

2002 Researcher of the Year Dr. Mohammed Ansari

Dr. Mohammed I. Ansari, associate professor in the College of Business, has been named Researcher of the Year at Albany State University for 2002. During his time at ASU, Ansari has excelled in the area of research and is highly regarded for his knowledge and study of global economic issues as well as his broad international background in education.

An accomplished researcher and writer with over 30 years of teaching experience at colleges and universities in the United States, Canada, and Bangladesh, Ansari has numerous publications to his credit. His works have been published in some of the most prestigious national and international economic journals and publications, many of which are circulated in Asia and India. Two of his more recent published research efforts are "The P-star Approach to Forecasting Inflation: Empirical Evidence from Canada" and "Time Series Analysis of Tea Prices: An Application of ARIMA Modeling and Cointegration Analysis." Having held membership in the American Economic Association, Western Economic Association, Canadian Economics Association, and International Network for Economic Method, Ansari has made presentations at several conferences within and outside of the U.S.

He has participated and made presentations at several professional conferences and conference proceedings including the Proceedings of the 1998 ASC Conference, Proceedings of the Southern Economic Association, South Western Federation of Administrative Disciplines Conference, and the Economic and Business Historical Society Conference. Since 1975, Ansari has written or collaborated on various books, study guides, reports and discussion papers. Many of his papers have focused on international economic topics such as "Investigating the Relative Effectiveness of Monetary and Fiscal Policy for India: A Multivariate Cointegration and Error-Correction Approach", "The Chronicle of Economic Growth in Southeast Asia: Does Thirlwalls' Law Provide an Adequate Explanation?" and "Impact of Financial Development, Money and Public Spending on National Income: An Econometric Study of Malaysia."

Throughout his professional career, Ansari has been active in the communities where he has resided. At Radford University, he served as a member of the committees for the Graduate Faculty, Benchmark Recruiting Efforts, and Curriculum, as well as chairperson for the committee on Alternate Delivery System. He has participated in studies and workshops designed to economically enhance communities and hospitals. He has also received several grants and awards including a grant from Athabasca University for investigating the relationship between public spending on education and economic growth for India.

Through his research, Ansari has developed a vast knowledge of international economics. His teaching interests include international trade and finance, development and resource economics, global economy, finance, macroeconomics and statistics. His research interests are centered on the areas of structural change and economic development, macro aspects of international economics, labor market and wage determination, financial liberalization and economic growth, public sector and economic growth, and finance and investment.

Ansari holds a Ph.D. in Economics from Simon Fraser University, a M.A. in Economics from Lakehead University in Canada, a M.A. and B.A. in Economics from Patna University in India and a certificate in Canadian Securities from the Canadian Securities Institute in Montreal.

A native of Canada, Ansari has a diverse cultural and professional background. He came to ASU from Radford University in Virginia and has taught at Lalmonirhat College in Bangladesh and Rutgers University in New Jersey. He has taught at four Canadian universities including Athabasca University, the University of Manitoba, Simon Fraser University and the University of New Brunswick. Ansari has also gained valuable research related experience as a research assistant and officer, economic investigator, and economist.

