

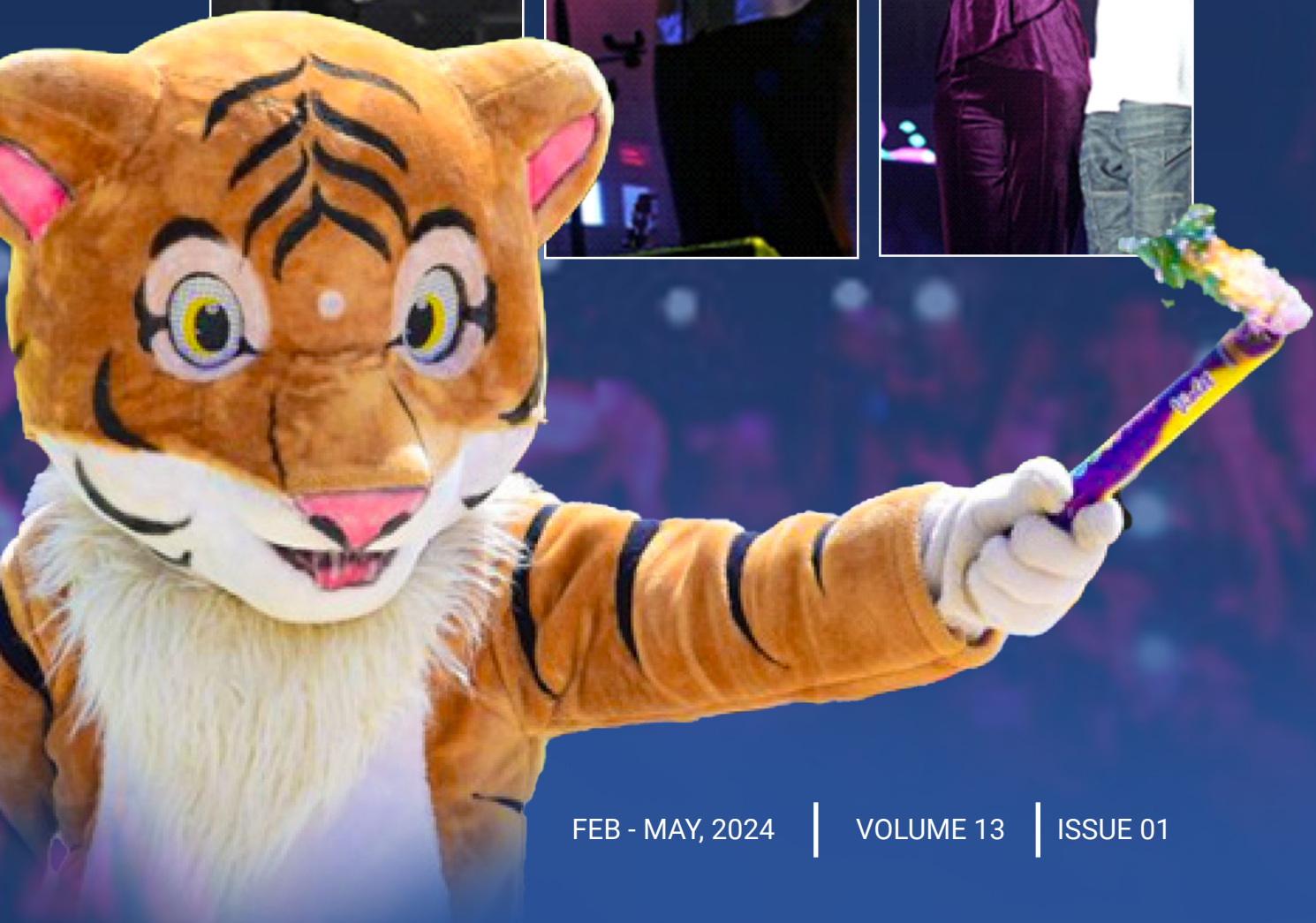
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UBA Skill Center Graduation Day: Empowering Vulnerable Women



On March 22, 2024, the Department of Social Work at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized the Graduation Day and certificate distribution ceremony for trainees of the UBA Skill Center. The event, held in the auditorium, celebrated the achievements of 39 trainees from Hesaraghatta and Guddadahalli villages who completed a six-month course in fashion and designing.

The event was attended by the trainees, faculty members, and social work students. The ceremony began with an introduction to the UBA project, which aims to enhance livelihoods for vulnerable families by providing essential skills. The trainees were awarded certificates recognizing their completion of the course, which included training in fashion designing, embroidery, and handwork on various patterns.

The event also included speeches by faculty members and local leaders, who encouraged the trainees to set up their own self-employment units and pursue further opportunities in the fashion industry. The UBA coordinator highlighted the importance of sustainable livelihoods and provided information on schemes and programs that could benefit the trainees.

The Graduation Day was a significant milestone for the trainees, empowering them with the skills and confidence needed to improve their livelihoods and contribute to their communities. The event concluded with a vote of thanks and refreshments, leaving the participants motivated and inspired to continue their journey towards economic independence.

Celebration of Zero Shadow Day: Understanding Solar Motion



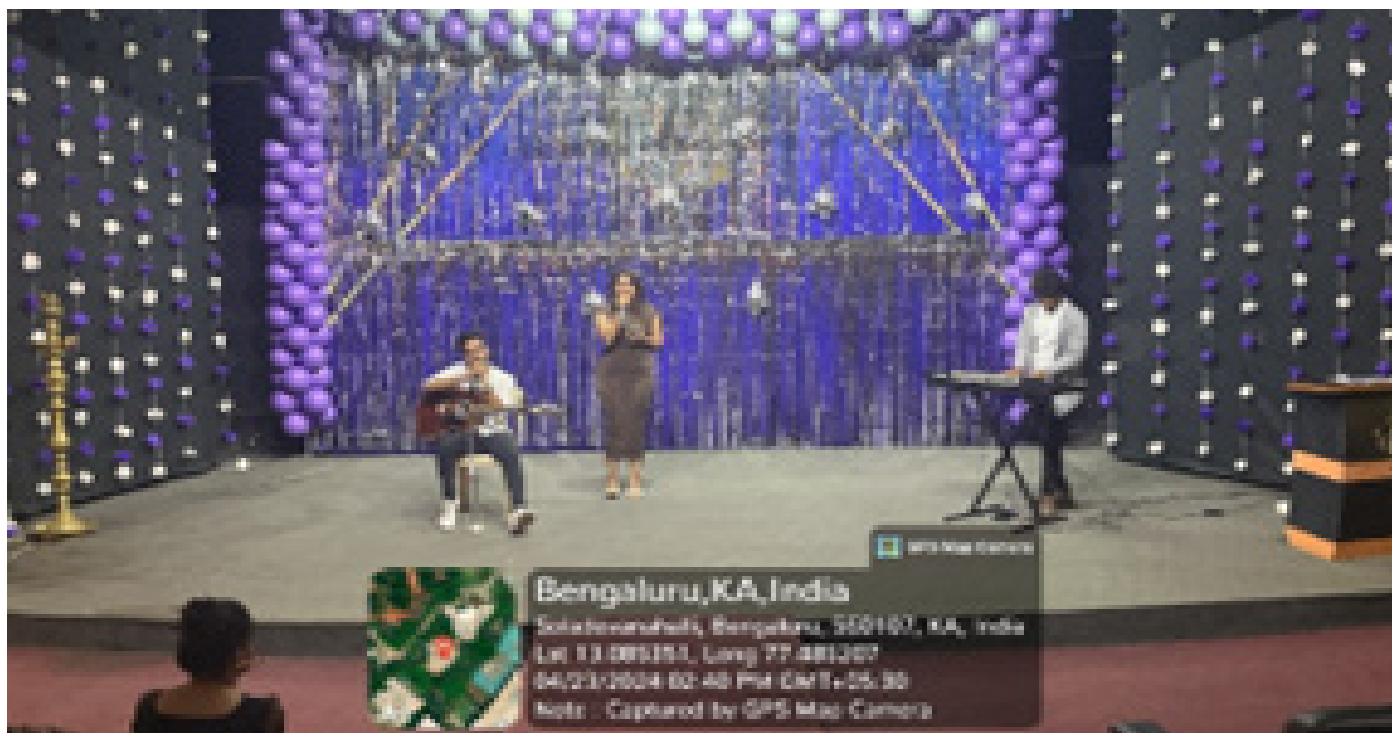
On April 24, 2024, the Department of Physics at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies celebrated Zero Shadow Day with a demonstration on the paved court. The event, attended by 23 faculty members and students, aimed to provide a hands-on understanding of solar position, the solar zenith angle, and their

relationship to geographic location.

The event began with an introduction to the concept of Zero Shadow Day, explaining how shadows disappear when the Sun is directly overhead at solar noon. Participants observed the absence of shadows cast by vertical objects, gaining insights into the Earth's rotation, orbit, and the angles associated with the Sun's position in the sky.

The demonstration was highly engaging, allowing participants to directly observe the phenomenon and understand its significance in fields such as navigation, architecture, and astronomy. The event concluded with discussions on the educational value of the demonstration, emphasizing the importance of understanding celestial mechanics and fostering curiosity about the natural world.

Freshers' Day Celebration: Aagamanotsava 2024 for MCA Students



On April 23, 2024, the Department of MCA at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized the Freshers' Day event "Aagamanotsava 2024" to welcome first-year students. The event, held in the Main Auditorium, was attended by 182 students and was filled with excitement, joy, and a sense of community.

The theme for the event was "Game of Thrones," and the auditorium was decorated to reflect the grandeur of Westeros. The program began with a lamp-lighting ceremony and an inaugural speech by Prof. Sheuli Sen, Principal of AIGS, followed by speeches from department heads and student representatives.

The event featured a variety of performances, including a Bharatnatyam welcome dance, a ramp walk competition, and group dances. The highlight of the event was the selection of Mr. and Ms. Freshers, who were chosen based on their ramp walk performance and answers during a Q&A session.

The event successfully fostered a sense of belonging among the new students, helping them connect with their peers and seniors. The day was filled with laughter, music, and enthusiasm, making it a memorable occasion for all attendees.

Workshop on Corporate Etiquettes for BBA Aviation Students



conduct in the corporate world.

The workshop was conducted by Mr. Girish Krishnamurthy, a seasoned Business Analyst with over a decade of experience in various industries. The session covered essential topics such as professional attire, body language, email etiquette, and networking skills. Students participated in role-playing exercises and mock interviews, gaining hands-on experience in applying corporate etiquettes in real-world scenarios.

The workshop was highly interactive, with students actively engaging in discussions and activities. The session concluded with a demonstration of a professional handshake and a discussion on the importance of first impressions. The event was well-received, with students expressing increased confidence in navigating professional environments.

On April 27, 2024, the Department of BBA Aviation at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a workshop titled "Corporate Etiquettes: How to Communicate Effectively and Network with Others" for sixth-semester students. The event, held in Room 308, AIGS Block II, was attended by 32 students and aimed to provide practical insights into professional

Acharya Habba 2024

A Spectacular Celebration of Talent and Culture



On May 9-10, 2024, Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies hosted its annual cultural festival, Acharya Habba 2024, at the Smt. Nagarathnamma Stadium. The two-day event, which ran from 4:00 PM to 9:30 PM each day, attracted over 10,000 participants, including students, faculty, and staff from Acharya Institute and other colleges. Acharya Habba is a vibrant showcase of talents across music, dance, drama, sports, and technology, accompanied by a spirit of friendly competition and abundant enthusiasm.

The festival featured a diverse array of events, including the Battle of Bands, Fashion Show, Choreo Night, and various cultural performances. These events, each with unique themes, captivated the audience and made for an unforgettable experience. The festival also included multicultural Ethnic celebrations, Canvas Painting, Face Painting, Clay Modeling, performances in both Western and Classical Singing and Dance.

Sports competitions were another highlight, with leagues in Basketball, Volleyball, Kabaddi, and other activities.





Acharya Premier League (Cricket) keeping attendees on the edge of their seats. Renowned musicians like Thaikkudam Bridge graced the stage, delivering electrifying performances that left the audience in awe. The festival concluded with a DJ Night featuring Ultranova and MC Bijju, rounding off the celebration with pulsating beats and vibrant energy.

The theme for Acharya Habba 2024, "Roar for the Forest: Protecting Tiger's Home," emphasized the urgent need for conservation efforts to protect forests and the iconic tiger species. Through various activities, events, and educational initiatives, the festival raised awareness about the interconnectedness between forest ecosystems and the survival of tigers.

Acharya Habba 2024 was a resounding success, offering a platform for students to showcase their talents, engage in cultural exchanges, and create lasting memories. The festival's impact extended beyond entertainment, fostering a sense of community and raising awareness about important environmental issues.



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Fresh Vibes Voyage: A Journey of Connection and Growth



The Fresh Vibes Voyage, held on February 24, 2024, at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies, was a dynamic club activity organized by the Department of Master of Computer Applications (MCA). The event aimed to foster positive connections among newly joined MCA students while promoting personal growth and community building. Under the guidance of Ms. Farzeen Basith and Dr. Deepti A R, the event featured various interactive activities designed to encourage camaraderie and mutual support.

The event was meticulously planned and executed by final-year students Apoorva and Rakshitha, who infused energy and enthusiasm into the proceedings. The day was filled with icebreakers, team-building exercises, and networking opportunities that not only helped students bond but also instilled a sense of belonging within the academic community.

Participants engaged in a series

of challenges that tested their problem-solving skills, creativity, and teamwork. The lively atmosphere was marked by laughter and spirited discussions, culminating in a thrilling quiz competition. The quiz, which featured a wide range of categories including current affairs and pop culture, was a highlight of the event, with participants demonstrating their versatility and breadth of knowledge.

The event concluded with a reflection session where students shared their experiences, reinforcing the lessons learned and the bonds formed during the day. Certificates of participation were distributed, and the organizers expressed their gratitude to all involved. The success of Fresh Vibes Voyage was evident in the strong desire for similar future events, highlighting the event's significance in fostering a vibrant and inclusive MCA community.

Acharya Psychological Association: Research Paper Presentation and Discussion



On February 6, 2024, the Department of Psychology at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a stimulating research paper presentation and discussion session as part of the Acharya Psychological Association (APA) activities. The event, held in the AIGS Seminar Hall, saw active participation from 34 psychology students across the 1st and 3rd semesters. The session aimed to encourage students to engage with research, enhance critical thinking, and develop presentation and communication skills.

The event began with an introduction by the session coordinator, Ms. Aanchal Agarwal, who emphasized the importance of research in academic growth. Eight students were selected to present their research papers, grouped into four teams comprising both first-year and second-year students. Each team presented their findings, followed by a discussion session where the audience could ask questions and provide feedback.

The presentations covered a range of psychological topics, showcasing the students' ability to analyze research articles and articulate their insights. The interactive discussions that followed each presentation allowed participants to deepen their understanding of the subjects and refine their critical thinking skills. Faculty members, including Dr. Gulfisha and Dr. Mohammad Faizee, provided valuable feedback, encouraging students to continue their research endeavors.

The session concluded with the nomination of new participants for future presentations, fostering a culture of ongoing research engagement within the department. The event was well-received, with participants expressing satisfaction with the knowledge gained and the opportunity to enhance their presentation skills. The APA's commitment to nurturing research and critical thinking was evident, making the session a successful and enriching experience for all involved.

Panel Discussion on Interim Union Budget 2024: Insights and Implications

On February 23, 2024, the Department of MBA at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies hosted a panel discussion on the "Interim Union Budget 2024." The event, held in the MBA Auditorium, brought together 92 students from the third and first semesters to analyze the budget's key aspects and its impact on various sectors.

The panel featured experts such as Mr. Subramani, an accountant and entrepreneur; Dr. Triveni, Head of BCIC Ramaiah Center; Ms. Priya Kothari, a CA and Manager at Big4; and Ms. Nethravathi, Assistant Professor at AIT. Dr. Bhargava, Associate Professor at AIGS, moderated the discussion.

The panelists provided a comprehensive analysis of the budget, focusing on sustainable growth, infrastructure development, youth empowerment, and fiscal management. Mr. Subramani highlighted the government's initiatives to boost rural demand and green energy, while Dr. Triveni emphasized the importance of fiscal discipline and private investment in sustaining economic growth.

Ms. Priya Kothari discussed the budget's focus on youth-centric initiatives and technological advancements, particularly in fostering entrepreneurial spirit and skill development. Ms. Nethravathi provided insights into the implications of fiscal deficit and the government's divestment plans.

The discussion concluded with a Q&A session, where students and faculty engaged with the panelists on various topics, including the budget's impact on the stock market and potential opportunities in the coming year. The event provided valuable insights into the budget's broader economic implications and fostered a deeper understanding of its role in shaping India's economic future.

Overall, the panel discussion was a success, offering students a platform to engage with industry experts and gain a nuanced perspective on the Interim Union Budget 2024.



Skill Development Program: Economics for Managers Certificate Distribution

On February 24, 2024, the Department of Management at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies held a certificate distribution ceremony for the "Economics for Managers" skill development program. This event marked the culmination of a comprehensive 30-day course designed to equip 178 third-semester BBA students with a solid foundation in economic principles relevant to managerial decision-making.

The course covered key topics such as demand and supply analysis, production and cost functions, market structures, pricing strategies, risk analysis, and strategic decision-making. Through a blend of theoretical lectures, case studies, group discussions, and practical exercises, students gained a deep understanding of how economic principles apply to real-world business scenarios.

The certificate distribution ceremony was a significant milestone, recognizing the students' commitment and achievement. Mrs. Shalini K, Assistant Professor of the Department of Management, welcomed the participants and highlighted the importance of the skills acquired during the program. The ceremony served as a formal acknowledgment of the students' proficiency in applying economic models and tools to analyze business problems and formulate effective strategies.

The program also emphasized the development of critical thinking and problem-solving skills, which are essential for addressing complex managerial challenges. The successful completion of the course and the subsequent certification have enhanced the students' credibility and career prospects in the competitive job market.

Overall, the Economics for Managers skill development program was a resounding success, contributing significantly to the professional growth of the participants and preparing them to navigate the complexities of the modern business environment with confidence and competence.



Quiz Competition: Promoting Knowledge and Critical Thinking

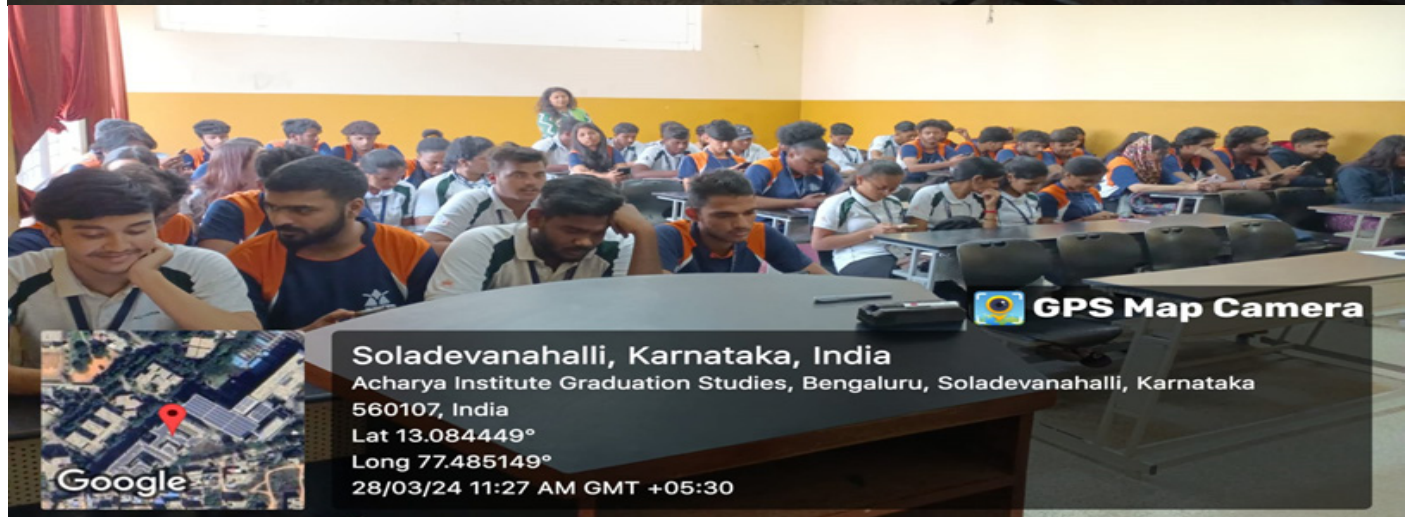
On March 28, 2024, the Department of Management at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a quiz competition for second-semester BBA students. The event, held in Room 204 of AIGS Block 1, aimed to promote intellectual engagement, foster teamwork, and enhance knowledge among participants.

