courses under NEP 2020.

Recently, Prof. T.G Sitharam, the Chairman of All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), along with five Vice Chancellors and five subject experts, visited Taiwan under the theme "Taiwan India Semiconductor Talents Mission" to visit universities and Industries and ink MOUs that will unleash floodgates of change in India's educational scenario. And our University was one of the core members of the delegation, and we have become partners to 8 lead universities in Taiwan.

As you leave this campus, I believe that you will find it easier to accept change and adapt tenaciously to the changing times. I encourage you to be passionate about what you do, focus on reaching your destination, treat everyone and everything with respect and compassion, undergird your decisions with the values you have learned here, and above all, don't forget to stop every now and then to marvel at the workings of grace in your life.

I wish you an abundance of God's blessings as you look for that unique niche that only you can fill. Having found it, I pray that you will embrace it with all the passion at your command.

Carpe Diem! Seize the Day! ... And may God bless you every day and in every way! ... Thank you!

Fr. (Dr) Jose Paley
Vice Chancellor

Reminiscences from the Gold Medalists

Himakshi Das

Winner - Chancellor's Gold Medal

Gold Medalist - MTech Civil Engineering

My journey as a student at Assam Don Bosco University has been nothing short of transformative. From the moment I set foot on this beautiful campus, I knew I was in for an extraordinary adventure. Pursuing an M.Tech in Construction Engineering and Management, Department of Civil Engineering, ADBU has been an intellectually stimulating and rewarding journey that has deepened my understanding of the field and expanded my horizons in numerous ways. The dedicated faculty members of Department of Civil Engineering, ADBU have been instrumental in providing a solid foundation in my chosen field. Their expertise and guidance have not only enhanced my academic performance but have also inspired me to think critically and innovate within the field. The service learning concept for the society, hands-on laboratory sessions and research project have allowed me to apply theoretical concepts to real-world scenarios.



As an M.Tech student, I had the opportunity to contribute to research initiatives and projects that have the potential to make a meaningful impact in the field of civil engineering. These experiences exposed me to the challenges and opportunities in the industry, and they instilled in me a deep sense of responsibility to address pressing societal needs through my work. The journey was not without its challenges. Balancing academic commitments, research responsibilities, and personal life required discipline and time management. However, these challenges have been instrumental in building my organizational skills and resilience, qualities that I believe are essential for success in any field. Collaboration among students have been integral to my university experience. Whether it was working together on group projects, participating in engineering competitions, or supporting each other through rigorous coursework, the sense of community at ADBU fostered a spirit of mutual growth and achievement.

Looking ahead, I am excited about the possibilities that lie before me as a Postgraduate from ADBU with an M.Tech in Civil Engineering. I am confident that the knowledge, skills, and experiences I have gained during my university journey will serve as a solid foundation for a rewarding and impactful career in civil engineering.

In conclusion, I would take this opportunity to thank my Project Guide Ms. Sutanuka Nath, Assistant Professor, ADBU for helping me tremendously in each step of my research. I am extremely grateful for the support, encouragement, and guidance I have received from all the faculty members and my family in this academic journey of two years. It has been a time of growth, learning, and personal development that I will cherish forever. I am deeply grateful for the opportunities and support I have received during my time at the university, and I look forward to the exciting challenges that await me in my future endeavors.

Alicia Lalrinpui

Winner - Vice Chancellor's Gold Medal & Gold Medalist - BSc Mathematics

My university is situated in the heart of Sonapur, Assam. Unfortunately due to Covid, our batch had to take one year of online classes. But ever since I stepped foot in this esteemed university, I was blown away by the beauty, sophisticated layout, and enormity of it. The campus is breathtakingly beautiful, definitely at par with foreign universities. It is so huge that you need to make use of auto rickshaws to traverse its grounds, full of flora and fauna, lakes, and gardens, making us feel at one with nature, not to mention the ample fresh air that it thereby provides. The buildings inside are eye-catching and well maintained with all the modern facilities provided to make sure the students get the best of both worlds, the stark contrast of nature and man-made things together in perfect harmony. The campus is well maintained and our security is also guaranteed by a dedicated team of security guards, thoroughly making sure no harm befalls its students. I remember taking evening strolls with my friends countless times having conversations, sometimes singing along with songs, all memories dear to my heart.



The hostel I was assigned to, Poinsettia, is beautifully crafted, with cleanliness being its number 1 priority. Despite the meager amount we must pay monthly, we are provided with a beautiful room with beds, fans, storage facilities, study table and chairs so the students can pursue their studies

comfortably. The bathroom upkeep is commendable and water is available 24/7. What I love most about staying in the hostel is that we're like a bunch of siblings, doing everything together like the frantic rush of completing an assignment on the last day before the due date, running like mad to reach the hostel before the gate closes, celebrating birthdays with cake and decorations, receiving precious little gifts etc. It would not be an exaggeration to say that we were like a close-knit family.

In my humble opinion, Maths department has the best, most dedicated batch of teachers a student could ever ask for. They are a master of their respective crafts, imparting their decades of knowledge to the students concisely. The teachers also make use of other audio, visual methods to teach their subjects so students can best grasp and absorb the lessons. Since my department had comparatively lesser students than others, we had the pleasure of getting to know each of the faculty better. They were able to focus much more on each student, having ample time to help them individually, including me.

My university also comes equipped with multiple canteens serving the different dishes of the seven sisters of North east India. We can find Manipuri, Naga, Khasi, Assamese dishes to name a few and the best part is that they are tasty as well as cheaply priced, perfect for student budget. To burn the calories that we eat, the university also comes equipped with multiple gyms for an affordable monthly fee.

As for extracurricular activities, there are a plethora of choices to choose from like cultural night, where students can proudly show off their cultural dresses and dances. I was able to learn and marvel on the beautiful dresses of different tribes and cultures. Who can forget Boscosiad, a delight for athletic students to compete and have fun in various competitions like marathon, basketball, volleyball etc. Those who prefer indoor games can still compete in carrom, chess to name a few. The best part was that we did everything together, cultivating and honing our ability to work in a team. My favorite memories would be cheering for our teams till our voices were hoarse from shouting. The seminars conducted give us additional insight into the subject matter as it delves deeper on it. Musical nights are, by far, the most fun, when the students have an opportunity to let loose and de-stress.

I am extremely honored and humbled to receive the Vice Chancellor's Gold Medal. I would like to thank my mom who is my biggest cheerleader and has supported me every single step of the way and my respected teachers, for without their expertise I wouldn't have been able to get this prestigious award.

Sadly, everything good eventually comes to an end. In a blink of an eye, 3 years have already passed by and we must leave the college to pursue our dreams. I will ardently miss this college, my respected faculty members and my precious friends dearly. Even though we must venture out into this world, what will never be forgotten are the countless precious memories we have made during our time in the college and words can never truly convey all the feelings I hold dearly within my heart. Sayonara.

Dapboklang Rynjah

Winner - Fr Stephen Mavelly's Gold Medal

MSc Microbiology

The first day I set foot in Assam Don Bosco University, I was enthralled by the scenic beauty of the campus located conveniently away from the hustle and bustle of city life, an overall perfect environment to devote our minds completely to our goals without any distractions whatsoever. Initially, our batch started as an online batch, and having seen the campus, I was eager for restrictions to be lifted so that I could experience classes offline and life on campus. However, online classes also went smoothly and I can recall just hearing the voices of teachers that I have never met before and credit goes to them as, even through online mode, I felt that they had been able to impart knowledge equally as well as offline and there were no setbacks in the learning process. When there is the will to learn, one can learn in any mode and teachers are indeed catalysts in the process of gaining knowledge.

I can recall receiving the e-mail which called for offline classes and I was filled with the utmost joy and happiness. As a result, I went a day early to the Hostel. It was all deserted and only a few students had arrived early. I was worried as to who my roommates would be. The next day, the campus was filled with swarms of students from different departments and the campus came to life. It took a little time to adjust to the new environment and adjust with roommates, but eventually, strangers became family and the hostel was home. The process of acclimatization was facilitated by our warden, respected Fr. Abraham, who helped us settle in the hostel premises and was always there in times of need.

Days passed by and classes started off in full swing and one of the characteristic features I liked the most about ADBU was the mentor-mentee system, which I have never experienced throughout my academic career. The fact that we were able to have



mentors to guide us through every step and with whom we could share our problems, not just academics, but also the problems we faced as students in everyday life, to a great deal, relieved the stress we had as students and made learning enjoyable and fun. In addition to the name “Teacher” our teachers were our parents and guardians away from home and, together with the wonderful classmates I had. Indeed, we were one big family.

But that’s not all. I also got the pleasure of experiencing festivities on the campus that ADBU had to offer, such as the Boscosiad and also various events such as quizzes and debates which gave very much needed breaks in our academic lives. There was also service learning through which we were able to give back to the community from what we learned in our academics. As a well known phrase says, “All work and no play, makes jack a dull boy”. In short, ADBU was able to provide a platform for the overall development of the students.

However, life without hardships is pale and pointless and, indeed, hardships were there at every step that I had to go through throughout my journey at ADBU, the biggest of which came during my dissertation, where in my research, I was not getting the desired results, but with guidance, persistence and patience, everything worked out well and well. I can fondly reminisce the days when I would stay up all night along with my roommates writing our thesis which, by the blessing of the lord almighty, we were able to complete on time. These experiences have strengthened me and have developed me from a student to a young adult, ready to face the trials and tribulations yet to come in life. All good times eventually came to an end when we all had to bid farewell but taking back memories to be cherished forever in life.

