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NCC International Yoga Day Celebration



On June 21, 2024, the National Cadet Corps (NCC) at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a vibrant celebration for International Yoga Day at the Basketball Court. The event, which took place from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM, brought together 48 participants for a comprehensive yoga session aimed at promoting physical, mental, and spiritual well-being. The celebration, encouraged by the 9 Karnataka Battalion Bangalore B Group under the Karnataka and Goa Directorate, began with a series of yoga postures, breathing exercises, and meditation practices led by experienced yoga instructors. These activities were designed to enhance flexibility, build strength, and alleviate stress among the participants. The session fostered a strong sense of community and unity as the students engaged in the collective practice of mindfulness and relaxation. The event was not only a celebration of yoga but also an initiative to empower participants by cultivating resilience, mental clarity, and a balanced approach to life's challenges. The NCC's role in organizing the event highlighted its commitment to fostering health and discipline among youth, aligning with the global initiative to promote yoga and its numerous benefits. The successful execution of the International Yoga Day celebration at Acharya Institutes marked a significant step towards promoting holistic wellness and unity among students. The event emphasized the transformative power of yoga, not only for physical

health but also for mental clarity and stress relief. As the participants came together in mindful practice, a strong sense of community and camaraderie flourished, setting a positive tone for ongoing personal growth and well-being within the institution. The celebration concluded with positive feedback from participants, many of whom expressed a deeper appreciation for the benefits of yoga and a renewed commitment to incorporating it into their daily lives.



Farewell Celebration by the Department of Bachelor of Arts – 1st July 2024



The Department of Bachelor of Arts at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a heartfelt farewell event for its graduating students on 1st July 2024. The event, which took place in the main auditorium, was attended by 53 students, faculty members, and alumni. Dr. Theju Kumar, Head of the Department, led the celebration, reflecting on the students' academic journey and personal growth.

The program opened with a ceremonial lamp-lighting by Dr. Theju Kumar, symbolizing enlightenment through education. The farewell included speeches from faculty members who praised the students' achievements and shared fond memories of their interactions. Dr. Kumar emphasized the importance of lifelong learning and encouraged students to carry forward the values they had acquired during their time at the institute.

Students expressed their gratitude for the guidance they received, with some recounting personal anecdotes. Cultural performances, including music and dance, added vibrancy to the proceedings. An awards ceremony recognized outstanding contributions in academics, leadership, and extracurricular activities, showcasing the department's commitment to holistic education.

The event also featured interactive games, such as talent showcases and quizzes, which added a layer of fun to the celebration. As the event drew to a close, each student was presented with a personalized memento as a token of their time at the institution. The farewell concluded with a group photo, capturing the shared experiences and friendships forged during the students' academic journey.

The farewell was not just a celebration of academic accomplishments but also a poignant reminder of the bonds created within the department. It fostered a sense of community and provided a fitting conclusion to the students' undergraduate years.



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Adieu Day: Bon Voyage Bash for B.Com Students



On 4th July 2024, the Department of Commerce at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies held a farewell event for its 6th-semester B.Com students, titled "Adieu Day." The event, which took place in the main auditorium, was attended by 46 students. It was a celebration of their academic achievements and an opportunity to bid farewell as they prepared to embark on new journeys.

The program began with a welcome address by first and second-year students, followed by the lighting of the ceremonial lamp. Dr. Lakshmi V., Head of the Department, delivered a motivating speech, encouraging the graduates to embrace positivity and perseverance in their future endeavors. Cultural performances by juniors, including dances and songs, brought excitement to the event. A game session, titled "InstantAct," allowed seniors to showcase their talents in a fun and engaging manner. Awards were presented in humorous categories such as "Dabang Award," "Silent Girl Award," and "Book Worm Award," adding a lighthearted touch to the farewell.

The event concluded with group photos, capturing the camaraderie and joy shared among students and faculty. Feedback from attendees highlighted the sense of community fostered during the event, with most participants rating the program as "excellent." Overall, "Adieu Day" was a successful event that celebrated the graduates' journey, provided closure, and created lasting memories. It marked the end of an important chapter in the students' lives, filled with warmth, appreciation, and inspiration for the future.

Kargil Vijay Diwas Commemoration by NCC Unit

26th July 2024



Acharya Institute's NCC Unit commemorated Kargil Vijay Diwas on 26th July 2024, marking the valor of Indian soldiers who fought in the Kargil War. The event, held at the AIGS open arena, was attended by 30 NCC cadets and students. Air Commodore Harindra Kumar Dhiman was the chief guest, bringing immense significance to the occasion.

The commemoration began with a floral tribute to the martyrs, followed by an inspiring speech by Air Commodore Dhiman. He highlighted the bravery of the Indian Armed Forces and discussed key moments of the Kargil conflict. He urged the cadets to embody values of courage, resilience, and patriotism, which are essential for national service. The event also included an interactive session, where cadets had the opportunity to engage directly with Air Commodore Dhiman. He shared his personal experiences in the Indian Air Force, providing insights into

the strategic challenges faced during the Kargil War and other military operations. The principal of Acharya Institute concluded the event with a vote of thanks, appreciating the NCC unit for organizing such a meaningful commemoration. He also emphasized the importance of remembering the sacrifices made by Indian soldiers in maintaining the country's sovereignty.

The event not only honored the soldiers who fought in the Kargil War but also instilled a deep sense of national pride among the participants. It was a powerful reminder of the significance of unity and resilience in the face of adversity, leaving a lasting impact on the students and cadets.



18th PG Graduation Day – 29th August 2024



On 29th August 2024, Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies celebrated its 18th Postgraduate (PG) Graduation Day. Held in the Main Auditorium, the event was attended by 350 participants, including the graduates, their families, faculty, and esteemed guests. The day marked a significant milestone for the Class of 2024 as they received their course completion certificates, symbolizing the culmination of years of academic hard work. The event began with a traditional lamp-lighting ceremony, followed by a heartfelt welcome address from the Principal, Dr. Gurunath Rao Vaidya. Dr. Vaidya expressed immense pride in the graduating students and commended their perseverance and dedication throughout their academic journey. He emphasized the importance of lifelong learning and encouraged the graduates to approach their future endeavors with resilience and determination. The highlight of the event was the speech delivered by the Chief Guest, Prof. Vinay Kumar Dadhwal, India Gandhi Chair Professor of Environmental Sciences at NIAS. Prof. Dadhwal spoke about the value of education in shaping future leaders and the need for graduates to contribute meaningfully to solving global challenges. His speech inspired the graduates, setting





an optimistic and motivating tone for the rest of the ceremony. The formal presentation of course completion certificates was the centerpiece of the event, with graduates, dressed in academic regalia, proudly taking the stage. Their families and friends cheered as they received their certificates, capturing this significant moment with photos and applause. Several selected graduates delivered speeches that reflected on their academic experiences, the bonds they had formed, and the transformative power of education. Their words resonated deeply with the audience, serving as a source of inspiration for their peers. The event concluded with a group photo session and a vote of thanks, celebrating the hard work, dedication, and achievements of the Class of 2024. The ceremony was a resounding success, marking a memorable and joyous occasion for the graduates and the institution.



Celebration of 78th Independence day

15 August 2024



On 15th August 2024, Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies celebrated India's 78th Independence Day with great enthusiasm and patriotism. The event was organized by the Cultural Committee and took place at the basketball court, where 60 participants, including students and faculty members, gathered to honor the nation's historic journey to independence. The celebration commenced at 8:15 AM with a guard of honor, followed by the hoisting of the national flag at 8:30 AM by the chief guest, Air Marshal H B Rajaram (Retd.), who served the Indian Air Force with distinction. The flag hoisting was accompanied by the National Anthem, filling the atmosphere with a sense of national pride. A contingent drill performed by NCC cadets added to the disciplined fervor of the occasion. At 8:45 AM, NCC cadets delivered a heartfelt speech paying tribute to the freedom fighters who sacrificed their lives for the country's independence. The chief guest addressed the gathering, emphasizing the significance of independence and the responsibility of today's youth in preserving the nation's hard-won freedom. He urged students to contribute actively to the nation's progress and uphold the values of unity and integrity. Following the



formal ceremonies, the cultural program began at 9:15 AM, featuring a series of performances that celebrated India's rich cultural heritage. These included classical and contemporary dance performances, group songs, and a skit depicting the life of Rani Lakshmi Bai, which left a lasting impact on the audience. The program concluded with a pyramid display and a bike rally led by NCC cadets at 10:45 AM. The event was meticulously coordinated by Ms. Haritha V S, Cultural Coordinator, and Captain Subramanyam, NCC Officer. The 78th Independence Day celebration successfully fostered a sense of unity and patriotism, leaving participants with a renewed appreciation for the sacrifices made by the nation's heroes and a commitment to contribute to its continued prosperity.



A GROUP PHOTO WITH GUEST, PRINCIPAL.NCC & CULTURAL TEAM MEMBERS.

BBA Aviation Farewell – 5th August 2024



On 5th August 2024, the Department of Aviation Management at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies hosted a farewell event for the 2021-2024 batch of BBA Aviation students. The event, titled Ade Ma-cha Let's Escape, took place in the Main Auditorium from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM and was attended by 41 final-year students. The farewell was organized by second and fourth-semester students, who made all the arrangements, including seating, decoration, and event management. The event began with a traditional lamp lighting ceremony by the faculty, followed by a warm welcome to the graduating students, each of whom received a chocolate and a note as they entered the auditorium. The main event kicked off with lively performances, including dance, songs, and games, all designed to make the final-year students feel special and appreciated. A highlight of the evening was the "funny awards" ceremony, where students were recognized for their unique quirks and personalities. This was followed by a talent showcase, where the graduating students took to the stage to share their skills in sing-

ing, dancing, and even stand-up comedy. One of the most emotional moments of the evening came when a video compilation of messages from faculty and alumni was played. This brought many students to tears as they reflected on their time at the institute and the strong bonds they had formed. The event also included a segment where students shared their experiences and memories, providing valuable feedback on their time in the program. The farewell ended with a cake-cutting ceremony and snacks for all attendees. The event was a huge success, with students and faculty alike expressing their satisfaction with how smoothly it was executed. The positive feedback from the 41 graduating students, all rating the event as "excellent," underscored its success in creating lasting memories.



Amazon AWS Certification Course Orientation

4th August 2024



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On 14th August 2024, the Department of Master of Computer Applications (MCA) at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies hosted an orientation program on the Amazon AWS Certification course. Held at the Mechanical Seminar Hall, the event saw participation from 104 students and was facilitated by Mr. Faizan Memon, Business Development Manager at CloudThat.

The primary objective of the program was to introduce students to cloud computing fundamentals and Amazon Web Services (AWS), a leading cloud platform widely used across industries. Mr. Memon began by emphasizing the growing importance of AWS certification for IT professionals, noting that cloud computing is now a core aspect of modern business infrastructure. He explained that AWS skills are in high demand, and obtaining certification can open doors to lucrative job opportunities. The orientation covered essential AWS services such as EC2 (virtual computing), S3 (storage), and RDS (database management), along with hands-on deployment strategies and security practices. Mr. Memon highlighted the practical aspects of the

course, enabling students to understand how to implement AWS services in real-world scenarios. He also discussed the career benefits of AWS certification, including increased earning potential and job security. The session was highly interactive, with Mr. Memon engaging students in discussions about the practical applications of AWS in the IT industry. He stressed the importance of continuous learning and adapting to the latest technological trends to remain competitive in the job market. The event concluded with a vote of thanks from Prof. Farzeen Basith, who acknowledged the session's value in preparing students for future careers in cloud computing. The positive feedback from participants highlighted the informative nature of the orientation, with students expressing enthusiasm for enrolling in the AWS certification course and advancing their cloud computing expertise.



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Cultural Committee Auditions – 27th August 2024



On 27th August 2024, the Cultural Committee of Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized its annual auditions to identify talented students for various cultural activities. The auditions were held at the AIGS Seminar Hall, attracting 65 participants across different semesters. The event aimed to select enthusiastic students who would contribute to the cultural vibrancy of the campus throughout the academic year. The theme for this year's auditions, *Unleash the Talent*, focused on providing students with a platform to showcase their creative abilities. The event started at 3:00 PM and continued for 1 hour and 45 minutes, featuring performances in categories such as music, dance, acting, and hosting. The event was coordinated by Ms. Haritha V S, with support from student volunteers. Eight students participated in the anchoring category, demonstrating their communication and event management skills. In the music category, nine students performed both vocal and instrumental pieces, showcasing a wide range of talent from classical music to contemporary compositions. The dance category was one of the highlights, with 40 students performing styles ranging from Bharatanatyam to hip-hop. Two students performed theatrical pieces in the acting category, delivering

monologues that impressed the judges with their stage presence and emotional depth.

Additionally, 23 students expressed their interest in volunteering for the Cultural Committee, and three students presented their photography portfolios. The judges evaluated the performances based on criteria such as creativity, stage presence, and overall impact. The event concluded with a brief feedback session, where the judges commended the participants for their enthusiasm and talent. The selected students will be informed of their roles within the committee, and they will begin preparing for upcoming cultural events. The auditions not only identified talented individuals but also helped foster a sense of community and teamwork among the participants. The Cultural Committee is excited to work with this talented group to create a lively cultural atmosphere on campus.

Onam Celebration 2024 – Cultural Committee

(12th September 2024)



On 12th September 2024, the Cultural Committee at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies (AIGS) organized a grand celebration of Onam at the Basketball Court. The event, attended by approximately 1,000 participants, including students, faculty, and staff, was a vibrant showcase of Kerala's rich cultural heritage. The primary objectives of the celebration were to promote cultural awareness, foster community building, and highlight traditional values that are central to Kerala's festive spirit. The day's festivities commenced with a high-energy 'Melam' procession, a traditional percussion ensemble, setting an enthusiastic tone for the event. Students from various departments, dressed in Kerala's traditional attire, added to the

colorful spectacle, celebrating the cultural diversity present on campus. The main highlight of the event was the Megathiruvathira dance, a large group performance representing the iconic Thiruvathira dance form. This dance was performed by several teams, with students from different institutions participating, making it a highly inclusive event. In addition to the Thiruvathira dance, the program featured 12 performances, including traditional songs and folk dances, which paid tribute to Kerala's customs. Competitions like Kalashakott Thambolam and Shinkarimelam added a competitive edge to the cultural display, while the tug-of-war contest brought fun and energy to the event. These activities not only entertained the audience but also encouraged students to collaborate and work as teams, fostering a spirit of unity. The event culminated with an awards ceremony, where prizes were distributed to the winners of various competitions. Feedback from attendees was overwhelmingly positive, with many students and faculty members praising the event's organization and cultural richness. Participants left with a deeper understanding and appreciation for Kerala's traditions, while also experiencing the importance of community and unity. The Onam celebration successfully highlighted AIGS's commitment to fostering cultural diversity and inclusivity, offering students a platform to showcase their talents while promoting social bonding and cultural pride.



Teacher's Day Celebration – Department of MCA

(11th September 2024)



On 11th September 2024, the Department of Master of Computer Applications (MCA) at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies (AIGS) hosted a memorable Teacher's Day celebration in the ANA Block Seminar Hall. Organized by second-semester MCA students, the event was designed to honor and recognize the invaluable contributions of teachers in shaping students' academic and personal growth. A total of 97 participants, including faculty members and students, attended the celebration. The event kicked off with a warm welcome and a heartfelt speech by the student organizing committee, expressing gratitude to the faculty for their dedication and mentorship. Following the formal welcome, a lively cultural program commenced, featuring traditional dance performances and musical acts. These performances were well-received by the audience, adding a festive and joyful atmosphere to the occasion.

In addition to the cultural performances, interactive games such as musical chairs and a paper glass pyramid competition were organized, where faculty members actively participated, fostering a sense of camaraderie and connection between students and teachers. The

competitive spirit was lighthearted and fun, enhancing the celebratory mood. One of the key highlights of the event was the cake-cutting ceremony, where teachers were invited to cut the cake as a token of appreciation for their continuous efforts in nurturing the students.

The ceremony was followed by speeches from faculty members, including the Head of the Department, Mr. Vivek K, who thanked the students for organizing the thoughtful event and expressed his appreciation for the positive teacher-student relationships at AIGS. The event concluded with a round of applause for the teachers and a vote of thanks from the organizing committee. The Teacher's Day celebration was a resounding success, leaving both students and faculty with a sense of gratitude and mutual respect. The event reinforced the significance of educators in shaping the future and fostered a stronger bond between students and teachers.