The competition, themed "Exploring the Depths of Knowledge," attracted 52 participants and was designed to test various aspects of the students' knowledge and analytical skills. The quiz comprised multiple rounds, including general knowledge, audio-visual questions, rapid-fire rounds, and thematic rounds focusing on specific topics. This diverse format kept both participants and the audience engaged throughout the event.

The interactive nature of the quiz allowed

participants to showcase their knowledge while encouraging healthy competition. Guest speakers and subject matter experts provided insights into the quiz topics, enriching the participants' learning experience. Prizes and recognition were awarded to top-performing individuals and teams, motivating participants to strive for excellence.

The quiz competition was a resounding success, achieving its objectives of promoting knowledge enhancement, teamwork, and critical thinking. It provided participants with a platform to demonstrate their skills while fostering a spirit of intellectual curiosity and collaboration. The event was well-received by both participants and spectators, leaving them inspired and motivated to continue their journey of lifelong learning.



Personality Development: Career Opportunities for BBA Students

On March 28, 2024, the Department of Management at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a guest talk on "Career Opportunities" for fourth-semester BBA students. The event, held in Room 204 of AIGS Block 1, was attended by 50 students and focused on exploring various career paths, emerging trends, and strategies for success in the modern job market.

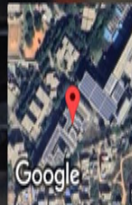
Mr. Rajesh K, Assistant Professor, Department of Management, led the session, offering valuable insights into the diverse range of career options available across different industries. He emphasized the importance of adaptability and continuous learning in today's fast-paced job market, encouraging students to develop a growth mindset and embrace change as an opportunity for advancement.

The session included discussions on current industry trends, skill requirements, and personal branding strategies. Mr. Rajesh also shared practical advice on networking, upskilling, and navigating the job market effectively. The interactive nature of the event allowed students to engage in meaningful discussions with the speaker, fostering a sense of community and camaraderie among attendees.

The talk was well-received, with students expressing gratitude for the valuable guidance provided. The session empowered students to take proactive steps towards their career aspirations, equipping them with the knowledge and confidence needed to navigate the dynamic landscape of the modern job market.



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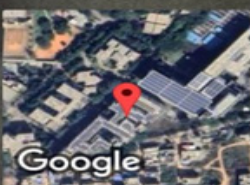
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Personality Development: Communication Skills for BBA Students

On March 27, 2024, the Department of Management at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a guest talk on "Communication Skills" for second-semester BBA students. The session, held in Room 204 of AIGS Block 1, was attended by 70 students and aimed to enhance their understanding and proficiency in communication, both in personal and professional contexts.

The event began with an introduction by Ms. Kruthika N S, Assistant Professor, Department of Management, who highlighted the critical role of communication in today's competitive world. Dr. Bharath Bhooshan M S, the guest speaker and Assistant Professor of the Department of Management, captivated the audience with his expertise, emphasizing the importance of effective communication in achieving success and fulfillment.

Dr. Bharath covered various facets of communication, including verbal and non-verbal communication, active listening, emotional intelligence, and conflict resolution. Through real-life examples and interactive exercises, attendees gained practical insights into improving their communication skills. The session was highly interactive, with students participating in discussions and activities that allowed for a dynamic exchange of ideas.

The event concluded with a Q&A session, where Dr. Bharath provided insightful responses to the students' questions, further enriching their learning experience. The talk was a resounding success, motivating students to take proactive steps in honing their communication abilities and fostering a culture of open dialogue and understanding. The session effectively highlighted the importance of communication skills as a cornerstone for success in various aspects of life.



Placement Drive: SQL, Java, and Aptitude Test for MCA Students

On March 15, 2024, the Department of MCA at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted a placement drive for third-semester MCA students. The event, held in the AIGS Computer Lab, was organized in collaboration with GenTech Academy and S G Software Testing Institute, and aimed to assess students' skills in SQL, Java, and quantitative reasoning.

The placement drive began with an online test, which assessed the students' proficiency in SQL, Java, and quantitative reasoning. Out of 105 participants, 45 students were shortlisted for the second round, which included HR and technical interviews. The interviews were conducted by four different panels, and 26 students were ultimately selected for free training in Full Stack Development.



The selected students will undergo a six-month training program, after which they may be offered job placements with salaries ranging from 2 to 10 lakhs per annum, based on their performance. The placement drive provided students with a valuable opportunity to demonstrate their technical skills and secure promising career opportunities in the software industry.

Overall, the placement drive was a success, equipping students with the knowledge and experience needed to excel in the competitive job market.

HR Club Activity: Technology and Biographies for MBA Students

On April 22, 2024, the Department of MBA at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an HR Club activity titled "Technology and Biographies" for first-semester students. The event, held in the Mechanical Seminar Hall, was attended by 51 participants and aimed to enhance students' understanding of HR terminologies, organizational knowledge, and the preparation of video resumes.

The activity consisted of three rounds: "GUDBUD," a quiz about Acharya Institute, and the preparation of video resumes. Students demonstrated their ability to use technology to create professional video resumes, which were evaluated by judges based on voice, body language, content, and other criteria.

The event successfully equipped students with the skills needed to navigate the contemporary job market, emphasizing the importance of digital tools and effective communication in HR practices. The interactive nature of the activity fostered a competitive yet collaborative environment, enhancing students' soft skills and technological proficiency.



Movie Screening: The Great Gatsby – A Journey Through the Jazz Age



On April 19, 2024, the Litgen English Club at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a movie screening of "The Great Gatsby" for undergraduate students and faculty. The event, held in the Seminar Hall, was attended by 43 participants and aimed to explore the connections between literature, history, sociology, and music of the Jazz Age through Baz Luhrmann's cinematic adaptation of F. Scott Fitzgerald's literary masterpiece.

The event began with an introduction by Shilba, a second-year MA English student, who provided historical context about the Roaring Twenties, the Jazz Age, and the socio-economic dynamics that form the backdrop of "The Great Gatsby." The screening was followed by discussions that compared the film adaptation with the original novel, focusing on themes of ambition, identity, and the American Dream.

The event successfully deepened participants' understanding of literary themes and facilitated a nuanced appreciation of cinematic techniques used in the adaptation. The screening served as both an educational and cultural experience, reminding students of the timeless relevance of Fitzgerald's narrative and its portrayal of societal aspirations and disillusionment.

Voters Awareness Program by NCC Cadets

On April 19, 2024, the National Cadet Corps (NCC) at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a Voters Awareness Program in collaboration with the Gram Panchayats of Kasaghattapura and Hurilichikkanahalli. The event aimed to educate and inspire the general public to participate actively in the upcoming elections, emphasizing the importance of voting as a civic duty.

The program began with a vibrant rally, where drummers and enthusiastic participants marched through the streets of the villages, drawing attention to the significance of voting. The rally was an effective way to engage the local community and raise awareness about the electoral process. The event also included an oath-taking ceremony, where participants solemnly pledged to exercise their right to vote and fulfill their civic responsibilities.

NCC cadets played a pivotal role in organizing and executing the event, demonstrating their commitment to fostering a culture of active citizenship. The program's activities, including the distribution of informational materials, were designed to equip the public with essential knowledge about voter registration and polling procedures.

The program concluded with a group discussion, where participants shared their thoughts on the importance of voting and the impact of their participation in the democratic process. The event was well-received, with many attendees expressing a newfound understanding of their role in shaping the future of their community through voting.

Overall, the Voters Awareness Program was a resounding success, contributing to the strengthening of democratic foundations at the grassroots level. By promoting informed and engaged citizenship, the event played a crucial role in empowering the local community to participate meaningfully in the upcoming elections.



Placement Drive: Super 100 Test for BCA Students



On May 4, 2024, the Department of Computer Applications at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a placement drive titled "Super 100 Test" for fourth-semester BCA students. The event, held across multiple rooms in the AIGS building, was designed to identify the top 100 students eligible for domain-specific training and placement opportunities.

The placement drive began with an aptitude test that included questions on English vocabulary, creative thinking, general science, general knowledge, spatial relations, tacit knowledge, verbal reasoning, numerical aptitude, and logical reasoning. The test, conducted in an offline pen-and-paper format, featured 40 questions with a negative marking scheme of 0.25 marks per incorrect answer.

A total of 151 students participated in the test, which was invigilated by five faculty members. The objective was to shortlist students for advanced

training in high-demand domains such as data science, artificial intelligence, machine learning, and software testing. The selected students will receive free training from industry experts, followed by placement opportunities in reputed companies.

The placement drive was highly competitive, with students eager to secure a spot in the Super 100 program. The training provided under this program is expected to significantly enhance their employability, equipping them with the skills required to excel in the tech industry. The event concluded with a feedback session, where students expressed appreciation for the opportunity to participate in the placement drive and gain exposure to industry expectations.

The Super 100 Test was a crucial step in bridging the gap between academic learning and industry requirements, providing students with the tools and confidence needed to succeed in their future careers.



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University Exam Orientation: Guiding First-Year BCOM Students



On February 24, 2024, the Department of Commerce at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an orientation session for first-year BCOM students to prepare them for their university examinations. The session was conducted by Dr. Lakshmi V., Head of the Department, and focused on familiarizing students with the examination guidelines and the importance of adhering to the university's code of conduct.

The orientation provided detailed instructions on various aspects of the examination process, including

the correct procedures for filling out answer booklets, the importance of checking hall tickets for accuracy, and the strict rules regarding exam attire and prohibited items. Dr. Lakshmi emphasized the necessity of maintaining discipline during exams and the consequences of violating examination protocols.

Students were also informed about the timetable, exam venues, and the significance of arriving at the examination hall well in advance. Practical examples of previous issues were shared to help students understand the importance of following the rules to avoid any potential problems during the exams.

The session concluded with a reminder to students to safeguard their hall tickets and ID cards, as these are essential for appearing in the exams. The feedback from the participants was positive, with 9 students rating the session as excellent and 38 as good. The orientation effectively prepared students for their first university exams, ensuring they understood the procedures and responsibilities involved.

Orientation on Internship: Preparing BCOM Students for Professional Development



On February 23, 2024, the Department of Commerce at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted an orientation session for 5th-semester BCOM students to prepare them for their upcoming internships. The session, led by Dr. Lakshmi V., Head of the Department, provided students with crucial information regarding the internship process, expectations, and the importance of this practical experience in their academic journey.

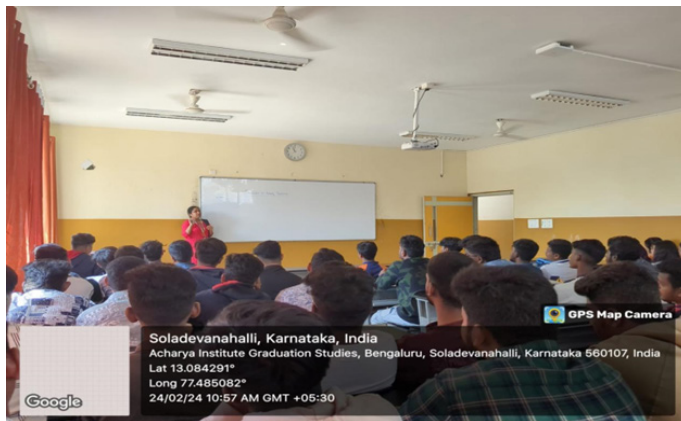
The orientation covered key aspects of the internship program, including the selection of appropriate

organizations, the requirements for internship reports, and the grading system. Dr. Lakshmi emphasized that students must choose an organization with at least 50 employees and complete a one-month internship. She also outlined the report submission process, stressing the importance of maintaining regular communication with their assigned guides and adhering to deadlines.

Students were informed that the internship report would carry 60 marks, with the remaining 40 marks allocated to the viva voce. Detailed instructions were given on the format and content of the internship report, along with the necessity of obtaining a completion certificate from the organization.

The session concluded with a Q&A segment where students clarified their doubts regarding the internship process. The feedback from the participants was overwhelmingly positive, with all 50 students rating the session as excellent. The orientation successfully equipped students with the knowledge and confidence needed to embark on their internships, marking a significant step in their professional development.

Orientation Program for PGCET MCA & MBA Students: A Gateway to Academic Success



On February 12 and 13, 2024, the Department of Master of Computer Applications (MCA) at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an orientation program for the newly admitted PGCET MCA and MBA students. The program aimed to familiarize the students with the academic environment, resources, and various cells, clubs, and committees that would support their journey through higher education.

The event commenced with a warm welcome and an introduction to the institution's mission and core values. Dr. Gurunath Rao Vaidya, Principal of AIGS, and Dr. Anil B Malali, Vice Principal, addressed the students, motivating them to pursue their academic and

professional aspirations. The orientation also included a comprehensive campus tour to help students become familiar with the facilities and services available.

The second day of the program focused on introducing various functional cells, including the Examination Cell, Anti-Ragging & Legal Awareness Cell, Proctoring, Sports Committee, Cultural Committee, and Students Welfare Cell. Each session provided detailed information on the roles and responsibilities of these committees, emphasizing their importance in supporting students' academic and personal development.

The program also featured insights from alumni, who shared their experiences and encouraged students to take full advantage of the opportunities at AIGS. The orientation concluded with a Q&A session, allowing students to clarify any doubts and express their expectations.

The orientation program successfully laid the foundation for a positive and engaging academic journey, equipping students with the knowledge and resources needed to navigate their studies and extracurricular activities effectively. It fostered a sense of belonging and preparedness among the students, ensuring a smooth transition into their new academic environment.

Orientation for 2nd and 4th Semester BBA Students: Academic Guidance and Support



On March 26, 2024, the Department of Management at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an orientation event for second and fourth-semester BBA students. The event, held in Room 204, aimed to provide comprehensive guidance and support to 71 students as they progressed through their academic journey.

The orientation began with an introduction to the subjects offered in the upcoming semesters, with faculty members providing an overview of each subject, highlighting its objectives, themes, and relevance in the field of business administration. Students were briefed on academic expectations, including attendance,

participation, assignments, and examinations.

A significant portion of the event was dedicated to academic planning and decision-making. Faculty provided guidance on course selection, elective subjects, specialization areas, and career pathways. Students were encouraged to reflect on their interests and goals to make informed decisions about their academic and professional aspirations.

The orientation event also included interactive sessions where students engaged with faculty members, academic advisors, and peers. These sessions facilitated peer learning, collaboration, and knowledge sharing, empowering students to navigate their academic journey with confidence and clarity.

Overall, the orientation event was instrumental in providing students with the knowledge and resources needed to succeed in their studies and pursue their career goals in business administration.

Orientation on Internship for 6th Semester BBA Students: Preparing for Professional Experience



On March 20, 2024, the Department of Management at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted an orientation session on internships for sixth-semester BBA students. The session, held in Room 203-205, was attended by 153 students and aimed to prepare them for their upcoming internships by providing essential information and guidance.

The orientation covered the objectives and expectations of the internship program, including the roles and responsibilities of students during their internships. Faculty members provided an overview of the organization's mission, values, and impact, emphasizing the importance of aligning students' work

with the broader goals of the organization.

Students were also briefed on important company policies, including code of conduct, confidentiality, safety guidelines, and communication protocols. The session highlighted the significance of networking and building professional relationships during the internship, providing tips for effective communication and collaboration.

The orientation concluded with a Q&A session, where students had the opportunity to seek clarification on various aspects of the internship program. The session was well-received, with students expressing confidence in their ability to navigate their internships successfully.

Orientation on Internship for 6th Semester BBA Students: Preparing for Professional Experience



From April 16-18, 2024, the Department of Social Work at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a three-day faculty orientation program focused on "Academic Writing and Research Publication." The event, held in Room AI0035F04, AIGS Block 2, was attended by eight faculty members and aimed to enhance their research capabilities and academic writing skills, ultimately contributing to the department's scholarly output.

The orientation was led by Dr. Kumaraswamy C. and Dr. Akhila K.P., both esteemed faculty members

with extensive experience in academic research. Over the three days, participants were immersed in the fundamentals of research methodology, from developing a compelling research question to conducting a thorough literature review and crafting a well-structured research paper.

Day one focused on the basics of research design and methodology, with an emphasis on the importance of selecting a research topic that contributes meaningfully to the field of social work. Participants engaged in discussions on how to formulate research questions and hypotheses that align with current academic discourse.

Day two delved into the intricacies of writing for academic publication. Dr. Akhila provided insights into

drafting abstracts, constructing coherent arguments, and adhering to journal submission guidelines. The session also covered the critical aspects of citation practices and the ethical implications of plagiarism, stressing the importance of academic integrity.

The final day was dedicated to understanding the publication process, including tips on selecting appropriate journals, navigating the peer-review process, and the potential challenges of academic publishing. The program concluded with a feedback session, where participants expressed their appreciation for the practical insights gained and their readiness to apply these skills in their research endeavors. The orientation was deemed a significant success, fostering a culture of research excellence within the department.

Faculty Orientation on ERP for BBA Faculty Members



On April 12, 2024, the Department of Management at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a faculty orientation session on ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning) for BBA faculty members. The event, held in Room 203, AIGS Block 1, was attended by 7 faculty members and aimed to enhance their understanding and proficiency in using the ERP system for academic and administrative tasks.

The orientation was conducted by Dr. Monica M and Prof. Suhas Patel, both experienced faculty members from the Department of MBA at Acharya Institute of Technology. The session began with a brief introduction to the ERP system, its genesis, and its evolution within the institution. The trainers demonstrated various functionalities of the ERP system, including the

creation of student batches, scheduling classes, and organizing internal assessments.

Participants were actively engaged, trying out the functionalities and seeking clarifications on their queries. The trainers also discussed the current limitations of the ERP system and provided tips on navigating potential challenges. The session concluded with a discussion on best practices for effectively utilizing the ERP system to streamline departmental processes.

The orientation was well-received, with participants gaining valuable insights into the ERP system and expressing confidence in applying the knowledge gained to improve their workflow.

Awareness Program on Overseas Education for Commerce Students



On May 25, 2024, the Department of Commerce at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an awareness program titled "Overseas Education Opportunities" for third-year B.Com students. The session, held in Room 305, AIGS Block 2, was attended by 78 students and aimed to provide insights into the process of pursuing higher education abroad, including admissions, scholarships, and visa procedures.

The event featured Mr. Rahul Sharma, an educational consultant with over a decade of experience in guiding students toward international academic opportunities. Mr. Sharma began the session by discussing the benefits of studying abroad, such as exposure to different cultures, access to world-class education, and enhanced career prospects. He provided a detailed overview of popular study destinations,

including the United States, United Kingdom, Canada, and Australia, and the unique advantages each country offers.

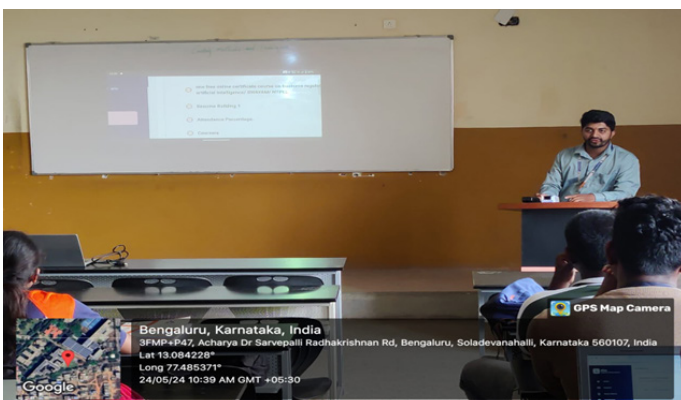
Mr. Sharma then walked the students through the application process, emphasizing the importance of academic transcripts, standardized test scores (such as GRE, GMAT, TOEFL, and IELTS), and a well-crafted Statement of Purpose (SOP). He also covered the various scholarship opportunities available for international students and provided tips on how to secure funding for their studies.