Priyanka Chettri

Winner - JN Bawri Medal of Distinction & Gold Medalist - BTech - Computer Science & Engineering



Yay, the final year of college life, exclaimed friends. I said, “I can’t wait to see what life has in store for us once we graduate from college.” After the final exam, none of us wanted to leave the college grounds, so we scrawled messages on each other’s shirts, took pictures that would live in our memories, laughed, and then shared tales of when we initially enrolled in the college as impressionable youngsters and how quickly we matured. Priyanka, tell me about your experience at Assam Don Bosco University, School of Technology, my friend questioned as we reminisced about the good old days. Then, I started with a heavy heart. I still recall being a little anxious on my first day at the university. A comprehensive induction program welcomed us. But that orientation program gave me the biggest confidence boost ever. Now, a timid girl was fully prepared to face the world.

As, I participated more in the brainstorming sessions held during the introduction programme, my confidence grew. My first time performing on stage was when I competed for Miss Freshers 2019. Because Assam Don Bosco University has such a positive energy, I gave it my all and ultimately won Miss Freshers 2019. That platform helped me realise my inner potential and taught me how to express myself on stage. I began participating in many performances organised by the university, which made me more at ease performing on stage.

The university fell into an eerie quiet as students vanished. Why might you ask? The year was 2020, and COVID occurred. I had yet to complete my second year. However, I was able to learn during the COVID days, and the teachers who instructed us at that time did their best. Although teaching non-theoretical courses online is quite challenging, the teachers made it smooth for all of us. When college resumed, I was in the final semester of my third year, so along with some of the incredible teachers of the CSE department, we planned to participate in Smart India Hackathon 2022. Our centre happened to be in Jaipur. We were six student participants in a group, mentored and accompanied by two incredible teachers. With a sleepless night, judgement rounds and enough brainstorming we bagged the first prize. We had made countless memories. The best thing about the hackathon apart from the cash prize was the unlimited paneer, and the Jaipur expedition. I can talk about it all day.

My top learning has to be “The focus should not only be on the educational aspect, but also proper personality development, it indeed depends on the environment, your peers and your teachers as well. But, most importantly it depends on you. It all starts with you believing in yourself.” That is how I started. “Wow, that is wholesome,” my friend remarked “. I replied, “Indeed, it was an amazing one.” With heavy hearts, and a last look at the university, we walked away from the university gate, never to return as a student again.



Disha Sharma

Winner - Partha De Gold Medal & Gold Medalist - MSc Psychology

My experience at Assam Don Bosco University was exceptional. First, the campus is situated at such a serene location amongst nature. I absolutely fell in love with the beautiful campus surrounded by lush greenery on the first day itself and the serene environment always lifted my mood and was able to bring a smile on my face every time I was there. The next thing that made my journey so beautiful and magical was the sincere dedication, commitment, motivation, and love of all my wonderful teachers.

All my beloved Professors have imparted so much knowledge, wisdom, good morals, values and skills to me during my amazing journey of 2 years that no mere words can ever describe and thank you will never do justice to the utmost guidance that I have received from them. They have been the constant pillar of strength and the source

of my motivation throughout. No matter how many times I ask them for help, they have been so patient and left no stone unturned in guiding me. If I had not had their guidance, I would not have where I am today. I have endless and beautiful memories with each one of them that I shall cherish for the rest of my life.

Lastly, I would like to extend my heartfelt and sincere gratitude to each and every faculty member, Sisters, Fathers and every administrative member working there for making my journey so beautiful and making my experience so worthwhile.



Baiaiphraynai Nongkhaw

MA - Public Administration

Greetings!

First, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the University for giving me this chance to reflect on some of my experiences during my university life.

Graduating from DBU has helped me and offers a unique opportunity to delve deeper into my course of study. I have enjoyed the process of learning and discovery, engaging in stimulating discussions with professors and peers. The university is a hub of diverse individuals from various backgrounds and building a lasting connection with fellow graduate students and professors. A clean and sustainable campus like DBU has provided a healthy environment for learners and it is a pleasant campus for both curricular and extra-curricular activities. Its mesmerizing campus and beauty always give us room for improvement and discover ourselves in the journey.

Attending virtual classes during lockdown for one semester was quite a challenge and memorable at the same time. The first time we got together as the Department was during the Spring session of the second semester and once again it felt like a normal day, and meeting all the classmates and the Professors for the first time was a wonderful feeling. During these two years, comprehensive as well as in-depth knowledge and insights have been obtained. The dissertation paper was the most interesting part, it helped me to learn more practically and to be able to complete my first thesis it felt like I had achieved a big milestone. The fact that we were the first batch to study the course at the university had been both a pleasure and a challenge however it was an immense experience and has created memorable moments.

Above all, I thank God for his immeasurable blessings bestowed upon me. I am forever grateful to my family who have been my constant support and encouragement throughout my studies. I expressed my gratitude to the Vice Chancellor Rev. (Dr.) Stephen Mavely, the Department of Public Administration, the Head of Department, Fr. (Dr.) Jose Palely. I am indebted to my mentor Dr. Saurabh Chandra for his support and encouragement in these two years as well as, for guiding my dissertation and I am thankful to the other faculty members as well. Lastly, I am grateful to my friends, my dear classmates and hostel mates for being a part of my life and I would like to congratulate all my classmates for their graduation and achievements.

Thank you DBU for everything, I'll cherish the moments forever.

"Live all of your life. Understand it, see it, appreciate it. And have fun."



Balasuklang Khyriemmuja

MSc Chemistry

Located in the lush landscapes of Assam, Don Bosco University's campus itself is a haven of tranquillity, providing an ideal environment for learning and personal growth. It is a renowned educational institution in India known for its commitment to providing quality education and fostering holistic development.

My experience at this esteemed institution has been nothing short of transformative, filled with growth, learning and heart's imprinted memories. I never imagined for a university life to be a revelation of who I really am. Going back to my first day in the university, I felt something I could not even put into words. Seeing new faces, entrapped by the new surroundings made me nervous for reasons unknown, while my mind was occupied with questions and confusions. Yet, with all these fears and doubts, I was welcomed into this journey with open arms, which led me into a warm

and diverse community. This opened my eyes to a whole new way of approaching education and of adjusting myself in finding the right path, while striving to make my goals a reality. Throughout my journey, I have faced trials which tested my strength; be it the pressure of examinations, the complexity of life's choices and uncountable sleepless nights; there were moments of self-doubt and a lot of stress. However, I have come to realise to this day that these were mere challenges that have moulded me into a resilient individual, capable of overcoming any obstacle that life may throw at my way. I have learned that success is not solely measured by grades but by our abilities to adapt, innovate and making a difference.

Beyond the classroom, Assam Don Bosco University has offered me a wealth of extracurricular opportunities. Clubs, groups, and events have instilled in me the importance of diversity which provides numerous opportunities for cultural exchange and lifelong friendships. The said opportunities have taught me the value of balancing the many aspects of life. I have discovered that true growth occurs when we step outside of our comfort zones and when we engage with the world's complexities.

The heart of any great educational institution lies in its faculty members, and Assam Don Bosco University is no exception. The professors here are not just educators but mentors who have guided me in my academic journey. Their guidance and encouragement have been instrumental in shaping my perspective and pushing me to achieve more than what I thought was possible.

Reflecting on my journey, I am grateful for the opportunities, friendships, and knowledge that Assam Don Bosco University has bestowed upon me. It has been a place where I have not only acquired academic excellence but also developed into a well-rounded individual who is ready to face the challenges of the world.

To end my short note, I would like to quote Maya Angelou: "Success is liking yourself, liking what you do and liking how you do it."

Let us strive for success in the truest sense – to be content with who we are, passionate in what we do, and committed to work on it with integrity and excellence. I am proud to be a part of this institution, and I look forward to carry the values and lessons I have learned from here, into the next chapter of my life.



Bapynshngainlang Nongkynrih

Master of Computer Applications

Assam Don Bosco University has been a place where I have learnt a lot of good and valuable life lessons. I have learnt that friendship and teamwork are what matters most if you want to become successful. I have also learnt the importance of hard work, dedication, and perseverance.

I met some amazing people at Don Bosco. My friends have been there for me through thick and thin. They helped me through difficult times and celebrated my successes with me. My teachers have been incredibly supportive and encouraging. They are also friendly and very approachable, so, clearing doubts and asking anything was never a problem.

Of course, as a student, I felt it was stressful at times to succeed academically with class tests and presentations, but now looking back at it, those were actually very

helpful to me as they helped me manage my time efficiently and to never delay things. These shaped and changed me personally to become a better version of myself. I value hard work and good time management; thanks to the experiences I've had in ADBU.

Bhinu Kumar N M

MA Mass Communication

As I decided to take admission in Don Bosco university Assam, I had no idea of my life and the study but I was in a strong hope to expand my knowledge on effective communication. As I was immersed in a new environment, surrounded by new people, it was also an opportunity to know about a new culture.

I desired to study mass communication knowing the significance of communication in today's world. I think keeping people informed is probably the most vital thing but with the necessity of the right and authentic communication and its consequences. Often, we come across miscommunication rather than the proper and true communication. Each of us has the responsibility of understanding the human lives, as an individual as well as a part of a massive collection.

