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Computer-aided journalism at DU soon

A new course on Computer-Aided Journalism (CAJ) will be introduced at Dhaka University shortly to update teaching in journalism linking it with modern world's communication technology boom, reports UNB.

Dr AAMS Arefin Siddique, Chairman of the Department of Mass Communication and Journalism, disclosed the plan while talking about media centre to be set up in the department from 1994-95 academic session commencing in July.

"Main aim of the initiative is to link academic activity with the explosion of communication technology over the world," Dr Arefin said.

Such a media centre is first of its kind in the educational institutions of Bangladesh. However, neighbouring India has established such centres in its universities.

"Students of 3rd year honours and MA Final Year would get the opportunity to work in the centre, a sort of laboratory-like Chemistry and Physics lab for science students," the departmental chairman said.

The first consignment of the materials from Japan and the United States for this centre has already reached the department, where efforts are afoot to set up the news laboratory.