

DU teacher ✓ fired over sexual harassment

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DHAKA University authorities fired sociology department professor Shahadat Hossain on charges of sexually harassing female students.

The decision was made on Monday night at the DU syndicate, headed by vice-chancellor AAMS Arefin Siddique.

Pro-vice-chancellor (administration) Akhtaruzza-man said that Shahadat was sacked for moral turpitude and this was the maximum penalty imposed on a teacher under the university's jurisdiction.

Shahadat was sent on compulsory leave on July 21 last year when the allegations against him surfaced.

The female harassment prevention cell was tasked with investigating the allegations brought about by two students of the department.

Dismissing the allegations against him, Shahadat said, 'This is a conspiracy which has been hatched against me by some of my colleagues to undermine my reputation'.