

# Campus Chronicles

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Dear Students, Alumni, Employees, and Friends of DIU,

Greetings from the Office of the Students' Affairs (OSA), Daffodil International University!

We take great pride in sharing the remarkable activities, achievements, and opportunities that continue to shape the vibrant campus life at DIU.

Throughout January 2025, our students demonstrated outstanding contributions across diverse fields—ranging from academic excellence to extracurricular and co-curricular endeavors. Their passion, commitment, and perseverance are truly inspiring, reflecting the spirit of DIU and its pursuit of excellence.

Warm regards,  
**OSA Team**

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**Daffodil International University** **THE World University Rankings 2026 by Subject**

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by Subject 2026

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# NEWS DESK



13th Convocation of Daffodil International University 2026

Daffodil International University celebrated its 13th Convocation 2026, commemorating the academic journey of 4,020 graduates in a dignified ceremony graced by esteemed national leaders and university leadership, reaffirming DIU's vision of nurturing future leaders, innovators, and nation builders.

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## DIU Marked 24 Years of Excellence and Launched Silver Jubilee Countdown



Daffodil International University celebrated its 24th Founding Anniversary at Daffodil Smart City, commemorating 24 years of excellence in education, innovation, and social contribution while officially launching the countdown to its Silver Jubilee. The milestone featured a vibrant rally, cultural and artistic performances, a Founding Anniversary Marathon Run with over 400 participants.

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## DIU Spring 2026 Foundation Class Began with Enriching Student Sessions

On January 4-6, 2026, Daffodil International University conducted eight powerful sessions for its newly admitted Spring 2026 students, focused on self-care, academic success, and personal growth. Sessions included Nourish to Flourish.

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## DIU Welcomed Spring 2026 Freshers with Inspiring Orientation Program

On 14 December, Daffodil International University honored the nation's martyred intellectuals with a discussion session and a wreath-laying ceremony at the Shaheed Buddhijibi Memorial, paying deep respect to their sacrifice.

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## DIU Distributed 1,500 Laptops Under "One Student, One Laptop" Initiative



Under Daffodil International University's "One Student, One Laptop" initiative, 1,500 laptops were distributed in the latest phase of the program, raising the total number of free laptop recipients to over 80,000 students.

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## DIU Handed Over Student-Guardian Insurance Claims Worth BDT 3.06 Crore

Daffodil International University handed over 102 Student-Guardian Insurance claim cheques, worth BDT 3.06 crore, to students and their families in a ceremony at Daffodil Smart City, organized in collaboration with Prime Islami Life Insurance Limited.

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## DIU Hosted “Fund Your Future” Scholarship Session

Daffodil International University hosted the exclusive session “Fund Your Future: Winning Scholarships for Global Success”, conducted by Dr. Md. Ashiqur Rahman, Regional Manager (Asia) at Centralized Support for Erasmus+ .

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## Daffodil Family Day 2026

Daffodil Group announced a long-term commitment to allocate one-third of its net profit for national development starting 2026. The announcement was made by Dr. Md. Sabur Khan, Chairman of Daffodil Group, during Daffodil Family Day 2026, attended by over 6,500 members of the Daffodil family.

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## DIU Successfully Conducted Faculty Induction Training (Spring 2026)

Daffodil International University successfully completed a 6-day Induction Training for Teachers (Spring 2026), organized by the Human Resource Development Institute, to welcome and prepare newly appointed faculty members.

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## DIU Celebrated Bani Archana

Continuing its annual tradition, Daffodil International University celebrated Bani Archana in a grand and aesthetically rich arrangement inspired by the theme “Mother and Soil.”

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## DIU Welcomed National Men's Cricket Coach Phil Simmons

Daffodil International University warmly welcomed Phil Simmons, Head Coach of the National Men's Cricket team, for an inspiring session on sports, education, and youth development. Hosted in collaboration with the Nicholas Pogose Foundation, UK.

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# INTERNATIONAL AFFILIATION



## IAUP Asia Pacific Regional Conference 2026

The IAUP Asia Pacific Regional Conference 2026 concluded with an impactful panel on “The Role of Associations in Global Higher Education,” featuring Dr. Md. Sabur Khan, Founder & Chairman of Daffodil International University, as a panelist.