Assam Don Bosco University, with its authentic reputation was the right canvas for me to paint my journey to discover the world of communication. Mass Communication was a rigorous and intellectually stimulating endeavour. It encompassed a wide array of subjects, from communication theory and media ethics to multimedia production and journalism. Each course, led by accomplished faculty members, expanded my horizons and sharpened my skills, nurturing my passion into a refined craft.

What truly sets Assam Don Bosco University apart was its dedication to practical learning. The university encouraged hands-on experiences and internships, providing me with invaluable opportunities to work with media organisations. These real-world experiences not only enriched my academic knowledge but also instilled a sense of responsibility and professionalism that would serve as my compass in the field of Mass Communication.

My time at Assam Don Bosco University was not just about earning a degree; it was about discovering my purpose, refining my skills, and embracing the profound responsibility that comes with effective communication. As I reflect on this journey, I am filled with gratitude for the opportunities, guidance, and experiences that have shaped me into a gold medallist and a lifelong advocate for the power of communication to create positive change.

A green campus demonstrates its commitment to ecological sustainability through its academic programmes, its research, its campus life, and its physical operation hence I acknowledge my appreciation of the green campus and the entire atmospheres of the campus. I relished the beauty of greenery that helped me to foster the positive vibes in me hence Assam Don Bosco University also deserves the appreciation for its inclusive and nurturing environment which nurtures a spirit of healthy competition and mutual growth.

I sincerely thank the Vice Chancellor, Fr. Stephen Mavelly, my warden Fr. Narendra and Rector Fr. Abraham, all the professors, fellow fathers and classmates who contributed to make a friendly atmosphere that which left behind, a lot of memories to cherish in my life. I am also thankful to Norbertine Fathers Mananthavady for giving me an opportunity to join this prestigious Institution for my study.

Journey at this remarkable institution has been nothing short of transformative, and I look forward to carrying the torch of responsible communication into the future, armed with the knowledge and values instilled in me by Assam Don Bosco University.





Chandan Das

MSc Zoology

*The greatest source of happiness
is the ability to be grateful at all times.*

- Zig Ziglar

As I ponder upon the hallowed halls of my academic journey, these age-old words of Zig Ziglar continue to reverberate within the chambers of my mind. Perhaps they find their true essence when I cast my thoughts upon this journey at Assam Don Bosco University. The mere task of penning down the depths of my experience, felt like an endeavor bound for inadequacy, as I was certain that my words will fail to encapsulate the vast tapestry of emotions it weaves within my soul.

As a student of Zoology, my heart beats in rhythm with the wild, and the allure of nature courses through my veins like an untamed river. Assam Don Bosco University, my cherished sanctuary of learning, is a realm where the symphony of nature orchestrates the daily awakening. Here, the melodious serenades of birds used to serve as my morning anthem, gently coaxing me from slumber. In this enchanted domain, elephants grace us with their majestic presence. The mischievous monkeys, our scholarly guides, showing us the way to academic blocks. And in the embrace of the invigorating breeze, my mind and soul harmonize finding solace and focus amid the verdant wonders that surround me.

In the department of Zoology, I unearthed a treasure trove, where the labyrinth of my boundless curiosity found its compass. Here, amidst the venerable faculty, I found not just mentors but sculptors of my intellect, molding me into a confident presence, capable of baring my heart on any stage. As one who harbored a fragile self-esteem, the metamorphosis is clear, though a work in progress. It is these guiding lights who plunged me into the depths of my research world. Especially my supervisor Dr. Lima Hazarika, who led me through the gateway to the world of research, transforming the vast unknown into the very fabric of my existence. Moreover various departmental activities – seminars, workshops and spirited competitions became threads weaving my destiny toward the vast unravelling of this palatial world of knowledge. The library, which used to be my niche and where our venerable librarian, Mr. Gautam Gogoi became a beacon of wisdom, illuminating the path with the latest discoveries, learnings from the natural world, and the treasures of open-access journals.

Apart from academics, Assam Don Bosco University unfolds as a vibrant tapestry, where cultures, colors, creeds and religions converge. Yet, amidst this rich diversity, a remarkable unity emerges, one that effortlessly surmounts all barriers, encouraging individuals to transcend differences and embrace shared humanity. It is a place where the spirit of 'Home Away from Home' breathes life into every corner, where the ethos of mutual support and understanding fosters a culture of give and take, ensuring that the institution's legacy is not just one of education, but of community and belonging.

For me, even the mere mention of the name Assam Don Bosco University, like a mystical incantation, becomes a catalyst, setting free a cascade of euphoria, the release of Dopamine. Indeed, my journey as a member of this illustrious family is a blessing to be cherished for life. The chapter of my Master's pursuit, adorned with experiences, knowledge and growth, will forever glisten in golden hues within the pages of my life's history.



Daisy Ramchiary

BA (Honours) English

I feel privileged to have been given the opportunity to write about my time in Assam Don Bosco University – a place that has taught me so much, and has given me so many memories to cherish. As I pen down my thoughts, the one thing I know for certain is that the experience that I have gained during my three years in ADBU is irreplaceable, and will be something I will always carry close to my heart.

I still remember when I first started classes as a student of the Department of English in ADBU. It was during the peak of Covid-19, and we had to start classes online. But despite all odds and restrictions of the situation, the professors in the department never failed to make us feel at home, and guided us through the wonders that literature has to offer. As things slowly started getting better and we moved to campus for physical classes, the floodgates of knowledge overflowed even more, and every single day made me fall in love with literature more than I ever was. There was always something new to learn, and it made me look forward towards the creative possibilities that a life in academia can offer.

Now, as I move on to a new phase in my life, I truly thank my professors for inspiring me every single day and motivating me to continue my studies and pursue my aspirations.

Life in ADBU was always exciting – there was always some event to participate in and look forward to, and all the intra-curricular and extra-curricular activities helped me and my classmates hone our talents and bring out the best in us. The university always fueled our creative fires through various avenues, both within and outside the campus, enabling us to continually discover new aspects of ourselves and improve ourselves physically, intellectually and creatively. I will always remember the friends I have made along the journey as well – they made life in the campus so much fun, and they have taught me a lot as well in these three years. I will always cherish the memories I have made with them, and I wish them all the success and happiness in their future endeavours in life.

As Eleanor Roosevelt said, “The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams”. And truly, ADBU has taught me to believe in the beauty and possibilities of my dream, and gave me the courage to move forward towards it. Thank you ADBU, from the deepest core of my heart. Thank you for everything, and I will continue to embrace everything that I have learnt and keep doing my very best to make the university proud.

Daphisha Shongwan

MSc Mathematics

University life was an exciting and challenging experience I had during two years as a student of Assam Don Bosco university. It was a time where I embarked on a journey of self-discovery and academic growth. The university environment is characterized by academic rigor, diversity, and a vibrant social life.

My entry in this university after I completed my graduation was an important event in my life. I felt very much excited on the very first day, seeing the breathtakingly beautiful campus of this university. It is a peaceful environment to enjoy with our friends. My teachers helped me to reveal the hidden abilities and thoughts that helped me find qualities that made me who I am. I am grateful that they prepared me for the things that I might face in my future life. My experience at Assam Don Bosco University taught me one fundamental thing – life is unpredictable. It might be good, it might be bad, it might be weird, and it might not interest you, but expect anything to happen. This university prepared me for all of this. It was a perfect blend of joy and hardship. I met different people, I interacted with them, I learned about their cultures and grew as a person. I understood how to talk with different people, thus helping me with important life skills.

The friendships I made in this university is the most important aspect. The sense of oneness and acceptance is what make you feel like a family. The time I spent with my friends, playing uno, poker, or arguing about any random topic, planning road trips, occasional adventures, and impulsive journeys—all these things made me more emotional when I bid adieu to the institution. I am glad I have been a part of Assam Don Bosco University.



Dolly Tourangbam

MSc Botany

Our knowledge of the future is growing. Whatever we learn today will shape the future we have. We must nourish our spirits with positivity that will raise us higher and higher in order to conquer our life's dreams.

The Assam Don Bosco University is renowned for its lush green landscaping and for offering students a tranquil environment with cutting-edge amenities furthermore it is a great choice for learners who desire to pursue higher education in a broad spectrum of fields, comprising engineering, the natural sciences, humanities, and management. It also endorses research and innovation, allowing students research and innovation, affording students the chance to work on substantial projects.

I chose ADBU because the Department of Botany offers a degree with a major specialisation in a range of specialised subjects. Since my graduation, I have simply wished to continue my education as a plant taxonomist and luckily ADBU offers a master's degree with plant taxonomy as a specialisa-



tion. In the aftermath of two years of having classes offline due to COVID-19, I experienced feelings that I could barely describe when I came for my first day of university. My life went on a roller coaster since I had to adjust to a completely unfamiliar setting and I still wasn't sure what I wanted to accomplish with my career. It became harder every day. It was harder than I anticipated, and I wanted to show myself that I am capable of doing tasks that I previously believed were insurmountable.

