

# PVAMU College of Business Dean's Analysis: Coronavirus damage to business and the economy will be considerable

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*Global Economist Munir Quddus, Ph.D.: “Crisis is destined to leave its mark on America and the world.”*

**PRAIRIE VIEW**, Texas – The stock market has unceremoniously crashed, losing nearly a third of its value over a short span of a few trading days. It has been a bloodbath for investors, with equities in all sectors of the economy in steep decline. Those who follow stocks closely will agree that very few sectors were spared in the March Madness on Wall Street.

Prairie View A&M University College of Business Dean Munir Quddus, Ph.D., began focusing his attention on the global economic market when the coronavirus spread began as a ripple in Asia. When the virus began its spread beyond China like tidal waves, Dr. Quddus began to track the financial fallout of the coronavirus pandemic.

“The widespread losses cannot be easily or quickly recouped. Unless the government is able to work with Congress to roll out a package of comprehensive relief, we may be looking at a long economic winter,” said Quddus who earned his Doctorate of Economics at Vanderbilt University.

Read Dean Quddus’s present analysis on the coronavirus pandemic and the economy [here](#).

### About De. Munir Quddus:

- The Bangladesh native earned a B.S. in Economics at the University of Dhaka University in 1980 graduating first in his class with honors. At Vanderbilt University, Quddus was awarded master’s and doctorate in Economics.
- Dean, PVAMU College of Business (2001- present) and Associate Provost of the Northwest Houston Center (2013 - present).
- Professionally,
  - President, *Bangladesh Development Initiative* (BDI), 2011- present
  - Chair for the International Conferences on Bangladesh, Yale University, March, 2019
  - Organized an International conferences on Bangladesh [with the Center for South Asia Studies] at UC Berkeley, 2013, 2015
  - Interviewed extensively for an article in the *New York Times* and for the *NPR Planet Money* podcast (May, 2013)

Dr. Quddus is available for media interviews. He can be reached in the office at (936) 261-9235, by cell phone at (713) 775-8723, or via email [muquddus@pvamu.edu](mailto:muquddus@pvamu.edu).

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