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## DIU Students Completed Semester Exchange at INTI International University

Under the Semester Exchange Program, five DIU students – Mohammad Farhan Raiyan and Md Sanjid Islam (Department of Accounting), Cajetan Francis Cruze and Khorshed Alam (Department of Multimedia & Creative Technology), and Mehrab Hossain Rahi (Department of Computer Science & Engineering) – completed their Spring 2026 semester at INTI International University.

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## DIU Student Completed Semester at Kyungsung University, South Korea

Shefaul Islam Robin, a student of the Department of Innovation & Entrepreneurship, Daffodil International University, completed a semester at Kyungsung University, South Korea under the fully funded Global Korea Scholarship (GKS) – Fall 2025.

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## DIU Engaged in Academic Meeting with Tianjin University Delegation

An exclusive networking and closed-door academic meeting with a delegation from Tianjin University, China was successfully held on 21 January 2026 at Lakeshore Heights, Dhaka. Organized by MalishaEdu, the event brought together representatives from leading higher education institutions of Bangladesh.

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### Academic Collaboration Meeting

Between

Macquarie University, Australia

&

Daffodil International University, Bangladesh



### DIU Hosted Academic Meeting with Macquarie University Delegates

Daffodil International University hosted a meeting chaired by Pro-Vice Chancellor Professor Dr. Mohammed Masum Iqbal to welcome delegates from Australia’s Macquarie University – Dr. Nazmul Huda, Associate Professor and Director of Education, School of Engineering, and Mr. Alkayet Hossain, Senior Country Manager, South Asia & Middle East.

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### DIU Signed Agreement to Launch Chinese Language Course

Daffodil International University (DIU) and Shanto Mariam–Honghe Confucius Classroom (SMHCC) signed an agreement on 21 January to introduce a Chinese language course at DIU under the Confucius Institute, supported by the Government of China.

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## Achievements



### DIU Ranked in Five Subject Categories in THE World University Rankings 2026

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Daffodil International University was ranked in five subject categories in the Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings by Subject 2026, marking a significant milestone in its academic journey. This recognition reflects DIU’s growing excellence in teaching, research, industry engagement, and global outlook, and celebrates the dedication of its faculty, students, alumni, and partners.

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## DIU Students Awarded Erasmus+ ICM Scholarship

Two meritorious students from the Department of Tourism and Hospitality Management of Daffodil International University were awarded the prestigious Erasmus+ fully funded ICM scholarship to pursue a semester at EPHEC University College, Belgium, in Spring 2026.



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## DIU Faculty Publishes Groundbreaking Research in Nature Portfolio Journal

Dr. Mohammad Mahadi Hasan, Assistant Professor of Public Health at Daffodil International University, recently published a research article in Cell Death and Differentiation, a high-impact journal of the Nature Portfolio (Impact Factor 15.4, CiteScore 23.5).

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### Research at DIU

**Dr. Mohammad Mahadi Hasan**  
Assistant Professor, Department of Public Health  
has recently published a research article in "Cell Death and Differentiation", a prestigious journal of the **Nature Portfolio**.



## DIU Students Won National AI Build-A-Thon Championship

Fuad Hasan, Abdullah Islam Fahim, Md. Saikat Hassan, and Raihana Ahmed from the Department of Software Engineering, Daffodil International University, won the National AI Build-A-Thon, organized by MillionX Bangladesh.

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### Congratulations

**Fuad Hasan, Abdullah Islam Fahim, Md. Saikat Hassan, Raihana Ahmed**  
Department of Software Engineering, DIU  
achieved the **Championship** in the National AI Build-A-Thon by MillionX Bangladesh



### Congratulations

Two faculty members & a student of the Department of Agricultural Science, DIU have been awarded the prestigious **Research Fund** from the Ministry of Agriculture, Project: "Molecular characterization and genetic diversity of Pineapple"



## DIU Secures Prestigious Agricultural Research Fund

Daffodil International University entered a new frontier of research funding as two faculty members and a student from the Department of Agricultural Science received a prestigious Research Fund from the Ministry of Agriculture for the project "Molecular Characterization and Genetic Diversity of Pineapple."