The classes and professors are excellent, and I have really liked learning from them. They have helped me understand the scope and breadth of what we are studying. The lecturers are welcoming and constantly inspire me to work hard in my studies as well as to shape myself into a better version of myself. They also introduce me to a tonne of fresh ideas that have completely altered how I see the world. In my second year of my master's programme, with the support of my mentor, I had the opportunity to present a paper at an international conference where I had the chance to interact with renowned taxonomists from Bhutan and all over India. This was one of the many wonderful chances I had while I was a student here. As for extracurricular activities, I got the golden opportunities to be a part of student's affair ADBU as Student Coordinator. It was yet another wonderful experience because I got to interact with several outstanding professors from all kinds of subjects. My time at university has been incredible thus far. In such a short time, everything has gone by swiftly and I have learned and experienced so many new things.

"THANK YOU" can't possibly express how grateful I am for all you have offered since the moment I started to be a part of this family, and I still feel that way now. Even though two years is a short time, the memories will be something to go back on and make me smile. WILL NEVER FORGET ASSAM DON BOSCO UNIVERSITY.



Dorothy Roy Tariang

Master of Business Administration

Two years in the Kharguli Campus of Assam Don Bosco University has been the most memorable period of my life. Our course it has come to an end, but the memories will last forever.

Fond memories of the days spent at DBIM campus will be with me till the last breath of my life. We came as strangers; and we left as friends. And after leaving the campus I realize that friends are the most essential part of our life.

I was the gender champion, representing Don Bosco Institute of Management, Kharguli campus for the 1st year of my degree. Most of the time, I was the face of the institute for all the social events associated with the University from our campus. One thing I love the most about the Institute is that, it helps the students to boost up their confidence and allows them to explore their hidden talents, and it helps to fine tune the personality of the students so that he or she grows tall as a future leader.

The institute helped me personally, and I have now become much better with my public speaking skills and my confidence level has been boosted as well to the highest level.

I involved in a lot of events like, cultural day, food fest and many more. I was one of the student leaders, and I always took the lead role in all the major events. And also, not to forget, Don Bosco is like a family, and it helps the students when they are in utmost need of help and support.

Last year, during my internship at Bangalore, I met with an unfortunate accident and I broke my leg. The support I got from the University during the period was incredible. I was not able to attend classes as I was bed-ridden for more than three months, but my faculty members helped me with the class notes and the tests. All my teachers were highly considerate during my difficult times.

Luckily, it was in DBIM that I met my most influential and life-changing role models who not only chiseled and shaped my life, but will continue to inspire me always. It was my good fortune that I found such worthy role models among my respectable teachers in DBIM at Kharguli.

Days at the University were crammed with both challenges and enlightening experiences for me. It facilitated my personal growth and development and provided me with life-long lessons. I would like to thank our director, Father P.D Johnny because he was one of the guiding forces for all of us, and I got a real good support from him.

Jereeta Khoisnam
MA English

As I reflect on the incredible journey of my university life, I am engulfed with a myriad of emotions ranging from excitement to sentimentality. Over the course of my 5-year journey, I have accumulated a collection of moments that have been woven into a beautiful tapestry of memories, exhilaration, fulfilment, and nostalgia. Reminiscing about my initial days back in 2018 when I was accepted into this renowned university for an undergraduate program, I vividly remember the familiar faces, comforting sounds, and limitless possibilities I once saw at ADBU. Little did I know that this immense journey of opportunities would open up the horizon for me and I would soon have the power to make things happen.



I was awestruck by the mesmerizing beauty of the campus and the verdant greenery of the campus gave me a strong sense of belongingness with the environment. Every time I walked within the campus's lush green spaces, I felt a strong sense of connection with the environment, as if I was a part of something bigger, greater, and more meaningful than my own existence. Being a believer in the law of attraction and the power of spiritual energy, I was convinced that the bond I felt with the place reflected my capability to access that energy and manifest the life I desired. From bustling libraries to crowded cafeterias; from buzzing social spaces to vibrant sports arenas, I was surrounded by a scenic and vibrant atmosphere of learning, innovation, and growth. Indeed, DBU's dynamic learning environment and natural surroundings gave me the confidence to embrace positive energy.

My initial days back in 2018 when I started my Bachelor's degree were filled with a mixture of excitement and nervousness as I navigated through the milieu of an unfamiliar environment, encountered many different people, and adjusted to rigorous academic demands. What followed was a fulfilling experience when I continued my Master's program in 2021, adding excitement, familiarity, and a sense of homecoming to my University days.

What is more fulfilling and yet astonishing about my academic journey is that I am graduating as a Gold Medalist for my Master's Program far exceeding my expectations and I would like to bestow this accolade to my younger fragile self who always believes in my inner potential and never gives up despite certain repetitive hiccups and stumbles. In addition, I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to my parents, family, and well-wishers for their constant encouragement and unwavering support, without which this accolade would have been an impracticable dream. Besides, I was fortunate to have the guidance and mentorship of my supervisors and professors in the English Department especially Priyanka Ma'am and Nandita Ma'am who nurtured my writing skills, kindling a passion for literature and the craft of writing that I will carry throughout my life. The experiences of learning in the English Department will remain a treasured part of my academic journey, and I am profoundly grateful for all of them.

There was more to my university journey than academic achievements. It was about the vibrant memories of late-night slide preparation just prior to the next day's presentation and stress-filled study sessions just prior to class tests, accompanied by the ever-present hostel room shenanigans and gossip sessions coupled with midnight snacks. It would have been impossible for me to ask for a more encouraging team of friends than the ones I had. They were more than just companions to me; they were inexpressibly my biggest support system. Moreover, the shared waves of laughter, experiences, struggles, and triumphs among ourselves fostered an indelible bond that will withstand the test of time, making those formative years a truly bitter-sweet reminiscence that I will cherish fondly.

All in all, it has been an immensely gratifying journey, and I count myself most fortunate to have had the privilege of experiencing university life both in my Bachelor's and Master's programs at ADBU. From the enthusiasm of freshman year to the bittersweet moments of senior year, each stage has brought its own unique set of experiences that have molded me into the individual I am today. I take great pride in being an alumnus of ADBU, for it has been an invaluable experience for me, one that I have savored and cherished the abundant diversity of opportunities it presented.

As I embark further into life, I shall carry with me the invaluable lessons I have learned, the friendships I have formed, and the memories I have created during my time at ADBU.



Jilmi Raingam
MSc Physics

During my time at Assam Don Bosco University pursuing a Master's in Physics, I embarked on a journey that was both intellectually enriching and personally fulfilling. As I reflect on this chapter of my life, gratitude fills my heart, not only for the knowledge gained but also for the incredible people who became a part of my story.

First and foremost, I am indebted to the dedicated and inspiring faculty members who guided me through the intricacies of physics. Their passion for the subject was contagious, and their unwavering support was the cornerstone of my academic growth. Their willingness to invest time in nurturing our understanding of complex concepts was invaluable. I will forever remain grateful to my teachers for always being there for us.

Yet, beyond the classroom, it was the friendships forged that truly enriched my college experience. I had the privilege of meeting individuals who shared my passion for physics and science. Together, we embarked on projects and collaborated on our theses. These experiences not only deepened my understanding of the subject but also instilled in me the importance of teamwork and collaboration in various endeavors. I cannot help but smile when I think of late-night discussions, sometimes brainstorming sessions fueled by coffee and the sense of accomplishment that came with completing challenging experiments/projects. These moments, shared with my friends, were the building blocks of long-lasting friendships.

My college years, while primarily focused on the pursuit of a Master's in Physics, also opened doors to a world of symposiums and seminars. These opportunities to engage with experts, exchange ideas, and delve deeper into the realms of physics helped me greatly in lighting up my academic path. Beyond the lectures and presentations, it was the interactions with fellow participants that added a human dimension to my journey. Each symposium and seminar I attended felt like an extension of the campus spirit—a place where ideas were nurtured, questions were welcomed, and collaborative endeavors thrived. The sense of belonging within the academic community extended beyond the campus boundaries and was palpable at these gatherings.

My college years were not only academically enriching but also a testament to the vibrant campus life and the remarkable sense of safety that enveloped our academic community. Amidst the rigors of research and lectures, I found solace in the warmth of campus life. The college campus was more than just a place of learning, it was a vibrant ecosystem where friendships flourished, intellectual curiosity thrived and opportunities abounded. The supportive atmosphere created a space where students could explore their passions freely. The sense of safety that enveloped the campus was nothing short of remarkable. It was a haven where students could focus on their studies and engage in extracurricular activities without the constant worry of security concerns.

As I bid farewell to my college years, I carry with me not just a Master's degree in Physics but also a treasure trove of memories, lasting friendships, and a profound sense of gratitude. ADBU was more than a place of learning, it was a transformative journey that has left an indelible mark on my life. Long live ADBU!



Jinty Paul
MSc Microbiology

My experience at Assam Don Bosco University during my postgraduation has been extraordinary. The university stands out for its exceptional commitment to fostering academic excellence, thanks to its faculty who are not only knowledgeable educators but also mentors who go above and beyond to provide wisdom and support. What truly distinguishes this university is its welcoming and supportive atmosphere, where students are encouraged to grow both academically and personally. It is astonishing how swiftly two years have gone by, and I now feel like a completely different person from when I first joined this institution. The experiences I have had here are truly invaluable, and I wouldn't trade them for anything.

Josh PS*BSc (Honours) Physics*

As I reflect on my years at Assam Don Bosco University, I am filled with a sense of nostalgia and gratitude. My university experience has been a transformative journey, one that has helped me to see a diverse part of India, broadened my horizons, and set the course for my future endeavors.