SKILL DEVELOPMENT

- Awareness Program on Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking
- Awareness Program on International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking
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- NCC Environmental Awareness Program
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- Awareness Program on Swachh Bharat Abhiyan – 26th August 2024
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- Webinar: History of Child Development – Department of Psychology (30th September 2024)
- Webinar: Masterclass on Business Innovation and Entrepreneurship – Department of BBA (4th September 2024)
- Recent Applications in Digital Marketing – Department of Commerce (3rd September 2024)

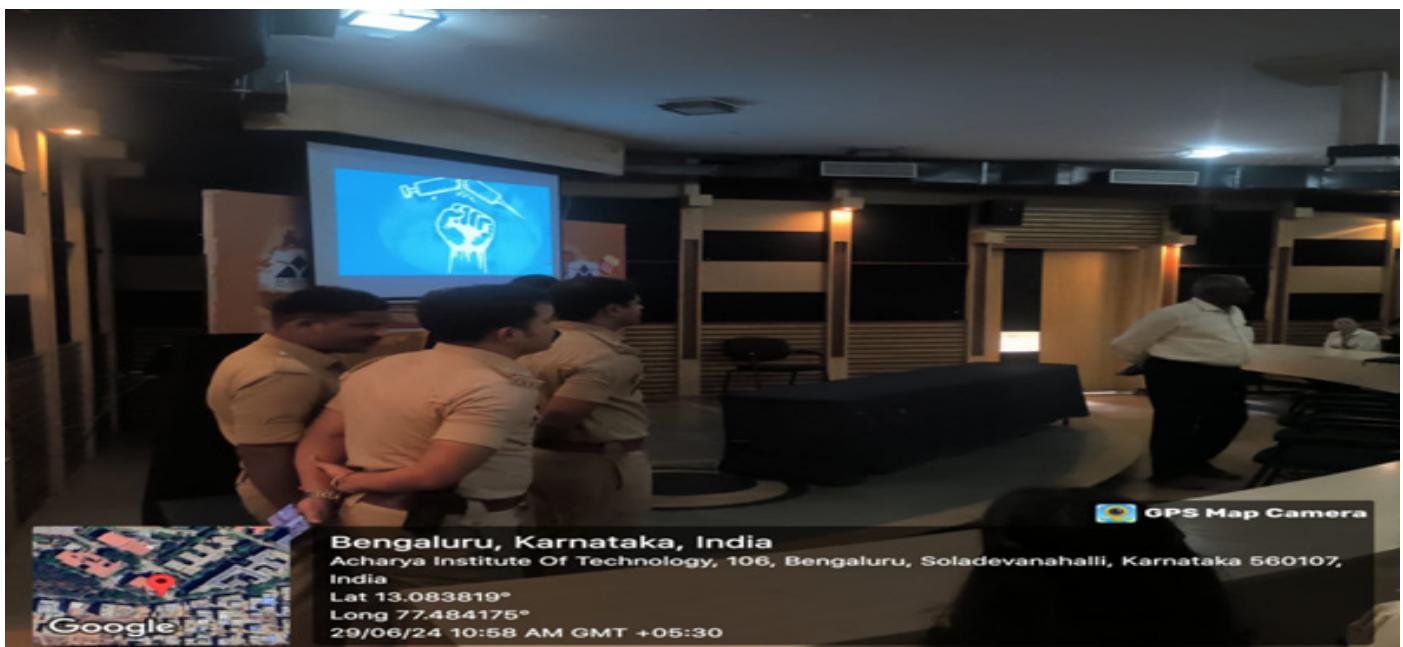
Awareness Program on Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking



On June 29, 2024, the Department of Criminology and Forensic Science at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted an awareness program titled "Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking" for second-year criminology students. Held in the MBA Auditorium from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM, the event aimed to increase awareness about the prevalence and impact of drug abuse, discuss the challenges faced by law enforcement agencies in combating drug trafficking, and demonstrate the critical role of forensic science in detecting and prosecuting drug-related crimes. The program commenced with an introductory speech by the Head of the Department, who emphasized the urgency of addressing drug abuse and trafficking. The keynote address was delivered by the Superintendent of Police, who provided a comprehensive overview of the intersection between law

enforcement and public health in tackling the drug crisis. He highlighted the necessity of a multifaceted approach that combines stringent law enforcement, community engagement, and educational initiatives.

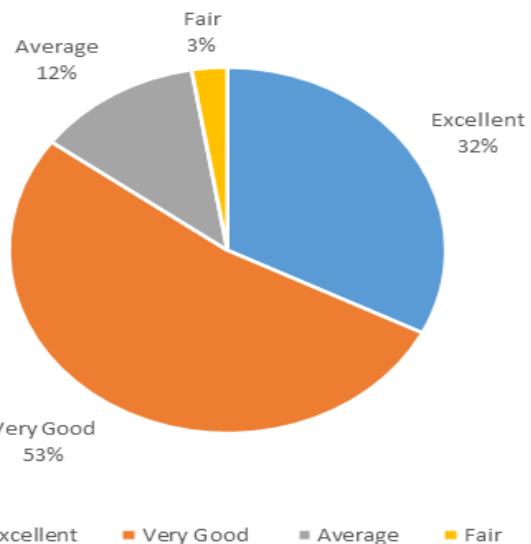
The seminar featured multiple presentations, each focusing on a different aspect of drug abuse and trafficking. The first presentation explored the causes and effects of drug abuse, discussing the interplay of genetic, environmental, and psychological factors. The second presentation provided insights into the sophisticated structures of illicit drug trafficking networks, including their operational methods and the challenges faced by law enforcement in disrupting these networks. The third presentation focused on the role of forensic science in drug detection and prosecution, showcasing the latest technological advancements in forensic methodologies. A panel discussion followed the presentations, featuring experts from various fields who discussed the socio-economic impacts of drug abuse, the importance of community outreach programs, and the need for international co-operation. The event concluded with a Q&A session, where participants engaged in a robust discussion on the topics covered. The seminar was well-received, marking a significant step toward fostering a collaborative effort in combating drug abuse and illicit trafficking.



Awareness Program on International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking

On June 26, 2024, the Department of Computer Application at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an awareness program to observe the International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking. The event, held in the AIGS Arena, was attended by 150 first-year BCA students from Sections A, B, and C. The program aimed to raise awareness about the dangers of drug abuse, promote prevention and education, and encourage support for treatment and rehabilitation. The program began with a welcome address by the Head of the Department, who highlighted the significance of the International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking. The theme for 2024, "People First: Stop Stigma and Discrimination, Strengthen Prevention," was introduced to underscore the importance of addressing the social stigma and discrimination faced by individuals affected by drug abuse. The resource person, Shri Keshav, Assistant Sub-Inspector of Railway Police, Bengaluru, delivered a comprehensive talk on the adverse effects of drug abuse and the importance of a supportive and inclusive environment for those struggling with addiction. He emphasized the need for empathy and compassion in addressing addiction as a health condition rather than a moral failing. Throughout his address, Shri Keshav focused on key elements such as stopping stigma and discrimination, strengthening prevention efforts, and supporting treatment

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and recovery. He also discussed the importance of international cooperation in combating drug trafficking and the role of law enforcement in ensuring public safety. The session concluded with an oath-taking ceremony, where students pledged to abstain from drug abuse and illicit trafficking. The program successfully raised awareness about the complexities of drug abuse and the importance of community involvement in prevention efforts. The feedback from participants was overwhelmingly positive, with students expressing a deeper understanding of the issues and a commitment to making informed decisions

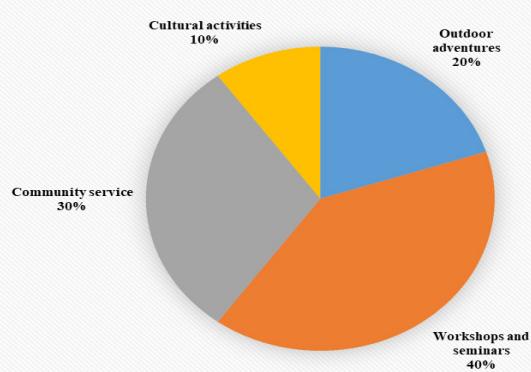


Annual Social Work Rural/Tribe Camp

SPOORTHI 2024



From June 24 to June 30, 2024, the Department of Social Work at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized the Annual Social Work Rural/Tribe Camp, titled SPOORTHI 2024. Held in Naganahalli, H.D. Kote Taluk, Mysore, this seven-day camp was attended by 58 students from the second semester of MSW and the fourth semester of BSW programs. The camp aimed to deepen students' understanding of rural socio-economic conditions, enhance their practical skills in community engagement, and foster their personal and professional growth. The camp was organized under the guidance of faculty coordinators Mr. Gowtham S and Dr. Akhila K P, who ensured a comprehensive and experiential learning opportunity for the trainees. The camp's theme, "Empowering Rural Communities: Bridging Theory and Practice in Social Work," focused on enabling students to understand the socio-economic and cultural conditions of rural life. Throughout the camp, students engaged in various activities, including community surveys, Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA) mapping, educational sessions, and cultural programs. These activities provided hands-on learning experiences and facilitated direct interaction with the community. The trainees also participated in Shramdan (cleaning) initiatives, contributing to the cleanliness and hygiene of the village. The camp featured several resource persons who conducted awareness sessions on topics such as tribal/rural rights, menstrual hygiene, and entrepreneurship opportunities. A notable highlight of the camp was the collaboration with Karnataka Administrative Service (KAS) officers, who provided valuable insights into governmental processes and community development. The SPOORTHI 2024 camp was highly successful in achieving its objectives. It provided trainees with practical experience in social work, enhanced their understanding of rural communities, and promoted personal growth and professional development. The camp's impact on both the trainees and the Naganahalli community was significant, fostering a sense of community engagement and social responsibility.



Club Activity: Rang De – A Gender Sensitization Program



On June 15, 2024, the Department of English at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a comprehensive gender studies program titled "Rang De" in the AIGS Seminar Hall. The event, attended by 46 participants, aimed to promote gender inclusivity and raise awareness about gender-related issues through interactive workshops, an open mic session, and a panel discussion. The program began with a workshop led by Mr. Muhammad Swaroop, Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychology, focusing on the concept of gender, gender stereotypes, and prevalent gender issues. The workshop featured interactive activities that engaged participants and facilitated a deeper understanding of these topics, encouraging them to reflect on their own perceptions and biases regarding gender. Following the workshop, an open mic session provided a platform for students to express their thoughts on gender inclusivity creatively. This segment of the program allowed participants to share personal experiences and engage in meaningful discussions in a supportive environment. The highlight of the event was a panel discussion featuring esteemed faculty members, including Mr. Muhammad Swaroop, Ms. Smrithi (Department of Psychology), Mr. Sreejith D. (Department of English), and Mr. Avinash (Department of Social Work). The panelists discussed the political dynamics of gender inclusivity, the representation of gender in various media forms, and personal insights related to gender issues. As part of the program, students also organized a donation stall where they sold handmade bookmarks, stickers, and posters. The proceeds were donated to a local NGO, demonstrating the students' commitment to social responsibility and community engagement. The "Rang De" program was a resounding success, effectively combining education, creativity, and community involvement. Participants gained a deeper understanding of gender issues, and the event fostered ongoing dialogue and action towards gender inclusivity within the academic community.



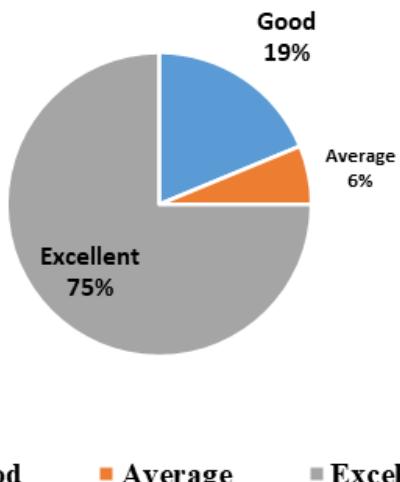
ISR Activity: World Environment Day Celebration



On June 5, 2024, the Department of Computer Applications at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an ISR (Institutional Social Responsibility) activity to celebrate World Environment Day in Kasagattapura and Hurulichikanahalli Gram Panchayats. The event, which involved 16 students from the second and fourth semesters of the BCA program, aimed to raise awareness about environmental conservation and promote sustainable practices among the local community. The program began with a gathering at the Kasagattapura Panchayat office, where the PDO of Kasagattapura, Mrs. Sandhya, addressed the students, faculty, and local residents about the importance of tree plantation

and environmental protection. The students displayed posters, banners, and informational materials to disseminate key messages about the significance of World Environment Day and the need for strong environmental policies. A major highlight of the event was the sapling plantation activity. The students, guided by the faculty members, planted saplings in designated areas around the Gram Panchayats, contributing to the local reforestation efforts. The saplings were carefully selected based on their suitability to the local climate and ecosystem, ensuring their long-term growth and contribution to biodiversity. Throughout the event, educational sessions were conducted to raise awareness about the role of trees in mitigating climate change, improving air quality, conserving soil and water, and providing habitat for wildlife. The students and local community members actively participated in these sessions, fostering a sense of collective responsibility towards environmental stewardship. The ISR activity concluded with a positive feedback session, where participants expressed their appreciation for the initiative. The event successfully raised awareness about environmental issues and inspired participants to adopt sustainable practices in their daily lives, contributing to the global effort to protect the environment.

ISR ACTIVITY FEEDBACK



NCC Environmental Awareness Program



On June 5, 2024, the National Cadet Corps (NCC) of Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies commemorated World Environment Day with a robust Green Initiative Plantation Drive and Environmental Awareness Program. The event, coordinated by the NCC cadets of 05/09 Coy 9 KAR BN Bangalore B-Group, aimed to foster environmental stewardship and community engagement. A total of 18 participants took part in this event, which combined tree planting activities with educational sessions to emphasize the importance of environmental conservation and sustainable practices. The day commenced with a poster-making competition from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM at the college campus, where 24 participants showcased their creativity around the theme of environmental conservation. Concurrently, a group of 14 NCC cadets traveled to the nearby village of Alur to plant trees in collaboration with the local Panchayat office, involving the community in this crucial environmental effort. Following a lunch break, the main tree plantation activity took place within the college premises. This hands-on activity allowed par-

ticipants to contribute directly to enhancing the local green cover, reinforcing the practical aspect of environmental conservation. The educational component of the day began at 2:00 PM with a welcoming speech, followed by a keynote address by the esteemed guest speaker, Raghavendra B S. His talk, which lasted until 3:20 PM, focused on the importance of environmental conservation, the role of sustainable practices, and how individuals can contribute to a greener future. The event concluded with a certificate distribution ceremony and a vote of thanks. The Green Initiative Plantation Drive successfully combined practical environmental action with educational components, fostering a strong sense of environmental responsibility among participants. The collaboration with the local community in Alur further amplified the impact of the initiative, demonstrating the power of collective efforts in creating a healthier, more sustainable world.



Awareness Program on GATE and JAM Exams

14th August 2024



The Department of Chemistry at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an awareness program on GATE and JAM exams on 14th August 2024. The event, held in Room 503, was attended by 38 MSc Chemistry students from the second and fourth semesters. The primary goal of the program was to educate students on strategies to excel in these competitive exams, which are gateways to prestigious national institutes and advanced academic opportunities. Ms. Swathi Arendra, a research scholar from IISc Bengaluru, was the resource person for the event. She provided an overview of the structure, syllabus, and eligibility criteria for both GATE (Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering) and JAM (Joint Admission Test for MSc) exams. She highlighted the differences between the two, explaining that GATE is mainly for engineering graduates, while JAM is designed for science graduates aspiring to pursue MSc and PhD programs. Ms. Arendra's presentation focused on the importance of early preparation and the strategic use of study materials and mock exams. She

also discussed the various career opportunities that these exams unlock, such as scholarships, research positions, and roles in public sector undertakings. The interactive session saw students actively participating, asking questions about exam patterns, time management techniques, and subject-specific strategies. The event concluded with a vote of thanks from the Head of the Department, Dr. Sumathi R B, who encouraged students to set ambitious goals and work diligently towards achieving them. The program was well-received, with students expressing their appreciation for the insights shared and the motivation they gained to begin their preparation.

The session not only informed students about the technical aspects of GATE and JAM but also inspired them to pursue their academic goals with confidence.