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## Congratulations

**Farhana Rahman & Md. Nazmul Hasan**

Rover Scout Leaders of the DIU Air Rover Scout Group achieved the prestigious **Wood Badge Award** in the Rover Scout Section under Bangladesh Scouts



## DIU Rover Scout Leaders Earn Prestigious Wood Badge Award

A proud moment for Daffodil International University Air Rover Scout Group as Farhana Rahman and Md. Nazmul Hasan, Rover Scout Leaders, received the prestigious Wood Badge Award under Bangladesh Scouts.

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## CLUB ACTIVITIES



## DaffodilMUN'25 || DIU MUNA (Model United Nations Association)

Daffodil International University Model United Nations Association (DIUMUNA) successfully concluded DaffodilMUN'25, a platform designed to empower young leaders and advance global youth diplomacy.

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## DIU Air Rover Scout Group Held 20th Investiture Ceremony

The Daffodil International University Air Rover Scout Group proudly held its 20th Investiture Ceremony at Daffodil Smart City, inducting nearly 70 new Rover Scouts—the largest cohort in the group's history. The ceremony was graced by Professor Dr. M. R. Kabir, Honorable Vice Chancellor, and Ms. Mahfuza Parvin.

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## Spring 2026 Debate Training Kicks Off || Daffodil International University Debating Club (DIUDC)

The first Spring 2026 session on Introduction to AP Debate was successfully conducted for newly selected members. Led by Shahneaz Rashid Dipto, the session offered practical guidance, insights, and an engaging start to the new debating journey.

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## SBSF Celebrates 13 Years of Excellence

The Social Business Students' Forum (SBSF) proudly marked 13 years of dedication and impact at Daffodil International University. The celebration featured respected mentors, meaningful discussions, and a joyful cake-cutting ceremony, reflecting teamwork, growth, and a continued commitment to empowering students and promoting social business values.

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## Book Reading Session on “Lavaay Lalshak Puber Akash” || Daffodil Prothom- alo Bondhu Shova

A reading session was held at the university's Bonmoya, featuring the poetry book “Lavaay Lalshak Puber Akash” by writer, poet, cultural activist, and revolutionary Shahid Sharif Osman Bin Hadi. The session began with a recitation by Co-Convenor Ahsanullah Sajib

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## Team Darktrace3 Wins CSAD 2026 Championship || DIU Robotics Club

DIU Robotics Club proudly celebrates H. M. Ashis Rahman, Md. Kawsher Ahmed, and Shafiur Rahman for becoming champions in the Project Showcasing category of Cyber Security Awareness Day (CSAD) 2026.

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## CONTINUUM Marks 10th Charter Day Celebration || Rotaract club

CONTINUUM celebrated its 10th Charter Day with a day of inspiring sessions, learning, and memorable moments. The event highlighted the organization's journey of service and growth, honoring all who contributed to this significant milestone.

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## DIUMUNA Leadership Pays Courtesy Visit to Esteemed Advisor

DIUMUNA leadership formally visited their esteemed advisor to express gratitude for his guidance in the success of DaffodilIMUN'25 and discussed strategic initiatives for 2026, acknowledging the support of university offices that ensured a seamless and enriching experience for all delegates

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## DIU Hosted Cyber Security Awareness Day 2026 || Cyber Security Center

Daffodil International University hosted Cyber Security Awareness Day (CSAD) 2026 at the Daffodil Smart City campus, bringing together policymakers, law enforcement, media, industry experts, researchers, and students under the theme "From Law to Headlines – Reinforcing Trust & Leading to Safe Cyberspace."

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## "Onneshon" Photowalk Series || DIU Photographic Society

DIUPS launched the first "Onneshon" photowalk in Kawran Bazar, Dhaka. Guided by mentors, members captured street life, learned photography techniques, and shared memorable moments, combining storytelling, creativity, and teamwork.