One of the most remarkable aspects of my time at ADBU has been the diverse and vibrant community that I became a part of. The first year of my degree was fully online due to the pandemic and because of that I could experience a university life on campus only for 2 years. But those years had a great impact on me as an individual and contributed to my personal growth. After offline classes began, I found myself surrounded by individuals from all walks of life, hailing from different cultures, backgrounds, and perspectives. As someone from the South Indian state, Kerala, getting exposed to the rich tapestry of diversity of North-East India was both eye-opening and enriching, as it exposed me to a multitude of ideas, beliefs, and worldviews that I had never encountered before. Even though I had some difficulties in adapting to the new environment at the campus, since it was my first time in North-East, but with the help of my friends, acquaintances and professors, the difficulties were easily tackled.



Academically, my university years were a whirlwind of learning and growth. I was fortunate to have professors like Sir Parag, Sir Aomoa, Sir Aibanjop, Sir Bikash, Ma'am Dhansree, Ma'am Indrani, Ma'am Sumita along with our H.O.D. Sir Debajyoti and Director Ma'am Monmoyuri who were very supportive. They not only imparted knowledge but also nurtured critical and logical thinking. The interactions and presentations I took part in the classes not only honed my communication skills but boosted my confidence as well. Although balancing academics, social life and personal growth was a constant struggle, it was in facing these challenges that I learned the value of resilience, time management and the importance of seeking support when needed.

As I approach the end of my university journey, I am filled with a sense of accomplishment and anticipation for what lies ahead. My experiences in ADBU have not only equipped me with knowledge and skills but have also shaped my values, interests and goals along with creating new friendships. I leave this university with a deeper understanding of myself and the world, ready to contribute positively to society and make a difference in the issues that matter most to me.

In conclusion, my university experience has been a transformative chapter in my life. It has been a journey of self-discovery, personal growth, and meaningful connections. I am grateful for the opportunities, challenges and lessons that I had in ADBU. As I step into the next chapter of my life, I carry with me the memories and experiences of my university years as a source of inspiration and motivation for the future.

Justina Kasomwung*BA (Honours) Economics*

My time at Assam Don Bosco University began with Covid-19. We had online classes with a cozy class strength of just 20. This was a unique ice-breaker that progressed as more of a thawing of the ice, rather than a breaking of it. I fondly remember the initial days being very exciting for me personally, since it was my first experience studying in the north east. I was looking forward to making friends from my community; something I had seemed miss out on growing up, since my father was always transferred to mainland Indian states.

Our Economics Department was one of the youngest and we were just the third batch in the bachelor's program of the university. This turned out to be a blessing in disguise. We truly grew to become a little family, not just amongst my batchmates, but with the seniors and faculty as well. We as a young department, went through our fair share of struggles and challenges, which we learned to tackle and face as a unit. A deep sense of oneness developed amongst us that I feel truly privileged to



have been a part of and will never forget.

This university allowed me to experience a lot of 'firsts', one of which was a hostel life. Being a day scholar all my life, I think I can safely say I truly missed out, and I am grateful to ADBU for allowing me to make memories of living in a hostel. From having hostel freshers to weekly hostel washroom cleaning duties to 2am therapy session with friends, hiding in each other's rooms and eating sinju, I have made incredibly unforgettable memories as well as learnt a lot about discipline there. The cherry on top was that my hostel roommates were all my Economics Department females (since there were only 5 females, one of whom, was a day scholar). I would not have wanted it any other way other than the fact that I wish we could have 5 roommates so that we could have had our fifth Eco classmate living with us at the hostel.

ADBU also made me almost get abs. I was very active in playing badminton, Table tennis and volleyball. The sports community is very active at ADBU with a good number of highly enthusiastic sportspersons who helped develop a very supportive and competitive sports environment. Playing after class for 2-3 hours straight and walking back up that beautiful twisty road beside the lake every evening, with our badminton rackets hanging across our backs, talking about random things and later grabbing a drink at the Naga hut or eating dinner at the lovely Pavillion where there was always a crowd of basketball players, footballers and just literally anyone who wanted to relax for a while. That was the beauty of ADBU. We had plenty of opportunities to wind down with friends on campus.

Finally, a last 'first' I'd like to mention is the Miss Boscosiad beauty pageant that I had the good fortune of winning. A beauty pageant is the absolute last thing anyone who knew me, would expect me to take part in, myself included. I was filling in for someone who had gotten injured at the last minute and simply took the role reluctantly, as a duty to my team. Winning the pageant didn't mean as much to me as the teamwork and friendship building did. I truly met some of the loveliest people during the pageant!

I could go on and on about my time at ADBU but I'm afraid the spark newsletter would have to become a magazine in that case.

I'd like to thank Assam Don Bosco University for giving me lifelong friendships, wild elephant sightings, some of the best belly-laughs and simply a truly wholesome time during my undergraduate course. As I now pursue my Masters in Business Management at FMS, Delhi, I aspire to work hard and bring glory to the name of ADBU as a reflection of all that it has given me.

Thank you for everything.



Linthoi Ngairangbam

BSc (Honours) Zoology

My life at ADBU was like a rollercoaster ride, from online classes to on campus classes and then back to online to finally be back on campus.

From 4th semester onwards, every day was an exciting experience. Not only did we have a regular academic session, we had various extracurricular activities. Various departments organized a wide variety of programmes. Students are regularly involved in functions and programmes of the university which have opened my eyes and widened my view of the world. Seminars and talks with many experts in various fields are invited regularly and students get to interact with them. These sessions have made me gain a lot of new knowledge.

I got to experience Boscosiad twice during my 3 years at ADBU, which was one of the best experiences that I'll never forget, the teamwork, the talents, the excitement, everything about it felt like a privilege to be a part of. Also, being the class representative, I got to actively take part in various decision makings which made me realize the importance of a leader and knowing our rights. But the university life won't be completed without the life at Poinsettia Hostel, I've learnt many basic etiquettes of living with complete strangers to being lifelong friends. We tolerated each other, gained trust and enjoyed our hostel life. Even at hostel, we organized various sports events, freshers and farewells and I've gone out of my comfort zone multiple times to dance for the first time in my life, which was only possible because the environment was very comfortable.

And lastly, as a part of Zoology Department, I couldn't be luckier and happier as our department was always active in every field that made me step out of my comfort zone. We have fun and dynamic teachers who encouraged us to take part in various activities. We went on field trips which helped us take more interest in the subject and gain experience. We also had international seminar which was a grand event giving us once in a lifetime opportunity. It was truly an experience to be a part of this amazing university. I enjoyed various activities as much as my studies which made my life at ADBU fun and memorable.

If I have a piece of advice for my dear juniors, I would like to say that it's very important to focus on our studies, pay attention in the class and be regular but also take part in events and take every opportunity in order to have the best university experience.

Nagesh Kumar Jha

Bachelor of Computer Applications

My college journey at Assam Don Bosco University has been nothing short of unforgettable. It all began with the uncertainty of online classes, which left me feeling unsure about what college life had in store for me. At times, I even grappled with self-doubt and the fear of failure.

However, as the online classes transitioned to in-person learning, I had the pleasure of meeting some remarkable individuals who would go on to become my closest friends and confidants. Together, we embarked on a journey filled with laughter, shared experiences, and lasting memories. These newfound friendships provided me with the support and motivation I needed to navigate the challenges of college life.

Amidst the ups and downs, I found myself, and I learned the invaluable lesson of setting my priorities straight. This newfound clarity allowed me to focus on my academic pursuits and personal growth with renewed determination. The unwavering support of my teachers played a significant role in my development. They not only imparted knowledge but also shared life lessons that will continue to guide me long after my college years.

Assam Don Bosco University proved to be a treasure trove of opportunities. I had the privilege of serving as the treasurer of the Data Science Analytics and Cyber Security Club, which opened up a world of possibilities. In this role, I not only honed my leadership skills but also had the chance to contribute to organizing workshops and programs that enriched the academic experience of my peers. It was a gratifying experience to give back to the university community that had given me so much.

As I prepare to bid farewell to my college life, I am filled with mixed emotions. It's challenging to say goodbye to the place and people who have shaped me into the person I am today. However, I am also excited about the future and the opportunity to bring honour to my alma mater. These past three years have been transformative, moulding me into a more resilient, knowledgeable, and compassionate individual.

In closing, my college journey at Assam Don Bosco University has been a rollercoaster of experiences, challenges, and growth. It has equipped me with the skills and wisdom needed to face the world beyond academia. I will forever cherish the memories, friendships, and lessons learned during this remarkable chapter of my life. My time at the university has not only provided me with a quality education but has also shaped me into a well-rounded individual, ready to embrace the future with enthusiasm and confidence.





Namrota Choudhury

BSc (Honours) Chemistry

During my three years at Assam Don Bosco University, I had a memorable and enriching experience. The campus was surrounded by lush greenery, providing a peaceful and refreshing atmosphere for studying and socializing. One of the highlights of my time at the university was the guidance and support I received from some exceptional teachers. Nibedita Ma'am, Lopa Ma'am, Sonatara Ma'am, Pallabi Ma'am, Bhaskar Sir, Jyotirmoy Sir, and Subhashis Sir were a few of the teachers who stood out for their knowledge, passion, and dedication. They were not only experts in their respective fields but also played an instrumental role in nurturing our skills and talents.

