

Haque Retires from School of Mass Communication and Journalism

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After 26 years of service to The University of Southern Mississippi, Dr. Mazharul Haque is retiring from his post as professor in the School of Mass Communication and Journalism.

Haque has served Southern Miss since 1984 teaching undergraduate and graduate courses in media theory, research, law, ethics, international communication and various other areas. A reception will be held in his honor from 3-4 p.m. Wednesday, July 28 in the R.C. Lounge in the Student Union on the Hattiesburg campus.

A brilliant and demanding teacher, Haque is a prolific scholar who has lectured at conferences across the United States and at universities around the world. His legacy has left a lasting mark on the program at Southern Miss, according to Dr. Chris Campbell, chair of the School of Mass Communication and Journalism.

"He's one of the brightest people I've ever known, and that's an opinion shared by all of his colleagues and students. He's left a real impact on the program here, and he's touched the lives of thousands of students," Campbell said.

Haque earned master's and doctoral degrees from Ohio University and bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Dacca in Bangladesh. Before his academic career, he served for seven years as an information officer for the governments of Pakistan and Bangladesh.

From 1990 to 1995, he served as director of graduate studies in the Southern Miss School of Communication. He directed the dissertations of more than 30 mass communication doctoral students, and he served as a member on the dissertation committees of many more.

"Dr. Haque chaired my dissertation when I was a doctoral student at Southern Miss, so I'm well aware of the high level of expectations that he had for his students," Campbell said.

An accomplished writer, Haque has published dozens of journal articles, book chapters and monographs.

He is the author of "What is News in India? A Content Analysis of Elite Dailies" and co-author of "Representations of the Cultural Revolution in the Films of the Fifth Generation Filmmakers of China."

Following his departure from Southern Miss, Haque will take a professorship at the Gulf University for Science and Technology in Kuwait. For more information about the reception, call 601.266.4258.

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