The program also addressed the visa application process, where Mr. Sharma explained the requirements and procedures for obtaining a student visa, along with the necessary documentation and timelines. He also discussed post-study work opportunities, including how to navigate the job market in a foreign country and the importance of building a professional network.

The session concluded with a Q&A segment, where students asked about specific universities, course options, and career pathways. Mr. Sharma provided personalized advice based on the students' academic backgrounds and career aspirations.

The awareness program was highly effective in demystifying the overseas education process and empowering students to consider international study as a viable option for their future. The positive feedback from participants reflected the program's success in providing valuable information and guidance.

Orientation on Acharya Alive: Academic Updation and Resume Building for Commerce Students



On May 20, 2024, the Department of Commerce at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an orientation session titled "Acharya Alive: Academic Updation and Resume Building" for second and fourth-semester B.Com students. The event, held in Room 307, AIGS Block 2, was attended by 58 students and aimed to equip them with the skills necessary for academic success and career readiness.

The orientation began with an introduction to Acharya Alive, an academic support program designed to help students keep track of their academic progress and stay updated with the latest curriculum changes. Faculty members provided detailed guidance on using the platform to access study materials, monitor grades, and participate in online discussions. The session emphasized the importance of consistent academic engagement and self-assessment in achieving academic excellence.

The second part of the session focused on resume building, a critical skill for students preparing to enter the job market. Mrs. Meera Sharma, Assistant Professor in the Department of Commerce, led this segment, offering practical advice on how to craft a professional resume that effectively highlights skills, achievements, and experiences. Students were taught how to tailor their resumes to specific job roles, ensuring that they stand

out to potential employers.

Interactive activities were incorporated into the session, allowing students to draft resumes and receive immediate feedback from faculty members. The hands-on approach ensured that students could apply the concepts learned during the session to create resumes that reflect their unique strengths and career aspirations.

The orientation concluded with a Q&A session,

where students clarified doubts and received additional tips on improving their academic and professional profiles. The event was well-received, with participants expressing increased confidence in their ability to navigate academic challenges and prepare for successful careers

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Exploring the Mysteries of Alien Encounters: Faculty Seminar



On February 1, 2024, the Department of Management at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies hosted a thought-provoking faculty seminar titled "Alien Encounter on Earth." The seminar, attended by 13 faculty members, delved into the intriguing topic of extraterrestrial life and its potential interactions with humanity. The session was led by Mr. B.N. Manoj, who provided a comprehensive overview of the history, cultural impact, and scientific perspectives on alien encounters.

The seminar began with a historical perspective, tracing the depiction of otherworldly beings in ancient civilizations through art, mythology, and religious texts. Mr. Manoj then explored the ongoing efforts

by the scientific community, particularly the Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence (SETI), to detect signs of intelligent life beyond Earth. He highlighted the challenges and uncertainties that surround this quest, noting the lack of definitive evidence despite decades of research.

A significant portion of the seminar focused on the portrayal of alien encounters in popular culture, from classic films like "Close Encounters of the Third Kind" to contemporary series such as "The X-Files." These cultural narratives, while often speculative, have significantly influenced public perceptions and fueled interest in the possibility of alien life.

The seminar concluded with a discussion on the potential implications of alien encounters for humanity, touching on both optimistic and cautionary perspectives. Faculty members engaged in a lively Q&A session, where they shared their thoughts and posed questions about the complexities surrounding the topic.

Overall, the seminar was well-received, with participants gaining a deeper understanding of the multifaceted nature of alien encounters and their impact on culture and science. The event underscored the importance of interdisciplinary exploration in addressing such profound questions about our place in the universe.

International Seminar on Career Opportunities for Social Work Students in the UK



On February 23, 2024, the Department of Social Work at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies, in collaboration with T&T Global Recruitment Ltd., organized an International Seminar on "Career Opportunities for Social Workers in the UK." The seminar was attended by 53 students from the 1st and 3rd semesters of the Master of Social Work (MSW) program. The event aimed to provide comprehensive insights into social work practices, legislation, and career pathways in the UK and other countries.

Tomy Sebastian, Service Manager for Children Social Care in London, was the resource person for the seminar. He guided participants through the foundational principles of social work, highlighting the importance of promoting social justice, human rights, and community

engagement. The seminar also covered the professional registration processes required to practice social work in countries like the UK, Australia, Canada, New Zealand, and the USA.

Participants were informed about the benefits of pursuing further studies abroad, including opportunities for post-study work and the support provided by T&T Global Recruitment Ltd. The seminar also discussed the significance of safeguarding vulnerable individuals and maintaining ethical practice standards, essential for social work professionals.

The interactive Q&A session allowed students to seek clarification on various aspects of social work careers abroad. The seminar concluded with a vote of thanks by Anusha S., a 3rd-semester MSW student, who expressed gratitude to the organizers and the resource person for their valuable insights.

The seminar was well-received, with participants gaining a deeper understanding of international social work practices and career opportunities. It equipped them with the knowledge necessary to pursue their aspirations effectively, making it a significant event for those interested in advancing their careers in social work.

Webinar on Public Health: Empowering Social Work Students



On February 21 and 22, 2024, the Department of Social Work at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted an online webinar on "Public Health - Anatomy, Human Physiology, and Disease Management." The webinar, led by Dr. A. Lekshmi from Homeopathic Hospital Chottanikkara, was aimed at third-semester MSW students and focused on raising awareness about public health and healthcare management.

The two-day webinar covered a range of

topics, including the management of comatose patients, common diseases like epilepsy, stroke, myocardial infarction, arthritis, and Alzheimer's, as well as preventive measures and community-based interventions. Dr. Lekshmi emphasized the importance of understanding the relationship between anatomy and physiology in healthcare, providing students with foundational knowledge that is crucial for effective disease management and patient care.

The sessions were interactive, with students engaging in discussions about the role of public health professionals and the significance of community involvement in health education. The webinar also highlighted the importance of personalized health education resources, ensuring that social work students are equipped to address the unique health needs of diverse populations.

The webinar was successful in enhancing the students' knowledge of public health, empowering them to become agents of change in their communities. By bridging the gap between theoretical knowledge and practical application, the event provided students with the tools needed to contribute to the promotion of health and well-being in society.

Weekend Wisdom Series 1: Personal and Professional Development for MBA Students

On February 10, 2024, the Department of MBA at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies launched its "Weekend Wisdom" series with the first session titled "Version X.O - The New You." The event, attended by 22 first-semester MBA students, aimed to empower them with tools and techniques for personal and professional development through self-awareness, goal setting, and overcoming challenges.

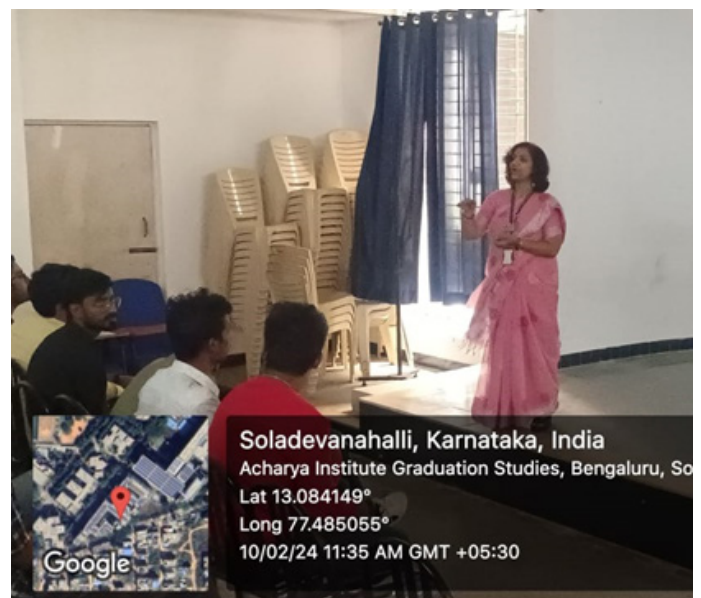
Dr. Madhavi BLR, Assistant Professor at Acharya BM Reddy College of Pharmacy, was the guest speaker for the session. The event began with an introduction by Ms. Jency Fernandez, the program coordinator, who emphasized the importance of wisdom and knowledge in personal growth. Dr. Madhavi engaged the students in an interactive session, starting with a SWOT analysis to help them identify their strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats.

The session also introduced the concept of "discursiveness," encouraging students to reflect on their thought patterns and how they influence personal and professional growth. Dr. Madhavi emphasized the importance of setting SMART goals (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, and Time-bound) and provided practical tools for translating intentions into actions.

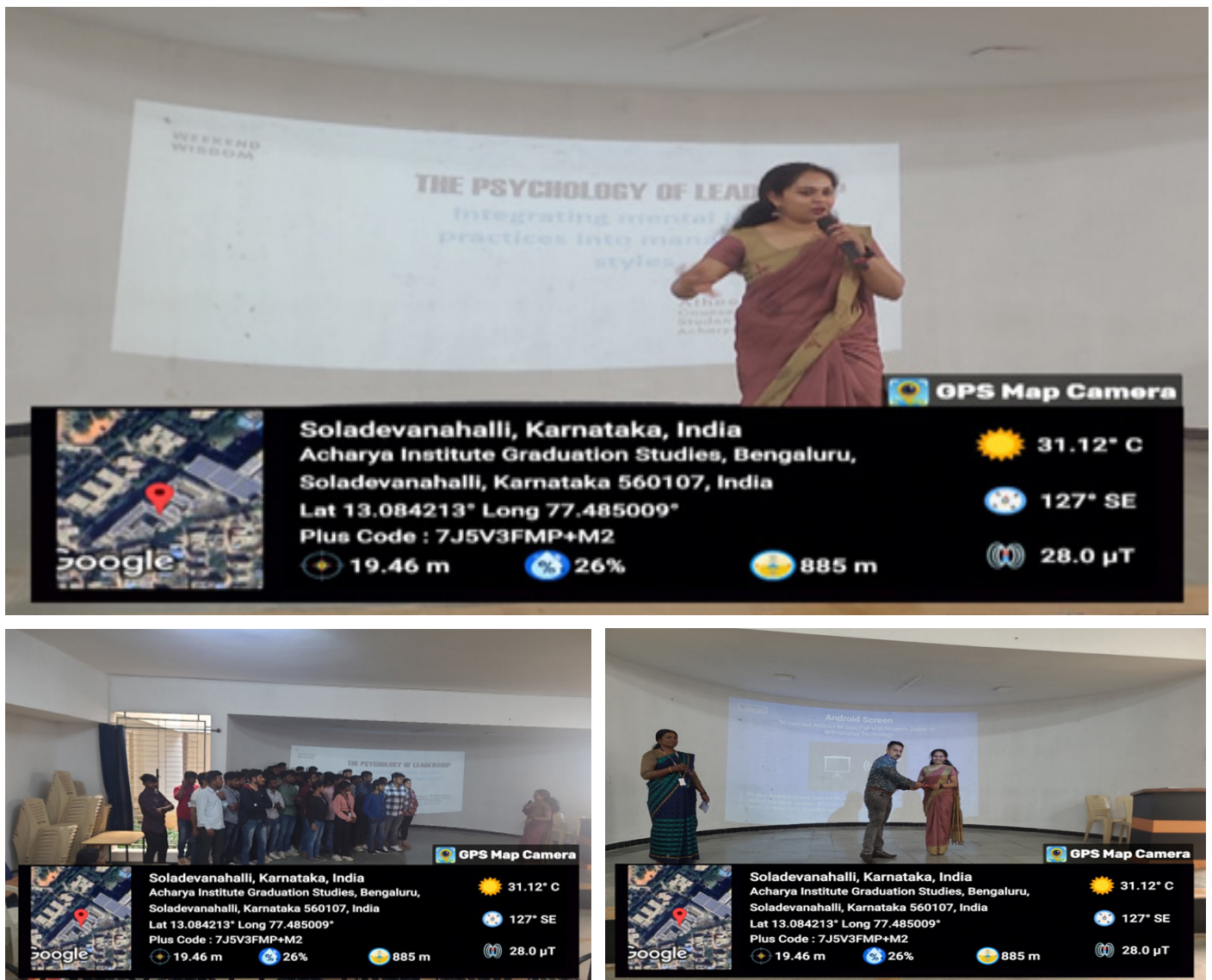
A unique feature of the session was a five-minute guided meditation, designed to refresh the students'

minds and enhance focus. The session concluded with a discussion on identifying and addressing personal weaknesses and negative traits, empowering students to overcome challenges and achieve their goals.

The session was well-received, with students gaining valuable insights into personal growth and development. The emphasis on self-awareness and goal setting equipped them with the tools needed to unlock their potential and embark on a journey of continuous improvement.



Weekend Wisdom Series 2: The Psychology of Leadership and Overcoming Imposter Syndrome



On February 24, 2024, the Department of MBA at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies continued its "Weekend Wisdom" series with the second session titled "The Psychology of Leadership: Integrating Mental Health Practices into Management Styles and Overcoming Imposter Syndrome." The session, attended by 65 first-semester MBA students, aimed to equip students with the skills to become effective leaders while promoting mental well-being in the workplace.

Ms. Atheera Ashokan, a student counselor with expertise in counseling psychology and dance movement therapy, led the session. The event began with an interactive activity that emphasized the importance of time management and communication in leadership. Students participated in a self-assessment exercise to identify their dominant leadership styles and strengths, providing them with insights into their leadership tendencies.

Ms. Ashokan discussed various leadership

theories, including trait theory, behavioral theory, and contingency theory, and explored different leadership models such as servant leadership and authentic leadership. The session also focused on the significance of setting SMART goals and the role of mental well-being in effective leadership.

A key highlight of the session was the discussion on overcoming imposter syndrome, a common challenge faced by new managers. Ms. Ashokan provided practical strategies for building confidence, such as seeking mentorship, focusing on achievements, and embracing continuous learning.

The session was well-received, with students gaining valuable insights into leadership and mental well-being. The emphasis on self-awareness and the integration of mental health practices into management styles equipped participants with the tools needed to navigate leadership roles confidently and effectively.

Voters Awareness Campaign: Empowering First-Time Voters



On March 6, 2024, the Electoral Literacy Committee at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a Voters Awareness Campaign titled “Mera Pehla Vote – Desh Ke Liye.” The campaign, aimed at encouraging first-time voters to participate in the democratic process, saw participation from 400 students.

The event, inspired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s call to action during his 110th ‘Mann ki Baat,’ aimed to highlight the significance of voting and to motivate young voters to actively engage in the upcoming elections. The campaign featured various activities, including a pledge, a quiz, a reel-making contest, a podcast, and a blogging competition, all centered around the theme “Desh Hamara Kaisa Ho.”

Students actively participated in these

activities, with the pledge being a particularly symbolic moment, as first-time voters committed to exercising their right to vote. The campaign not only educated students about the importance of voting but also instilled a sense of civic responsibility and the power of their vote to shape the nation’s future.

The Voters Awareness Campaign was a resounding success, creating awareness among students about the importance of casting their vote. It fostered a spirit of civic engagement and encouraged first-time voters to contribute to the democratic process, ensuring that their voices are heard in shaping the future of the country.

Guest Lecture for NCC Cadets and B.Com Students: Career Development Insights



On March 29, 2024, the Mechanical Auditorium at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies hosted a guest lecture by Col. D.B. Pathak, former Commanding Officer of the 9 Kar Bn NCC. The lecture, attended by 41 NCC cadets and B.Com students, focused on providing guidance for competitive exams and career opportunities

in the Indian Defence, Civil Services, and private sector.

Col. Pathak began by emphasizing the importance of goal setting and strategic planning for career success. He provided practical insights into effective study habits and time management techniques essential for excelling in competitive exams such as the UPSC and SSC. The lecture also covered alternative career avenues, including opportunities in the private sector and startup funding.

In addition to exam preparation, Col. Pathak highlighted the significance of networking and leadership skills in professional development. He shared personal experiences and real-world examples to illustrate the importance of effective communication and collaborative teamwork.

The interactive nature of the session allowed participants to engage actively, seeking clarifications and advice on various aspects of career preparation. The lecture concluded with a vote of thanks, and participants left inspired and equipped with practical strategies to navigate their career journeys with confidence.

The guest lecture by Col. Pathak was a significant success, providing valuable insights and guidance to the NCC cadets and B.Com students, helping them to shape their future careers

Guest Lecture on the Impact of Organizational Culture on Employee Behavior



On March 23, 2024, the Department of Psychology at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a guest lecture on the "Impact of Organizational Culture on Employee Behavior" for third-semester MSc Psychology students. The event, attended by 20 students, was led by Dr. Dhanalakshmi K., Associate Professor of MBA at Acharya Institute.

The lecture focused on understanding how

organizational structures and cultures influence employee behavior. Dr. Dhanalakshmi began by defining organizational structures and discussed various types with examples from companies like TATA and Reliance. She explored how these structures affect communication, decision-making, and employee engagement, emphasizing their role in shaping workplace dynamics.

The session also covered organizational culture, including its types and the role of leadership in shaping it. Dr. Dhanalakshmi highlighted how culture impacts employee behavior, attitudes, and overall organizational outcomes. Students participated in activities designed to help them understand these concepts in a practical context.

The interactive nature of the lecture allowed students to engage in discussions and apply the knowledge gained to real-world scenarios. The session concluded with a vote of thanks by a student, and the feedback from participants indicated that the lecture was informative and thought-provoking, providing valuable insights into the psychological aspects of organizational behavior.

Guest Lecture on Navigating Competitive Exams and Career Opportunities



On March 29, 2024, in the Auditorium at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies hosted a guest lecture titled "Navigating the Competitive Exams & Career Opportunity." The lecture, attended by 41 NCC cadets and B.Com students, was delivered by Col. D.B.

Pathak, a former Commanding Officer of the 9 Kar Bn NCC.

Col. Pathak provided detailed guidance on preparing for competitive exams such as the Indian Defence Civil Service, UPSC, and SSC, as well as exploring career opportunities in the private sector and entrepreneurial ventures. He emphasized the importance of goal setting, strategic planning, and staying updated with current affairs.

The lecture also covered the significance of networking and leadership skills in career development. Col. Pathak shared practical tips and personal experiences, inspiring students to approach their career journeys with confidence and determination. The session concluded with a vote of thanks, and feedback from participants indicated that the lecture was highly beneficial.

Guest Lecture on Power and Politics in Organizations

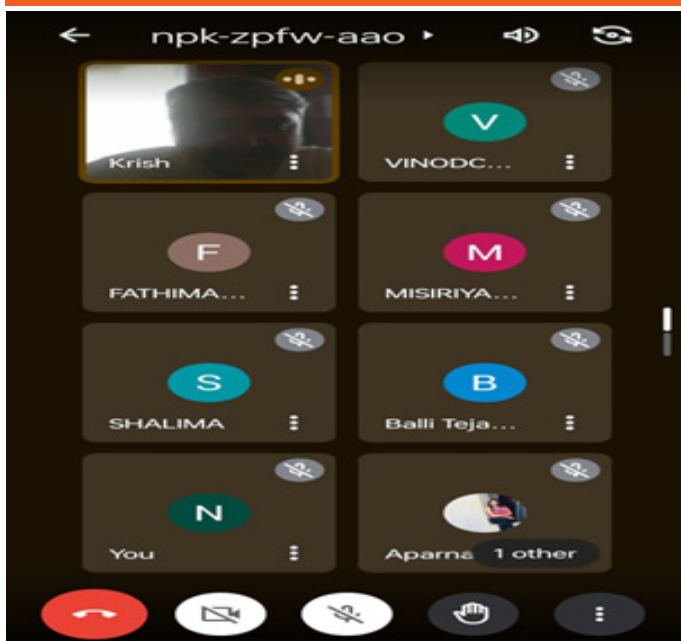
On March 21, 2024, the Department of Psychology at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a guest lecture on "Power and Politics in Organizations" for third-semester MSc Psychology students. The lecture, attended by 18 students, was delivered by Dr. Bharath Bhooshan, Assistant Professor of Management at AIG

The session explored the dynamics of power and politics within organizational settings, focusing on their psychological implications on individual and group behavior. Dr. Bhooshan defined various forms of power and political behavior, using examples from global and national politics to illustrate their impact on workplace dynamics.

Students participated in an engaging activity where they enacted as political groups, creating and presenting manifestos to influence their peers. This exercise helped students understand how power and politics influence decision-making and employee morale in organizations.