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## DIU Cultural Club Represents DIU at SARCHE 2026 || DIU Cultural Club

The DIU Cultural Club proudly represented Daffodil International University at the South Asian Regional Conference on the State of Higher Education and Future Pathway (SARCHE 2026), marking a significant milestone and setting the stage for future achievements.

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## “Marketing Beyond Borders” Session || DIU Marketing Club

The DIU Marketing Club successfully hosted the session “Marketing Beyond Borders: Studying Abroad & Global Career Opportunities”. The session featured Farhan Alvee, who shared valuable insights on studying abroad and building a global career in marketing.

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## DIU Pharmacia Club Successfully Hosted an Enriching Seminar

Daffodil International University successfully conducted a seminar featuring distinguished speakers who shared insights, practical guidance, and real-world experiences. The event was organized and supported by the dedicated team and volunteers, ensuring smooth execution and active engagement of all participants

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## ELC's Achievement at Presentation Champs – Season 2 (UIUELF x TCL Global)

The competition brought together talented undergraduate students from universities across Bangladesh to compete in teams of three through multiple challenging rounds.

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# Career Development Activities



## DIU Launches Korea Career Placement Program (KCPP) for Global Opportunities

Admission.ac, in collaboration with K-Village and supported by the Career Development Center (CDC) of Daffodil International University, officially launched the Korea Career Placement Program (KCPP) through a signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU).

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## DIU Successfully Concluded On-Campus Recruitment Drive with Betopia Group

Daffodil International University successfully conducted an On-Campus Recruitment Drive in collaboration with Betopia Group on 25 January 2026. Over 70 candidates participated in a rigorous selection process, including quizzes, coding assessments, and panel interviews, resulting in 12 students being selected for final placement.

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## DIU CDC Hosted Seminar on Career Readiness: From Campus to Corporate

The Career Development Center (CDC) of Daffodil International University successfully organized the seminar “From Campus to Corporate: An Open Discussion on Career, Choices & Consequences” on 22 January 2026 at the Prof. Dr. Aminul Islam Seminar Hall.

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## DIU CDC Hosted Seminar on Career and Education Opportunities in South Korea

The Career Development Center (CDC) of Daffodil International University, in collaboration with Admission.ac, successfully conducted a seminar guiding students on higher education and career pathways in South Korea.

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## Faculty of Business & Entrepreneurship (FBE)



### DIU Hosts Global Career Development Program in Tourism & Hospitality

The Department of Tourism & Hospitality Management at Daffodil International University successfully hosted a full-day career development program, “Think Global, Shine International, Lead the Future: From Bangladesh to the World Stage.”

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### Codeconomics 2025: DIU Business Students Embrace Coding for the First Time

The Department of Business Administration successfully organized “Codeconomics: A Programming Challenge for Non-Programmers”, where business students tackled real-world problems using Python for the first time.

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### StartKoro: Fostering Innovation and Entrepreneurship at DIU

The Department of Innovation & Entrepreneurship, in collaboration with Preneurlab, successfully hosted the StartKoro Incubation Bootcamp, providing students with hands-on experience in idea development, early validation.

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### DIU Innovation & Entrepreneurship Team Excels at UIHP

Team Transmate Pro from the Department of Innovation & Entrepreneurship secured a place among the Top 4 startup ideas at the University Innovation Hub Program (UIHP), NSU. After a three-month incubation and a successful final pitch.

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### REHAB Research Centre

### REHAB Fair 2025

The Department of Real Estate, Daffodil International University participated in REHAB Fair 2025 to strengthen industry-academia collaboration

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# Faculty of Science and Information Technology (FSIT)



## DIU Secures Prestigious RDG-ICSETEP Grant for AI-Driven Healthcare Project

The Department of Computer Science & Engineering at Daffodil International University received the prestigious RDG-ICSETEP Grant under the Industry-Academia Collaboration category for a research project focused on AI and post-quantum cryptography to identify counterfeit medicines and enhance healthcare outcomes in Bangladesh.

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## AI Professor Workshop Successfully Concluded

The Department of Computing and Information System (CIS), in collaboration with the Faculty of Health and Life Sciences (FHLS), successfully conducted the “Live Demonstration of AI Professor” workshop. The session showcased the AI-powered LMS app “AI Professor”, highlighting its potential to enhance teaching, learning, and academic engagement at DIU.