Ms Nibedita's teaching style was innovative and engaging. She had a unique way of simplifying complex concepts and made learning enjoyable. Lopa ma'am, on the other hand, had a contagious enthusiasm that motivated me to explore and excel. She encouraged us to think critically and pushed us to go beyond our comfort zones. Sonatara Ma'am and Pallabi Ma'am were pillars of strength and inspiration. They provided valuable guidance and support in both academic and personal matters. Their caring and approachable nature made them not just teachers but also mentors and friends. Baskar Sir, Jyotirmoy Sir, and Subhashis Sir were exceptional in their subject expertise. They had a thorough understanding of their respective disciplines and strived to make their classes interactive and thought-provoking. They were always available to clarify doubts and encouraged us to actively participate in discussions and debates.

The holistic education I received from these teachers went beyond the confines of the classroom. They taught us life skills, instilled values, and prepared us for the challenges that lay ahead. Their constant support and belief in our abilities helped foster a sense of confidence and self-belief in all of us. Overall, my experience at Assam Don Bosco University was made memorable by the exceptional teachers I had the privilege to learn from. The green campus and the nurturing environment provided the perfect backdrop for this transformative journey. I am grateful for the knowledge, guidance, and mentorship I received, which has shaped me into a better individual both academically and personally.



Partha Protim Patir

BTech - Mechanical Engineering

Firstly I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude for the incredible journey I've had as a student of engineering at Assam Don Bosco University. This academic experience has been a transformative and enriching period of my life, and I owe my success to the support and encouragement of many individuals and resources.

First and foremost, I want to thank my professors and instructors who have tirelessly shared their knowledge, guided me through challenging coursework, especially during covid pandemic period when we didn't have offline classes for two and a half years and classes had to be held online. Even though that period was totally new and challenging, the professors gave their best so that our learning don't get hampered. Their dedication to teaching and mentorship has shaped my academic and professional aspirations. I would also like to thank them for conducting various workshops, conferences and industrial visits which gave me immense practical knowledge apart from academic syllabus.

I am also deeply thankful for my fellow students and friends who have been a source of inspiration and collaboration. Together, we have navigated complex projects, exam study sessions, and the highs and lows of engineering challenges. Their help and support have made this journey memorable.

I am profoundly grateful for the support of my family throughout this educational journey. Their unwavering belief in my abilities, both emotionally and financially, has been the bedrock of my success. Their sacrifices and encouragement have motivated me to strive for excellence, even in the face of adversity.

Furthermore, I would like to acknowledge the university's resources, including the quality labs, library, and research oppor-

tunities, which have been instrumental in expanding my knowledge and skills. Moreover, the university's commitment to fostering a culture of innovation and entrepreneurship has encouraged me to think creatively and apply my engineering skills to real-world challenges.

As I look ahead to the next chapter of my journey, I do so with a sense of excitement and purpose. The education I have received at Assam Don Bosco University has equipped me with a strong foundation in engineering principles, critical thinking, and problem-solving skills. It has instilled in me a deep sense of responsibility to apply my knowledge for the betterment of society.

In closing, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to Assam Don Bosco University for providing me with an exceptional engineering education. This institution has not only shaped my intellectual growth but has also fostered personal development, resilience, and a commitment to lifelong learning. I am proud to be an alumnus of this esteemed institution, and I am eager to embark on the journey ahead, confident in my ability to make a meaningful impact in the field of engineering.

Thank you, Assam Don Bosco University, for the incredible experience of being a student of engineering. The knowledge, friendships, and experiences gained during my time here will forever be cherished and serve as a strong foundation for the adventures that lie ahead.

Prasanjit Raj Chakraborty

BTech - Electrical and Electronics Engineering

The experience with Don Bosco fraternity is magnanimous. I still remember the first day strolling across the department and the college, it was a feeling of 'first love' and the 'tryst to destiny' induced the feeling of that passion for electrical science which curve the niche out the best in me, the support of my department and the empathy shown by other departments made me realize my truest potential and today I am a 'gold medalist' in B.Tech Electrical and Electronics Engineering. I am also very delighted and thankful to my parents as well as the department who showed me the way on how to use my previous background in BSc in Mathematics in the intricacy of electrical science. So, lastly but not the least it was a *deja vu* from my side. I feel terrible that I am out of station and hence won't be able to attend the convocation ceremony.

Bikramjit Sir and the entire department, thank you for ushering the way to a greater good.



Prolop Saha

Bachelor of Business Administration

In the year 2020, I embarked on an enriching academic journey at Assam Don Bosco University, pursuing a Bachelor of Business Administration with a specialization in Financial Investment Analysis. My time at this esteemed institution not only provided me with a solid academic foundation but also offered numerous opportunities for leadership and personal growth. I am deeply humbled to have received such an honour from my university.

From the outset, my academic pursuits at Assam Don Bosco University were characterized by a commitment to excellence. The rigorous curriculum in the Bachelor of Business Administration programme, with a focus on Financial Investment Analysis, challenged me to delve deep into the world of finance, investment strategies, and business administration. The faculty's expertise and dedication to imparting knowledge played a pivotal role in shaping my academic journey, and I found myself constantly inspired to excel.



Beyond the classroom, I eagerly embraced leadership roles that allowed me to contribute to the university community. Serving as the Class Representative for three consecutive years, I assumed a crucial role in facilitating communication between students and faculty, ensuring a conducive learning environment, and representing the concerns and interests of my peers.

This experience honed my organizational and interpersonal skills, fostering a sense of responsibility and accountability. My commitment to fostering a dynamic academic environment led me to take on the role of Vice President of the Commerce and Management Club. In this capacity, I led the Mercemoc Event which is one of the prestigious Event where I had collaborated with various Universities /colleges and school and encourage them to participate in this great Event. I felt lucky to be the part of the Prime-Ministers Member in the youth Parliament. These events not only enriched the academic experience of our peers but also provided a platform for networking and knowledge exchange.

Furthermore, I had the privilege of serving as the Management Placement Brochure In charge, where I played a pivotal role in creating and disseminating critical information about our university's placement opportunities and success stories. This role required meticulous attention to detail, effective communication skills, and collaboration with the university's placement cell to showcase the achievements of our students to potential employers.

Beyond academics, Assam Don Bosco University offered a vibrant campus life. The diverse student body from various backgrounds and cultures enriched my perspective and broadened my horizons. Engaging in extracurricular activities such as clubs, seminars, and workshops provided a holistic development experience. The university also encouraged community engagement and social responsibility through initiatives like volunteering and outreach programs, reinforcing the values of empathy and compassion. In addition to this, I get an opportunity to publish my two-research paper in international journals. As I look back on my journey at Assam Don Bosco University, I am filled with gratitude for the opportunities, experiences, and knowledge that have shaped me into a well-rounded individual. The leadership roles I undertook not only honed my organizational and interpersonal skills but also instilled in me a sense of responsibility and a passion for contributing to the betterment of the university community.

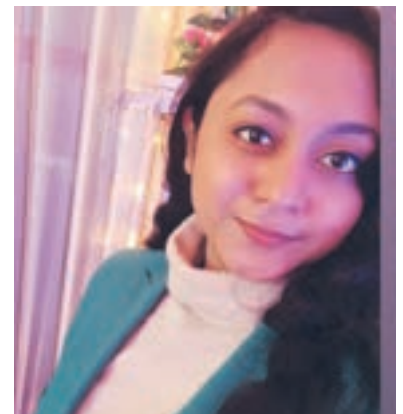
In conclusion, my university experience at Assam Don Bosco University has been instrumental in shaping my academic and personal growth. I am proud to have been a part of an institution that prioritizes academic excellence, leadership development, and holistic growth. As I move forward in my academic and professional pursuits, the lessons and experiences from Assam Don Bosco University will continue to guide me toward a future filled with promise and success.

Queen Borah

Master of Social Work

My two-year journey at Assam Don Bosco University (ADBU) pursuing my Masters of Social Work was truly an amazing and transformative experience. During my time at ADBU, I had the privilege of immersing myself in a dynamic and enriching academic environment that provided me with ample opportunities to learn, discover, and grow both personally and professionally.

One of the most significant aspects of my experience at ADBU was the way the Masters of Social Work course broadened my perspectives on society and various approaches to addressing social issues. The program was designed to not only impart theoretical knowledge but also to emphasize the practical application of social work principles. Through a combination of classroom lectures, fieldwork, and hands-on experiences, I gained a deeper understanding of the complexities and nuances of social problems and learned how to develop effective strategies for social change.



One of the standout features of the program was its emphasis on critical thinking and the encouragement to question established norms and beliefs. This allowed me to unlearn and relearn various things, challenging my preconceived notions and biases. It was a transformative process that helped me become a more open-minded and empathetic individual.

But my growth at ADBU was not limited to academics alone. The university provided a holistic learning environment, fostering the development of extracurricular skills and personal growth. I had the opportunity to participate in various social and community service initiatives, which not only enriched my practical knowledge but also instilled a deep sense of social responsibility. ADBU's commitment to community engagement and service aligns perfectly with the values of social work, and it was heartening to see the positive impact we could make through our collective efforts.

Throughout my journey, I was fortunate to be guided and mentored by dedicated faculties who were not just educators but

also practitioners in the field of social work. Their expertise, guidance, and unwavering support played a pivotal role in my development as a social worker.