Guest Lecture on Psychological Interventions in Organizations



On March 26-27, 2024, the Department of Psychology at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted a two-day webinar on "Psychological Interventions in Organizations" for third-semester MSc Psychology students. The webinar, attended by 12 students, was led by Dr. Sindhuja C.V., Senior Assistant Professor at the

Center for Educational and Social Studies (CESS), Bangalore.

The webinar aimed to provide insights into the importance of psychological interventions in organizational settings. Dr. Sindhuja covered topics such as organizational development, effective interventions, and strategies for fostering organizational commitment and citizenship behavior. She emphasized the role of leadership, communication, and organizational policies in enhancing these behaviors.

Students participated in discussions and case studies that illustrated the application of these concepts in real-world organizational contexts. The webinar provided a comprehensive understanding of how psychological interventions can improve organizational effectiveness, equipping students with the knowledge to propose interventions for organizational improvement.

The session concluded with a vote of thanks, and feedback from the participants was overwhelmingly positive, highlighting the webinar's effectiveness in deepening their understanding of organizational psychology.

Guest Talk on Deep Learning for Natural Language Processing



Dr. Varghese introduced students to the foundational concepts of NLP, covering topics such as tokenization, word embeddings, and sequence modeling. She also discussed advanced NLP applications like sentiment analysis, text summarization, and machine translation, highlighting the role of deep learning models such as RNNs, LSTMs, and transformers.

The session included hands-on projects, allowing students to apply deep learning techniques to solve NLP challenges. Dr. Varghese provided practical insights into the ethical considerations of NLP technologies, emphasizing the importance of responsible AI development.

The talk was well-received, with students gaining a comprehensive understanding of deep learning in NLP and its practical applications, equipping them with the skills needed for careers in this rapidly evolving field.

On March 6, 2024, the Department of MCA at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a guest talk on “Deep Learning for Natural Language Processing” for third-semester MCA students. The event, attended by 85 students, was led by Dr. Nisha Varghese, Assistant Professor at CHRIST (Deemed to be University).

Guest Talk on the Future of Fintech



On March 9, 2024, the Department of MBA at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a guest lecture titled “Future of Fintech” for third-semester MBA students. The event, attended by 51 students, was delivered by CMA Ganesh Narwade, a specialist in CA & CMA.

The lecture explored the technological disruptions reshaping the fintech industry, including blockchain, AI, and decentralized finance (DeFi). Mr. Narwade emphasized the importance of fintech knowledge for MBA students, highlighting career opportunities in digital payments, robo-advisory

services, and blockchain applications.

He also discussed the challenges faced by the fintech industry, such as cybersecurity and regulatory hurdles, and encouraged students to pursue certification courses in fintech to stay competitive in the job market. The session concluded with a discussion on the role of fintech in financial inclusion and its potential to transform the financial landscape.

The lecture was well-received, providing students with valuable insights into the future of fintech and inspiring them to explore opportunities in this dynamic field.

Outbound Training for 2nd Semester BBA Students: Building Leadership and Teamwork Skills



On March 29, 2024, the Department of Management at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted an outbound training program for second-semester BBA students. The training, held at the Football Court, involved 70 participants and aimed to foster teamwork, leadership, communication, and problem-solving skills through outdoor activities.

The event began with an introduction by faculty members, highlighting the importance of experiential learning in personal and professional development. Students participated in a series of hands-on activities, team-building exercises, and simulations designed to challenge their limits and enhance collaboration.

Activities included trust-building exercises, leadership challenges, and outdoor adventure tasks such as hiking and rock climbing. These activities pushed students out of their comfort zones, promoting personal growth, resilience, and a sense of accomplishment.

The outbound training program was a resounding success, providing students with a holistic learning experience that combined adventure, teamwork, and personal growth. The training exemplified the importance of experiential learning in supplementing traditional classroom education and preparing students for the challenges of the modern business world.

Outbound Training for 4th Semester BBA Students: Enhancing Leadership and Communication Skills



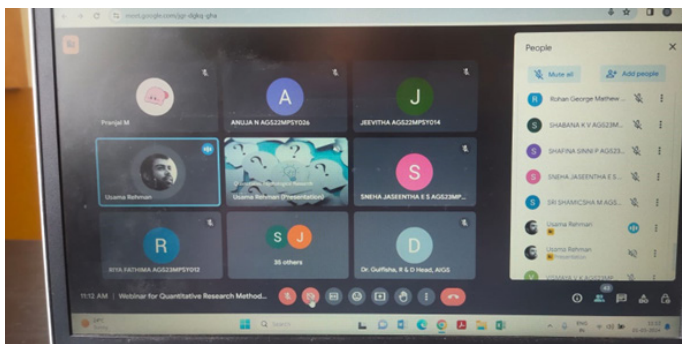
On March 30, 2024, the Department of Management at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted an outbound training program for fourth-semester BBA students. The training, attended by 30 students, was held at the Football Court and focused on enhancing leadership, teamwork, and communication skills through experiential learning.

The program included team-building challenges, leadership workshops, and adventure activities designed to promote personal growth and professional development. Students engaged in role-playing scenarios and group discussions, practicing leadership abilities and communication strategies in a real-world context.

The outbound training provided students with practical insights into time management, problem-solving, and the importance of teamwork in achieving common goals. The hands-on approach encouraged students to step out of their comfort zones and embrace challenges, leading to increased confidence and a deeper understanding of leadership dynamics.

The training was well-received by participants, who appreciated the opportunity to develop essential skills outside the traditional classroom setting. The program effectively prepared students for their future careers by fostering personal and professional growth.

Webinar on Quantitative Research Methods for Psychology Students



On March 1, 2024, the Department of Psychology at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a webinar on “Quantitative Research Methods” for first-semester MSc Psychology students. The event, held online, was attended by 30 students and featured Dr. Usama Rehman, Senior Lecturer at De Montford University, Dubai, as the guest speaker.

The webinar aimed to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of quantitative research methods, focusing on their application in behavioral sciences. Dr. Rehman began by introducing the fundamental concepts of quantitative research, including research design, data collection, and statistical analysis.

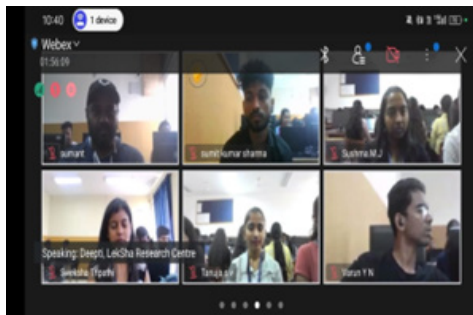
He emphasized the importance of understanding these methods to identify behavioral problems and develop effective solutions.

During the session, Dr. Rehman discussed various steps involved in conducting quantitative research, such as formulating research questions, selecting appropriate sampling methods, and analyzing data using statistical tools. He also provided insights into the critical analysis of data and the interpretation of results, highlighting the importance of accuracy and objectivity in research.

The interactive nature of the webinar allowed students to engage with the speaker, asking questions about the practical applications of quantitative research in psychology. Dr. Rehman addressed queries related to the generalization of findings, ethical considerations, and the challenges of conducting research in diverse populations.

The webinar concluded with a summary of the key takeaways, emphasizing the role of quantitative research in advancing psychological knowledge. The event was well-received, with students gaining valuable insights into research methodologies that will support their academic and professional growth.

Webinar on SPSS Tool for Data Analysis



On March 1, 2024, the Department of MCA at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a webinar titled “Spin the Data Your Way: Interactive SPSS Tool” for third-semester MCA students. The webinar, attended by 109 students, aimed to provide hands-on practice with SPSS, a powerful statistical analysis tool widely used in research and data-driven decision-making.

The session was led by Dr. Nageswara Rao Ambati, an expert in data analytics with over 15 years of experience. Dr. Ambati began by introducing the basic concepts of SPSS, including data management, descriptive statistics, and data visualization. He demonstrated how to import datasets, define variables, and conduct various statistical analyses using SPSS.

The interactive nature of the webinar allowed students to practice these techniques in real-time, enhancing their understanding of data analysis and interpretation. Dr. Ambati also covered advanced topics such as hypothesis testing and regression analysis, providing students with a comprehensive overview of SPSS’s capabilities.

The webinar concluded with a Q&A session, where students had the opportunity to clarify their doubts and learn about the practical applications of SPSS in research projects. The event was a significant success, equipping students with the skills necessary to leverage SPSS for their academic and professional pursuits.

Weekend Wisdom Series 3: The Relevance of Law in Business Management



On March 2, 2024, the Department of MBA at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted the third session of the "Weekend Wisdom" series, titled "The Relevance of Law in Business Management." The session, held in Room 409, was attended by 39 first-semester MBA students and aimed to deepen their understanding of the legal aspects of business.

The guest speaker, Mr. Chetan K V, Assistant Professor of the Department of Humanities at AIGS, began the session by defining law as "commonsense codified." He explained how legal principles are derived from fundamental notions of fairness and justice, emphasizing their practical application in everyday life. Mr. Chetan discussed the importance of legal awareness in navigating various situations, making informed decisions, and protecting individual rights.

The session also explored the concept of the legal environment, including legislation, judicial decisions, and government regulations, and how these elements interact to shape the legal landscape for businesses. Mr. Chetan highlighted the significance of understanding the diverse sources of law and the role of a balanced legal environment in fostering economic growth and ensuring the protection of individual rights.

The session concluded with a discussion on the importance of legal compliance and ethical conduct in business operations. Students gained valuable

insights into the legal aspects of business management, empowering them to make informed decisions in their future careers



LUMOS National Conference: Exploring Life Narratives



On April 29, 2024, the Department of English at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies took 20 fourth-semester BA students to attend the one-day national conference "LUMOS," held at St. Claret College, Jalahalli. The conference, themed "Life Narratives: A Re-examination of Self," aimed to expose students to a wide range of life narratives, offering profound insights into cultural diversity, historical contexts, and the evolution of personal identities through storytelling.

The conference began with a series of sessions that explored the role of life narratives in literature, highlighting their significance in understanding the human condition. Renowned scholars presented papers that delved into autobiographies, memoirs,

and oral histories, emphasizing how these narratives challenge conventions and broaden literary landscapes.

Students actively participated in discussions, gaining practical skills in narrative analysis and oral history. The event also featured a paper presentation by Writtika Goswamy, a fourth-semester PJE student, who received positive feedback for her insightful contribution.

The LUMOS conference proved to be an invaluable educational experience, enriching students' understanding of life narratives and their impact on literature. Through engagement with scholars and fellow enthusiasts, students honed

Placement Drive by GenTech Academy for BCA Students

On April 8, 2024, the Department of Computer Applications at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a placement drive in collaboration with GenTech Academy/SG Software Testing Institute. The event, held in the AIGS Computer Lab, targeted sixth-semester BCA students and aimed to provide free training in Full Stack Development, with job placement opportunities upon successful completion of the training.

The placement drive began with an online test conducted by GenTech Academy, assessing students' knowledge in SQL, Java, and quantitative reasoning. Out of 58 participants, 14 students were shortlisted for the second round, which included HR and technical interviews. These interviews were conducted by four different panels, providing students with the opportunity to showcase their technical skills and problem-solving abilities.

Following the interviews, five students were selected for a

six-month free training program in Full Stack Development. The selected students will undergo intensive training, after which they may be offered job placements with salaries ranging from 2 to 10 lakhs per annum, depending on their performance during the training.

The placement drive was a valuable experience for the students, offering them a pathway to gain industry-relevant skills and secure employment in the competitive field of software development. The collaboration with GenTech Academy highlighted the importance of practical training and industry connections in enhancing students' employability.

Overall, the placement drive was a success, providing students with both the knowledge and opportunities needed to advance their careers in the software industry. The selected students expressed enthusiasm and gratitude for the opportunity to participate in the training program, which will significantly boost their professional prospects.

Seminar on Traffic Management: Enhancing Road Safety Awareness



improving road safety.

The seminar on traffic management was a significant success, enhancing participants' understanding of road safety regulations and the importance of responsible driving behaviors.



On April 23, 2024, the Department of Criminology and Forensic Science at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a seminar on "Traffic Management" at the Ana Block. The event, which attracted 235 participants, including students from Criminology, Forensic Science, and BBA Aviation, aimed to address critical issues related to road safety and traffic management.

The seminar featured a distinguished panel of experts, including Shri. C.V. Murlidhara, Chief Traffic Warden of Bangalore City Police, and Mr. Antony Devassy, Release Manager at Unisys Global India Private Limited, among others. Each speaker brought unique insights into the challenges and solutions related to traffic management.

Shri. C.V. Murlidhara emphasized the importance of strict enforcement of traffic regulations to reduce road accidents and fatalities. He discussed the role of law enforcement agencies in ensuring compliance with traffic laws and the need for proactive measures to curb reckless driving behaviors. Mr. Devassy focused on the significance of infrastructure development in enhancing road safety, highlighting the need for ergonomic road designs that prioritize pedestrian safety and smooth vehicular flow.

The seminar also explored the integration of advanced technologies in traffic management. Mr. Vinod Sreedharan, an expert in automotive engineering, discussed the potential of advanced driver-assistance systems (ADAS) and vehicle-to-vehicle (V2V) communication technologies to prevent accidents and mitigate collision severity.

The event concluded with an interactive session where participants engaged in discussions and shared best practices in traffic management. The seminar provided a platform for collaboration among law enforcement officials, urban planners, engineers, and forensic experts, fostering a holistic approach to

GROUP DYNAMICS TRAINING and ACTIVITY



The Ground Dynamics Training and Activity organized to motivate students work together and create unity among the students these will helpful college students for better employability and future career success. The Outbound activity main aimed to promote teamwork, communication. Participants will work together in teams to tackle various challenges and obstacles designed to test their agility, strength, coordination, and problem solving. The Resource person Dr. Paravathy venu introduced by the Mr. B N Manoj Assistant Professor for the VI semester BBA AV Students. Dr. Parvathy venu was create the motivation and enthusiasm to the students. This Outbound Activity was included Group Dynamics Training and activity such as Paper model, Balloon Games; Rop Game related indoor activities all 27 students participated in these activities they use the ideas and strategies to won the games activities.

Paper Model Game: Five Groups were made and gave bunch of newspapers. Each team had 5 members and they has to choose 1 voluntaries and had to perform an activity with newspapers using in highest number. For this activity teams had to plan in prior to use the scarce resources given in optimal way.

Balloon Game: The Resource person again made the 6 groups. Each team had the 4 members. Here, everyone had to safeguard the balloon and which group has balance the balloon till the last is the winner of the balloon game. Finally Ajay group had the balance till the last.

Rop Game: Rop game is game given to the students. Here, the students was divided into 2 team in each team had the 13 members and given thread moving tasks where all the participants had to complete the given task. To complete the

task given we had been given 45 minutes to complete the task.

The Resource person highlighted the above three activities students strategies, ideas, team work and time management. This activity addressed to the students how to overcome from the problems and they understand the team work coordination and unity, these all is very most important to achieve the target in a successful manner that understand the students and group dynamics training to enhance the connectivity and communication A significant portion of the talk and it was enhance the students communication. All the students were really happy for being part of this outbound training session and all enjoyed this training session as well as all the activities to the maximum extent. The speaker concluded by discussing the future prospects of team work and unity will helpful college students for better employability and future career success.



Guest Lecture-BREAK FREE FROM SMOKING



On May 31, 2024, the Department of Psychology at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a guest lecture titled "Break Free From Smoking," coinciding with World No Tobacco Day. The event, held in the AIGS Seminar Hall, was attended by 80 students from the BA and MSc Psychology programs. The lecture aimed to address the psychological effects of tobacco use, explore effective cessation strategies, and discuss the broader societal impacts of tobacco consumption.



The guest speaker, Mr. Ahmed Asif, a Senior Psychologist at Inspiron Psychological Services, Bangalore, provided an in-depth exploration of the psychological mechanisms underlying tobacco addiction. He explained how nicotine alters brain chemistry, leading to increased anxiety, stress, and dependency. Mr. Asif emphasized the importance of addressing these psychological aspects when developing cessation strategies, highlighting the effectiveness of approaches such as cognitive-behavioral therapy (CBT), motivational interviewing, and support groups.



Throughout the session, Mr. Asif discussed the challenges individuals face when attempting to quit smoking, including withdrawal symptoms and psychological cravings. He provided practical insights into managing these challenges, stressing the need for a personalized approach to tobacco cessation. The lecture also covered the societal impacts of tobacco use, including public health concerns and the economic burden of tobacco-related illnesses.

The interactive Q&A session that followed allowed students to engage directly with Mr. Asif, discussing the practical applications of the strategies presented. The event concluded with a vote of thanks, with students expressing their appreciation for the valuable insights gained.

Overall, the guest lecture successfully highlighted the critical role of psychological interventions in promoting tobacco cessation. It provided students with a deeper understanding of the complexities of tobacco addiction and the importance of a tailored approach in supporting individuals on their journey to quit smoking.

Guest Lecture on 'Educating Special Children'



On May 16, 2024, the Department of Psychology at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies hosted a guest lecture titled "Educating Gifted Children." The event was held in the AIGS Seminar Hall and was attended by 57 students from the BA and MSc Psychology programs. The lecture was delivered by Ms. Junice Lizy James, an expert in educational psychology and gifted education from Jyoti Nivas College (Autonomous).

Ms. James began by defining giftedness, emphasizing that it extends beyond high IQ scores to include advanced cognitive abilities, creativity, and exceptional learning capacity. She discussed the challenges faced by gifted children, such as social isolation and asynchronous development, where their intellectual abilities outpace their emotional and social skills.

The lecture focused on effective educational strategies for gifted children, advocating for a differentiated curriculum that allows for both acceleration and enrichment. Ms. James provided examples of successful programs and teaching methods, such as project-based learning, mentorship programs, and independent study, that cater to the advanced learning needs of gifted children.

Ms. James also highlighted the critical role of teachers and parents in supporting gifted children. She urged educators to undergo specialized training and recommended that parents foster a nurturing environment that encourages curiosity and intellectual stimulation. The lecture concluded with a discussion on the need for advocacy and policy changes to better support gifted education, calling for increased funding, specialized schools, and inclusive policies.

The guest lecture was highly informative, providing valuable insights into the education of gifted children and inspiring attendees to advocate for better educational practices. The positive feedback from participants underscored the importance of addressing the unique needs of gifted children in educational settings.



Guest Lecture on Income Tax Filing: Comprehend the Procedure for Filing ITR



On May 24, 2024, the Department of Commerce at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a guest lecture on "Income Tax Filing: Comprehend the Procedure for Filing ITR" for second-semester B.Com students. The session was held in the MBA Board Room from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM and was attended by 25 students. The objective of the lecture was to provide students with practical knowledge about the process of filing income tax returns (ITR), the benefits of timely filing, and to create awareness about the e-filing system.

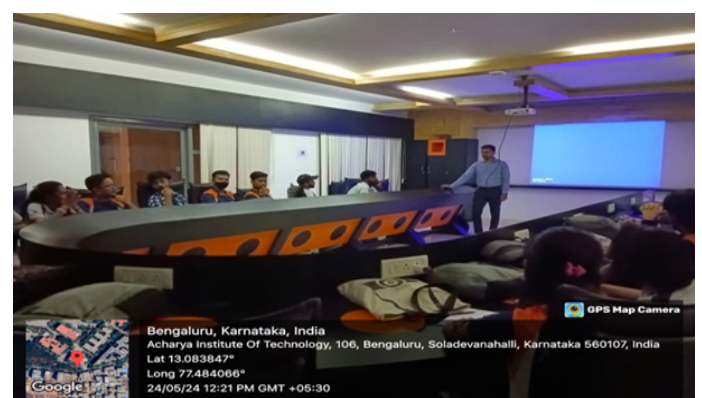
The lecture was conducted by Mr. Manjunath B, an experienced tax consultant. The session began with a brief introduction by Ms. Kimisha, a final-year B.Com student, who welcomed the guest speaker and set the stage for the discussion. Mr. Manjunath started the lecture by assessing the students' current understanding of income tax filing through an interactive question-and-answer session.

He explained the various slab rates applicable to individuals and corporate entities, using examples to clarify how total tax liabilities are calculated. The session covered the types of assessments, the different forms used for filing ITRs, and the essential documents required for the process. Mr. Manjunath also highlighted the benefits of

filing ITRs, including the importance of maintaining a financial record and the advantages of e-filing, such as convenience and faster processing.