Awareness Program on Swachh Bharat Abhiyan

26th August 2024



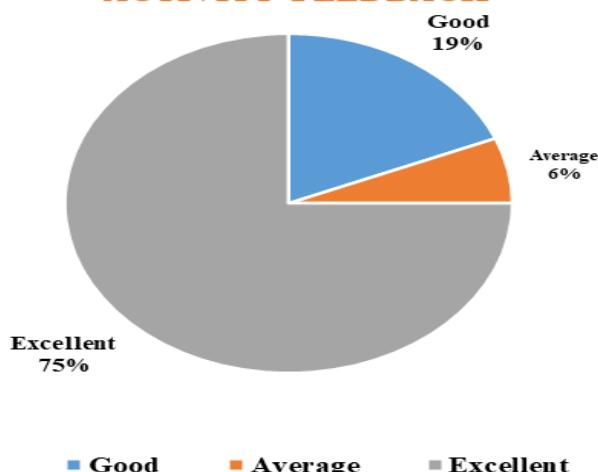
On 26th August 2024, the Department of Social Work at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an awareness program on garbage disposal as part of the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan initiative. The event, held in the Soladevanahalli Panchayat area, included the participation of 16 undergraduate students and 39 participants from the Department of Social Work and the NCC. The main objective of the program was to educate the local community about the importance of scientific garbage disposal methods and the harmful effects of improper waste management on public health and the environment. The event was conducted in collaboration with the Gram Panchayats of Soladevanahalli and Kasagattapura, with active involvement from local residents. Students, along with Panchayat Development Officers (PDOs), led a door-to-door awareness campaign on segregating waste into dry and wet categories. Posters, banners, and informational materials were distributed to convey key messages about environmental sustainability. Additionally, the program featured a Jatha (rally) through

the village, where participants shouted slogans promoting cleanliness and environmental protection.

The program culminated with a tree plantation drive, symbolizing the community's dedication to environmental conservation. Mrs. Sandhya, President of Kasagattapura Gram Panchayat, addressed the participants, stressing the significance of collective responsibility in maintaining cleanliness and reducing plastic use in the village. The event fostered community engagement, with students and local residents collaborating to raise awareness. The campaign successfully communicated the importance of adopting sustainable practices for the environment, and feedback from the participants was overwhelmingly positive. Many residents appreciated the initiative and pledged to support scientific waste disposal methods.

In conclusion, the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan awareness program was an effective effort to promote environmental responsibility and create a cleaner, healthier village community.

ACTIVITY FEEDBACK

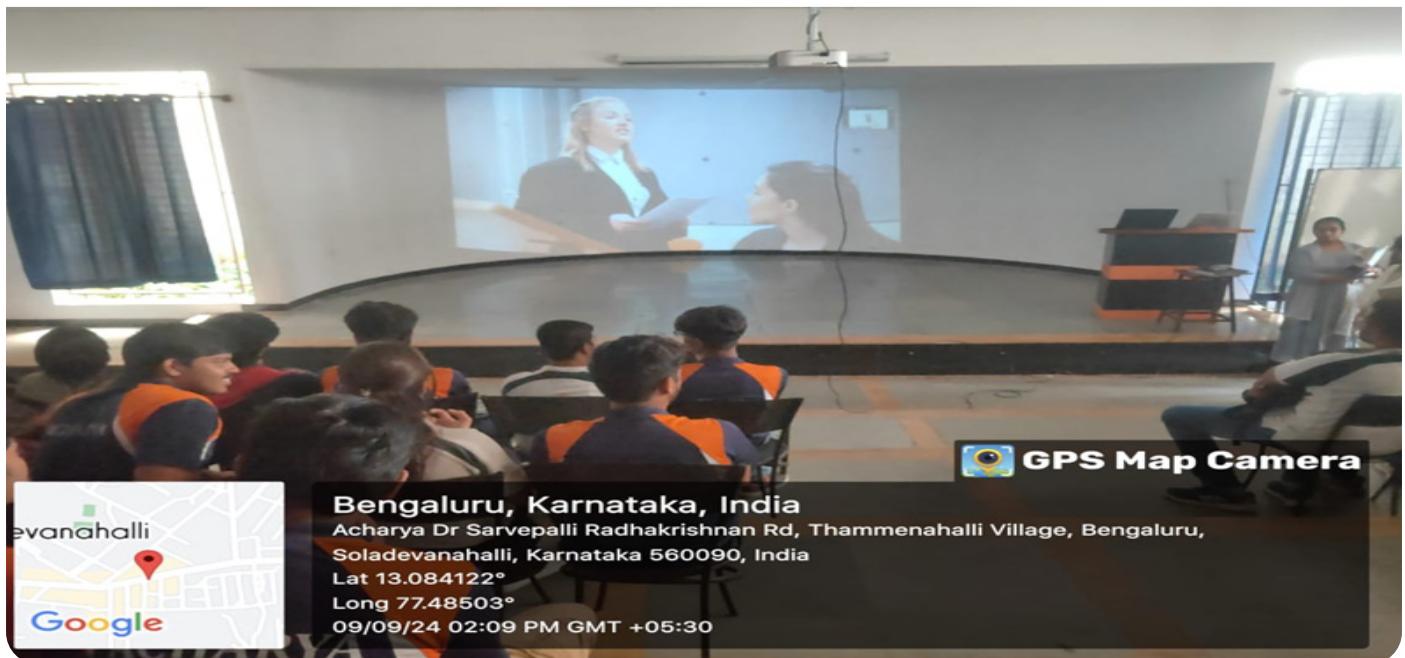


NCC Organizational Recruitment 21st August 2024



On 21st August 2024, Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted the NCC Organizational Recruitment for the junior batch at the BB Court. The event, which lasted from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, aimed to attract students from various disciplines to join the National Cadet Corps (NCC). The primary objectives were to increase the strength of junior cadets and promote NCC's core values of leadership, discipline, and patriotism. A total of 70 students participated in the recruitment process. Extensive pre-recruitment preparations were made, including awareness campaigns through social media, bulletin boards, and community events. Both online and offline applications were accepted to ensure inclusivity, and candidates were shortlisted based on eligibility criteria such as academic performance, age, and physical fitness. The selection process comprised a written test, a physical fitness test, and personal interviews. The written test assessed general knowledge and aptitude, while the physical fitness test evaluated endurance and agility. In the interview stage, candidates were asked about their motivation to join the NCC and their understanding of its values. The recruitment drive successfully enlisted 55 junior cadets, who displayed diversity in terms of educational and socio-economic backgrounds, enriching the training environment. The feedback from recruits was overwhelmingly positive, with many appreciating the transparency and fairness of the process. In conclusion, the recruitment drive met its objectives of bolstering the NCC's strength and enhancing diversity. The new cadets are expected to contribute fresh perspectives and energy to the unit. The positive feedback and identified areas for improvement will help optimize future recruitment efforts, ensuring continued success in building a disciplined and responsible youth community.

International Webinar on Master Class in Data Science or Cyber Security – Department of BCA (19th September 2024)



Online Webinar Session

On 19th September 2024, the Department of Bachelor of Computer Applications (BCA) at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies (AIGS) hosted an international webinar titled "Master Class in Data Science or Cyber Security". The webinar, conducted online via Microsoft Teams, was aimed at educating BCA students on the growing fields of Data Science and Cyber Security, equipping them with insights into these rapidly evolving areas. Over 120 students from the BCA department participated in this virtual event. The session was led by two industry experts: Dr. Jane Roberts, a Senior Data Scientist from the United States, and Mr. Vikram Mohan, a Cyber Security Consultant based in Singapore. Both speakers have extensive experience in their respective fields and provided students with a comprehensive understanding of the concepts, applications, and career opportunities in Data Science and Cyber Security. Dr. Jane Roberts began the session with an introduction to Data Science, discussing its importance in the modern data-driven world. She explained key concepts such as machine learning, data mining, and predictive analytics. Dr. Roberts also shared insights into various real-world applications of Data Science, such as in healthcare, finance, and marketing, highlighting the increasing demand for data scientists in the industry. Her presentation included a live demonstration of a simple data analysis project, which helped students visualize how data science is applied in practice. Following this, Mr. Vikram Mohan took over the session to discuss Cyber Security. He explained the importance of protecting digital information in the current age of increasing cyber threats. Mr. Mohan covered topics such as encryption, ethical hacking, and network security protocols. He also emphasized the critical need for cybersecurity professionals to safeguard data in organizations. The event concluded with an interactive Q&A session where students raised questions about career paths, certifications, and tools for both Data Science and Cyber Security. The webinar was highly successful, leaving participants with a deeper understanding of these fields and potential career avenues.

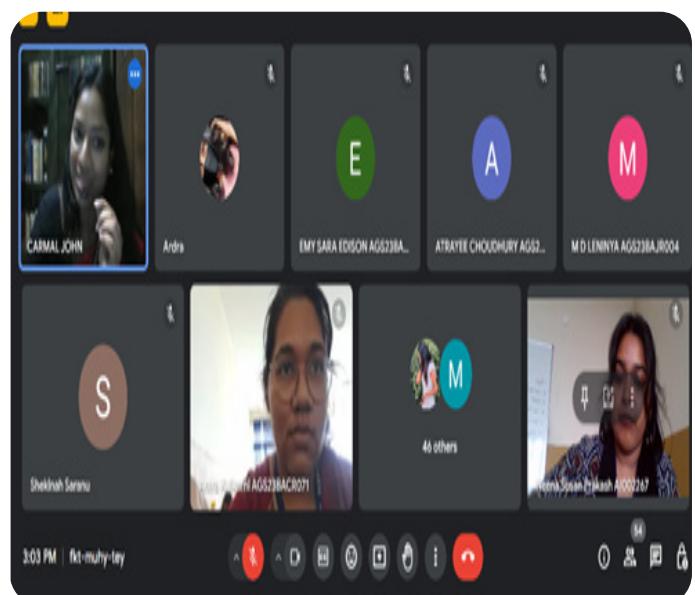
Webinar: History of Child Development

Department of Psychology (30th September 2024)



On 30th September 2024, the Department of Psychology at AIGS organized a webinar on the History of Child Development for BA third-semester students. The 90-minute session, attended by 61 students, aimed to provide an in-depth understanding of the evolution of child development theories, tracing the key milestones in the field. The webinar was led by Ms. Carmal John, Assistant Professor at Lady Doak College, an expert in developmental psychology and historical perspectives. Ms. John began the session by discussing early contributions to child development theory, focusing on philosophers such as John Locke and Jean-Jacques Rousseau. She explained how these thinkers laid the foundation for understanding childhood as a distinct and critical stage of human development. Ms. John then moved on to more modern theorists, including Sigmund Freud, Jean Piaget, and Lev Vygotsky, providing a comprehensive overview of their contributions to child development. Freud's psychoanalytic theory, Piaget's stages of cognitive development, and Vygotsky's socio-cultural theory were thoroughly explained, giving students a clear understanding of how

these perspectives shaped contemporary psychology. The session concluded with an engaging Q&A segment, where students discussed the practical applications of historical child development theories in modern educational and psychological practices. The speaker encouraged students to think critically about the influence of cultural and social factors on child development. Overall, the webinar provided students with valuable insights into the history and progression of child development theories, enhancing their understanding of the subject and its relevance to their academic and professional pursuits.



Webinar: Masterclass on Business Innovation and Entrepreneurship

Department of BBA (4th September 2024)



On 4th September 2024, the Department of Management at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies (AIGS) hosted a webinar titled "Masterclass on Business Innovation and Entrepreneurship." The session, aimed at fifth-semester BBA students, was conducted by Dr. Simon Fraser, Principal Lecturer at Robert Gordon University, Aberdeen. Forty-two students participated in this one-hour event, designed to deepen their understanding of innovation and entrepreneurship in today's dynamic business environment. Dr. Fraser began by emphasizing the importance of innovation in achieving business success. He highlighted how modern businesses, from startups to large corporations, need continuous innovation to remain competitive. He provided examples of companies like Tesla, Apple, and Airbnb, demonstrating how they disrupted traditional industries by leveraging innovative business models. The session also delved into the entrepreneurial mindset, where Dr. Fraser encouraged students to think creatively and act proactively, whether they are starting their own businesses or working within organizations. He stressed the importance of resilience, risk-taking, and adaptability, key traits of successful entrepreneurs.

Dr. Fraser broke down the stages of innovation, from idea generation to commercialization, guiding students through the process of turning creative ideas into practical, viable business solutions. He shared case studies of small entrepreneurs and large corporations, offering insights into the challenges and rewards of pursuing innovation. The masterclass concluded with an interactive Q&A session, where students posed questions about future career paths in entrepreneurship and business innovation. Dr. Fraser's practical insights and engaging presentation left students feeling motivated to explore new ideas and take calculated risks in their future endeavors. Overall, the masterclass was a valuable learning experience that inspired students to cultivate an entrepreneurial mindset, embrace innovation, and consider



EVENT NAME: Recent Applications in Digital Marketing

Department of Commerce (3rd September 2024)



Students actively participating in the webinar

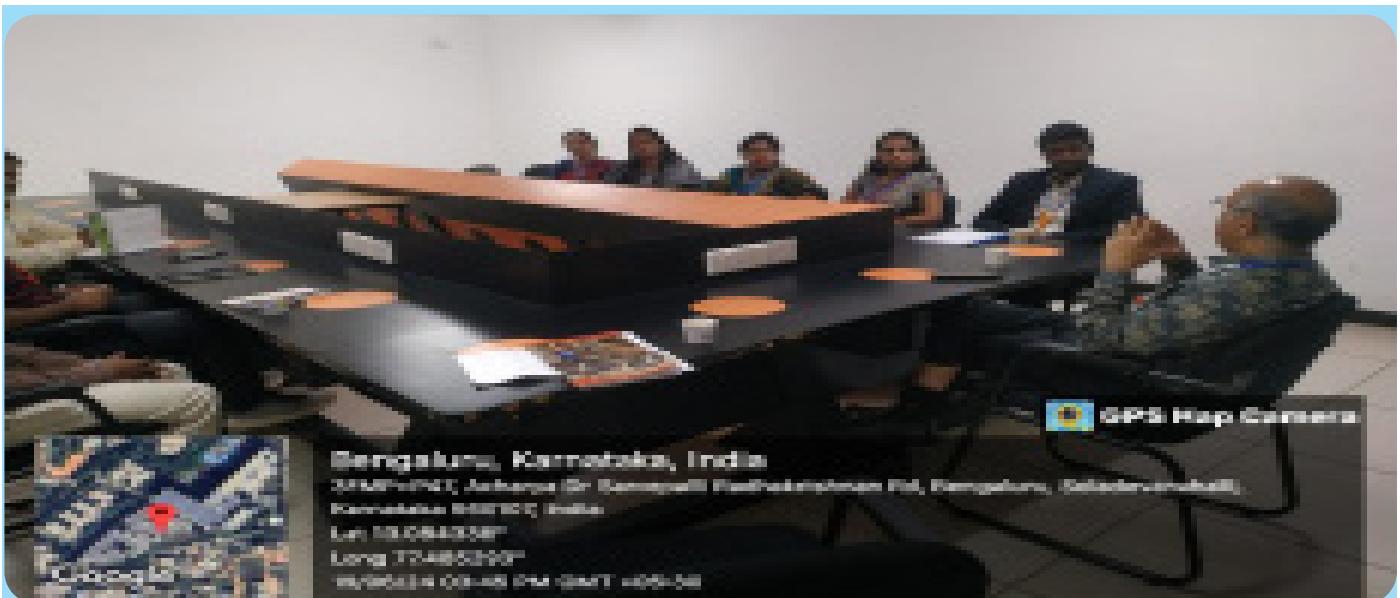
On 3rd September 2024, the Department of Commerce at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies (AIGS) conducted an international webinar titled "Recent Applications in Digital Marketing" for final-year BCom students. This webinar aimed to provide students with up-to-date knowledge about the latest trends, technologies, and strategies in digital marketing, helping them prepare for future careers in this dynamic field. The event was attended by 46 students. The guest speaker for the session was Mr. Craig Leith, Principal Lecturer at Robert Gordon University, Aberdeen, who has over 20 years of experience in marketing and digital innovation. His extensive expertise allowed students to gain insights into how businesses are utilizing digital tools to drive growth, enhance customer engagement, and stay competitive in the fast-evolving digital landscape. Mr. Leith's presentation covered key areas of digital marketing, including social media marketing, influencer marketing, search engine optimization (SEO), and digital marketing analytics. He explained how businesses leverage platforms like Instagram, Facebook, and YouTube to reach a wider audience, build brand awareness, and generate leads. Mr. Leith also highlighted the growing significance of influencer marketing, where companies collaborate with social media influencers to promote their products and services in a more personalized and impactful manner. A major focus of the session was the importance of SEO in improving website visibility and increasing organic traffic. Mr. Leith walked students through practical examples of how businesses optimize their websites to rank higher in search engine results. He also demonstrated how digital marketing analytics are used to measure the success of campaigns, track user behavior, and make data-driven decisions in real-time. The webinar concluded with a lively Q&A session, where students inquired about digital marketing career opportunities, essential skills, and certifications that could enhance their employability in this rapidly expanding field. Overall, the international webinar successfully provided students with practical knowledge and a deeper understanding of digital marketing, inspiring them to pursue internships and certifications to build a strong foundation in this area.