In retrospect, my time at Assam Don Bosco University was a journey worth experiencing. It equipped me with the knowledge, skills, and values necessary to make a meaningful difference in the lives of individuals and communities. I am immensely grateful to have been a part of this esteemed institution, and I carry the lessons and experiences I gained here with me as I continue my journey in the field of social work. ADBU will always hold a special place in my heart as the place where I not only received an education but also found my calling to create positive change in society.

Radhika More

BA (Honours) Psychology

*"One day, in retrospect, the years of struggle will strike you as the most beautiful."
-Sigmund Freud*

My days at ADBU are flashing vividly before my eyes as I write this note. Whether it's exploring the lush green campus, chatting with friends, travelling for two hours from the city, eating the jujubes from campus garden or barging into the faculty cabin unapologetically. They are all memorable!

On 11th September 2020, we received a warm welcome text by Dr. Chandita Baruah, Head of the Department of Psychology on our 1st official WhatsApp group named "B.A. 1st Sem". It still exist as "B.A 6th Sem" on our devices. As I moved into the subsequent semesters, my interest in psychology continued to expand. The professors not only imparted academic knowledge but also helped me grow as a person. The skills of empathy and principle of authenticity are the greatest gifts I have received from them. I discovered in them more than just professors, I found friends who offered me consolation during difficult times. When I was once unwell and absent from class, I recall that all my department's professors called me up and wished me well on the road to recovery. I will be forever indebted to them for the love and support they showered upon me.



As the students are from various states, ADBU delivers a vibrant spectacle in terms of ethnicity and culture. As I travelled, I encountered many types of people, engaged with them, learned about them and their cultures, and developed as a more accepting person overall. It's said that college is where we make our lifelong friends, and I found mine! Walking the trails around the campus' gorgeous greenery talking our hearts out was my favourite. Sharing notes, completing last-minute assignments and teaching each other just ten minutes before exam strengthened our bond!

The most important thing in today's environment is confidence, and ADBU has just provided me with that. Representing the Psychology Department as the Joint Coordinator of the Journal Club, helped me develop my managerial and leadership abilities. The university's engagement with international communities is one of its most distinctive features. Throughout my course, I had the chance to interact with professors and students from various prestigious institution worldwide who visited the campus. I'm really appreciative of the institution for fostering a culture of volunteerism through the Service Learning Curriculum and other community programmes. This has made me feel even more driven to use my knowledge and skills beyond classroom to create a meaningful existence in the community.

ADBU has shaped me into a person I am today. I want to express my sincere gratitude to the university for all the opportunities I was able to take use of in terms of my coursework and extracurricular activities. I am very grateful to the Institution, the members of faculty and staff and all my friends for making this journey worthwhile.

These three mesmerizing years as a 'Bosconian' will always hold a special place in my heart. One of the most valuable lessons that I am carrying with me as I step out as a proud graduate from ADBU is its motto "Carpe Diem" i.e. "Seize the day". To all my friends, as you live the best of your life, remember "Once a Bosconian, always a Bosconian!"

Thank you so much!



Rajesh Rishi

MTech - Electrical and Electronics Engineering

"Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today." - Malcolm X

My educational journey at Assam Don Bosco University has been a captivating voyage, a beautiful tapestry of knowledge, perseverance, and accomplishments. It commenced with the pursuit of a Bachelor of Technology in Electrical and Electronics Engineering, laying the foundation for my academic aspirations. This journey continued with a Master of Technology, specializing in Power Systems, a path that culminated in the prestigious accolade of a gold medal. My quest for knowledge further led me to achieve a Master of Business Administration, specializing in Human Resource Management and Finance, marking the pinnacle of my academic pursuits. Throughout this incredible odyssey, the guidance and mentorship provided by the esteemed faculty, state-of-the-art practical lab facilities, a richly stocked library, advanced computing centers, an inspiring study environment, delectable cuisines at the canteen to fuel memory, and a magnificent auditorium have played pivotal roles in shaping my holistic development and academic excellence.

The faculty at Assam Don Bosco University were not just educators but nurturing mentors who fueled my intellectual curiosity and ignited my passion for innovation. Their extensive knowledge and unwavering dedication extended beyond the classroom, creating an atmosphere of continuous learning and critical thinking. Engaging with these experts on research projects, particularly in the realm of power systems and sustainable energy solutions, broadened my horizons and allowed me to delve deeper into the intricacies of electrical engineering.

The university's practical lab facilities were nothing short of exceptional. These cutting-edge laboratories provided hands-on experiences that were instrumental in bridging the gap between theory and application. From designing intricate power distribution systems to conducting experiments in control systems, these labs were the crucible in which I forged my engineering skills, ensuring I was well-prepared to tackle the practical challenges that awaited in my career.

The well-equipped library, a sanctuary of knowledge, and the advanced computing centers, equipped with state-of-the-art technology, were invaluable resources that enriched my academic journey. They provided me with access to a vast repository of information and tools for research, enabling me to explore and expand my horizons.

The study environment at Assam Don Bosco University was a perfect blend of tranquility and focus. Nestled amidst the serene landscapes of Assam, the campus provided a peaceful setting that fostered both contemplation and academic dedication. Dedicated study spaces and inspiring vistas encouraged me to delve deep into my studies, conduct research, and nurture my academic aspirations.

The canteen at the university was not just a place for meals; it was a hub of nourishment for the body and mind. Tasty and nutritious foods served here not only delighted the palate but also provided the sustenance needed to develop a sharp memory, fueling long hours of study and concentration.

The impressive auditorium, with its state-of-the-art audio-visual facilities and grand ambiance, was the stage for numerous academic and cultural events. It served as a platform for showcasing talents, nurturing creativity, and fostering a sense of community among the students.

Completing a Bachelor of Technology, Master of Technology, and a Master of Business Administration has been a transformative odyssey, where the guidance of dedicated faculty, state-of-the-art lab facilities, a well-stocked library, advanced computing centers, an inspiring study environment, delectable cuisines, and a magnificent auditorium have been the cornerstones of my success. As I venture into the next phase of my journey, I carry with me the wisdom, experiences, and values instilled by Assam Don Bosco University, equipped to face the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead in the ever-evolving landscape of engineering and business.

Rajlaxmi Kashyap

BSc (Honours) Botany

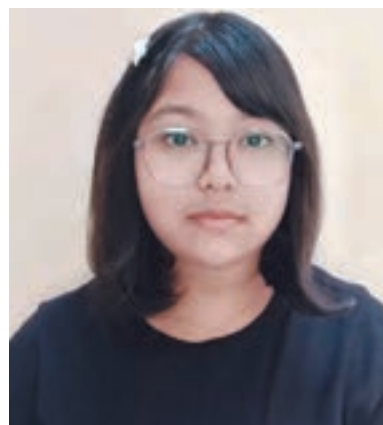
The passage of time has been swift, and it seems like just yesterday when I applied for the BSc Botany program at this university in August 2020, amidst the backdrop of the COVID-19 pandemic. Filling out the application form, I held a mixture of emotions as I eagerly anticipated a call for an interview. Upon the arrival of the admission letter, I made a firm commitment to work diligently and immerse myself in the study of my chosen subject.

Despite enduring a year and a half of online classes, I had the privilege of engaging with all my teachers and relished an exceptional learning experience at ADBU. At the commencement of the 4th semester, the return to offline classes prompted my decision to reside at Hostel Poinsettia on campus. This marked my first venture living away from home, and naturally, my parents harbored initial concerns. In the early months, they paid frequent visits to ensure my well-being, but with time, their confidence in my safety grew, thanks to the supportive care of our diligent wardens during challenging moments.

The discovery of the indoor badminton courts in block 2 filled me with enthusiasm, and I managed to make modest improvements in my game. Some of my most joyful moments were spent on the badminton court, providing a therapeutic release after a full day of classes and leading to the formation of meaningful friendships.

Our devoted professors have been an invaluable part of my BSc journey, aiding me in regaining my self-assurance and nurturing my leadership abilities. ADBU not only facilitated my academic growth but also provided opportunities to enhance my skills through participation in extracurricular activities.

As I reflect on my BSc years, I am flooded with cherished memories and can confidently assert that I had the most enriching learning experience at ADBU. In closing, I wish to convey my deepest gratitude to my parents, my unwavering pillars of support. Without their encouragement and support, I would not have had the privilege of experiencing these wonderful moments.



Veralana Veema Syngkon

Master of Commerce

Life in Assam Don Bosco has been blissfully transformative and that is not even an overstatement. The whole trajectory of my life took a turn in less than two years. I am beyond delighted to express how grateful I am for all the experiences I have garnered over the past two years. I have grown as a woman in terms of maturity and, being away from home gave me a significant understanding of the countless aspects of life. It is indeed amusing seeing how life can be transformed in a short span of time, it is almost as if I am more awake than ever.

Meeting people from various backgrounds and forming new relationships has been such an exciting revelation. I have made friends who were such kind souls and I wouldn't have made it as far without them. I would like to mention how grateful I am to my teachers for all the lessons that they had set forth for us and for also being the backbone to all my achievements. I am also beyond thankful for my family as well as my best friend for always standing beside me through this rejuvenating journey, they have been the true witnesses as to how my life here has been so irrevocably defining.