To reinforce the learning, Mr. Manjunath conducted a case study analysis, where students were guided through the e-filing process on the official income tax portal. The practical exposure provided during this session enabled students to gain hands-on experience in filing tax returns.

The lecture concluded with a Q&A session, where students actively participated, seeking clarification on various aspects of ITR filing. The feedback from the participants was overwhelmingly positive, with 20 out of 25 students rating the session as "Excellent." The event was successful in equipping students with the knowledge and confidence to manage their income tax responsibilities effectively.



Guest Lecture: Understanding Film Reviewing – Literature in a Hurry

On May 27, 2024, the Department of English at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an online guest lecture titled "Literature in a Hurry: Understanding Film Reviewing." The event was attended by 40 students from the BA and MA English programs and was conducted via Zoom. The lecture aimed to explore the unique nature of film reviewing as a form of literary criticism, intersecting with various disciplines such as literature, visual arts, sociology, psychology, and cultural studies.

The guest speaker, Vidyasree Bindu, a Film Reviewer and Research Scholar at NIT Warangal, provided an insightful overview of the process involved in film reviewing. She explained the importance of balancing summary and critique in reviews, the use of film theories and criticism, and the constraints reviewers face in providing timely evaluations aligned with film releases.

Using multimedia elements such as PPTs, images, and film clips, Vidyasree illustrated how personal taste and objective analysis coexist in film reviews. She also discussed how film reviews cater to different audience segments, from casual

viewers to cinephiles, and evaluated the impact of multimedia elements in modern reviews.

The lecture concluded with a Q&A session, where students posed questions about the techniques and career opportunities in film reviewing. Vidyasree also recommended important reviewers' profiles, websites, and glossaries for further reference.

The guest lecture provided students with a comprehensive understanding of the film reviewing process, emphasizing its relevance in today's media culture. It encouraged them to explore the literary side of film criticism and consider potential career



Guest Lecture on Social Legislations in India for Social Work Students

On May 14, 2024, the Department of Social Work at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a guest lecture titled "Important Social Legislations in India" for second and fourth-semester BSW and MSW students. Held in Room 309 of AIGS Block 2, the lecture aimed to deepen students' understanding of the legal framework governing social issues, particularly those related to the protection of women and children. The event was attended by 50 students and featured Mr. Chetan K V, Controller of Examinations and Assistant Professor in

the Department of Arts and Humanities at AIGS, as the resource person. The lecture began with an introduction to the significance of social legislations in the context of social work practice. Mr. Chetan K V provided an overview of key legislations, including the Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act 2005, the Dowry Prohibition Act 1961, the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act 2015, and the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition, and Redressal) Act 2013. He explained the provisions of these laws, emphasizing their role in safeguarding the rights of vulnerable

populations.

The session also included discussions on the practical application of these legislations, with case studies illustrating how legal mechanisms can address social injustices. Mr. Chetan highlighted the challenges encountered in implementing these laws effectively and proposed solutions to overcome barriers such as inadequate resources, social stigma, and legal loopholes. The interactive nature of the lecture allowed students to engage with the resource person, clarifying doubts and discussing the ethical dilemmas inherent in social work practice within a legal framework. The lecture concluded with a vote of thanks, acknowledging Mr. Chetan's valuable contribution to the students' legal education.

Overall, the guest lecture served as a transformative learning experience, equipping students with the knowledge and skills necessary to navigate the complexities of social work practice in India. The insights gained will empower them to advocate for the rights and welfare of marginalized communities

Guest Talk: A New Page in Design Industry – Muse Rediscovered



On May 14, 2024, the Department of Fashion and Apparel Design (FAD) at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a guest talk titled “A New Page in Design Industry: Muse Rediscovered.” The event, held in the Mechanical Block Seminar Hall, was attended by 109 students from various semesters of the B.Sc. FAD program. The talk was delivered by Shilpi Choudhury, a renowned celebrity haute couture and avant-garde designer known for her innovative contributions to the fashion industry.

The session began with a warm welcome by Mrs. Hemavathi R, who introduced Shilpi Choudhury as a trailblazer in the fashion world. With over 3,500 national and international shows and multiple awards to her name, Shilpi has left an indelible mark on the industry. Her talk was structured around key themes, including haute couture, androgynous fashion, sustainability, environmental watchdogs, activism, and the “Vocal for Local” movement.

Shilpi Choudhury elaborated on the intricacies of haute couture and haute coiffure, emphasizing the artistry and craftsmanship involved in creating custom-fitted, high-end fashion designs. She also discussed the rise of androgynous fashion, highlighting its role in breaking down gender norms and promoting inclusivity in the fashion industry. Sustainability in fashion was another focal point, with Shilpi advocating for eco-friendly materials, ethical manufacturing, and waste reduction practices.

The talk concluded with an exploration of activism in fashion, where Shilpi underscored the

importance of using fashion as a platform for social and environmental change. She also promoted the “Vocal for Local” initiative, encouraging students to support local artisans and sustainable practices.

The session was highly informative and inspirational, providing students with valuable insights into the evolving landscape of the fashion industry. Shilpi’s journey and expertise motivated students to pursue their own creative paths with passion and purpose. The event concluded with a vote of thanks and a group photo, marking a successful and enriching experience for all attendees.



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Guest Talk on Safety and Security at Airports by Criminology Department



On May 20, 2024, the Department of Criminology and Forensic Science at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a guest talk titled "Safety and Security at Airports." Held in Room AI02GF03, the event targeted third-year criminology students and was attended by 25 participants. The talk aimed to provide a comprehensive understanding of airport safety and security, addressing the challenges posed by evolving threats such as terrorism, cyber-attacks, and smuggling.

The guest speaker, Ms. Shruti S from Wings Brand Activation Private Ltd., brought a wealth of experience in airport safety and security. She began the session by highlighting the critical role of security

assets at airports. Ms. Shruti elaborated on various contemporary challenges faced by airport security teams, emphasizing the importance of integrating advanced technologies like biometrics, AI, and machine learning into security protocols to enhance detection and response capabilities.

The talk also covered risk management strategies, including regular risk assessments, the necessity for continuous training and development of security personnel, and the implementation of comprehensive emergency response plans. Ms. Shruti discussed the increasing threat of cyber-attacks on airports and the importance of robust cybersecurity measures, such as regular audits, employee training, and advanced firewalls.

A significant part of the talk focused on the coordination required between airport authorities, airlines, law enforcement, and emergency services to effectively manage incidents. The interactive Q&A session that followed allowed students to explore practical aspects of airport security operations, deepening their understanding of real-world scenarios.

The event concluded with a networking session, providing a platform for participants to discuss and deliberate on the topics presented. The guest talk was a significant success, enriching the knowledge base of attendees and underscoring the critical importance of robust safety and security measures in the aviation industry.



measures in safeguarding passengers, staff, and

International Conference on AI-Driven Decision Making and Agile Management Practices



On May 3-4, 2024, the Department of MBA at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies hosted an International Conference titled "Impact of AI-Driven Decision Making and Agile Management Practices for Sustainable Development (ICADMS 2024)." The event, held in the Hall of Fame at the Central Library, brought together 165 participants, including students, researchers, academicians, and industry professionals, to explore the intersection of artificial intelligence (AI) and agile management in driving sustainable growth.

The conference opened with a grand inaugural ceremony, featuring a welcome address by Dr. Parvathy Venu, followed by insightful remarks from Dr. Benjamin Jones Abraham, the conference convener, and Prof. Gurunath Rao Vaidya, Principal of AIGS. The ceremony set the tone for the event, emphasizing the importance of AI and agile management in shaping the future of various industries.

The conference featured a series of keynote speeches and panel discussions, where prominent figures such as Prof. Rithika Sinha from BCU, Shamik Palit from Stirling University RAK, and Mr. Deepak Sharma from Flipkart shared their perspectives on the

evolving role of AI in decision-making and its impact on business strategies. The discussions covered critical topics like data privacy, ethical AI, and the future of data-driven decision-making, highlighting the need for a balanced approach to technological innovation.

Day two of the conference included paper presentations by researchers, showcasing cutting-edge studies on AI applications and agile methodologies. The event concluded with a valedictory session, where Dr. Koppala Venugopal, Senior Professor at AITAM, delivered an enlightening address on the future of AI in marketing. The conference ended on a high note with the presentation of awards for the best papers and a vote of thanks from Dr. N. Bhargava, the co-convener of ICADMS 2024.

ICADMS 2024 was a resounding success, providing a platform for knowledge exchange and fostering collaboration between academia and industry. The conference underscored the importance of ethical AI practices and interdisciplinary collaboration in driving innovation and sustainable development.

Outbound Training on Experiential Learning for Commerce Students



On May 30, 2024, the Department of Commerce at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an outbound training program on experiential learning at the Rangoli Garden Model Village, Bengaluru, for 30 first-year BCom students. The program aimed to develop leadership, teamwork, and communication skills through outdoor activities designed to simulate real-world challenges.

The day began with a bus ride from the college to the model village, where students were introduced to the unique cultural heritage of Karnataka through sculptures, models, and exhibits representing various aspects of pre-independence life. The visit provided a rich context for understanding the traditional lifestyles, markets, and customs of Karnataka's rural communities.

The training involved several activities designed to enhance critical thinking, problem-solving, and teamwork. One such activity, the "Word Building" exercise, required students to collaboratively form words, emphasizing the importance of communication and concentration. Another activity, "Crossing the River," involved students working in teams to navigate an obstacle course using planks, which highlighted the need for strategic planning and cooperation.

Throughout the day, students were encouraged to reflect on their experiences and share insights about the challenges they faced and the strategies they employed.

The training provided a hands-on learning experience that extended beyond the traditional classroom, allowing students to apply theoretical concepts in a practical setting.

The program concluded with a group discussion, where students expressed their appreciation for the opportunity to engage in experiential learning. The feedback was overwhelmingly positive, with students noting improvements in their teamwork, leadership, and communication skills. The outbound training was successful in achieving its objectives, providing students with valuable life skills that will benefit them in their academic and professional pursuits.



Outbound Training on Agriculture Supply Chain Management for Commerce Students



On May 30, 2024, the Department of Commerce at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted an outbound training session focused on agriculture supply chain management for 24 final-year BCom students. The event took place at the Rangoli Garden Model Village, Bengaluru, and aimed to provide practical insights into organic farming, supply chain dynamics, and the business aspects of agriculture.

The day began with a bus journey from the college to the model village, where students were immersed in the traditional agricultural practices and lifestyle of Karnataka's rural communities. The village's exhibits showcased pre-independence market setups, home styles, and cultural customs, offering students a vivid representation of India's agrarian heritage.

The training session included activities designed to enhance strategic thinking, teamwork, and leadership skills. One key activity was "Number Counting," which emphasized the importance of concentration and effective communication in managing agricultural supply chains. Another highlight was the "Crossing the

River" exercise, where students, divided into teams, used planks to navigate an obstacle, reinforcing the importance of collaboration and strategic planning in achieving common goals.

Through these activities, students gained a practical understanding of the complexities involved in managing an agricultural supply chain, from production to distribution. The hands-on nature of the training allowed them to apply classroom knowledge in a real-world context, enhancing their ability to think critically and work effectively in teams.

The training concluded with a reflective session where students discussed their experiences and shared insights on the challenges and strategies involved in agriculture supply chain management. The feedback was overwhelmingly positive, with students expressing a deeper understanding of the agricultural sector and its supply chain dynamics. The outbound training was highly effective in fostering skills essential for their future careers in commerce and agriculture.

Outbound Training on Agriculture Supply Chain Management for Commerce Students



On May 18, 2024, the Department of Social Work at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted a training program on “Menstrual Health and Hygiene” at the Main Auditorium for first-year BSW students. The event, attended by 52 students, aimed to educate them on the importance of menstrual hygiene management and its impact on women’s health and well-being.

The training was facilitated by Dr. Lakshmi Iyer, an expert in public health and social work, who began the session by discussing the biological aspects of menstruation, including the menstrual cycle and related health issues. Dr. Iyer emphasized the importance of proper menstrual hygiene practices in preventing infections and maintaining overall reproductive health. She provided detailed information on the various menstrual products available, including sanitary pads, tampons, and menstrual cups, and the correct usage and disposal methods for each.

A significant part of the program was

dedicated to addressing the cultural taboos and myths surrounding menstruation, which often lead to stigma and discrimination against women and girls. Dr. Iyer encouraged an open dialogue among students, fostering a supportive environment where they could share experiences and ask questions.

The session also covered the role of social workers in advocating for menstrual health and hygiene, particularly in rural and underprivileged communities. Students were encouraged to develop awareness programs and community outreach initiatives to educate women and girls about menstrual hygiene.

The training concluded with a distribution of menstrual hygiene kits to all participants, along with informative brochures on menstrual health. Feedback from the students was overwhelmingly positive, with many expressing a deeper understanding of the topic and a commitment to promoting menstrual hygiene in their communities.

FEST & EXHIBITIONS

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Student Lit Fest 2024: A Celebration of Literature and Culture



On January 11-12, 2024, the Department of English at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies participated in the Student Lit Fest 2024, held at Yuvaatha, Bengaluru. The festival brought together a diverse group of literary enthusiasts, including students, authors, and scholars, for two days of engaging discussions, workshops, and cultural activities.

The festival's theme centered on creating a space where literary passion meets academic rigor, fostering a community of lifelong learners and storytellers. The event featured panel discussions on a wide range of topics, from classic literature to contemporary issues, providing participants with a comprehensive overview of literary trends and themes. Notable sessions included "New India-New Stories," which explored emerging narrative trends in Indian literature, and "Oral, Digital, Print to Metaverse," which examined the evolution of storytelling across different media.

Students had the unique opportunity to interact with renowned authors like Prof. Giridhar and Smt. Swaroopa Iyer during Q&A sessions and book signings, deepening their appreciation for literature and the creative process. Workshops and masterclasses offered practical tools for aspiring writers, empowering them to hone their craft.

The festival also celebrated cultural diversity through performances, music, and art, creating a vibrant atmosphere that transcended traditional literary events. The inclusivity and accessibility of the festival were notable, with open discussions on diversity and representation in literature, ensuring that all voices were heard.

The Student Lit Fest 2024 was a resounding success, fostering intellectual curiosity and creative exploration among participants. The event not only celebrated the power of literature but also inspired students to continue their literary journeys with renewed passion.

International Women's Day: Skill-Based Competitions by Women's Cell



On March 13, 2024, the Women's Cell - Agnishikha at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a skill-based competition in celebration of International Women's Day. The event, held in the PDC Lab at AIGS Block 2, featured two competitions: Mehndi and Best Out of Waste, with six participants showcasing their creativity and innovation.

The Mehndi competition encouraged participants to incorporate elements of nature into their designs, allowing them to express their artistic abilities through traditional art forms. The Best Out of Waste competition focused on creating innovative and functional items using recycled materials, promoting sustainability and eco-consciousness.

The competitions were well-received, with

participants displaying a high level of creativity and artistic skill. The event was judged by faculty members, who evaluated the designs based on creativity, innovation, and overall presentation. The competitions provided students with a platform to showcase their talents, foster artistic expression, and engage in extracurricular activities that align with environmental and cultural values.

The event concluded with a vote of thanks from Mrs. Ashwini Atul Joshi, the Women's Cell coordinator, who commended the participants for their efforts and creativity. The skill-based competitions were a fun and enriching experience, allowing students to explore their artistic potential and contribute to a culture of sustainability and creativity.

Academic Vastra Fashion Show: Model Hunt Event



On May 16, 2024, the Department of Fashion and Apparel Design (FAD) at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies held the Academic Vastra Fashion Show Model Hunt in the AIGS Seminar Hall. The event aimed to select models for the upcoming Vastra Fashion Show, where final-year fashion design students will showcase their collections. The Model Hunt attracted 86 participants eager to demonstrate their modeling skills and secure a spot in the prestigious event.

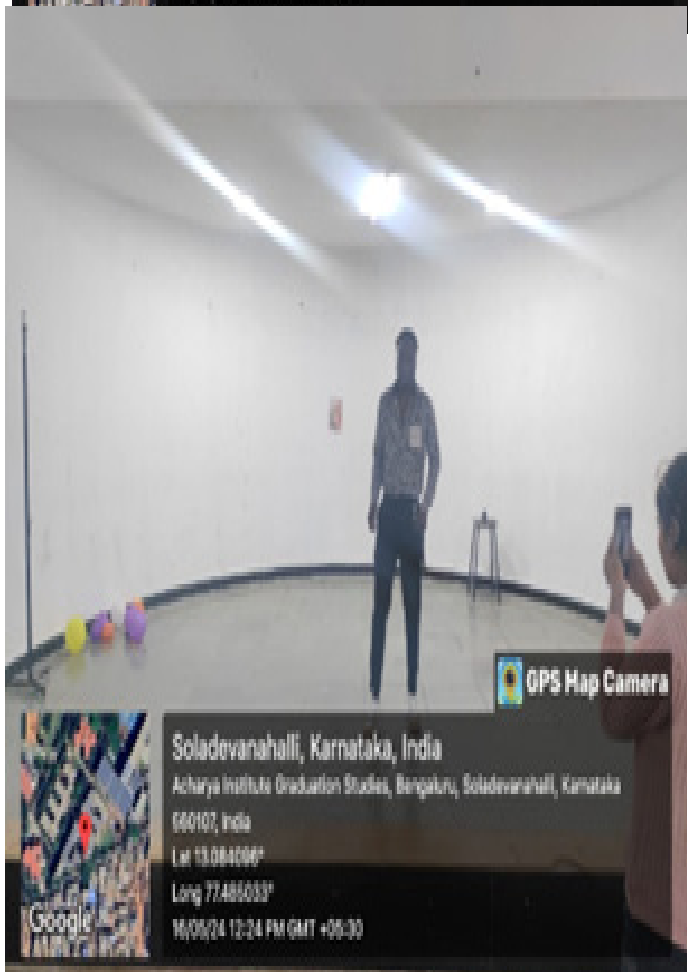
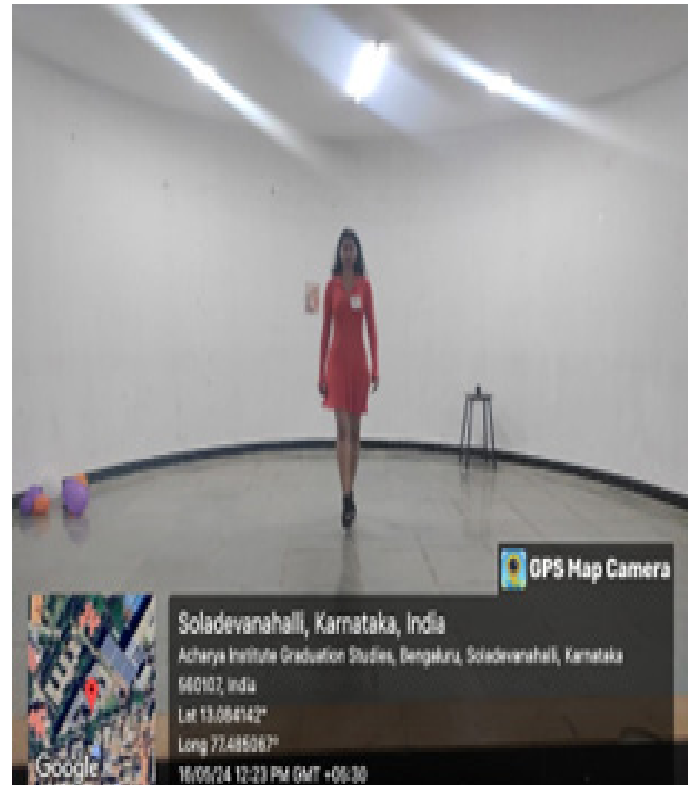
The event commenced with a smooth registration process, followed by an introductory session where participants were briefed about the audition procedure and selection criteria. The auditions began at 12:30 PM, with participants walking the ramp in front of a panel of judges that included faculty members from the FAD department. The judges evaluated participants on various criteria, including confidence, walk style, poise, and overall presentation.

By 1:45 PM, the auditions concluded, and the selected models were allocated to final-year design students based on the compatibility of their style with the respective collections. This thoughtful matching ensured that each designer's vision would be effectively brought to life on the runway.