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FACULTY ORIENTATION PROGRAM

Initiating Newly Joined Faculty Members



Between June 19 and June 27, 2024, Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted a comprehensive Faculty Orientation Program specifically designed for newly joined faculty members. The program's primary objective was to acclimate new educators to the institution's culture, policies, and academic environment, ensuring a smooth transition into their roles.

The orientation commenced on June 19, 2024, with an introductory session led by Mrs. Geetha S, AIGS HR, followed by an address from the Principal, who emphasized the importance of professionalism, the institute's vision and mission, and how faculty members can contribute to achieving the institution's objectives. This session set the tone for the entire orientation, focusing on personal and institutional growth.

On June 24, 2024, Dr. Mirshad, the IQAC coordinator, delivered an essential session on the significance of NAAC A+ Accreditation.

Dr. Mirshad elaborated on the seven criteria of NAAC accreditation, providing faculty with a deep understanding of the Self-Study Report (SSR) and its critical role in maintaining academic excellence.

The orientation continued on June 25, 2024, with a session by Prof. Gururaj.

Dean of R&D, who introduced faculty members to research methodologies, including paper writing, publication in UGC-recommended and Scopus-indexed journals, and the broader scope of academic research. This session was particularly valuable in fostering a research-driven academic culture.

On June 26, 2024, Dr. Shashikiran Shetty, HOD of the Social Work Department, led a session on Outcome-Based Education (OBE). On June 26, 2024, Dr. Shashikiran Shetty, HOD of the Social Work Department, led a session on Outcome-Based Education (OBE).



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Dr. Shetty explained the significance of Course Outcomes (CO), Program Outcomes (PO), and Program Specific Outcomes (PSO), highlighting their importance in curriculum design and assessment.

The orientation concluded on June 27, 2024, with sessions on proctorship by Dr. Shaila and Mrs. Padmaja, and on training by Dr. Parvathi and Prof. Gururaj S. These sessions covered the responsibilities of proctors and the importance of continuous training for both faculty and students to enhance teaching effectiveness and prepare students for corporate challenges.

The Faculty Orientation Program successfully provided new faculty members with the necessary knowledge and tools to integrate into the academic community at AIGS, setting a solid foundation for their teaching and professional development.



Departmental Orientation for BCom Students

13th & 19th August 2024

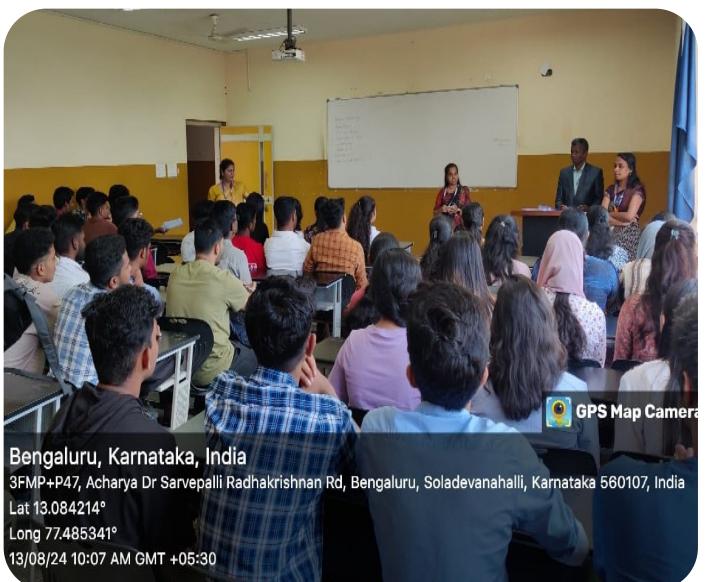


On 13th and 19th August 2024, the Department of Commerce at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a comprehensive orientation program for first-semester BCom students. Held in Classroom 201, the event was attended by 75 students and aimed to introduce them to the department, its culture, and the resources available to support their academic journey.

The orientation began with a welcome address by Dr. Lakshmi V, Head of the Department of Commerce. She introduced the faculty members, highlighting their qualifications, expertise, and the subjects they would be teaching. This provided the students with a clear understanding of who their instructors would be and the academic expectations for the year.

Dr. Lakshmi also outlined the various committees at the institute, such as the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Cell

(IIC), Student Redressal Committee, Sports and Cultural Committee, and Anti-Ragging Committee. She emphasized the importance of participation in extracurricular activities to foster personal growth alongside academic achievement.



Special attention was given to explaining the department's achievement criteria, particularly regarding awards like "Best Outgoing Student," which recognizes students excelling in both academics and extracurriculars. Students were also introduced to alumni who have gone on to secure positions in prestigious companies, providing them with motivation and insights into potential career paths.

The orientation included fun elements such as cultural performances by students and faculty, followed by a session on the college's digital tools, including the Alive app, which streamlines communication between students and faculty.

The event concluded with a group photo and a Q&A session where students expressed their enthusiasm for the coming academic year. Feedback from attendees was overwhelmingly positive, with students appreciating the warm welcome and the clarity provided on how to navigate their academic journey at Acharya Institute



BA Students Orientation



The Department of Arts at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies (AIGS) conducted its three-day orientation program for first-year BA students from 9th to 12th August 2024. With an attendance of around 150 students across the three days, the event aimed to introduce new students to the department's academic culture, expectations, and the support systems in place.

The program began with a welcome address by the Head of the Department (HOD), who provided an overview of the BA program and the wider range of disciplines offered, including Criminology, Psychology, English, and Journalism. Faculty members gave detailed presentations on the curriculum, academic schedule, and assessment methods. They also stressed the importance of academic integrity, attendance, and active participation in both academics and extracurricular activities.

A key focus of the orientation was to ensure students were familiar with the institution's administrative processes and available support systems. Presentations were made on the Anti-Ragging Policy, the Proctor System, and the Women's Cell, which

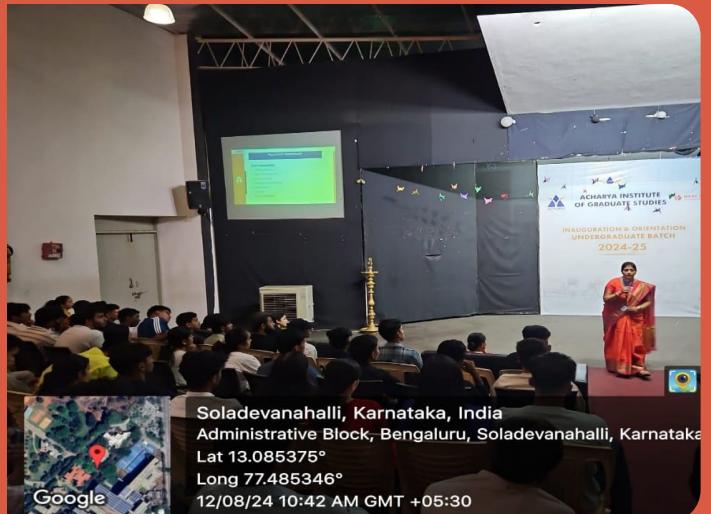
provides guidance and support for female students. Students were also introduced to the various student clubs, including the Cultural and Sports Committees, where they can explore their interests outside the classroom.

Interactive sessions on legal awareness and examination protocols were also conducted, ensuring that students understood their rights and responsibilities. The sessions were designed to help students navigate university life with confidence.

The orientation concluded with a campus tour and cultural performances that highlighted the vibrant student life at AIGS. Students expressed their enthusiasm for the upcoming academic year and appreciated the opportunity to interact with faculty members and senior students.

Overall, the orientation program successfully provided students with a comprehensive understanding of the department's academic framework, resources, and opportunities. Feedback from attendees was overwhelmingly positive, with many students feeling well-prepared to begin their academic journey.

Orientation for BBA Aviation Students



The Department of Management at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted a three-day orientation program for first-year BBA General and BBA Aviation students from 9th to 12th August 2024. Approximately 300 students attended the sessions, which were held in the Main Auditorium. The primary objective of the orientation was to introduce new students to the BBA program, academic policies, and available resources.

The program opened with a welcome address by the Head of the Department, followed by an introduction to the BBA curriculum and course structure. Faculty members presented detailed information on core subjects, elective options, and assessment methods. The department emphasized the importance of academic excellence, attendance, and integrity. Additionally, the students were introduced to the institution's administrative procedures and the Proctor System, which assigns mentors to monitor student progress. One of the highlights of the orientation was a session on career prospects for BBA students, with a special focus on the aviation industry for the BBA Aviation students. Representatives from the Placement Cell provided

guidance on internships, job placements, and career development. Students were also encouraged to engage in extracurricular activities, such as sports, cultural events, and clubs. Cultural performances and interactive sessions were conducted to foster a sense of community among the students. Legal awareness sessions and an introduction to the institution's anti-ragging policies were also included to ensure students were aware of their rights and responsibilities on campus.

The orientation concluded with a campus tour, allowing students to familiarize themselves with the facilities, including the library, computer labs, and sports complexes. The feedback from students was highly positive, with many appreciating the comprehensive nature of the orientation and the warm welcome they received. Overall, the orientation program was a resounding success, preparing students for the academic and personal challenges ahead while fostering a supportive and inclusive environment.



Orientation for Computer Applications (BCA)



The Department of Computer Applications (BCA) at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies held its orientation program from 9th to 12th August 2024, with around 300 to 350 students attending across the three days. The orientation aimed to introduce first-year BCA students to the academic structure, extracurricular opportunities, and support systems available at the institution.

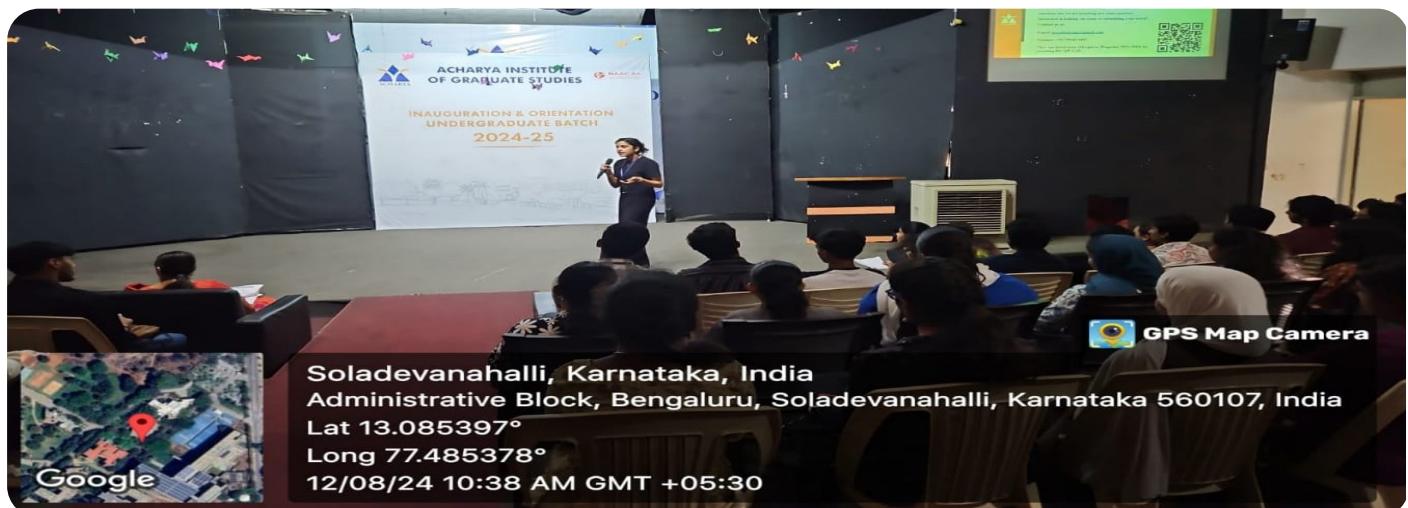
The sessions began with a welcome address by faculty members, followed by presentations on the BCA program's structure, including core courses, electives, and the assessment methodology. Faculty emphasized the importance of maintaining academic integrity, regular attendance, and active participation in both academic and extracurricular activities.

The orientation also introduced students to various support systems, including the Proctor System, which assigns mentors to guide students throughout their academic journey. Presentations on administrative processes, examination protocols, and legal awareness were conducted to ensure students understood the institution's expectations and regulations.

A key focus of the orientation was career development, with the Placement Cell providing insights into internships, job placements, and career opportunities in the IT industry. Faculty members also introduced students to the Innovation Council and Entrepreneurship Development (ED) Cell, encouraging students to pursue entrepreneurial ventures and innovative projects during their time at the institution.

Cultural performances and interactive sessions added a lively atmosphere to the event, helping students bond with their peers and develop a sense of community. The orientation concluded with a campus tour, familiarizing students with key facilities such as the library, computer labs, and sports areas.

Overall, the orientation program successfully equipped students with the knowledge and resources they need to thrive academically and socially. The feedback from attendees indicated that the program was informative and engaging, leaving students feeling confident and motivated as they began their BCA journey.



Department of Commerce Orientation



The Department of Commerce at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies (AIGS) conducted a three-day orientation program for first-semester BCom students from 9th to 12th August 2024. Held in the Main Auditorium and the MBA Auditorium, the event saw the participation of over 180 students, with each session aiming to introduce them to the department, its resources, and the academic journey ahead.

The program began with a welcome address by the Principal, Dr. Gurunath Rao Vaidya, who spoke about the institution's mission, vision, and commitment to academic excellence. Faculty members, including Heads of Departments (HODs), introduced themselves and outlined the BCom program structure, course objectives, and available academic resources. Special emphasis was placed on academic integrity, attendance policies, and the

importance of participation in extracurricular activities. The orientation covered a wide range of topics designed to help students adjust to university life. Sessions on anti-ragging policies, examination protocols, and grievance redressal were led by senior faculty members. Students were introduced to the Proctor System, which assigns faculty members as mentors to monitor their academic progress and provide guidance throughout their course.

Additionally, students were made aware of various committees and clubs, such as the Cultural Committee, Sports Committee, and Innovation Council, which provide opportunities for personal and professional development. The department also emphasized career guidance, with a dedicated session on placement opportunities and internships conducted by the Placement Cell.



Orientation for Department of Social Work (BSW)



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course schedule, and assessment methods. A cultural performance by students added an interactive element, helping newcomers feel part of the AIGS community.

Day 2: The second day, held on 10th August 2024, featured sessions on administrative processes, anti-ragging policies, and legal awareness. Presentations on the National Cadet Corps (NCC) and cultural committee activities encouraged students to engage in extracurriculars. A vibrant dance performance by the cultural team added a lively touch to the proceedings. Students also received information about sports programs and the institution's ALIVE program, which focuses on personal development.

Day 3: The final day, 12th August 2024, focused on placement services, training programs, and the institution's Innovation Council and Entrepreneurship Development (ED) Cell. Students were introduced to the Proctor System and the Women's Cell, which provides guidance and support to female students. The event concluded with more cultural performances and a vote of thanks, leaving students motivated and excited for the academic year.

Overall, the BSW orientation successfully integrated students into the academic and cultural life at AIGS, providing them with the knowledge and confidence to start their studies.



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Department Orientation for BBA Aviation Students



On 14th August 2024, the Department of BBA Aviation at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies held a comprehensive orientation program for first-semester students. The event, held in the Main Auditorium from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM, was attended by 100 students. The primary goal was to welcome the new batch and provide them with an overview of the BBA Aviation program.

