

**CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURE AND STUDENTS' ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE:
AN ECONOMETRIC ANALYSIS OF PUBLIC UNIVERSITY STUDENTS IN
BANGLADESH**

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ABSTRACT

This study examines the factors that influence the public university students' consumption expenditure and their academic performance. A linear consumption function is used applying ordinary least squares technique to determine the factors that influence students' consumption expenditure. Based on primary data collected from the four prominent public universities of Bangladesh, the study shows that gender, monthly family income, part-time job, average grade point, residential status, entertainment cost and mobile expenditure are important factors to influence public university students' consumption expenditure in Bangladesh. The co-relation matrix also confirms a positive relationship between students' academic performance and their consumption expenditure.

Keywords: Academic performance, consumption expenditure of students, linear regression, ordinary least squares technique.