The event was marked by the remarkable enthusiasm and professionalism of the participants, as well as the exemplary organizational skills of the student coordinators. Their efforts ensured a seamless flow throughout the event, from registration to the final selection of models.

The Vastra Model Hunt not only fulfilled its primary objective of selecting models but also highlighted the diverse talent within the college. The event generated significant excitement for the upcoming Vastra Fashion

Show, where the selected models and designers are expected to deliver a spectacular showcase of creativity and style. The success of the Model Hunt set a positive tone for the main event, promising an impressive display of fashion innovation and talent.



Aakrithi Fest 2024: National Level Inter-Collegiate Cultural Fest



On May 29, 2024, Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies participated in the National Level Inter-Collegiate Cultural Fest “Aakrithi Fest 2024” held at Sheshadripuram Institute of Management Studies. This annual event provides a platform for students to showcase their talents across various cultural and co-curricular activities, promoting cultural diversity and cross-cultural understanding.

The Aakrithi Fest is known for its vibrant atmosphere and diverse range of events, and this year was no exception. Students from the B.Sc.

Fashion and Apparel Design (FAD) program at AIGS participated in the fashion show event, which was one of the festival’s highlights. The students, led by designer Aishwarya Lakshmi, displayed their creativity by designing innovative attire for the fashion show. A total of eight models from AIGS participated, presenting their designs on the runway.

The fashion show was judged on criteria such as costume design, model walk, and overall confidence. The AIGS team impressed the judges with their unique and creative designs, ultimately winning the second prize in the fashion show competition. This achievement was a proud moment for the students and faculty of AIGS, reflecting their dedication and hard work.

The Aakrithi Fest also served as a networking hub, bringing together students, designers, and industry professionals. The event provided an opportunity for participants to exchange ideas, learn from each other, and build connections that could benefit their future careers.

The success of the AIGS team at Aakrithi Fest 2024 not only highlighted their talent but also reinforced the importance of cultural diversity and creativity in the academic environment. The event was a significant success, leaving a lasting impression on all participants and setting a high standard for future cultural fests.



Carnavalesque Fest 2024: National Level Inter-Collegiate Cultural Fest



On May 24, 2024, Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies participated in the National Level Inter-Collegiate Cultural Fest “Carnavalesque Fest 2024” held at St. Francis College. This annual event is a vibrant celebration of cultural diversity, offering students a platform to showcase their talents across various cultural and co-curricular activities.

Carnavalesque Fest 2024 featured a range of events, including fashion shows, music performances, and art exhibitions. Students from the B.Sc. Fashion and Apparel Design (FAD) program at AIGS participated in the fashion show event, which was one of the festival’s highlights. The AIGS team, led by designer Aishwarya Lakshmi, presented a collection of innovative designs that were both creative and stylish. A total of nine models from AIGS walked the ramp, showcasing the unique designs to an enthusiastic audience.

The fashion show was judged on various criteria, including costume design, model walk, and overall presentation. The AIGS team impressed the judges with their originality and confidence, securing the third prize in the fashion show competition. This accomplishment was a significant achievement for the students and faculty of AIGS, reflecting their commitment to excellence in fashion design.

In addition to the fashion show, Carnavalesque Fest 2024 provided an opportunity for students

to network with peers, industry professionals, and potential employers. The event served as a platform for exchanging ideas, learning from others, and building connections that could benefit the participants’ future careers.

The success of the AIGS team at Carnavalesque Fest 2024 not only highlighted their talent but also emphasized the importance of cultural diversity and creativity in the academic environment. The event was a resounding success, leaving a lasting impact on all participants and setting a high bar for future cultural events.



ByteQuest 2024: Navigating the Digital Frontier in IT



On May 16, 2024, the Department of Master of Computer Applications (MCA) at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized ByteQuest 2024, an inter-collegiate IT fest. Held in the MBA/MCA Auditorium, the event was attended by 203 participants and featured a series of competitions and activities aimed at showcasing the skills, creativity, and technical prowess of MCA students.

The fest was inaugurated by Ms. Parvathy Rajeev, Senior Technical Specialist at IBM India, who provided valuable insights into the latest trends in the IT industry. ByteQuest 2024 included a diverse array of events such as Bit by Bit, Code Fusion, Pixel Battle, Tech Titans, and Lenses & Lines, challenging participants in areas like software development, gaming, debating, and video creation.

Each event was meticulously evaluated by a panel of expert judges, ensuring fair and unbiased assessments. The competitions emphasized both

technical skills and soft skills such as communication, collaboration, and critical thinking. Participants had the opportunity to network with peers, learn from industry experts, and gain exposure to real-world challenges.

ByteQuest 2024 concluded with an award ceremony, where winners were recognized for their exceptional performances. The event was highly successful in enhancing participants' awareness of the latest trends and opportunities in the IT sector, fostering innovation, and inspiring the next generation of IT professionals.



Vigilante Carnival 2024: A National-Level Fest on Law Enforcement



On May 14-15, 2024, the Department of Criminology and Forensic Science at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies hosted the national-level fest "Vigilante Carnival: For Undertaking Law Enforcement in the Community." The two-day event, held from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, brought together 230 participants, including students, experts, and enthusiasts in criminology and forensic science.

The fest was inaugurated by Mr. Saidulu Adavath IPS, Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP) North, who emphasized the importance of criminology and forensic science in modern law enforcement. The event featured a series of engaging activities, including a detective challenge, a mock trial, and forensic puzzle competitions, designed to test participants' analytical and investigative skills.

The second day included addresses by distinguished guests Shri Ravi Channannavar IPS and Shri Satish Kadthanamale, who discussed the evolving challenges in crime detection and the role of forensic science in solving complex cases. The fest also included a crime scene photography competition, a forensic art event, and a forensic profiling exercise.

Participants had the opportunity to engage in debates, presentations, and creative projects that showcased their knowledge and skills in criminology. The event concluded with a closing ceremony, where winners were awarded certificates and trophies.

Vigilante Carnival 2024 was a resounding success, providing a platform for learning, competition, and networking among future professionals in criminology and forensic science. The fest not only enhanced participants' knowledge and skills but also fostered a sense of community and collaboration in the field.



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Industrial Visit to Credit-I NGO: A Practical Insight into Social Work and

On February 15, 2024, the Department of Social Work and Commerce at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an industrial visit to Credit-I, a prominent NGO based in Mysuru, Karnataka. The visit aimed to provide students with practical knowledge of social work practices and community engagement while facilitating networking opportunities with professionals in the field.

The visit began with an orientation by Dr. M.P. Varsha, Managing Trustee of Credit-I, who introduced the students to the organization's mission of empowering women and youth through education and economic support. Credit-I, registered under the Indian Trust Act of 1882, has been instrumental in various community development initiatives across Karnataka, including watershed development, women's self-help groups (SHGs), and education sponsorships.

During the visit, students learned about the NGO's diverse programs, such as the rejuvenation of water bodies in Mysuru, community health camps, and COVID-19 relief efforts. The interaction with Credit-I's staff provided valuable insights into the practical challenges and successes of implementing social work initiatives on the ground. The visit also highlighted the



importance of a collaborative approach between social work and commerce in addressing social and economic challenges.

The students left the visit with a deeper understanding of the role of NGOs in community empowerment and the various career paths available in social work. The experience inspired them to consider how they can contribute to positive social change in their future careers. The industrial visit to Credit-I was a valuable complement to the students' academic learning, providing them with practical experience and networking opportunities that will benefit their future endeavors.

Industrial Visit to Enviro Test House: Enhancing Practical Knowledge in Chemistry

On February 14, 2024, the Department of Chemistry at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an industrial visit to Enviro Test House, Bengaluru, as part of their MoU activities. This visit aimed to bridge the gap between theoretical knowledge and real-world applications, providing students with hands-on experience in industry practices and sustainable analytical techniques.

The visit was attended by 26 M.Sc. Chemistry students, accompanied by faculty members Ms. Ashwini S.A. and Dr. Shakeel Nawaz S. Upon arrival, the students were briefed on safety protocols and divided into groups for a detailed tour of the facility. The tour included visits to the Research and Development department, where students observed various laboratory setups, including water analysis, waste water treatment, wet lab analysis, and high-performance liquid chromatography (HPLC).

Industry professionals provided in-depth explanations of analytical instruments such as GC-MS, GC-NPD, and ICP-OES. Students also had the opportunity to engage in discussions with research scientists, who provided insights into the practical applications of these technologies in environmental testing and analysis. The visit was an invaluable learning experience, offering students a glimpse into



the complexities of industry-standard practices and the importance of accurate data analysis in environmental science.

The event concluded with a group photo and a vote of thanks from the students, who expressed their appreciation for the opportunity to enhance their practical knowledge and explore potential career paths in chemistry. The feedback from participants was overwhelmingly positive, with students acknowledging the visit as a critical component of their academic and professional development.

Industrial Visit to KSIC: A Glimpse into the Silk Industry

On February 15, 2024, the Department of Social Work and Commerce at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an industrial visit to the Karnataka Silk Industries Corporation Limited (KSIC) in Mysuru. The visit aimed to provide students with practical insights into the silk production process and the intersection between commerce and social responsibility.

The visit, attended by 10 faculty members and students, began with an introduction by Mr. Prasad from KSIC, who explained the historical significance of Mysore Silk and its production process. Participants were taken on a tour of the silk weaving factory, where they observed the intricate processes involved in creating high-quality silk products, from the reeling of cocoons to the weaving of silk fabric.

Students were particularly impressed by the use of pure gold zari in the production of Mysore Silk sarees, a hallmark of KSIC's commitment to quality. The tour also highlighted the sustainable practices employed by KSIC, such as the use of organic fertilizers and water conservation

methods.

The visit provided valuable networking opportunities, allowing students to engage with industry professionals and explore potential career paths in the silk

industry. The event concluded with a group photo and a vote of thanks from the students, who expressed their appreciation for the insightful experience.

Overall, the industrial visit to KSIC was an enriching experience that deepened students' understanding of the silk industry and its role in both commerce and social responsibility. The visit reinforced the importance of sustainable practices in industry and inspired students to consider the broader implications of their career choices.



Visit to NIMHANS: A Deep Dive into Neuropsychology

On February 29, 2024, the Department of Psychology at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an educational visit to the National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS) in Bengaluru. This visit was part of the National Science Day Exhibition and aimed to provide first-semester MSc Psychology students with a deeper understanding of neuropsychology and its applications.

The visit, coordinated by Mr. George Varied T, Head of the Department of Psychology, and Ms. Sreelekshmy M, included 28 students who explored the advanced research and clinical practices at NIMHANS. The exhibition showcased indigenous technologies under the theme "Viksit Bharat," highlighting the intersection of neuroscience and mental health.

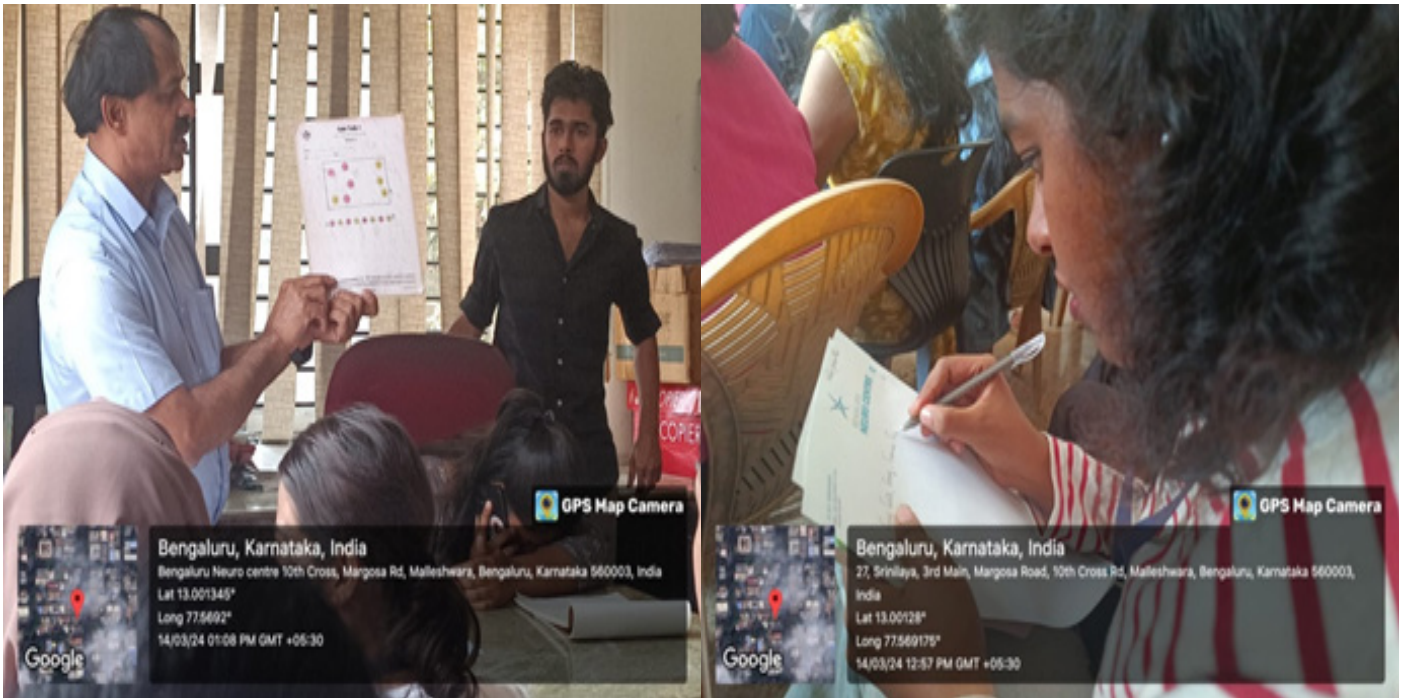
Students were introduced to the Brain Museum, where they had the unique opportunity to examine various brain specimens, including those affected by neurological disorders. The hands-on experience allowed them to understand the anatomy and functioning of the brain in a practical context. The exhibition also featured stalls on neurophysics, neurosurgery, clinical psychology, and psychiatric disorders, offering students a comprehensive view of the field.



Interactive sessions with NIMHANS professionals provided insights into the latest advancements in computational neuroscience, neuroimaging, and molecular biology. The visit culminated in a group discussion where students shared their experiences and reflected on the knowledge gained.

The visit to NIMHANS was an enriching experience that enhanced the students' understanding of neuropsychology and its real-world applications. It also fostered a greater appreciation for the role of neuroscience in improving mental health and well-being.

Clinical Visit to Bengaluru Neuro Centre: Hands-On Learning in Neuropsychology



On March 14, 2024, the Department of Psychology at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a clinical visit to the Bengaluru Neuro Centre for first-semester MSc Psychology students. The visit, attended by 28 students, aimed to provide practical exposure to neuropsychological assessments, EEG processes, and patient care in a clinical setting.

Coordinated by Mr. George Varied T, Head of the Department of Psychology, and Ms. Sreelekshmy M, the visit began with an in-depth observation of EEG processes. Students were guided through the setup of EEG equipment, electrode placement techniques, and the interpretation of EEG results. This hands-on experience offered valuable insights into the utility of EEG in diagnosing neurological conditions and monitoring brain activity.

The students also observed patient care practices at the Neuro Centre, witnessing the collaborative efforts of neurologists, nurses, and other healthcare professionals in delivering comprehensive care to patients

with neurological disorders. This exposure underscored the interdisciplinary nature of neurology healthcare and emphasized the importance of holistic patient management.

A significant part of the visit was a detailed lecture on neuropsychology assessments. The lecture introduced students to various neuropsychological tests, such as the Wechsler Adult Intelligence Scale (WAIS) and the Trail Making Test (TMT), and emphasized their role in diagnosing neurological conditions and guiding intervention strategies. Students also participated in assessments, gaining a unique perspective as both test-takers and potential future clinicians.

The clinical visit to Bengaluru Neuro Centre was an enriching experience that equipped students with essential skills and knowledge in neuropsychology. The combination of observation, lectures, and hands-on activities provided a comprehensive understanding of the field, preparing students for their future roles as neuropsychologists or researchers.



Industrial Visit to ACE DIECRAFT: Gaining Insights into Manufacturing Processes



On March 27, 2024, the Department of Management at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an industrial visit to ACE DIECRAFT, located in the Peenya Industrial Area, Bengaluru, for fourth-semester BBA students. The visit, attended by 36 students, aimed to provide practical exposure to the operations and technologies used in the diecasting and moulding industry.

The visit began with a comprehensive presentation by the company's technical experts, providing an overview of diecasting and moulding processes, materials used, and the equipment employed. The presentation emphasized the company's commitment to quality, innovation, and sustainability. Students were then guided on a detailed tour of the manufacturing facility, where they observed state-of-the-art machinery, including diecasting machines, injection moulding machines, and CNC machining centers.

The factory tour allowed students to witness the entire production process, from design engineering to quality control and packaging. The visit also included a Q&A session where students interacted with the company's engineers and technicians, seeking clarification on technical aspects and exploring career opportunities in the industry.

The industrial visit to ACE DIECRAFT was an enlightening experience for the students, offering valuable insights into the manufacturing processes and challenges faced by the industry. It provided a practical understanding of how theoretical knowledge is applied in real-world industrial settings, making it a significant part of their academic and professional development.

Virtual Industrial Visit to SSI Units: Exploring Entrepreneurship and Small Business Management

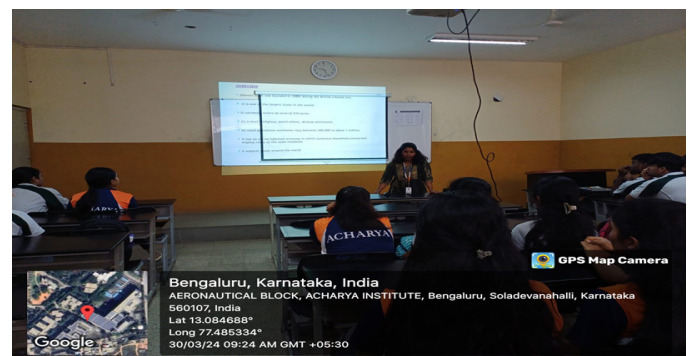
On March 30, 2024, the Department of Management at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a virtual industrial visit to Small Scale Industries (SSI) units for second-semester BBA students. The visit, attended by 35 students, aimed to bridge the gap between theoretical knowledge and practical understanding of entrepreneurship and small business management.

The virtual visit included an overview of the operations and challenges faced by SSI units in various sectors, including manufacturing, handicrafts, and agro-processing. Through interactive virtual tours, students gained insights into production processes, supply chain management, and quality control measures.

The visit also highlighted the challenges SSI units face, such as limited access to finance and regulatory compliance issues. Success stories

of innovative SSI entrepreneurs inspired students to explore entrepreneurial opportunities and think creatively about overcoming challenges.

The virtual industrial visit provided students with practical insights into the functioning of small businesses, fostering a deeper understanding of entrepreneurship and the importance of innovation and resilience in the SSI sector.



Industrial Visit to Rail Wheel Factory: Exploring Quality Management in Manufacturing



On March 23, 2024, the Department of MBA at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an industrial visit to the Rail Wheel Factory (RWF) in Yelahanka, Bengaluru, for first and third-semester MBA students. The visit, attended by 51 students, aimed to provide practical insights into industrial operations, particularly in the manufacturing of railway wheels, with a focus on quality management.

The visit began with an orientation session in the seminar hall, where students received an overview of the factory's history, its role in the railway industry, and the manufacturing processes involved in producing railway wheels. The orientation set the stage for the immersive experience that followed, as students were divided into smaller groups for a personalized tour of the manufacturing facilities.

During the tour, students observed the intricate processes involved in railway wheel production, from raw material processing to final quality checks. The factory staff explained the operation of sophisticated machinery and the importance of teamwork, communication, and adaptability in ensuring operational efficiency.

The visit also highlighted the environmental and social responsibilities of industrial entities, with RWF showcasing its sustainable practices and community initiatives. This aspect of the visit provided students with a holistic understanding of the role of businesses in fostering sustainable development and social welfare.

The industrial visit to the Rail Wheel Factory was a transformative experience for the students, offering hands-on insights into industrial operations and reinforcing the relevance of theoretical knowledge in practical applications. The visit was a significant learning opportunity, equipping students with the knowledge and values necessary for success in the industrial sector.