The orientation began with a welcome address by the Head of the Department, who emphasized the significance of the aviation industry and how the BBA Aviation program is designed to equip students with the necessary skills and knowledge to succeed. She also highlighted the department's strong industry connections and the opportunities for internships and placements.

Faculty members took turns to introduce the program's structure, including core subjects, electives, and practical training components. They also discussed the academic expectations, such as attendance

importance of maintaining a good academic record. The students were introduced to the department's faculty and administrative staff, who provided guidance on academic and non-academic matters. A virtual tour of the campus facilities, including the library, labs, and sports areas, was presented to familiarize the students with the resources available to them.

The orientation also included a session on extracurricular activities and support services, such as counseling, mentoring, and career guidance. A Q&A session followed, allowing students and parents to ask questions about the program, campus life, and future career prospects.

The event concluded with a vote of thanks, and students left with a clear understanding of the BBA Aviation program and a sense of excitement about their academic journey. The feedback was overwhelmingly positive.



Department of BSc – Orientation Program

(9th August 2024)



The Department of BSc at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies (AIGS) conducted its Undergraduate Orientation Program on 9th August 2024 to welcome the first-semester students for the academic year 2024-25. Held at AIGS Bengaluru, the program aimed to provide the 43 attending students with a comprehensive introduction to the department, institution policies, and academic structure, ensuring they were well-prepared for their college journey. The event began with an introduction to the campus facilities and classrooms, emphasizing the importance of these spaces not just for academic learning but also for collaboration and personal growth. The students were then escorted to the main auditorium for the formal orientation program. The highlight of the event was the address by the Managing Director (MD) of the institution, who provided an engaging overview of the institute's history, achievements, and the multitude of opportunities available for students, including state-of-the-art laboratories, internships, and industry collaborations. This was followed by an address from the Principal, who outlined the academic programs, the institution's commitment to holistic student development, and practical details like attendance policies and examination patterns. The program concluded with an interactive Q&A session, where students had the opportunity to ask questions about their upcoming academic journey. This session, coupled with the earlier presentations, ensured students felt confident and motivated to begin their studies. The orientation ended with a campus tour, allowing students

to familiarize themselves with the facilities available.

The event successfully introduced the new batch to the academic and cultural environment of AIGS, providing them with a strong foundation for their journey ahead. The feedback from the students indicated that they felt inspired and supported, ready to embark on their academic and personal development

Department Orientation for BA Students



On 13th August 2024, the Department of Bachelor of Arts (BA) at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted an orientation program for newly admitted first-semester BA students. Held in Room AI02GF03, the event aimed to introduce the students to the department, its faculty, and the various courses offered, while also setting academic expectations.

A total of 64 students attended the orientation, which was designed to ensure that they felt welcomed and prepared for their academic journey. The Head of the Department (HOD) initiated the event with a speech outlining the department's vision and mission. The HOD emphasized the importance of critical thinking, creativity, and academic excellence, encouraging students to engage actively with their studies.

Each course within the BA program was introduced by its respective department heads. The HOD of Criminology discussed the complexities of crime and justice, while the Psychology HOD explored the

scientific study of behavior and mental processes. The Journalism HOD spoke about ethical journalism and the importance of the press in shaping public opinion, and the English HOD highlighted the richness of literary traditions and the importance of analytical skills.

In addition to course overviews, students were briefed on the extracurricular opportunities and support services available, such as counseling and academic advising. The program concluded with a Q&A session, where students raised questions about their academic responsibilities, extracurricular activities, and campus life.

The orientation succeeded in providing students with a clear understanding of the BA program's structure and expectations. It also fostered a sense of community, helping students feel more confident as they embarked on their academic journey. The event was well-received, with students expressing excitement about the opportunities ahead.



Orientation on Alive for B.Com Students



On 21st August 2024, the Department of Commerce at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an orientation on Acharya Alive, an academic platform, for first-semester B.Com students. The session was held in Room 201 from 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM and was attended by 88 students. The primary objective of the event was to familiarize students with the Acharya Alive platform and its functionalities, including checklist updates and resume-building tools.

The session was conducted by Mr. Venkatesh Kumar R, who began by explaining how the Alive platform helps students track their academic progress, submit assignments, and communicate with proctors. He demonstrated the process of checklist fulfillment, which is crucial for students to stay updated on their academic requirements. Mr. Venkatesh also highlighted the importance of maintaining accurate records on the platform to ensure a smooth academic experience. One of the key segments of the orientation was a detailed session on resume building. Mr. Venkatesh

emphasized the importance of crafting a professional resume early in one's academic career. He provided insights into how students can highlight their skills, achievements, and experiences effectively, and discussed the significance of a well-organized resume in standing out in a competitive job market.

The event concluded with a Q&A session, where students asked questions about the platform's functionalities and received clarifications on how to use it effectively. The feedback from participants was overwhelmingly positive, with many students appreciating the practical knowledge gained during the session.

Overall, the orientation on Alive successfully equipped students with the skills to navigate the platform and build strong resumes. The event contributed to students' confidence in managing their academic responsibilities and preparing for future career opportunities.



Placement Orientation for MCA 2025 Batch



On 12th August 2024, the Department of MCA at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies held a Placement Orientation for the 2025 batch. The event, held in the AIGS Seminar Hall, was attended by 100 second-semester MCA students. The main objectives were to help students understand the placement process, industry expectations, and how to prepare effectively for campus placements.

The session was led by Dr. Vibin Chandar Selvaraj, Director of Placement at Acharya Institutes. He provided an overview of the selection process, which typically includes an aptitude test, technical interview, and HR interview. Dr. Vibin Chandar explained how companies conduct both offline and online recruitment drives, emphasizing the importance of adaptability in both formats.

The orientation covered various aspects of the placement process, such as resume building, interview preparation, and group discussions. Dr. Vibin Chandar also stressed the significance of soft skills, including communication, teamwork, and leadership, in making a strong impression during interviews.

One of the highlights of the session was the focus on the gap between academic knowledge and industry requirements. Dr. Vibin Chandar encouraged students to continuously upgrade their technical skills and stay updated with the latest industry trends. He also shared insights into common interview questions and how students can tailor their responses to align with company expectations.

The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Mr. Vivek K, Head of the MCA Department, and a Q&A session where students asked about specific company requirements and how to improve their employability. The feedback from students was overwhelmingly positive, with many expressing gratitude for the valuable guidance provided.

Overall, the placement orientation successfully prepared students for the upcoming placement season, equipping them with the knowledge and skills required to navigate the competitive job market.



Orientation Program for 1st Year BSW Students



On 13th August 2024, the Department of Social Work at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted an orientation program for the 2024-25 batch of first-semester Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) students. The event, held in Room 512, Block 2, aimed to introduce students to the department, its faculty, and the overall curriculum.

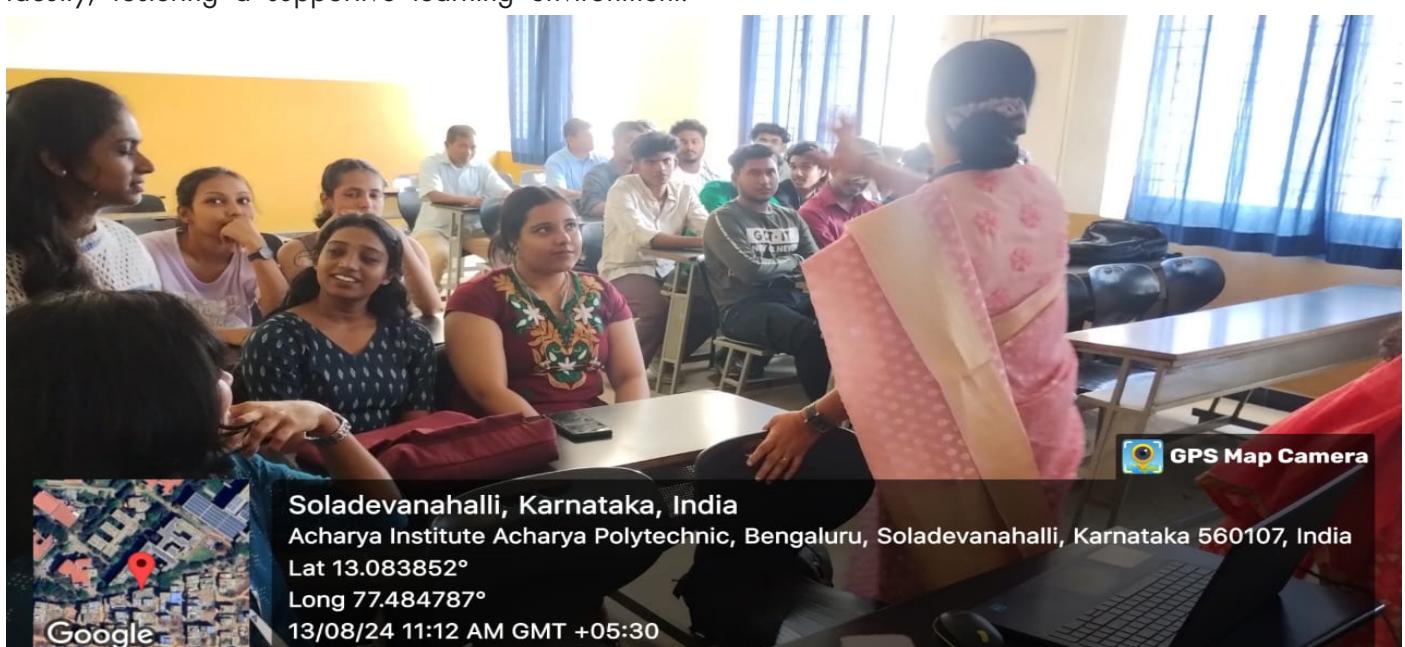
The program commenced at 10:00 AM with a welcome address by the Head of the Department, Ms. Shashi Kiran Shetty. The HOD provided an overview of the department's mission, vision, and goals, emphasizing the importance of social work in today's world. She also highlighted the significance of the students' chosen field of study and how it would contribute to societal betterment.

Faculty members were introduced, allowing students to meet and interact with those who would guide them through their academic journey. This interaction helped establish an initial connection between students and faculty, fostering a supportive learning environment.

The orientation also covered a detailed curriculum overview, where students were briefed on the core and elective courses offered by the department. This was followed by a discussion on fieldwork, an integral part of the BSW program. Students were given an overview of the departmental facilities, including the library and research centers, which they can utilize throughout their studies.

A key aspect of the program was a session on student support services, where students were informed about the various resources available to them, including academic advising, tutoring, and career counseling. The event concluded with a Q&A session, where students clarified doubts about their courses and college life in general.

Overall, the orientation program provided students with a clear understanding of the department's expectations and resources, leaving them feeling confident and excited about their academic journey.



Orientation Program for 1st Year BBA Student



On 13th August 2024, the Department of Management at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an orientation program for first-year BBA students. The event, held in the Main Auditorium from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM, aimed to introduce students to the department, its faculty, and the curriculum. Ninety students attended the session, which provided them with an overview of the academic and extracurricular opportunities available in the department.

The session commenced with a welcome address by Mrs. Harshitha T N, Assistant Professor, who introduced the department's faculty members. The Head of the Department (HOD) then provided an in-depth overview of the department's mission, vision, and goals, emphasizing the importance of management education in today's global business environment.

During the orientation, faculty members outlined the structure of the BBA program, highlighting core courses, elective options, and academic expectations.

Students were encouraged to engage actively with their studies and take advantage of the department's resources, including the library and laboratories. The session also included an introduction to the various support services available to students, such as academic advising, tutoring, and career counseling. Students were briefed on extracurricular activities and encouraged to participate in clubs and events that could enhance their overall college experience.

The orientation concluded with a Q&A session, where students asked questions about the curriculum, department culture, and upcoming events. The program ended with a vote of thanks by Mrs. Harshitha T N, who reiterated the department's commitment to supporting students in achieving academic and career success.

In conclusion, the orientation program provided first-year BBA students with a clear understanding of the department's offerings and set the stage for a successful academic journey.



Orientation Program for 1st Year BSW Students



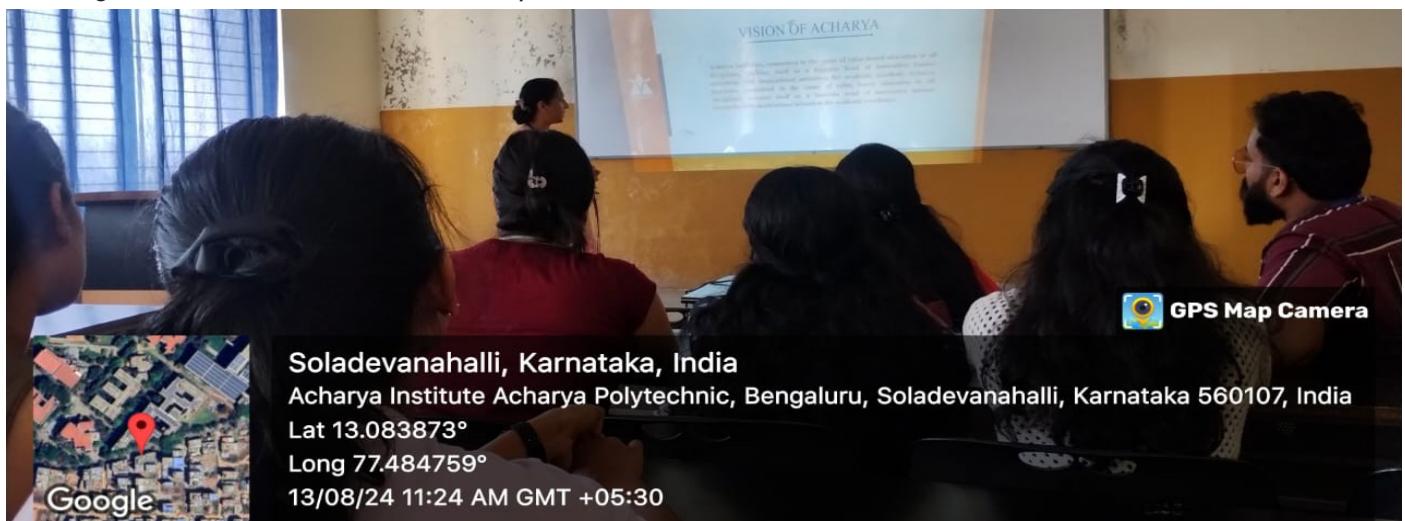
On 13th August 2024, the Department of Social Work at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted an orientation program for the newly admitted 2024-25 batch of first-year BSW (Bachelor of Social Work) students. The event, held in Room 512, AIGS Block 2, from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM, was attended by 22 students. The primary goal of the orientation was to introduce students to the department, familiarize them with the curriculum, and inform them about the resources and opportunities available to support their academic journey.

The program began with a warm welcome from the Head of the Department, Ms. Shashi Kiran Shetty, who provided an overview of the department's mission, vision, and goals. She emphasized the significance of social work as a profession and its relevance in today's society, motivating the students to embrace their chosen field of study. The session proceeded with faculty introductions, where the students were able to meet their professors and advisors. This interaction fostered a supportive learning environment, with faculty members

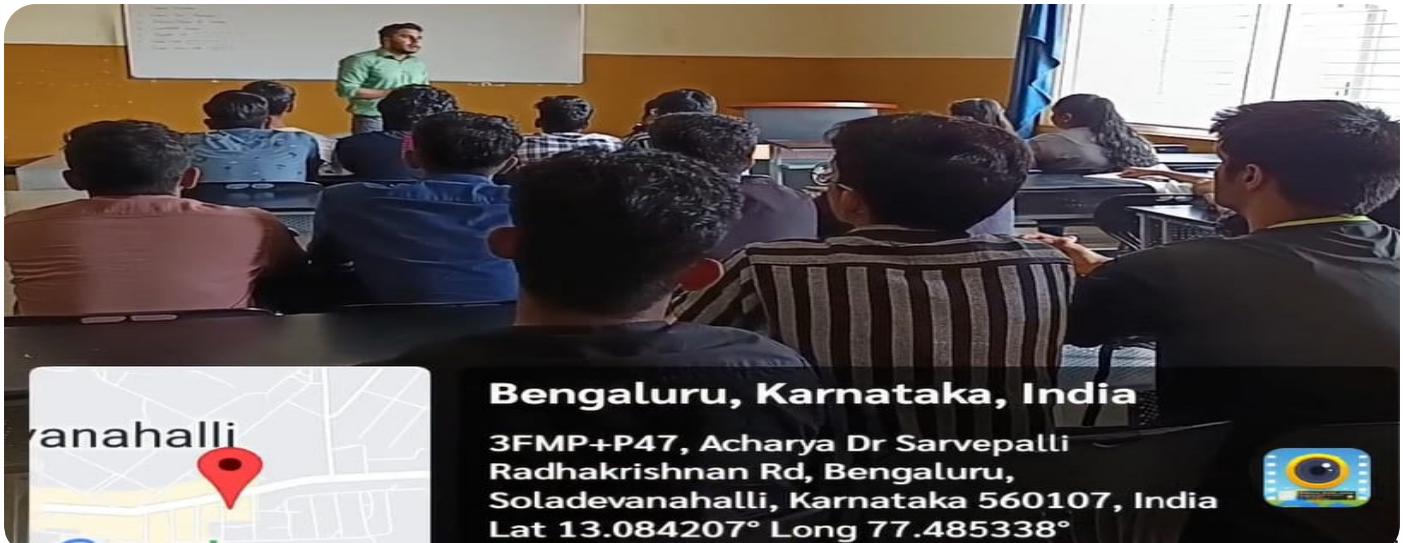
expressing their dedication to guiding the students' academic and personal growth. Following this, a detailed curriculum overview was provided, highlighting core subjects, electives, and fieldwork components, which are integral to the BSW program.

