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ACADEMIC | WRITER | RESEARCHER | CREATIVE PROFESSIONAL

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Motivated academic, writer, researcher, and creative professional with demonstrated experience in teaching, research, content development, and event management. Skilled in adapting to dynamic work environments and contributing creative and critical skills. Committed to fostering inclusive educational spaces and delivering value-driven outcomes in academia and communication.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

<ul style="list-style-type: none">Lecturer North South University	July 2024 - Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Contributing Writer The Daily Star	September 2021 - Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Adjunct Lecturer North South University	October 2023 - July 2024
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Adjunct Lecturer Independent University, Bangladesh	April 2022 - November 2023
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Sub-editor and Operations Manager Asian News Network (ANN)	February 2022 - July 2023
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Operations (Knowledge Management and Communications) Intern BRAC International Microfinance sector	June 2021 - September 2021
<ul style="list-style-type: none">English language teacher Mastermind School Grades: 7 and 8 (Cambridge and Edexcel)	September 2017 - May 2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Operations (Knowledge Management and Communications) Intern BRAC International (Microfinance sector)	June 2021 - August 2021
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Teacher's Assistant/Marker for English EAP courses North South University	2016 - 2017
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Content Writer Champs 21.com Startup Dhaka (now SDAsia)	2014 - 2016

EDUCATION

<ul style="list-style-type: none">Master of Arts (MA) in Writing and Literature Deakin University, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia WAM: 73.4% (Distinction)	2019 - 2021
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Bachelor of Arts (BA) in English North South University, Dhaka, Bangladesh CGPA: 3.71 / 4.00 (Magna Cum Laude)	2013 - 2017

- **Advanced (A) Level**

2012

Maple Leaf International School, Dhaka, Bangladesh

Subjects: Economics and Art & Design

GPA: 3.00 / 5.00

- **Ordinary (O) Level**

2010

Mastermind School, Dhaka, Bangladesh

Subjects: Mathematics B, Pure Mathematics, English, Bengali, Economics, Physics, Art & Design

GPA: 3.71 / 5.00

LEADERSHIP & CO-CURRICULAR INVOLVEMENT

- **Coordinator,
NSU DEML Colloquium Series**

August 2024 - Present

North South University

- **International Conference**

2016

Department of English and Modern Languages

North South University

Volunteer (Crowd management, Liaison, Speakers support)

- **Young Economists' Forum (YEF)**

North South University

Joint Secretary and Head of Logistics (2016 - 2017)

Team Leader, Creative Core (2015 - 2016)

Senior Executive Officer, Logistics & Admin (2014 - 2015)

Event planning, publication coordination, promotional strategy

- **Mastermind Community Service Club**

2016

Department of English and Modern Languages

North South University

Volunteer (Crowd management, Liaison, Speakers support)

PUBLICATIONS

- "Ink, jasmine, and the ghost of Ma: Unlearning my father" (2025); "The need to be fierce: In 'Sweetness', Toni Morrison allows a mother to explain her actions" (2021), and other publications under *The Daily Star*: <https://www.thedailystar.net/author/maisha-syeda>
- "Who Is to Blame?" (2013) - *YEF Equilibrium 2013*

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

- Semi-finalist of fiction writing competition, *Gal-Golpo*, by Bangladesh Art Nation (2020)
- Winner of Inter-University Cultural Competition, *400 Years of Shakespeare* by University of Liberal Arts, Bangladesh (2016)
- Top Team Leader, Young Economists' Forum (2016)
- Star Performer, Young Economists' Forum (2015)
- Top Performer, Young Economists' Forum (2014)

SKILLS

- **Languages:** Bengali (native), English (fluent)
- **Fields:** Teaching, Research, Writing, Editing, Proofreading, Event & Logistics Management, Copywriting
- **Tools:** Microsoft Office Suite, Adobe Photoshop, Canva, Procreate, KoBo Toolbox, Microsoft Power BI
- **Soft Skills:** Attention to detail, Decision-making under pressure, Organisation, Team leadership

REFERENCES

- **Mahfuz Anam**

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- **Nazia Manzoor, Ph.D.**

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