Educational Visit to Hampi: Exploring Media and Historical Significance



From March 4-7, 2024, the Department of Journalism and Mass Communication at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an educational visit to Hampi for first and third-semester MA students. The visit, attended by nine students, aimed to provide practical exposure to media production and to explore the historical significance of Hampi's monuments.

The visit included participation in a workshop at Kannada Vishwa Vidyalaya, where students gained insights into media operations, including lighting, pre-production, and post-production processes. The hands-on sessions provided valuable experience in using tools such as teleprompters, and students also learned about radio production techniques.

In addition to the media workshop, the students explored the historical sites of Hampi, including the Virupaksha Temple and the Vittala Temple. The visit offered a unique opportunity to document and analyze the architectural brilliance of the Vijayanagara Empire, while also reflecting on the impact of rural exposure on personal perspectives and values.

The educational visit to Hampi was a

comprehensive learning experience that combined media education with cultural exploration. It enhanced students' understanding of both the technical aspects of media production and the historical context of one of India's most significant heritage sites



Clinical Visit to Viveka Hospital: Understanding Mental Health Care



On March 7-8, 2024, the Department of Psychology at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a clinical visit to Viveka Hospital in Mysuru for third-semester MSc Psychology students. The visit, attended by 15 students, aimed to familiarize them with the day-to-day functioning of a mental health institution and to provide hands-on exposure to psychological disorders and patient care.

The visit began with an orientation by Mr. Arvind, Clinical Psychologist and Operations Manager at Viveka Hospital. Students were introduced to various psychological disorders, diagnostic formulations, and treatment plans. They toured different units of the hospital, including the OPD, High Dependence Unit, and rehab ward, gaining insights into the comprehensive care provided to patients with severe mental illnesses.

The students also learned about the importance of meticulous documentation in patient history and engaged in group activities with the patients, fostering rapport-building and probing skills. The visit concluded with a group photograph and a reflection session, where students discussed their experiences and the knowledge gained during the visit.

The clinical visit to Viveka Hospital was an enriching experience that provided students with a deeper understanding of mental health care and the complexities of managing psychological disorders. The exposure to real-world clinical settings enhanced their theoretical knowledge and prepared them for future careers in psychology.

Industrial Visit to Karnataka Soaps and Detergents Ltd.

On April 3, 2024, the Department of Commerce at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an educational industrial visit to Karnataka Soaps and Detergents Ltd. (KSDL) in Yeshwanthpur, Bengaluru, for second and fourth-semester BCom students. The visit, which involved 20 students, aimed to provide practical insights into the soap and detergent manufacturing process and to bridge the gap between theoretical knowledge and real-world industrial practices.

The visit began with a comprehensive introduction to KSDL, facilitated by Mr. Rakesh, a senior guide at the facility. He provided students with a historical overview of the company, which is renowned for its Mysore Sandal Soap, and explained the significance of sandalwood oil in their product line. Students were then taken on a tour of the manufacturing unit, where they observed the entire production process, from raw material preparation to the final packaging of soaps.

Mr. Rakesh explained the intricate details of the manufacturing process, highlighting the technological advancements that allow KSDL to maintain its high production standards. Students were particularly interested in the contrast between traditional methods and modern machinery used in soap production. The guide also discussed the company's commitment to quality control and sustainability, which are integral to their operations.

The visit concluded with an informative session on career opportunities at KSDL, where students were encouraged to consider internships and project work with the company. This exposure not only enhanced their understanding of industrial operations but also provided valuable networking opportunities.

The industrial visit was a resounding success, offering students a first-hand experience of the manufacturing industry and its various processes. The knowledge gained from this visit will undoubtedly enrich their academic pursuits and better prepare them for future careers in commerce and related fields.



Industrial Visit to Intertek India Pvt Ltd: Textile Testing Insights

On April 18, 2024, the Department of Fashion and Apparel Design at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an industrial visit to Intertek India Pvt Ltd in Yeshwanthpur, Bengaluru. The visit, attended by 47 fourth-semester B.Sc. Fashion and Apparel Design students, aimed to provide practical insights into textile and apparel testing methods.

The visit began with a briefing by Mr. Ashish Rawat, Assistant Technical Manager at Intertek, who introduced the students to various testing procedures used in the textile industry. Students were given a detailed tour of the facility, where they observed advanced testing techniques used to assess fabric properties such as colorfastness, tensile strength, and tear resistance.

One of the key highlights of the visit was the demonstration of colorfastness tests, where students learned about the importance of maintaining color integrity in fabrics during washing and exposure to light. Mr. Rawat explained the AATCC (American Association of Textile Chemists and Colorists) standards used to measure colorfastness, providing students with a deeper understanding of international testing standards.

The visit also included a demonstration of tensile testing, where students observed how fabric samples are subjected to controlled tension to determine their strength and durability. Other tests, such as pilling resistance and GSM (grams per square meter) measurement, were also showcased, giving students a comprehensive view of the quality assurance processes in textile manufacturing.

The industrial visit to Intertek India Pvt Ltd was an enlightening experience for the students, offering them a practical understanding of textile testing methods and the importance of quality assurance in the fashion industry. The knowledge gained from this visit will undoubtedly enhance their academic and professional pursuits in the field of fashion and apparel design.



Clinical Visit to NIMHANS Brain Museum: Understanding Brain Functions and Techniques to Improve Brain Health

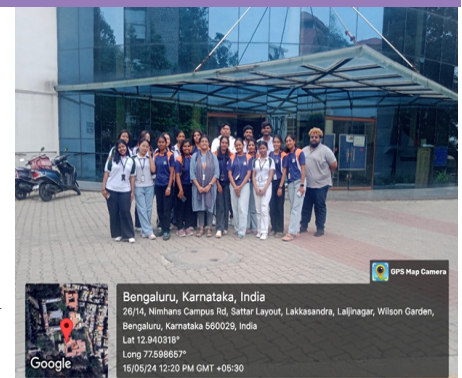
On May 15, 2024, the Department of Psychology at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a clinical visit to the NIMHANS Brain Museum in Bengaluru for 19 BA Psychology students. The visit, coordinated by Assistant Professors Ms. Nidhi Kulkarni and Ms. Sahana Bhat, aimed to enhance students' understanding of brain functions and disorders and to promote awareness about brain health and donation.

The NIMHANS Neuropathology Brain Museum, an integral part of the neurobiology research center at NIMHANS, houses over 400 brain samples, histological slides, and advanced research tools, including an electron microscope. The museum's mission is to promote neuroscience literacy and to serve as a vital resource for brain research.

During the visit, students were exposed to a wide range of brain specimens, from the brain of a fish to a fully intact human brain. This allowed them to observe the evolution of brain structure and its significance in the functioning of different organisms. Specimens displaying conditions such as anencephaly, hydrocephaly, brain injuries, strokes, and hemorrhages were particularly fascinating for the students, providing them with a deeper understanding of the complexities of brain health.

The visit also included the examination of histological slides under a microscope, giving students the opportunity to observe different brain cells and their structures. This hands-on experience was invaluable in helping students grasp the intricacies of brain anatomy and pathology.

The visit successfully met its objectives, significantly enhancing students' knowledge of brain functions and disorders. It also underscored the importance of brain donation for research and education. The students left with a greater appreciation for the brain's role in intelligence, thinking, and reasoning, as well as the importance of maintaining brain health throughout life.



Orphanage Visit to Vikasit Janahith Foundation by Psychology Students

On May 18, 2024, the Department of Psychology at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a meaningful visit to the Vikasit Janahith Foundation, an orphanage in Bengaluru, for 15 fourth-semester BA Psychology students. The visit aimed to sensitize students to the challenges faced by underprivileged children and to provide hands-on experience in conducting psychological assessments.

The visit commenced with an introduction by Mr. Uma Rudresh, a trustee member of the Vikasit Janahith Foundation. He briefed the students about the foundation's mission and the 25 children currently residing there, aged between 4 to 15 years, many of whom have parents who are blind or disabled. The foundation, which relies on public contributions, provides shelter, education, and care to these children, who attend nearby government schools.

During the visit, students engaged with the children through songs, dances, and games, creating a joyful and interactive environment. The psychology students conducted the Vineland Social Maturity Scale, a psychological assessment tool used to evaluate the social maturity of the children. This hands-on activity provided the students with practical experience in administering psychological assessments, a vital skill for their future careers.

In addition to the assessments, the students distributed educational supplies, including books, pens, pencils, erasers, and crayons, to the children. Sweets were also shared, adding to the festive atmosphere. The visit was an emotional and enlightening experience for the students, who gained a deeper understanding of the lives of underprivileged children and the importance of social responsibility.

The visit concluded with expressions of gratitude from the students towards the foundation's caretakers for their dedication and care. The experience left a lasting impact on the students, enhancing their empathy and awareness of societal issues.



Visit to Jakkur Aerodrome for BBA Aviation Students

On May 10, 2024, the Department of Aviation Management at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an educational visit to Jakkur Aerodrome in Bengaluru for second-semester BBA Aviation students. The visit, attended by 45 students, aimed to provide practical insights into the operations of a general aviation aerodrome and enhance students' understanding of aviation management.

The visit began with a briefing by Mr. Anil Kumar, the Chief Flight Instructor at Jakkur Aerodrome, who provided an overview of the aerodrome's history, facilities, and its role in training private pilots. He discussed the various flight training programs offered at the aerodrome, including private pilot licenses (PPL) and commercial pilot licenses (CPL). Students were introduced to the basic principles of flight and the importance of flight safety protocols.

During the visit, students had the opportunity to observe flight operations, including aircraft pre-flight inspections, take-offs, and landings. They were given a tour of the hangars, where they observed maintenance procedures and the storage of aircraft. Mr. Kumar explained the different types of aircraft used for training purposes, such as Cessna 172s and Piper

Warriors, and discussed their technical specifications and performance capabilities.

A highlight of the visit was the interactive session where students engaged with pilots and flight instructors, asking questions about their experiences and the challenges they face in aviation. This interaction provided valuable insights into the day-to-day responsibilities of aviation professionals and the skills required to succeed in the industry.

The visit concluded with a debriefing session, where students reflected on their experiences and discussed the practical applications of their classroom learning. The educational visit to Jakkur Aerodrome was a resounding success, offering students a unique opportunity to gain hands-on experience in aviation management and reinforcing their passion for the field.



WORKSHOPS

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12. **Value-Added Program on Fashion Illustration and Pattern Making Techniques**

Workshop on Feminine Hygiene and Personality Development: Empowering

On February 28, 2024, the Department of Social Work and MBA at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a workshop on "Feminine Hygiene and Personality Development" in the Main Auditorium. The workshop, attended by 77 students from both departments, was led by Shri Lakshmi Hedge, an accomplished Image Consultant and Soft Skill Trainer from Bengaluru.

The workshop aimed to educate students about menstrual hygiene, raise awareness about women's health, and enhance their communication and interview skills. Shri Lakshmi began the session by emphasizing the importance of self-belief, using a powerful advertisement to inspire students to pursue their aspirations confidently. The discussion then shifted to personal hygiene and menstruation, where Shri Lakshmi shared essential practices for maintaining health and well-being during menstruation.

The workshop also covered grooming and personal care, particularly in professional settings, with practical tips on interview preparation and dressing etiquette. Shri Lakshmi introduced the ABC model—Appearance, Body Language, and Communication—as a comprehensive framework for personal development. The session included a video demonstration on interview



etiquette, providing students with valuable insights into conducting themselves professionally.

The workshop concluded with the distribution of gift hampers to the participants, symbolizing the recognition of their active participation and commitment to personal growth. The feedback from the students was overwhelmingly positive, with participants expressing increased confidence in pursuing their personal and professional goals.

Overall, the workshop was a significant success, fostering a holistic approach to personal and professional development and empowering students to navigate their academic and professional journeys with confidence and self-assurance.

Workshop on TV and Radio Program: Practical Training for Journalism

On February 14, 2024, the Department of Journalism and Mass Communication at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an intensive workshop on TV and radio program production in Tumkur. The workshop aimed to provide practical training to 20 first and third-semester postgraduate journalism students, focusing on enhancing their media production skills, including television and radio program production, studio camera usage, and background sound creation.

The event began with a warm welcome from Dr. B.T. Muddesh, Director of the Center for Media Studies, followed by hands-on sessions led by experienced media professionals. Students were divided into groups, with one group focusing on television production, including scriptwriting, camera operation, and studio setup, while the other group delved into radio production at Siddhartha's radio station. The students were trained in radio narration, background sound creation, and the production of various radio programs.

A significant highlight of the workshop was the

opportunity for students to create transcripts for TV and radio programs, practice their skills in a real studio environment, and receive guidance from the faculty at the Siddhartha

Center for Media Studies. The workshop culminated in the launch of the Siddhartha Sampad newspaper, a practical demonstration of the students' ability to apply their theoretical knowledge in real-world scenarios.

The workshop was a resounding success, achieving its objectives of providing hands-on training and exposure to modern media facilities. It not only enhanced the students' technical skills but also encouraged teamwork and collaboration, essential qualities for a successful career in media. The feedback from participants was overwhelmingly positive, with students expressing appreciation for the invaluable learning experience.



Workshop on Crafting a Research Paper for MCA

On March 2, 2024, the Department of MCA at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a workshop titled "Crafting a Research Paper" for first and third-semester MCA students. The event, held in the Main Auditorium, was attended by 188 students and aimed to equip them with the essential skills required for academic research and writing.

The workshop was conducted by Dr. Margaret Mary, Assistant Professor at Kristu Jayanti College, Bengaluru, who has extensive experience in guiding students through the research process. The session began with an overview of the research process, focusing on the importance of selecting appropriate research topics, formulating research questions, and conducting thorough literature reviews.

Dr. Mary provided practical tips on structuring a research paper, emphasizing the significance of clarity, coherence, and adherence to academic conventions. She also covered effective data collection techniques, including surveys, interviews, and data analysis methods. The workshop included interactive exercises that encouraged students to engage with the material and apply the concepts to their own research projects.

The session concluded with a discussion on the



importance of citations, references, and maintaining academic integrity throughout the research process. Students left the workshop with a deeper understanding of the complexities of academic research and the confidence to tackle their research projects with a systematic approach.

The workshop was highly successful, providing students with the knowledge and skills needed to excel in academic research and contribute to the scholarly community.

Workshop on Effective Managerial Skills for Psychology Graduates

On March 19-20, 2024, the Department of Psychology at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a two-day workshop on "Effective Managerial Skills for Psychology Graduates" for first and third-semester MSc Psychology students. The workshop, held in the Seminar Hall, was attended by 42 students and led by Mr. Shankar Devaguptapu, a corporate trainer with over 40 years of experience.

The workshop aimed to equip psychology graduates with the managerial skills required to excel in organizational settings. The event began with an introduction to essential managerial skills, including time management, decision-making, and problem-solving. Mr. Devaguptapu emphasized the importance of emotional intelligence, teamwork, and ethical decision-making in achieving personal and organizational effectiveness.

Throughout the workshop, students participated in interactive sessions, role-plays, and group discussions that provided practical insights into maintaining positive interactions within teams, managing conflicts,



and fostering effective communication. The second day focused on advanced topics such as NLP (Neuro-Linguistic Programming), team building, and the role of values and ethics in corporate environments.

The workshop concluded with a reflective session where students shared their learnings and discussed how they could apply these skills in their future careers. The event was a significant success, enhancing the students' confidence and preparing them for leadership roles in the workplace.

Workshop on Entrepreneurship Skills, Attitude, and Behavior Development

On March 30, 2024, the Department of Commerce at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies, in association with the Institution's Innovation Council, organized a workshop on "Entrepreneurship Skills, Attitude, and Behavior Development." The event, held at Educesta Institute for Management and Research, Bengaluru, was attended by 20 students from various departments.

The workshop, led by Mr. Madhu Chandan, Founder and CEO of Organic Mandya, focused on the essential skills and attitudes required for successful entrepreneurship. Mr. Chandan shared his personal journey from being a US-based software engineer to becoming an entrepreneur in organic farming. He discussed key entrepreneurial skills, such as curiosity, adaptability, decisiveness, and risk tolerance, emphasizing the importance of persistence and innovation in achieving long-term success.

The session also covered the significance of organic farming, highlighting its economic and environmental benefits. Mr. Chandan explained



how organic farming practices contribute to sustainability and profitability, encouraging students to explore entrepreneurial opportunities in this field.

The workshop provided students with valuable insights into the mindset and behaviors necessary for entrepreneurial success. The event concluded with a group discussion, where students shared their reflections and expressed their enthusiasm for pursuing entrepreneurial ventures in the future.

Workshop on Aircraft Familiarization for BBA Aviation Students

From April 17 to April 24, 2024, the Department of Aviation Management at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted an intensive workshop on "Aircraft Familiarization" for second, fourth, and sixth-semester BBA Aviation students. Held in Room ANA Block, the workshop was attended by 93 students and aimed to provide hands-on experience and practical knowledge in aviation operations through the use of advanced simulation technology.

The workshop was facilitated by Ms. Swetha Sreerangaiah, a seasoned instructor with extensive experience in aviation training. The event began with a brief orientation, where students were introduced to the simulator equipment and briefed on safety protocols. The state-of-the-art simulator, designed to resemble the cockpit of a commercial aircraft, provided a realistic environment for students to practice various flight operations.

Over the course of the workshop, students engaged in a series of simulated flight scenarios, including routine take-offs and landings, navigation exercises, and emergency procedures. Under the expert guidance of Ms. Sreerangaiah, students learned to handle the controls, navigate different flight paths, and respond to simulated emergencies such as engine failures and adverse weather conditions.

One of the key highlights of the workshop was the opportunity for students to experience flights in different weather conditions and geographic locations,

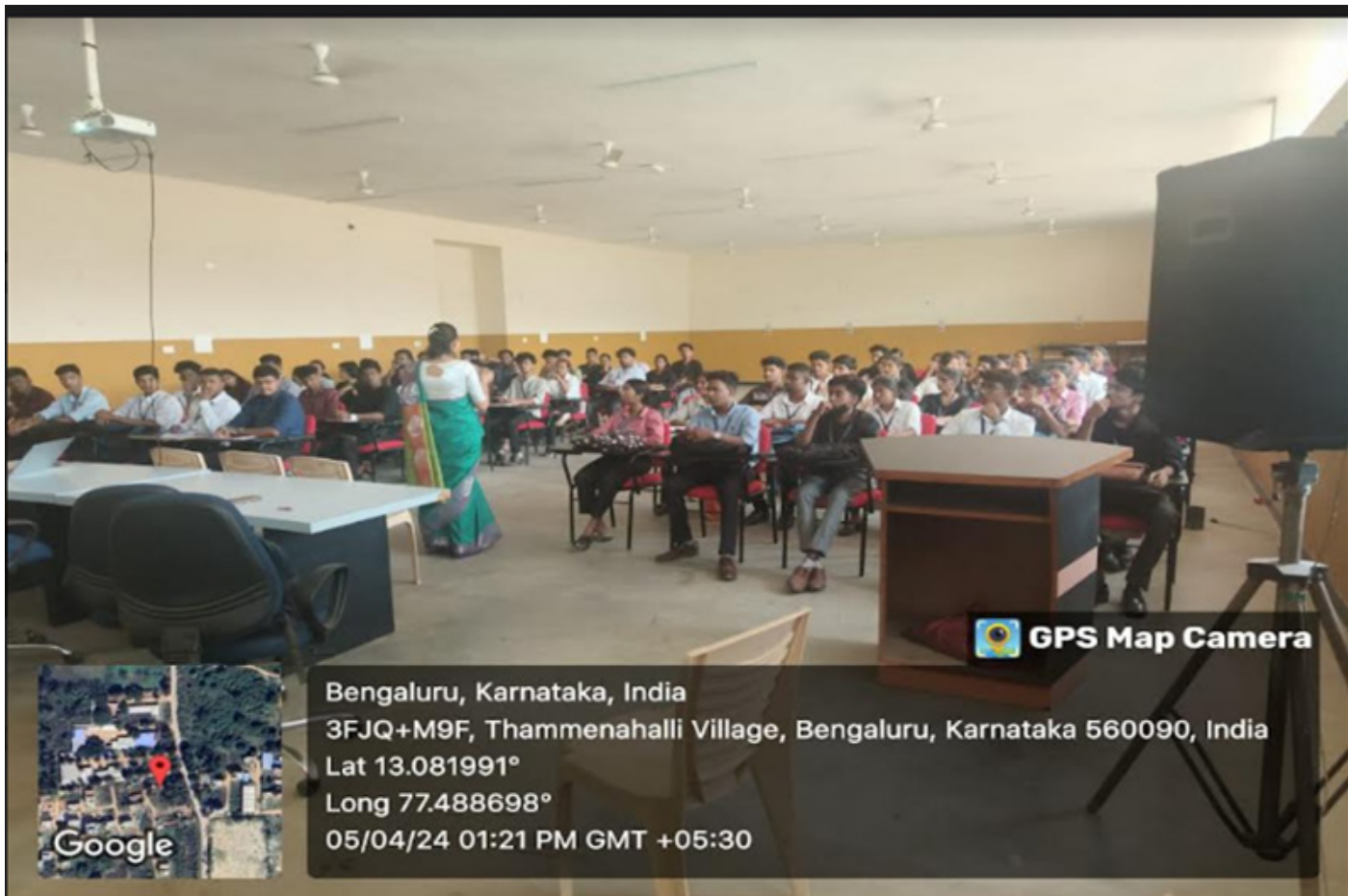


enhancing their adaptability and decision-making skills. The hands-on nature of the training allowed students to apply theoretical concepts learned in the classroom to real-world scenarios, deepening their understanding of aviation principles and procedures.