The copious opportunities extended to us as students by the department and the university itself cannot go unnoticed as well because it has been very beneficial and constructive for the likes of us. The heat and humidity however was not in my favour because coming from a place where the average temperature is usually well below 30, adjusting to the heat and humidity was personally quite a challenge daily. It would probably be the one thing I would incessantly complain about. However, I would not mind reliving the heat because I very well do miss the reality of my life in this University, it was the deciding point towards my renaissance so to say, so ..what harm can a little bit of heat do! I am excited to lead my life forward with the new insights that I have received by being in this University. So to conclude my letter, I would like to say thank you again to my teachers, friends and family and last but not least - Thank You Assam Don Bosco University for everything.





BK Rangponga John

Bachelor of Commerce (Honours)

First and foremost, I would like to express my gratitude to the Lord for His boundless love and blessings, which enabled me to successfully complete this course. I am deeply thankful to my parents for their unwavering love and support throughout this journey. I would also like to extend my heartfelt thanks to all the teachers who have guided and supported us, ensuring that we could navigate through this phase of college life smoothly.

When I reflect upon my days at ADBU and the blessings ADBU has bestowed upon me, I realize that they were blessings beyond measure. Every single day was a blessing. It all began from the moment I applied for admission. This was during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic when we were all confined to our homes due to quarantine. Consequently, I had to complete my admission process remotely.

During the admission procedure, my sister and I made an error during the transaction. Unfortunately, the money was not deposited into the university's account but ended up in someone else's. We were apprehensive, fearing that the faculty would reprimand us for not handling the online transaction correctly. However, at that moment, Dr. Biju Mani Das, the Head of the Commerce Department, was overseeing my admission process. He displayed remarkable composure and understanding. Working in collaboration with the individuals responsible for the admission process, they resolved the issue at hand. To this day, I remain deeply grateful for their understanding and assistance, and it serves as a constant reminder to me to be more compassionate and helpful to others.

Group presentations were one of the most exciting activities among all the various types of class activities. They were genuinely thrilling because they helped me open up to my classmates and actively participate in group assignments.

One group presentation stands out in my memory. It was not assigned based on ID numbers; instead, our teacher allowed us to form our own groups. This happened at the beginning of our classes when we were still getting to know each other and had limited interaction. Consequently, we ended up forming groups with the students sitting beside us.

Little did we know that, two years later, the group we formed that day would have developed such a strong bond among the five of us. My college life became more enjoyable and filled with fun moments as a result.

By the end of every semester, my classmates and I had become so familiar with each other that we practically worked as a cohesive team. One of our greatest achievements as a team occurred during the 2023 D'verve week, where our class earned the D'verve 2023 CHAMPION'S TROPHY. It was a truly special moment for our class, especially since it was our last semester at the university. During that week, I witnessed the remarkable team spirit of our class. We were all deeply motivated to contribute something significant for both the class and ourselves. This motivation extended to the point where every individual participated in at least one club activity. As I look back at all these memories, I feel happy and content knowing that I have collected some cherished moments that I will carry with me throughout my life.



Ranisha Syiemlieh

BTech - Civil Engineering

"Carpe Diem", a motto that has led a simple, shy, anxious, yet creative and bright woman like me to believe and bring out the best of myself for the betterment of my own present time and not worry about the future. Assam Don Bosco University being one of the top Private Universities in Northeast India is a brilliant university guiding students and I must say I chose the right university for expanding my knowledge and be a step closer to building my career. I, being a technical student have learnt a lot on how to use my knowledge in the right field and to be always open to new knowledge and be open-minded. Having this opportunity to express myself, I would very much like to thank God, my parents, teachers, friends, and everyone who have been a part of my beautiful journey in the university and for always believing and supporting me. I sure gained a lot of confidence and learned that hard-work is truly the key to success. You can only succeed if you believe in yourself and work with passion and love and always

remember "Nothing is too easy but nothing is too hard as well".

Hetti ArAachchige Shirantha Madushan Perera

MA Education

My journey in Assam Don Bosco University (ADBU) has been nothing short of a remarkable odyssey, a transformative journey destined to be etched in the tapestry of my life's experiences. This revered institution has not only been my academic abode but also a sanctum where I unearthed the finest facets of my being.

Hailing from the distant shores of Sri Lanka, my sojourn in the northeastern India was an exquisite tapestry woven with the vibrant threads of diverse cultures and the enduring bonds of friendship. These two years within the hallowed halls of ADBU were more than just an academic pursuit; they were an immersive life-altering experience that transformed this institution into my second home.

The mesmerizing beauty of the campus captivated my heart, immersing me in nature's embrace. The sight of lush green tea gardens takes me to a world of peace and tranquillity. Surrounded by clean, pollution-free air and the enchanting greenery of trees and tea bushes, the campus became a haven of natural splendour that I fell in love with.

My heart brims with gratitude towards Fr. Joseph Almeida and Fr. Stephen Mavelly, who helped me manifest my dream of studying at ADBU. My appreciation extends to the entire ADBU family—professors, lecturers, staff members, fathers, brothers, sisters and friends—whose collective love and care have nurtured my journey.

The extraordinary and dedicated teachers of our department deserve special mention; they were more than just purveyors of knowledge. They were mentors who from day one, enveloped us in a cocoon of comfort, nurturing our intellectual and personal growth with unwavering dedication. Through their guidance, I gleaned invaluable life skills such as time management, sincerity, honesty, and punctuality, which have been instrumental on my journey of self-discovery.

Our university's motto, 'Carpe Diem,' echoed Saint John Bosco's timeless wisdom: "Do not put off till tomorrow the good you can do today." These words reverberated deeply within me, urging me to seize every opportunity that dawned. I dived headlong into a myriad of enriching activities, from internships in the picturesque landscapes of Darjeeling to thought-provoking school visits, from meaningful service learning experiences to captivating educational tours, and from spirited debates to enlightening seminars, workshops, and webinars. Through these endeavours, I forged connections with peers from diverse backgrounds and cultivated friendships that transcended borders and institutions.

While academic knowledge forms the bedrock of education, ADBU offered something beyond—a transformative journey characterized by unforgettable experiences, cherished memories, and personal evolution. The verdant embrace of our campus taught me to harmonize with nature, while the kaleidoscope of perspectives within our diverse student body broadened my horizons. The extraordinary faculty extended their teachings beyond textbooks, nurturing a holistic understanding of the world within me.

ADBU, through its rich experiences, instilled a profound wisdom within me. Life, I discovered, is not merely a race to be the best but a dance to the rhythm of your own journey. It's about giving your best, savouring your achievements, and embracing the present moment. It's an exploration of your passions, a quest for uncharted horizons, and a daily revelation of the new and wondrous.

My time at Assam Don Bosco University has been an immersive and holistic learning experience, an orchestration of opportunities that nurtured my growth and fuelled my dreams. As a Bosconian, I've learned that true fulfilment emanates from seizing life's opportunities, giving your best to each endeavour, and cherishing every note in the symphony of your journey.





Shreya Chowdhury
BA (Honours) Education

I am currently pursuing my Masters in Education from Assam Don Bosco University and have also completed my Bachelors from the same. ADBU has given me the opportunity to discover and flourish myself to the best of my abilities. I have made beautiful memories and met wonderful people. I never would have imagined myself in this position but here I am writing about my experience in ADBU. Here, I have learned to come out of my shell and explore new horizons. Today I am much more confident to face the challenges that are to come my way and I am grateful to ADBU for enabling me to reach new heights. I wish to carry forward my learning and become a better version of myself in the future.



Sonakshi Gupta
BA (Honours) Mass Communication

Our academic journey started during a Global Pandemic, which was something out of the ordinary. We met our teachers and classmates through tiny screens and poor connectivity issues. It feels just yesterday we were stepping into the vibrant world of Assam Don Bosco University, tired of online classes and unsure of what lay ahead. The campus became my home and the people became my family.

As I start writing my experience of my university life, firstly, let me shout it from the rooftops – I am forever indebted to our remarkable teachers. Everything I've achieved so far, and everything I hope to achieve in the future, is intricately woven with the lessons and inspiration they've imparted. Thank you, dear professors, for being the guiding stars of my academic universe.

But it's not all about the books, is it? The memories we've made together are the real treasures of my college life. To my fellow graduates, you've been more than just classmates; you're the reason my college days were filled with laughter, adventure, and lifelong friendships. From surviving the stressful exams to celebrating even the smallest victories of each other – we've been through it all, and I wouldn't have had it any other way.

Speaking of togetherness, how could I ever forget our beloved Magnolia Hostel? It was more than just a roof over our heads; it was where we became a family. The late-night munchies, movie marathons, and the heartfelt conversations – Magnolia was the heartbeat of our college life, and it will forever hold a special place in my hearts.

And then there were those legendary evenings on the highway. Chai, snacks, and the melodious symphony of our laughter – those gatherings were our therapy sessions, our escape from the daily grind. The friendships we forged under the starry skies and the occasional flickering streetlight are the kind that time cannot erode.

Now, as I step into the world beyond these hallowed halls, as I embark on new academic journeys and chase my wildest dreams, I will never forget where it all started. Assam Don Bosco University will forever be a part of me. It's the knowledge, the values, and the memories I'll carry with me wherever I go. It's been a journey that I'll forever be grateful for. So, here's to the adventures that lie ahead – may they be as memorable and life-changing as the ones we shared in the University.

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