



Provost's Lecture Series hosting Shah Newaz on Wednesday , April 7

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Dear Colleagues,

It is my pleasure to extend this invitation to attend a Provost's lecture with Shah Newaz on Wednesday, April 7, at 3:30 p.m. in Lecture Hall 2 of the Charles B. Wang Center. Mr. Newaz is Senior Vice President and General Manager of Grameen America, Inc., based in New York City. Grameen America is a nonprofit microfinance organization founded in 2008 by Nobel Peace Prize recipient Muhammad Yunus. Grameen America's mission is to alleviate poverty and spur entrepreneurship by providing small loans, savings programs, credit establishment, and financial education to very low income borrowers.

Mr. Newaz has over 25 years of experience working in various capacities within the Grameen network in Bangladesh and the Dominican Republic. Prior to joining Grameen America he was Deputy General Manager and Head of the Training and Special Programs Department of Grameen Bank. In his talk, "Experiences with Grameen Bank in Bangladesh and Grameen America," Mr. Newaz will explain what Grameen Bank is and how it differs from other conventional banks. He will offer a historical background of the Grameen Bank Project in Bangladesh from 1976 to the present, and share his most recent experiences starting up Grameen America in New York and Nebraska.

Please join us for this special event and arrive early since seating is limited and on a first come, first served basis. For more information on this and future Provost's lectures, please visit: www.stonybrook.edu/sb/provlec

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