Students were also taken on a virtual tour of the department's facilities, including the library and research centers, to help them familiarize themselves with the resources available for learning and research. Additionally, information on student support services such as academic advising, career counseling, and tutoring was shared to ensure students are aware of the assistance they can access throughout their studies.

The event concluded with a Q&A session, where students had the opportunity to clarify any doubts regarding the curriculum, courses, or college life in general. The orientation successfully equipped students with a clear understanding of the department's expectations and resources, helping them feel more confident and integrated as they began their academic journey.



Orientation Program on CMA Course for B.Com & CMA Students



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at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an orientation program for first-semester B.Com and CMA students. The event, held in Room 202, was conducted by My LOGIC Institute, a renowned coaching center specializing in professional accounting certifications. The primary objective of the program was to create awareness about the Certified Management Accountant (CMA) course and its career prospects.

The session commenced with a welcome address, followed by a detailed presentation on the CMA curriculum, examination structure, and eligibility criteria. The resource persons from My LOGIC Institute shared their expertise on the global demand for management accountants and highlighted the benefits of pursuing a CMA qualification. The session aimed to inspire students to consider the CMA as a pathway to a successful career in financial management, corporate governance, and risk management. The presenters also discussed the role of My LOGIC

They outlined the comprehensive training provided by the institute, which includes expert faculty, practical learning sessions, and exam-oriented guidance. The institute's success in producing top-ranking CMA professionals was emphasized as a testament to its commitment to student success.

An interactive Q&A session allowed students to ask questions about the CMA course, its relevance in today's business world, and the career opportunities it offers. Students were also encouraged to consider enrolling in My LOGIC Institute's CMA program to further their professional qualifications.

In conclusion, the orientation program successfully achieved its objectives by generating interest in the CMA course among B.Com students. The event fostered enthusiasm for the CMA qualification, with many students expressing a keen interest in pursuing the course.



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NSS Orientation Program



On 11th September 2024, the National Service Scheme (NSS) Unit of Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies (AIGS) organized the inaugural NSS Orientation Program for the academic year 2024-25 in the Seminar Hall. The event was targeted toward first-year UG students, with over 200 participants attending. The primary objective was to introduce students to NSS activities and encourage them to register as volunteers.

The program began with a traditional invocation, followed by the lamp-lighting ceremony led by the Chief Guest, Dr. Gurunath Rao Vaidya, Principal of AIGS. Senior NSS volunteer Balagopal Ravi also participated, sharing insights into his NSS experience and the responsibilities of volunteers.

Dr. Vaidya addressed the students, emphasizing the importance of NSS in shaping well-rounded individuals who contribute positively to society. He encouraged all first-year students to join the NSS and participate in its diverse activities, which offer valuable life skills and experiences. Senior NSS volunteers delivered a detailed presentation on the roles and duties of NSS volunteers, explaining the various projects and community service initiatives they are involved in. Cultural performances by the students, including dances and a mime act on social issues like the Wayanad disaster, were presented.

One of the highlights was a video created by NSS volunteers on traffic awareness, followed by a theme-based dance on women empowerment and a patriotic song performance. A drama on the social issue of rape and harassment rounded off the cultural program.

The session ended with a registration process for students interested in joining the NSS, followed by the national anthem. The orientation successfully sensitized students to the impact of NSS activities, motivating them to get involved in community service while balancing academic responsibilities.

Overall, the event provided valuable insights into the functioning of NSS, reinforcing its role in developing socially conscious students who are committed to contributing to society.



Seminar, guest talk, training

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- Faculty Seminar on SQL Databases Department of BBA

Certificate Course Valedictory and Certificate Distribution Ceremony for Cranes Varsity Interns



On June 15, 2024, the Department of Computer Application at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies held a Valedictory and Certificate Distribution Ceremony for the BCA students who completed their internships with Cranes Varsity. The event, conducted in the MBA Auditorium from 10:00 AM to 12:30 PM, was attended by 80 students and was organized to celebrate the achievements of the interns and recognize their successful completion of the program.

The ceremony began with a welcome speech by Geo Abraham, a second-semester BCA student, who expressed gratitude to the faculty, mentors, and distinguished guests for their support. The

guest speaker, Ms. Bhavani, Technical Trainer at Cranes Varsity, delivered an inspiring talk on the importance of internships in bridging the gap between academic knowledge and practical application. She encouraged the interns to continue honing their skills and staying updated with industry trends.

The highlight of the event was the distribution of certificates to the interns, formally recognizing their participation and accomplishments. The certificates were presented by Ms. Bhavani, along with Mr. Prateek and Mr. Nishanth, trainers from Cranes Varsity. The ceremony also included a photo session, capturing the proud moments of the interns with their mentors and faculty members.

The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Ms. Pranitha, Assistant Professor in the Department of Computer Application. She acknowledged the contributions of everyone involved in making the internship program a success and expressed appreciation for the collaboration between AIGS and Cranes Varsity.

The ceremony was a resounding success, providing the interns with formal recognition of their efforts and inspiring them to pursue excellence in their future careers. The event also strengthened the partnership between AIGS and Cranes Varsity, highlighting the importance of industry-academia collaboration in fostering professional development.



Conference Visit: Startup Sphere 2024 for M.Com Students



On June 28, 2024, the Department of Commerce (PG) at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a visit to Startup Sphere 2024 for 24 M.Com students. The event was held at the Karnataka Trade Promotion Organisation (KTPO) in Bengaluru, aiming to provide students with insights into India's dynamic startup ecosystem and the latest trends in innovation and entrepreneurship.

StartupSphere2024, hosted by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI), brought together partners, unicorns, leading influencers, founders, investors, and entrepreneurs to discuss various topics related to the startup ecosystem. The event featured over 100 exhibitors and 200 startups, providing a platform

for students to network with industry experts and gain exposure to real-world business environments.

The students participated in sessions covering themes such as governmental support for startups, alternative sources of funding, legal documents and key clauses for startups, and the role of AI and machine learning in driving innovation. The event also included panel discussions on emerging trends in startup ventures, digital transformation, and the intersection of technology and entrepreneurship.

One of the highlights of the event was the opportunity for students to observe startups pitching their ideas to investors, giving them a firsthand look at the competitive and innovative nature of the startup world. The visit provided students with valuable networking opportunities and a deeper understanding of the challenges and opportunities within the startup ecosystem.

The conference concluded with students reflecting on the knowledge and skills gained during the event, particularly the importance of startups in driving economic prosperity and the future of fintech on a global platform. The visit to Startup Sphere 2024 was a significant learning experience, equipping students with the tools and inspiration needed to pursue their entrepreneurial aspirations.



Guest Lecture on International Human Resource Management (IHRM)



On June 27, 2024, the Department of Psychology at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a guest lecture on International Human Resource Management (IHRM) for sixth-semester BA Psychology students. The event, held in Room 003 of the AIGS Block, was attended by 19 students and featured Dr. Juin Choudhury, a Senior Professor at Acharya Institute of Technology, Bangalore, as the resource person. The lecture aimed to provide students with an understanding of the complexities of managing human resources on a global scale.

Dr. Choudhury began the lecture by defining IHRM as the process of acquiring, allocating, and utilizing human resources in a global context. She explained that IHRM covers a broader scope than domestic HRM, addressing

issues such as cultural diversity, international labor laws, global talent management, and expatriation. A key focus of the lecture was the impact of cultural differences on HR practices, with Dr. Choudhury emphasizing the importance of understanding and respecting cultural diversity for effective international HRM.

The lecture explored Hofstede's cultural dimensions theory, which Dr. Choudhury used to illustrate how cultural differences influence management styles, communication, and workplace behavior. She provided real-world examples of how multinational companies navigate these cultural challenges to build cohesive and productive teams. Additionally, the session covered the legal and regulatory aspects of IHRM, emphasizing the importance of compliance with international labor laws to ensure fair treatment of employees and minimize legal risks.

Dr. Choudhury also discussed strategies for managing expatriates, including their selection, training, and support, and highlighted the significance of global talent management in attracting and retaining top talent in a competitive global market. The lecture concluded with an interactive Q&A session, where students engaged with Dr. Choudhury on various aspects of IHRM, deepening their understanding of the subject. The session was well-received, providing valuable insights into the complexities of managing human resources internationally.



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Guest Lecture on Total Quality Management (TQM)



On June 28, 2024, the Department of Psychology at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a guest lecture on Total Quality Management (TQM) for BA Psychology students. The event, held in Room 003 of the AIGS Block, was attended by 43 students and featured Anita Bai, Assistant Professor at Acharya Institute of Technology, Bangalore, as the resource person. The session aimed to familiarize students with the fundamental concepts of TQM and its practical applications in various organizational contexts.

Anita Bai began the lecture by defining TQM as a comprehensive management approach focused on continuous improvement in processes, products, and services, with an emphasis on customer satisfaction. She explained that TQM involves every employee

in an organization, from top management to frontline workers, working collectively to enhance quality and performance. The lecture covered key principles of TQM, including customer focus, total employee involvement, process approach, integrated systems, and continual improvement.

The session delved into the importance of customer focus, with Anita Bai highlighting the need to understand and meet customer expectations through tools like feedback surveys and focus groups. She also discussed the significance of total employee involvement, emphasizing that empowering employees to participate in decision-making processes fosters ownership, accountability, and morale.

A critical part of the lecture focused on the process approach, where Anita Bai explained that organizations should view activities as processes that can be measured, analyzed, and optimized for efficiency. She further discussed the necessity of aligning all processes with organizational strategic objectives through an integrated system, advocating for a systematic approach to achieving long-term goals.

The session concluded with a discussion on the benefits of TQM, such as improved product quality, increased customer satisfaction, reduced costs, and enhanced competitive advantage. The students left with a deeper understanding of TQM and its vital role in achieving organizational excellence.



Guest Talk: City of Stars

Exploring the Mysteries of the Universe



On June 21, 2024, the Department of Physics at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies hosted a guest talk titled "City of Stars: Exploring the Mysteries of the Universe" for B.Sc. and M.Sc. Physics students. The event, held in the AIGS Seminar Hall from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM, was attended by 36 participants and featured Mr. Divyansh Mansukhani, a distinguished science communicator and TEDx speaker.

Mr. Mansukhani, who has studied Physics at MIT and Philosophy at the University of Glasgow, delivered an engaging and informative presentation that delved into some of the most profound questions in cosmology. His talk covered the origins of the universe, the expansion of space, and the enigmatic components of dark matter and dark energy. He

also discussed the structure of the Milky Way galaxy, the classification of galaxies, and the significance of cosmic microwave background radiation. The lecture was enriched with visual aids, including images, diagrams, and animations, making complex cosmological concepts accessible and engaging for the audience. Mr. Mansukhani's presentation not only highlighted recent discoveries in the field but also underscored the contributions of renowned scientists and researchers who have shaped our understanding of the universe.

Following the presentation, an interactive session was held where attendees had the opportunity to ask questions and engage in discussions with Mr. Mansukhani. The Q&A session covered a wide range of topics, from basic queries about the universe to advanced discussions on current research in cosmology. The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. Sharanu, who expressed gratitude to Mr. Mansukhani for his enlightening talk and to the organizing team for their efforts.

Despite a brief power interruption during the event, the talk resumed smoothly, and the overall experience was highly positive. The session not only enhanced students' understanding of cosmology but also inspired many to consider further studies and careers in this fascinating field.



Seminar on Mental Health and Stress Management

On June 1, 2024, the Department of Computer Applications at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies hosted a seminar titled "Mental Health and Stress Management" for second-semester BCA students. Held in the ANA Block Seminar Hall from 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM, the seminar aimed to raise awareness about mental health issues and provide practical strategies for managing stress. A total of 64 students attended the event.

The seminar commenced with a welcome speech by Mr. Geo Abraham, a fourth-semester BCA student, who emphasized the importance of mental well-being in today's fast-paced world. The keynote speaker, Ms. Athira Ashokan, a respected counselor at Acharya Institutes, delivered a comprehensive presentation on mental health, focusing on understanding common mental health disorders, recognizing symptoms, and managing stress.

Ms. Athira discussed various types of stressors, their physiological and psychological impacts, and introduced several evidence-based stress management techniques, including mindfulness meditation, deep breathing exercises, and cognitive-behavioral strategies. She also highlighted the importance of maintaining a healthy lifestyle through regular physical activity, balanced nutrition, and adequate sleep as fundamental components of mental well-being. The seminar was highly interactive, with Ms. Athira engaging students in practical demonstrations of stress management techniques. The session concluded

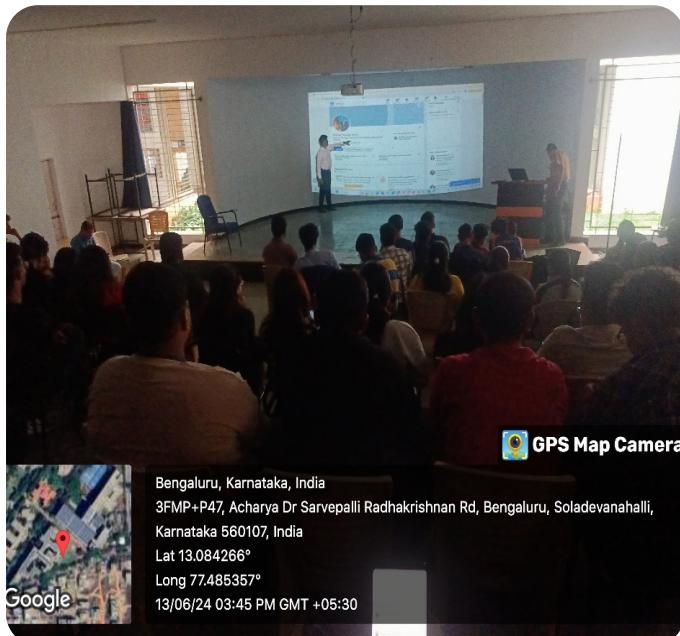


with a Q&A segment, where students had the opportunity to ask questions and receive personalized advice from the speaker. A vote of thanks was delivered by Mr. Shubham Pandey, another fourth-semester BCA student, who expressed gratitude to Ms. Athira for her insightful and inspiring talk.

The seminar was successful in enhancing students' understanding of mental health and equipping them with practical tools to manage stress. The feedback from participants was overwhelmingly positive, with many expressing a renewed commitment to maintaining their mental well-being.



Training Program on Resume Building and LinkedIn Management



On June 13, 2024, the Department of Management Studies at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted a training program titled "Resume Building and LinkedIn Management" for sixth-semester BBA students. Held in the AIGS Seminar Hall from 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM, the program aimed to enhance students' career readiness by equipping them with essential skills for creating professional resumes and optimizing their LinkedIn profiles. A total of 108 students participated in the workshop.

The event was inaugurated by Ms. Ramya HK, Assistant Professor, who introduced the agenda and expressed gratitude to the guest speaker, Dr. Bharath Booshan M.S.,

Head of Placement at AIGS. Dr. Booshan, a seasoned professional with extensive experience in marketing and training, led the session, focusing on the importance of personal branding in today's competitive job market. The workshop covered key aspects of resume building, including the structure, common mistakes, and tailoring resumes for different job applications. Dr. Booshan emphasized the significance of a well-crafted resume in attracting employers' attention and provided tips on how to highlight key experiences and skills effectively.