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## Seminar on Global AI Pathways

The seminar “Global Pathways in Artificial Intelligence: Career and Higher Education Abroad” concluded successfully, providing CIS students with valuable insights into higher studies abroad, research collaborations, and funding opportunities.



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## Faculty of Engineering (FE)



### Civil Engineering Students Completed Industrial Visit to Salam Steel

Students of Batch 242, Department of Civil Engineering, Faculty of Engineering at DIU completed an industrial visit to Salam Steel, gaining practical insights into steel production, quality control, structural applications, and industrial safety.

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### Civil Engineering Students Shine at Quake Quest Competition

Students from the Department of Civil Engineering, DIU participated in the Quake Quest Competition held on 10 January at Dhaka University of Engineering and Technology (DUET), Gazipur, organized by the ASCE Student Chapter, DUET.

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## Faculty of Health and Life Sciences



### Seminar on Drug Discovery and Higher Studie

The Department of Pharmacy, DIU successfully hosted a seminar titled "An Overview of Drug Discovery and Development in the Pharmaceutical Industry: The Road to Higher Studies". Dr. Muhammad Arifur Rahman, Senior Scientist at Eurofins PSS, USA, shared insights on modern drug discovery, research approaches, and career pathways.

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## Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences (FHSS)

### DIU Students Explored Japanese Cinema at the Japanese Film Show .



The Japanese Film Show 2025 brought together students from all departments of DIU for screenings of *レディ加賀* (The Dancing Okami) and *The Zen Diary*, providing insights into contemporary Japanese cinema and culture. The event was graced by Mr. Aoyagi Yu and Ms. Kazi Bushra Ahmed Tithi from the Embassy of Japan in Bangladesh.

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### Industry Visit & Dialogue on Female Leadership



As part of the Women Media Leaders of Tomorrow (WMLT) initiative, students from JMC, DIU participated in an industry visit to Somoy TV. The visit provided firsthand newsroom experience and an engaging dialogue with media professionals on challenges, opportunities, and female leadership in media.

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### British Council Youth Connect: Digital Citizenship & Misinformation Resilience Training

The British Council Youth Connect workshop on digital citizenship and misinformation resilience was successfully conducted at JMC, DIU, with 60 students participating. Guided by Dr. Aftab Hossein and Dr. Kabil Khan, students engaged in interactive sessions.



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## Pen and Perspective

### Escaping the screen Trap

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At present, lack of attention in studies, sleep disturbances, not using time properly and human instability are coming out among the students. One of the reasons for this is excessive mobile addiction. Long term mobile phone addiction can lead to physical problems such as loss of GABA (a neurotransmitter in the brain) and loss of gray matter in the brain, which is often associated with substance use disorders.

Let's find out why mobile usage is becoming an addiction: Regularly liking, commenting and following on social media releases a hormone called dopamine in the brain, which temporarily gives a feeling of great pleasure. We become addicted to mobile phones for its pleasure, escape from stress or boredom and Fear of missing out (FOMO). This causes us to lose interest in positive places like family gatherings, friends' chats and sports.

To overcome mobile addiction, you first need to be aware of how much screen time you spent each day and at what time. Below I share some tips to overcome mobile addiction:

1. Setting time boundaries, Such as how much time per day the screen will be free, can be done by setting app times that will automatically give reminder.
2. Do space-free activities, such as not using your phone during meals, study time or when talking to someone
3. Arrange alternative activities for yourself, such as walking, dressing, playing, talking with family and friends and doing chores.
4. Maintain night time digital hygiene, such as being screen-free for 1 hour before bed, keeping the bedroom tech-free, and using an alarm clock instead of the phone.
5. Developing healthy social networks like face-to-face interaction, clubbing, joining activities, volunteering, especially creating study circles, sports and physical exercise regularly.
6. When mobile phone addiction reaches the level of excessive obsession, the person can't get out of it even if they want to, so it is important to seek the help of a mental health expert.

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