The workshop concluded with a debriefing session, where students reflected on their experiences and discussed lessons learned. The interactive nature of the debriefing allowed students to consolidate their learning and identify areas for further improvement.

The workshop was a resounding success, providing students with practical skills and confidence in their abilities as future aviation professionals.

Workshop on Career Craft: A Resume Building Workshop for BBA Aviation



On April 5, 2024, the Department of Aviation Management at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted a workshop titled "Career Craft: A Resume Building Workshop" for sixth-semester BBA Aviation students. The event, held in the Seminar Hall of Anna Block, was attended by 32 students and aimed to empower them with the skills necessary to create impactful resumes that effectively communicate their value in the competitive job market.

The workshop was led by Mrs. Manjari Pandey, Assistant Professor in the Department of BBA Aviation, who guided the students through the essentials of resume building. The session began with an introduction to the dos and don'ts of crafting a resume, emphasizing the importance of clarity, precision, and relevance. Mrs. Pandey highlighted how a well-structured resume can significantly increase the chances of being shortlisted for a dream job.

Throughout the workshop, students engaged in hands-on activities where they practiced creating

resumes using various templates. They received personalized feedback on their drafts, learning how to tailor their resumes to specific job opportunities and how to showcase their skills, achievements, and experiences effectively. The session also covered the role of resumes in professional branding and identity, stressing the need for consistency across all professional documents.

The interactive nature of the workshop ensured that students were actively involved in the learning process, with many expressing their newfound confidence in creating resumes on their own. The workshop concluded with a brief Q&A session, where students clarified their doubts and received additional tips for making their resumes stand out.

The feedback from participants was overwhelmingly positive, with all 32 students rating the workshop as excellent. The event successfully equipped students with the tools and knowledge needed to excel in their job search and career development.

Workshop on Corporate Etiquettes for BBA Aviation Students



On April 27, 2024, the Department of BBA Aviation at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a workshop titled "Corporate Etiquettes: How to Communicate Effectively and Network with Others" for sixth-semester students. The event, held in Room 308, AIGS Block II, was attended by 32 students and focused on equipping them with the essential etiquettes and professional behaviors required in corporate settings, particularly in the aviation industry.

The workshop was conducted by Mr. Girish Krishnamurthy, a seasoned Business Analyst with over 10 years of experience across various industries, including e-commerce, retail, manufacturing, automotive, and BFSI (Banking, Financial Services, and Insurance). Mr. Krishnamurthy's extensive experience provided students with valuable insights into corporate culture and the expectations of professional conduct in the workplace.

The session began with an engaging introduction, where Mr. Krishnamurthy emphasized the importance of professionalism, effective communication, and interpersonal skills in the corporate world. He covered a wide range of topics, including professional attire, body language, email etiquette, and the art of networking. Through dynamic discussions and immersive role-playing exercises, students practiced various aspects of professional conduct, from initiating a handshake to navigating complex workplace scenarios.

A highlight of the workshop was the hands-on demonstration of a professional handshake, where students learned the significance of a firm handshake in making a positive first impression. The session also included mock interviews, allowing students to apply the etiquettes learned in real-world scenarios.

The workshop concluded with a Q&A session, where students clarified their doubts and received personalized feedback on their performance. The

interactive nature of the workshop ensured that students were actively engaged throughout the session, and many expressed increased confidence in their ability to navigate corporate environments.

The feedback from participants was overwhelmingly positive, with students noting significant improvements in their understanding of corporate etiquettes and their readiness for professional settings.



Workshop on Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) and Ethics in Social Sciences Research

On April 24, 2024, the Department of Commerce (PG) at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a workshop titled "Intellectual Property Rights and Ethics in Social Sciences Research." The event, held in the MBA Auditorium, was attended by 72 participants, primarily social sciences faculty members. The workshop aimed to provide a comprehensive understanding of intellectual property (IP) relevant to social sciences and to deepen researchers' awareness of the ethical implications associated with IP rights in their work.

The workshop was led by Sri Kodandarama, an expert in intellectual property law, who delivered an insightful session on the types of intellectual property, including patents, trademarks, copyrights, and trade secrets. The speaker emphasized the significance of protecting intellectual property to foster innovation and creativity, using relevant case studies to illustrate the real-world implications of IP rights. These examples helped the audience understand how intellectual property can impact businesses, individuals, and society as a whole.

A major focus of the workshop was on the ethical considerations in managing intellectual property, particularly in the context of social sciences research. The speaker discussed the challenges associated



with IP infringement, enforcement, and international regulations, offering strategies for navigating these complexities. The interactive Q&A session allowed participants to seek clarification on specific topics and engage in further discussion, enhancing the overall learning experience.

The workshop concluded with a discussion on the long-term behavioral changes expected among participants, who are likely to apply the knowledge gained to their research activities and influence their peers and mentees to do the same. The event was highly successful in raising awareness about the importance of intellectual property rights and ethical research practices among social sciences researchers.

Awareness Program: Street Play on World No Tobacco Day

On May 31, 2024, the Department of Psychology at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted an awareness program featuring a street play to mark World No Tobacco Day. The event, held at the AIGS Open Arena and near DYA Café, attracted 80 participants, including students from the BA and MSc Psychology programs. The program aimed to raise awareness about the dangers of tobacco use and to promote a tobacco-free lifestyle.

The street play, performed by first-year BA Psychology students, vividly depicted the harmful effects of tobacco addiction, including its devastating impact on health, families, and society. Through powerful scenes, the play highlighted the physical consequences of smoking, such as cancer and respiratory diseases, as well as the psychological and social challenges associated with tobacco addiction. The performance also conveyed positive messages about the benefits of quitting and leading a healthier, tobacco-free life.

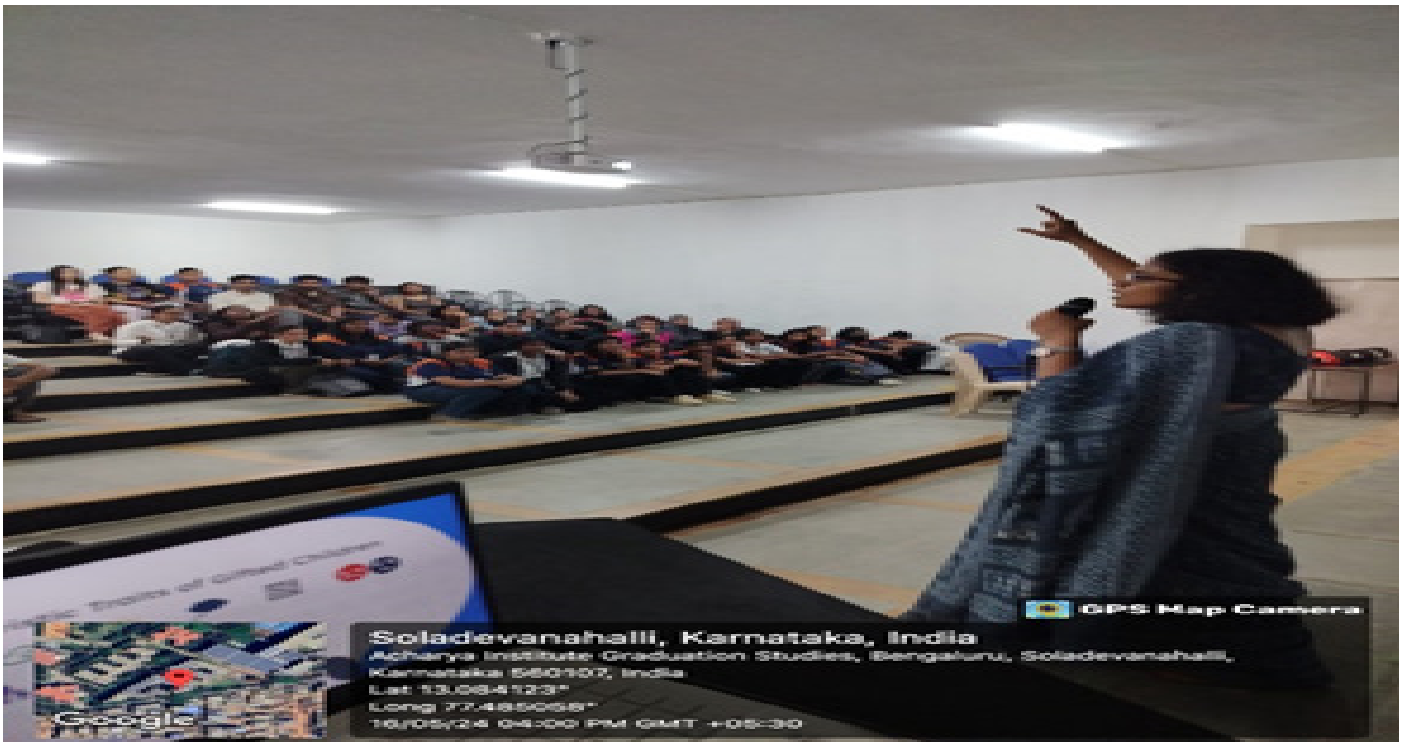
Following the street play, an interactive session titled "Chai with Kai" was conducted by Mr. Swaroop, providing a platform for students and attendees to discuss the themes presented in the play. This session facilitated



open dialogue about personal experiences with tobacco, strategies for quitting, and the psychological aspects of overcoming addiction. The discussion also emphasized the importance of adopting a healthier lifestyle and encouraged participants to support each other in their journey toward a tobacco-free future.

The event concluded with a pledge to say no to tobacco, reinforcing the commitment of students and the community to a healthier, smoke-free environment. The program was highly effective in raising awareness about the dangers of tobacco use and in fostering a supportive atmosphere for those seeking to quit. The success of the event was evident in the positive feedback from participants, who appreciated the engaging and impactful approach to tobacco awareness.

Event Report: World Mental Health Day Workshop – Coping with Mental Health Issues



On October 13, 2023, the Department of Psychology at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies commemorated World Mental Health Day by organizing a workshop titled “Coping with Mental Health Issues” at the AIGS Seminar Hall. The workshop, held from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM, aimed to raise awareness about mental health issues and equip students with practical strategies for managing their mental well-being.

The event featured a guest lecture by Ms. Junice Lizy James, an expert in educational psychology and special education from Jyoti Nivas College. Ms. James focused on the challenges faced by individuals with mental health issues and the importance of early intervention. She discussed strategies to eliminate stigma, increase awareness, and improve the mental well-being of those affected. The workshop highlighted the significance of mental health in cognitive development, with a specific focus on intelligence, thinking, and reasoning.

Participants, comprising 57 BA and MSc Psychology students, engaged in interactive sessions where they explored practical coping mechanisms such as mindfulness, cognitive-behavioral techniques, and relaxation exercises. Ms. James also addressed the role of educators and parents in supporting individuals with mental health challenges, emphasizing the need for a supportive and inclusive environment both at home and in educational settings.

The workshop concluded with a Q&A session, allowing students to ask questions and receive personalized advice on mental health management.

The session was highly interactive, with attendees actively participating and sharing their thoughts on the importance of mental health in their personal and academic lives.

The workshop was a resounding success, achieving its objectives of raising awareness about mental health and providing students with valuable tools to enhance their mental well-being. The event underscored the Department of Psychology’s commitment to promoting mental health awareness and supporting students in their efforts to maintain a healthy



mind

Value-Added Program on Fashion Illustration and Pattern Making Techniques



From May 2 to May 5, 2024, the Department of Fashion and Apparel Design (FAD) at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted a value-added program titled "Workshop on Fashion Illustration and Pattern Making Techniques." The workshop, held in the Fashion Design Lab, was attended by 48 first-year B.Sc. FAD students and aimed to enhance their creative and technical skills in fashion design.

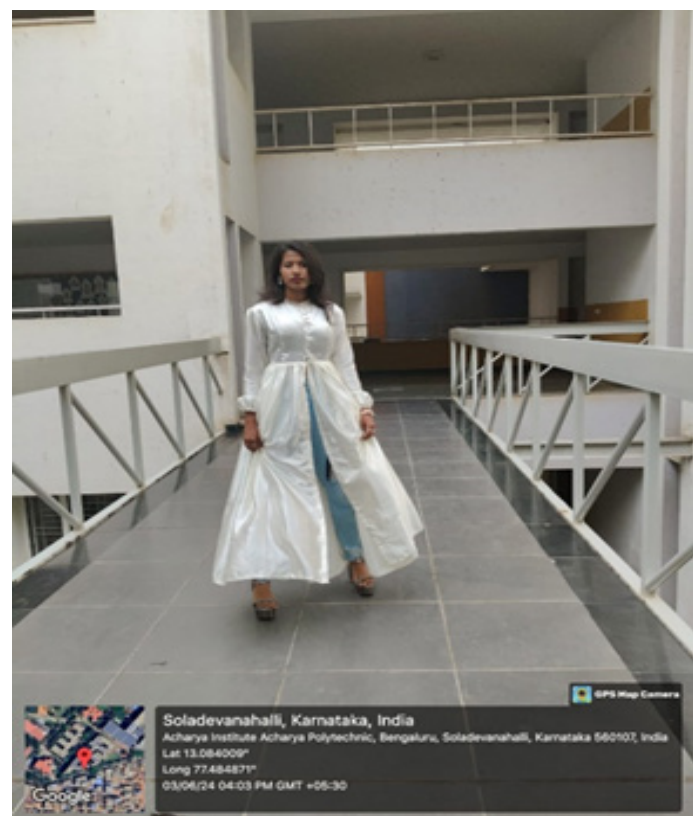
The workshop was led by Ms. Priya Malhotra, a renowned fashion designer and illustrator with extensive industry experience. The program was structured to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of fashion illustration, from basic sketching techniques to advanced design concepts. Ms. Malhotra began the workshop by introducing students to the fundamental principles of fashion illustration, including proportion, anatomy, and movement. Students practiced drawing fashion figures, focusing on creating dynamic poses and realistic garment renderings.

The second part of the workshop focused on pattern making, a critical skill in the fashion design process. Students were taught how to create basic patterns for various garment types, including skirts, blouses, and trousers. Ms. Malhotra demonstrated the draping technique, where students learned to create patterns by draping fabric on a dress form. This hands-on approach allowed students to experiment with different fabric types and understand how fabric behavior influences garment design.

Throughout the workshop, students were encouraged to explore their creativity and develop their unique design styles. They worked on individual projects, creating illustrated designs and corresponding patterns for a mini-collection. The final day of the workshop

featured a showcase where students presented their work, receiving feedback from Ms. Malhotra and their peers.

The value-added program was highly successful, providing students with essential skills that will be pivotal in their future careers in fashion design. The workshop not only enhanced their technical abilities but also inspired confidence in their creative potential.



ALUMINI TALK

1. **Insights into Luxury Brand Management**
2. **The Role of Social Work Professionals in HR and Resume Building**
3. **The Role of Social Work Professionals in NGOs**

Insights into Luxury Brand Management



On April 25, 2024, the Department of Fashion and Apparel Design at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies hosted an alumni talk on "Luxury Brand Management" for second, fourth, and sixth-semester students. The event, held in the Seminar Hall, featured Mr. Lalith Kartikeyan, an alumnus of the 2018-2021 batch, currently working as a Digital Operations Analyst at SAKS, Bengaluru.

Mr. Kartikeyan provided students with an in-depth understanding of the luxury market, emphasizing the importance of brand positioning, differentiation, and storytelling in creating unique brand identities. He discussed the challenges of maintaining brand exclusivity and desirability in a highly competitive market and highlighted the evolving role of digital marketing in luxury brand management.

The session also covered career opportunities in luxury brand management, encouraging students to pursue careers in this dynamic and prestigious industry. The talk concluded with a Q&A session, where students

engaged with the speaker on various aspects of luxury branding and career paths.

The alumni talk was highly successful, offering students valuable insights into the intricacies of luxury brand management and inspiring them to explore opportunities in this field.



The Role of Social Work Professionals in HR and Resume Building



On May 19, 2024, the Department of Social Work at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted an Alumni Talk titled “The Role of Social Work Professionals in HR and Resume Building” for second and fourth-semester BA and MA Social Work students. The event, held in Room 206, AIGS Block 2, was attended by 42 students and featured Ms. Sneha Raj, an alumna of the 2022 batch, who is currently an HR Manager at Infosys, Bengaluru.

Ms. Raj began by discussing the intersection between social work and human resources, highlighting how social workers’ skills in empathy, conflict resolution, and communication are highly valued in HR roles. She provided an overview of the various HR functions that align with social work practices, including employee relations, training and development, and diversity and inclusion initiatives.

The talk also focused on practical aspects of resume building, with Ms. Raj offering advice on how to effectively showcase social work skills and experiences in a resume tailored for HR positions.

She emphasized the importance of highlighting transferable skills, such as team leadership, program management, and community engagement, which are crucial in HR roles.

Ms. Raj shared examples of successful resumes and provided tips on crafting compelling cover letters. She also discussed the significance of continuous learning and professional development in staying competitive in the HR field.

The session concluded with a Q&A segment, where students asked about the transition from social work to HR, the challenges they might face, and how to navigate the job market effectively. Ms. Raj provided personalized advice and encouraged students to pursue internships and certifications to enhance their employability.

The Alumni Talk was highly informative, giving students a clear understanding of how their social work background can be leveraged in HR roles and equipping them with practical tools to advance their careers.

The Role of Social Work Professionals in NGOs



On May 18, 2024, the Department of Social Work at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an Alumni Talk titled "The Role of Social Work Professionals in NGOs" for BA and MA Social Work students. Held in Room 207, AIGS Block 1, the talk was attended by 36 students and was delivered by Ms. Amala Narayanan, an alumna of the 2021 batch, currently working as a Program Coordinator at Smile Foundation, Bengaluru.

Ms. Narayanan began by sharing her journey from being a student at AIGS to her current role in one of India's leading NGOs. She discussed the critical roles that social work professionals play in NGOs, including program planning, implementation, monitoring, and evaluation. She emphasized the importance of understanding the needs of the community and designing programs that are both impactful and sustainable.

A significant portion of the talk was dedicated to the challenges faced by social workers in NGOs, such as resource constraints, cultural barriers, and the complexities of working with diverse populations. Ms. Narayanan highlighted

the need for adaptability, resilience, and strong communication skills to navigate these challenges effectively.

The session also included a discussion on career opportunities in the NGO sector, where Ms. Narayanan provided practical advice on how to build a successful career in social work. She encouraged students to take up internships and volunteer opportunities to gain hands-on experience and to develop a network within the sector.

The talk concluded with a Q&A session, where students sought advice on specific career paths and the skills needed to excel in the NGO sector. The feedback from participants was overwhelmingly positive, with students expressing increased clarity about their career goals and a deeper understanding of the social work profession.

The Alumni Talk was a valuable experience, providing students with insights into the realities of working in NGOs and inspiring them to pursue meaningful careers in social work.



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