



ACHARYA INSTITUTE OF GRADUATE STUDIES
(NAAC Reaccredited 'A' and Affiliated to Bengaluru Central University)
Soladevanahalli, Bengaluru-560107

MINUTES OF MEETING

INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL

TIME: 10.30 A.M.

DATE: 1 JUNE 2019

VENUE: MBA BOARD ROOM, ACHARYA INSTITUTES

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell, Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies convened its first meeting on 1 June 2019 at MBA Board Room, Acharya Institutes.

Dr. Anil B Malali (IQAC Coordinator, Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies) commenced the session with an introductory note to the new panel members of IQAC. It was followed by welcome address by Dr. Gurunath Rao Vaidya (Principal, AIGS).

Ms. Godha Govind (Asia-Pacific Educational Engagement Manager, Alltech South Asia), Mr. S.D. Satish Chandra (Head – HR, IR & Admin, L & T Construction Equipment Ltd) were the External Members representing Industry. Mr. Akhilesh C S (Sr. Research Associate, Infovision Social), Mr. G Udhaykrishnan (Indian Air Force), Mrs. Jayalakshmi Narayan (Yoga Teacher), Ms. Tanushree (II Sem M.Sc Psychology) were the representative members of Alumni, Parent, Community and Student fraternity respectively.

Dr. Anil B Malali briefed on the motive to set up IQAC, an initiative post NAAC Accreditation process. He held a power point presentation that detailed the bird's eye-view of the role of IQAC, the vision and mission, the milestones of the Institution, and the long term plans. He proposed the panel members to put forward their suggestions and opinions that are hopeful to aid in the growth of the Institution and enhance the career opportunities for the graduating students.

- Mrs. Godha Govind inquired the nature of the enhancement programmes that have been conducted over the years towards the churning of soft skills. It was concluded that a structured programme to enhance the soft skill is a requirement and to be contained in the curriculum.
- The proposal was backed by Mr. Akhilesh C S who claimed to have been experiencing the need for expertise in soft skill in the employment market.
- Emphasis to be laid on training that facilitates skills sought in the job market and life skills.

- Assignment must be given that stretches learning beyond the curriculum and connects to the industry and real-life scenarios.
- Mrs. Godha Govind suggested a multi-generation work force that facilitates curriculum on par with the ongoing times.
- Train the minds to think beyond the monetary benefits and create socially responsible citizens.
- Invite Industry experts and Alumni in the work force for talks to devise the curriculum that is updated and bridge the gap between the syllabus and job market.
- Ms. Tanushree insisted on inclusion of classes that will enable the students to imbibe moral values and harbor concern for society.
- Mrs. Godha Govind insisted to encourage the students to take up jobs at firms/enterprises that conjoin civic sense responsibility too.
- Mrs. Chandramouli A S cited the lack of perspective planning as one of the reasons majority of the Institutions lag behind in the rat-race and so insisted to contain curriculum that is updated with the changing academic/corporal needs.
- He insisted on a clear road map for the development of the Institution.
- He emphasized on continuous learning & improvement basing the outcome on surveys that will garner information on the need of the hour.
- Mrs. Godha Govind cited the lack of innovativeness for being left behind.
- Mrs. Jayalakshmi Narayanan delineated the importance of yoga classes in enriching health which is one of the pre-requisites for an individual.
- Encouragement to develop reading habits among the students was insisted upon.
- Dr, Gopalkrishnan proposed development of research culture among the students by mandating research publications and paper presentations during the academic tenure.
- Mrs. Ashwini Atul Joshi suggested counseling to the parents annually so as to prepare the students for hardships or a life beyond comforts.
- Mr. Akhilesh insisted on career counseling sessions for the students by bringing in people who are specialized in respective domains or fields.
- He further insisted on HoDs sitting down together and picking on the best practices to equip the students as potential employees and implementing the same.
- The meeting concluded by insisting on a value-based education that will equip the students with life skills and employment skills.

Dr. Gurunath Rao Vaidya concluded by expressing his hopes for fruitful associations with external members in future and hopeful of meeting them in the further meetings too. Dr. Anil B Malali concluded the meeting by proposing vote of thanks to the external and internal members. The external members were further taken to a campus detour followed by lunch.



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Action Taken Report for the Meeting held on 01/06/2019

Discussions in the Meeting	Action Taken
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Structured programme to enhance the soft skill2. Invite Industry experts and Alumni3. Develop Research Culture4. Career counseling session	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The Business English Communication (BEC) a Cambridge University, UK program to all the students2. Departments have invited Alumni Talks and there was alumni participation in NSS, NCC and other Activities.3. The PG Students have been encouraged to write research papers and some students have published the research papers.4. To begin with the NET exam coaching was conducted.