The second part of the session focused on LinkedIn optimization, where Dr. Booshan guided students on building strong LinkedIn profiles, effective networking strategies, and utilizing LinkedIn for job searches. The interactive nature of the workshop allowed students to receive personalized feedback and make real-time updates to their profiles.

The program concluded with a networking session, providing students the opportunity to interact with peers and Dr. Booshan, fostering a sense of community and collaboration. The feedback from participants was overwhelmingly positive, with many expressing increased confidence in their ability to present themselves professionally to potential employers. The training program was a significant step in preparing students for successful careers, reinforcing the institution's commitment to their professional development and employability.

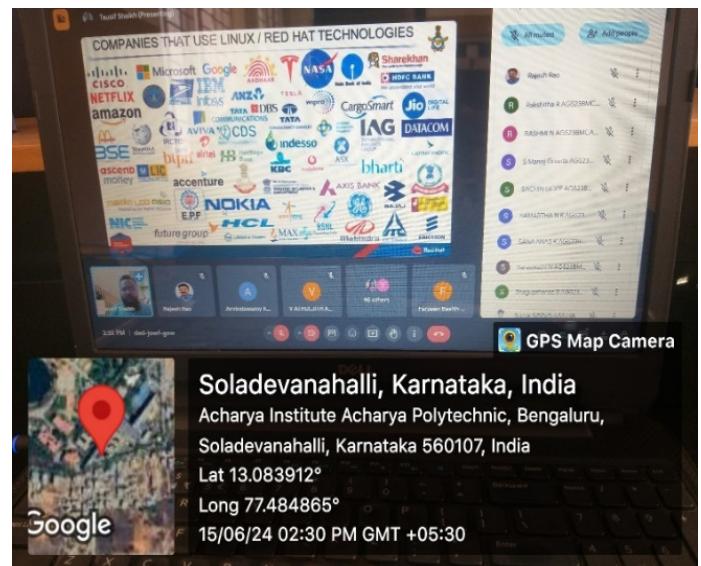


Webinar on Red Hat Course & Certification

On June 15, 2024, the Department of Master of Computer Applications (MCA) at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies hosted a webinar on Red Hat Course & Certification, targeting first-year MCA students. The webinar, attended by 101 participants, was led by Tausif Shaikh, Head of Training at Red Hat Academy.

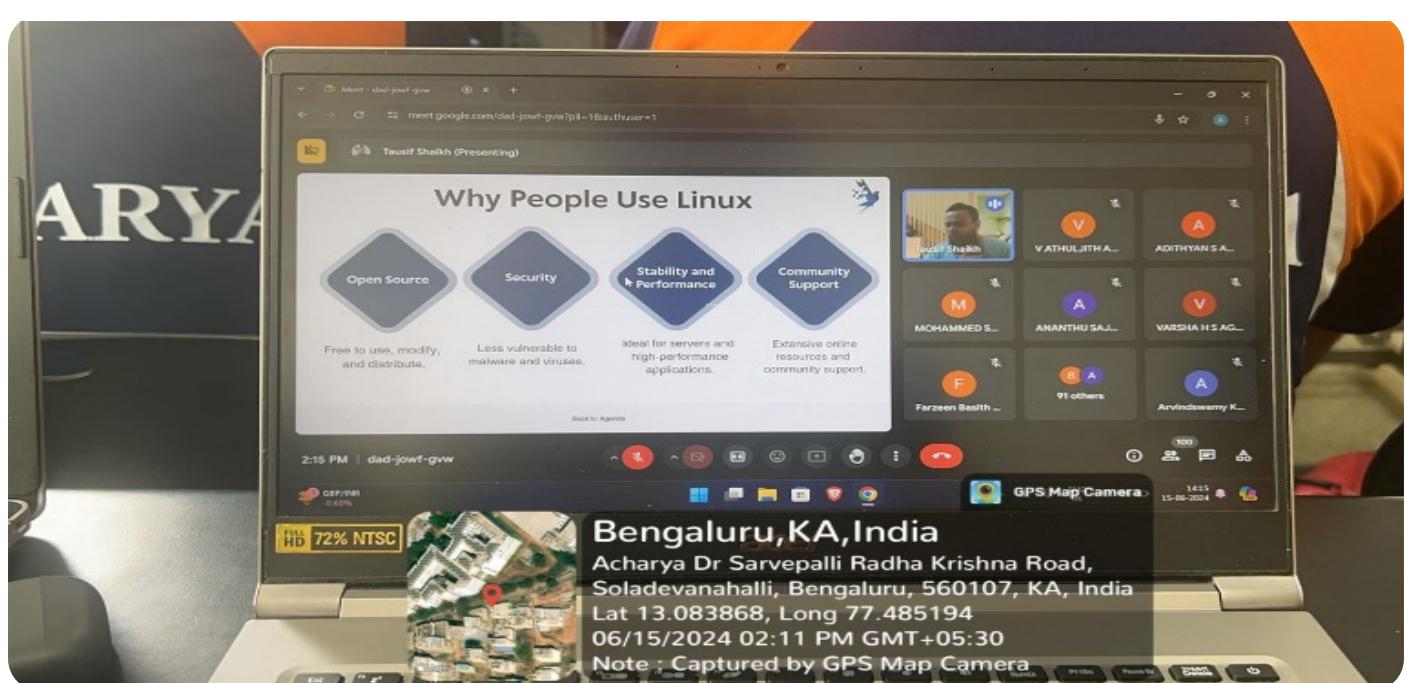
The objective of the webinar was to introduce students to the various Red Hat courses and certifications available, emphasizing their significance in the current IT landscape. Tausif began the session by outlining the core objectives of Red Hat's training and certification programs, which are designed to meet the evolving demands of the IT industry by providing hands-on experience and practical skills. Tausif explained the different levels of Red Hat certifications, starting with foundational courses such as Red Hat Certified System Administrator (RHCSA) and Red Hat Certified Engineer (RHCE). He highlighted how these certifications validate an individual's expertise in Red Hat technologies and enhance their career prospects. The webinar also covered advanced certifications like Red Hat Certified Architect (RHCA), which cater to those looking to specialize further in IT.

The session included live demonstrations of Red Hat platforms and tools, showcasing real-world applications of Red Hat technologies. Tausif also discussed the support and resources available to those pursuing Red Hat certifications, including access to Red Hat's extensive library of training materials and community forums.



During the Q&A session, participants asked a range of questions about course content and the job market for Red Hat certified professionals. Tausif provided detailed answers, encouraging participants to actively engage with Red Hat's training resources and consider the certifications as a strategic investment in their professional development.

The webinar concluded with Tausif reiterating the importance of continuous learning and adaptation in the fast-paced IT industry. The event was well-received by participants, who left with a clear understanding of how Red Hat's courses and certifications can significantly impact their careers.



Webinar on Electronic Human Resource Management (e-HRM)

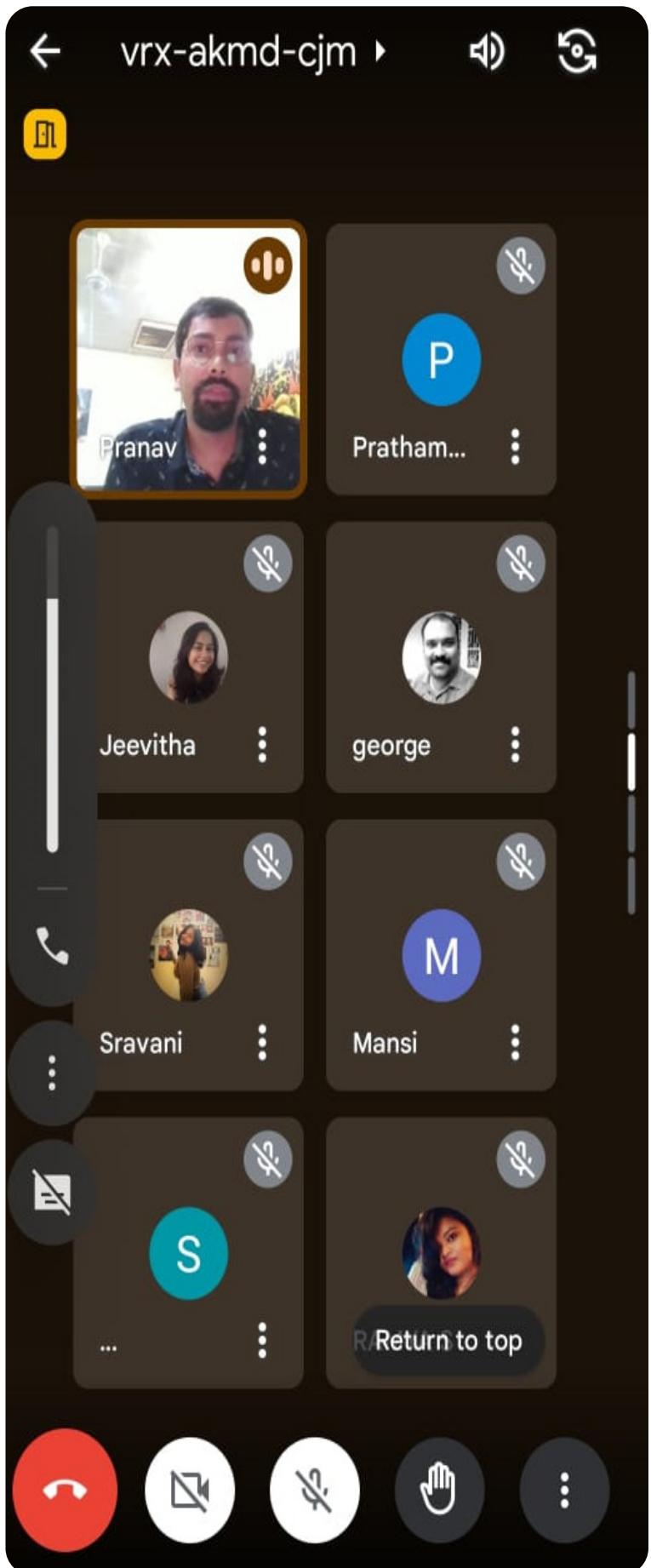
On 27th July 2024, the Department of Psychology at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a webinar on "Electronic Human Resource Management" (e-HRM) for VI Semester BSc and IV Semester MSc Psychology students. The session, attended by 21 students, was facilitated by Mr. Pranav Gour, Senior Assistant Officer at NTPC Hydropower Plant, Darjeeling.

The session introduced e-HRM as a technology-driven approach to managing HR processes, transforming traditional HR activities into efficient digital solutions. Mr. Gour elaborated on the benefits of e-HRM, such as online recruitment platforms, digital performance management systems, and cloud-based HR information systems. These tools enhance data management, communication, and real-time analytics, enabling organizations to make better decisions.

One of the highlights was a live demonstration of an e-HRM system. Five volunteers participated in simulating various HR processes, including employee onboarding and performance reviews. Mr. Gour also discussed AI-driven analytics that predict employee turnover and optimize workforce development.

The webinar concluded with a discussion on the ethical considerations of e-HRM, such as data privacy and maintaining a human touch in HR practices. The students gained valuable insights into the applications of e-HRM and its strategic benefits, including increased efficiency and reduced administrative burdens.

Overall, the webinar was well-received, with students expressing satisfaction in their feedback. The session successfully acquainted participants with the scope and practical applications of e-HRM.



Guest Talk on Recent Application of Income Tax Proceedings



On 29th August 2024, the Department of Commerce at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a guest talk on the "Recent Application of Income Tax Proceedings" for the benefit of fifth-semester B.Com students. The event was held in the MBA Auditorium, with 50 students in attendance. The primary objective of the session was to enhance the students' understanding of the latest developments in income tax proceedings and the role of technology, particularly artificial intelligence (AI), in simplifying tax compliance.

The session was led by Jayalakshmi K.U., an Assistant Professor from St. Joseph's University, with over 13 years of experience in the field. She began the talk by explaining the recent changes in tax regulations and the growing influence of AI in streamlining tax filings. Jayalakshmi emphasized how AI is revolutionizing the process of filing tax returns, improving accuracy, and reducing the workload for tax professionals.

Through practical examples and real-life case studies, Jayalakshmi made the complex subject of income tax more accessible for the students. She highlighted how AI is helping individuals and businesses ensure compliance with evolving tax laws. Students gained insights into the use of AI-driven tax tools, which automate tasks such as data entry, tax calculations, and risk assessments, ensuring more transparent and efficient tax processes. The talk was highly interactive, with students actively participating and asking insightful questions. The session concluded with a Q&A segment, where

Jayalakshmi addressed various queries related to tax laws, tax deductions, and how AI is shaping the future of tax compliance. The feedback from the attendees was overwhelmingly positive, with students expressing satisfaction in their enhanced understanding of the subject matter.

Overall, the guest talk was a resounding success, equipping students with valuable knowledge about the applications of AI in income tax proceedings and preparing them for the evolving landscape of tax compliance.



AVSEC Training Program – Basic Awareness and Familiarization of Aviation Security



On 1st August 2024, the Department of BBA Aviation at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted an AVSEC (Aviation Security) training program for sixth-semester students. The training, held in Room 308 of Block II, was designed to provide students with practical insights into aviation security operations and to familiarize them with the procedures followed at airports to ensure safety.

The session was led by Ms. Shruthi, an aviation security expert with over 13 years of experience across various airlines. The training focused on key aspects of aviation security, including passenger profiling, screening procedures, and the handling of security incidents. Ms. Shruthi emphasized the importance of professionalism, effective communication, and maintaining high security standards in the aviation industry.

Throughout the training, students participated in role-playing exercises and mock drills, which provided them with hands-on experience in aviation security scenarios. These exercises helped students develop

problem-solving skills, enhance their understanding of security protocols, and practice the proper etiquette required in professional aviation settings.

A significant part of the session involved a demonstration of security equipment and how it is used to ensure the safety of passengers and staff. Ms. Shruthi also guided students through the process of managing aviation security incidents, explaining the role of security personnel in preventing and addressing threats.

The training concluded with a Q&A session, where students were able to seek further clarification on the topics covered. Feedback from the participants was overwhelmingly positive, with students praising the practical nature of the session and the valuable insights gained into aviation security operations.

Overall, the AVSEC training program successfully prepared students for the challenges they may face in the aviation industry, equipping them with the skills necessary for a career in aviation security.



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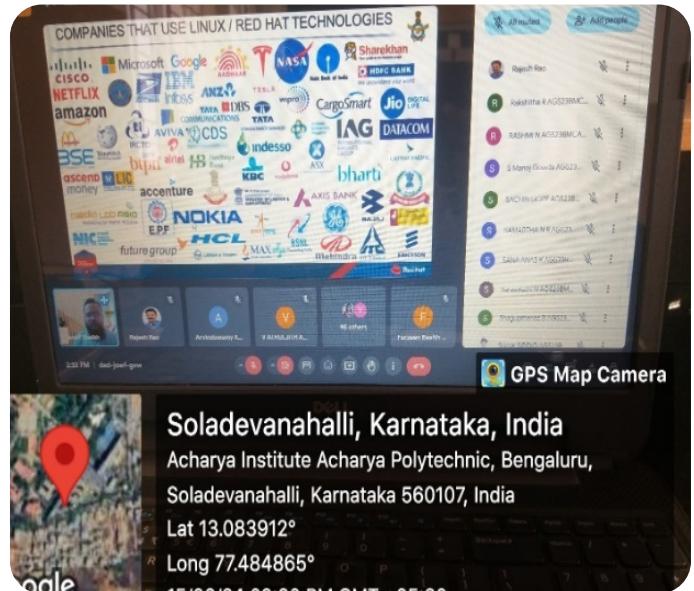
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Career Recharge Program by Salesforce

On 20th August 2024, the Department of Training and Placement at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a "Career Recharge Program" in collaboration with Salesforce. The event, held in the Hall of Fame at the Central Library, was targeted at BCA and MCA students, with 96 participants attending the session. The primary goal of the program was to equip students with cutting-edge skills in Salesforce technologies, fostering their professional development and readiness for the industry.

The session was led by Mr. Santhosh Rebello, University Program Manager for MuleSoft at Salesforce, Bengaluru. Mr. Rebello introduced the attendees to a variety of Salesforce technologies, including Salesforce Developer, Salesforce Administrator, and MuleSoft Anypoint Platform. He emphasized the growing relevance of Salesforce in industries and how its integration with artificial intelligence (AI) enhances productivity and customer relationship management (CRM).

