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## DU urged not to invite Yunus as convocation speaker

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Chhatra Sangram Parishad, a combine of 14-party-backed student organisations, yesterday urged the Dhaka University (DU) authorities not to invite Nobel laureate Prof Dr Muhammad Yunus as the convocation speaker to the 43rd convocation of the university scheduled for February 28.

Prof Yunus has disqualified himself from being the convocation speaker by announcing the formation of a political party, Parishad leaders said at a meeting at Shaheed Asad Auditorium in the city.

In the past, those who delivered the convocation speech at DU were non-partisan and acceptable to all, they said, adding that but Prof Yunus has already made himself controversial by floating the political party.

Presided over by Bangladesh Chhatra League President Mahmud Hasan Ripon, the meeting was attended by JSD BCL President Shariful Kabir Swapon, General Secretary Ali Hasan Tarun, Bangladesh Chhatra Maitree President Rafiqul Islam Sujon, General Secretary Mukter Hossain Nahid and Jatiya Chhatra Dhara General Secretary Jewel Ahmed Khan, said a press release.