Throughout the session, Mr. Rebello explained the benefits of Salesforce technologies in automating repetitive tasks, improving team communication, and enabling organizations to work more efficiently. He also demonstrated how Salesforce's Einstein platform helps businesses leverage AI to achieve better outcomes. In addition to technical knowledge, Mr. Rebello provided valuable insights on problem-solving, critical thinking, and application-focused learning that are crucial for career growth in the IT industry.



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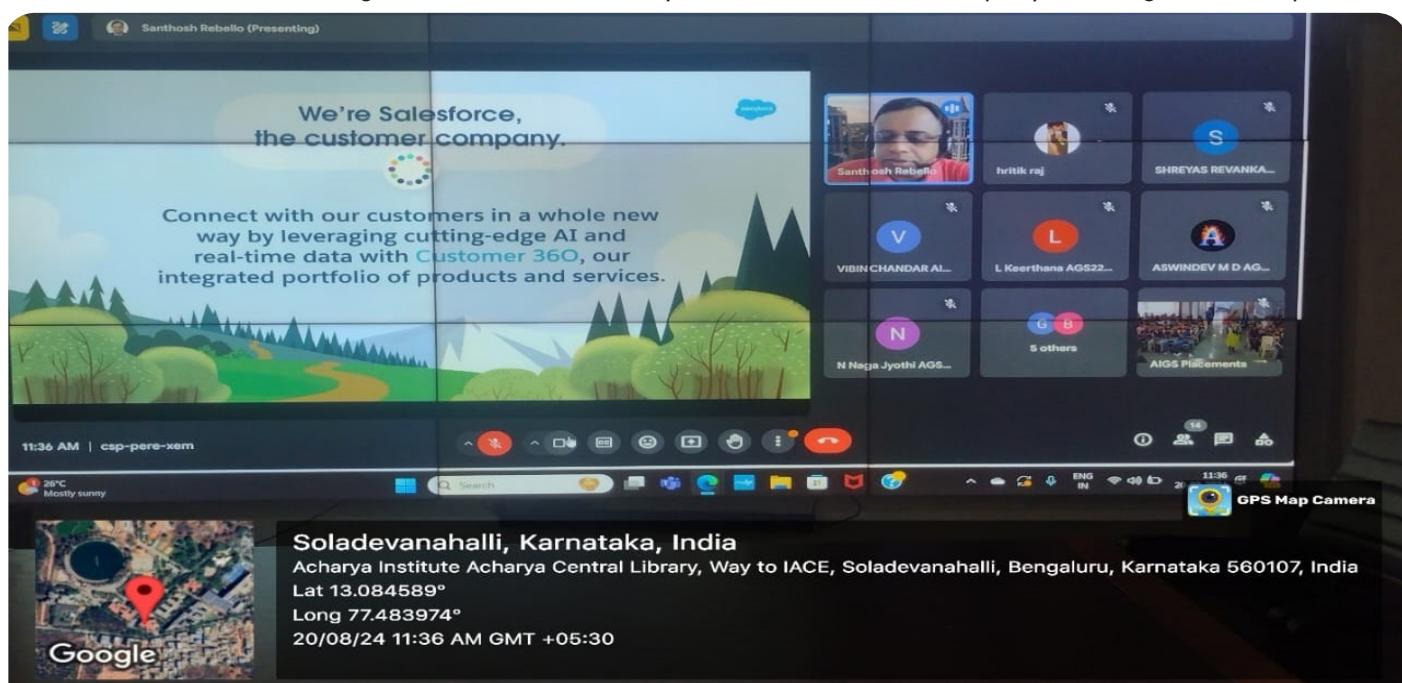
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Students were encouraged to apply these skills to gain a competitive edge in the workforce. The session also included a discussion on the certification courses offered by Salesforce, enabling students to pursue further learning opportunities.

The event concluded with a Q&A session and a vote of thanks by Nisha, a BCA student. Students expressed positive feedback, praising the practical insights shared during the session and expressing their enthusiasm for pursuing a career in Salesforce technologies. Overall, the Career Recharge Program was a resounding success, equipping students with the knowledge and skills to excel in the rapidly evolving IT landscape.



Inbound and Outbound Training for 1st Semester UG Students



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From 14th to 26th August 2024, Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted an Inbound and Outbound Training program for first-semester undergraduate students. The program, organized by the Training Department, aimed to enhance personal and professional development, promote team building, and improve leadership skills among students. A total of 1,135 students participated in the program.

The inbound training activities were held in the

AIGS Seminar Hall and focused on developing interpersonal, cognitive, and digital skills. Trainers from MYndKRAft led sessions on personality development, wellness, and grooming. Students were introduced to important concepts such as effective communication, problem-solving, and time management, which are crucial for academic success.

The outbound training, held at the NCC Training Site, involved experiential learning activities designed to foster teamwork, creativity, and leadership. Students participated in activities such as the Human Bridge, Caterpillar Walk, and Obstacle Crossing, which tested their physical agility and problem-solving abilities. Other activities like the Pipeline Game and Treasure Hunt encouraged students to think critically and work collaboratively to achieve common goals.

The feedback from participants indicated a high level of satisfaction with the training program, with 47% of students rating the session as "Excellent." The practical nature of the activities helped students build confidence and develop essential skills for both their academic and professional journeys.

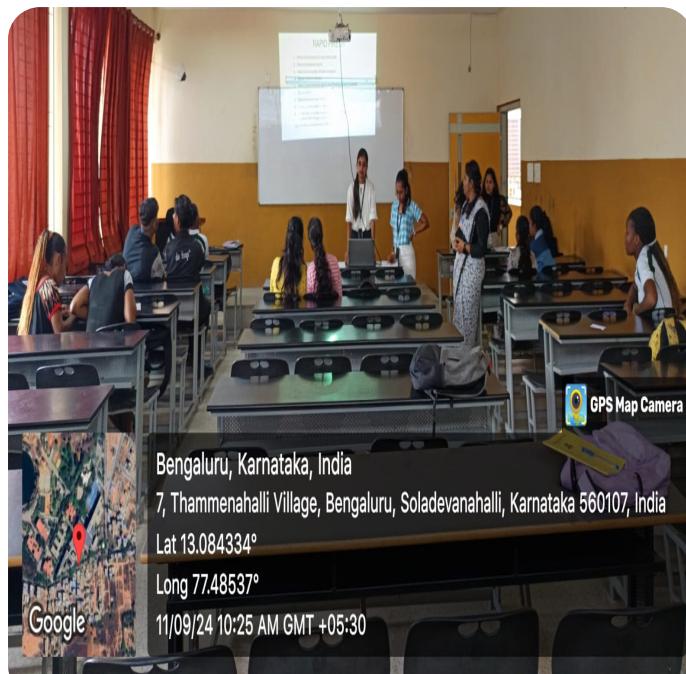
Overall, the Inbound and Outbound Training program was a successful initiative, equipping first-year students with the tools they need to navigate challenges and excel in their academic and personal lives.



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Business Quiz: BIZ Shotgun 2024

Department of Commerce



On 11th September 2024, the Department of Commerce at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies (AIGS) hosted BIZ Shotgun 2024, a business quiz competition targeting first-semester BCom students. Held in Room 201, the event lasted for two hours and saw enthusiastic participation from 14 students, divided into teams of two. The quiz was designed to test the students' knowledge in business, finance, and marketing, while also honing their analytical and critical thinking skills.

The competition was structured into four rounds, each testing a different aspect of business acumen. The first round was an aptitude test, where participants had to solve a series of logic and reasoning questions.

The second round, a logo quiz, challenged students to identify well-known business logos, testing their brand awareness and marketing knowledge. The third round involved tagline identification, where participants had to match famous company slogans with the corresponding brands, adding an element of quick recall and attention to detail. The final round focused on identifying influential business personalities, where participants showcased their knowledge of prominent figures in the corporate world.

The quiz fostered a collaborative atmosphere, encouraging teamwork and lively competition. The team of Rachel and Antonette emerged as the winners, followed closely by Anna and Mercy in second place, and Nyasha and Prudence securing third. Prizes were awarded to the top three teams in recognition of their performance.

The event concluded with positive feedback from both participants and organizers. Many students expressed their appreciation for the opportunity to engage in a fun yet educational activity that challenged their business knowledge. The event not only deepened the students' understanding of business concepts but also helped them build essential skills such as problem-solving, teamwork, and time management.

BIZ Shotgun 2024 was a resounding success, and students eagerly look forward to participating in similar competitions in the future, further enhancing their business acumen.



Faculty Seminar on SQL Databases Department of BBA



On 16th September 2024, the Department of Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies (AIGS) organized a faculty seminar on SQL Databases. The seminar, held in Room 306 of Block II, was attended by 22 faculty members from the BBA and IT departments. The purpose of the seminar was to equip faculty members with a deeper understanding of SQL (Structured Query Language) and its applications in business management and data analytics.

The seminar was led by Mr. Anand Narayan, an experienced IT professional and database specialist with over 15 years of experience in database management systems. Mr. Narayan provided an introduction to the fundamentals of SQL, explaining how it is used to manage, retrieve, and manipulate data in relational databases. He emphasized the importance of SQL knowledge for business professionals, especially

in today's data-driven corporate environment.

The session covered key SQL concepts, such as database creation, table management, query building, data filtering, and report generation. Mr. Narayan also introduced advanced topics like joins, subqueries, and data indexing, highlighting how these functions can be used to extract meaningful insights from large datasets. Faculty members participated in hands-on exercises where they learned to write SQL queries and perform basic database operations using real-world business scenarios.

One of the key focuses of the seminar was the application of SQL in business decision-making. Mr. Narayan demonstrated how SQL can be used to analyze customer data, track sales trends, and generate financial reports, thereby aiding in strategic decision-making processes. The seminar also touched upon the integration of SQL with other business tools and software, such as Excel and Power BI, for enhanced data visualization and reporting.

The event concluded with an interactive Q&A session, where faculty members clarified their doubts and discussed ways to incorporate SQL knowledge into their teaching practices. Feedback from the participants was overwhelmingly positive, with many expressing a newfound confidence in using SQL for business management and research purposes.



FEST & EXHIBITIONS

- NCC International Yoga Day Celebration
- Case study analysis competition in commerce.
- Essay competition on importance of land reforestation.
- "Vastra" to showcase the design collections of students effectively during the event
- Aakansha media fest 2024.
- Celebration of 78th Independence Day – 15th August 2024
- Voluntary blood donation drive.
- AIGS Job Fair 2024 – 6th July 2024
- Commerce PG fest – gyan manthan 2024 – 13th August 2024

CASE STUDY ANALYSIS COMPETITION IN COMMERCE



On June 12, 2024, the Department of Commerce at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted a Case Study Analysis Competition for B.Com students in Room 201. The event, held from 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM, aimed to enhance students' critical thinking, problem-solving, and decision-making skills by challenging them to analyze and devise strategic solutions to real-world business scenarios. The competition featured eight participants who were given a detailed case study outlining a specific business challenge. Students were allotted 40 minutes to analyze the case using various analytical tools and frameworks, such as SWOT analysis and financial modeling. Following the analysis period, each team was given five minutes to present their findings and recommendations to a panel of judges. The event structure included a presentation segment where participants articulated their strategies

and defended their solutions during a Q&A session with the judges. The evaluation criteria focused on the depth of analysis, feasibility of solutions, and presentation skills. The competition provided a platform for students to apply theoretical knowledge to practical business situations, bridging the gap between academic learning and real-world application. The outcomes of the competition were highly positive, with participants gaining hands-on experience in business analysis, enhancing their analytical and communication skills, and gaining exposure to real business scenarios. The event concluded with feedback from the judges and an announcement of the winners. The competition was deemed a success, with students appreciating the opportunity to engage in practical learning and develop skills essential for their future careers in commerce and management.



Essay Competition on the Importance of Land Reforestation



On June 4, 2024, the Department of Commerce, in collaboration with the Institution Innovation Council (IIC), organized an Essay Competition on the Importance of Land Reforestation for final-year B.Com students. Held in Room 201, the event was part of the department's efforts to promote environmental awareness and encourage students to engage in discussions about sustainability practices and environmental stewardship. The competition, which lasted from 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM, featured 17 participants who were tasked with writing an es-

say on the theme "Reviving Our Earth: The Crucial Role of Land Reforestation in Combating Climate Change, Preserving Biodiversity, and Ensuring Sustainable Livelihoods." The objective was to enhance students' research, writing, and critical thinking skills while fostering a deeper understanding of reforestation and its impact on the environment. Participants were provided with A4-sized sheets and given one hour to complete their essays. The competition encouraged students to explore various aspects of reforestation, including its role in main-

taining ecological balance, mitigating climate change, preventing soil erosion, regulating the water cycle, and preserving biodiversity. Students also reflected on the economic benefits of reforestation, such as job creation and sustainable forestry, and the importance of involving local communities in reforestation efforts. The event concluded with the collection of essays, which were later evaluated based on the quality of content, depth of analysis, and clarity of expression. The competition was highly successful, with students demonstrating a

strong understanding of the subject matter and actively engaging in discussions about sustainability practices. The feedback from participants was overwhelmingly positive, with many expressing that the competition had enhanced their writing and critical thinking abilities. The Essay Competition on the Importance of Land Reforestation provided students with a valuable opportunity to contribute to environmental discourse and develop skills that are essential for both academic and personal growth.



Vastra Fashion Show 2024: A Showcase of Creative Talent

On June 7, 2024, the Department of Fashion and Apparel Design (FAD) at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies hosted the much-anticipated "Vastra" Fashion Show in the Main Auditorium. This event, attended by 35 final-year BSc FAD students, served as a grand platform for showcasing their portfolio collections, marking a significant milestone in their academic and professional journeys. The event commenced with the arrival of esteemed guests, including jury members Shahul Hameed M. and Pavan Acharya, alongside the Dean and Head of the Department. Their presence added prestige to the event, which was designed to highlight the students' creativity, innovation, and design skills. The fashion show officially began at 11:00 AM, featuring a diverse array of collections that reflected the students' ability to blend artistic vision with practical design. From avant-garde pieces to elegant and functional wear, the students demonstrated their proficiency not only in design but also in styling and presentation. Each collection was met with enthusiastic applause from the audience, who appreciated the intricate details, vibrant colors, and creative concepts on display. The event culminated in an award ceremony where winners were recognized in categories such as Best Designer, Best Color Palette, and Best Presentation.



These awards celebrated the exceptional talent and dedication of the students, acknowledging their hard work and accomplishments.

The Vastra Fashion Show provided students with invaluable real-world experience, allowing them to present their work in a professional setting and receive constructive feedback from industry experts. It also offered networking opportunities with professionals, opening doors for future internships and job prospects.

Overall, the Vastra Fashion Show was a resounding success, serving as a vibrant showcase of the creativity and dedication of the final-year fashion students. The event underscored the strength and excellence of the FAD program at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies, setting a high standard for future fashion shows.

Aakanksha Media Fest 2024: Celebrating Media Excellence



On June 25, 2024, the Department of Journalism and Mass Communication at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies hosted the prestigious Aakanksha Media Fest 2024 in the Main Auditorium. This state-level event, spanning from 9:30 AM to 6:00 PM, was designed to showcase the journalistic skills and ethical practices of students while fostering a strong network among media enthusiasts and industry experts.

The fest was inaugurated with a lively opening ceremony that included a welcome dance, the traditional lighting of the lamp, and addresses by key dignitaries, including the Principal of AIGS, Dr. Gurunath Rao Vaidya, and the Dean of Academics, Dr. Gururaj S. The event was graced by the presence of Ms. Sukanya Sampath, an anchor and senior journalist, who emphasized the importance of truth, rigorous fact-checking, and ethical practices in journalism, especially in the digital age.

Aakanksha 2024 featured ten meticulously planned activities, including photography, RJ Hunt, Reel Making, Mad Ads, Debate, Just a Minute, Live

Newsroom, Mock Press, Creative Interpretation, and Short Film. These events attracted participants from various prestigious institutions across Karnataka, showcasing their diverse talents. The competitions were judged by a distinguished panel, ensuring fairness and quality assessment.

Jain CMS College emerged as the overall winner of the fest, while Christ University secured the second place, both demonstrating remarkable skills and dedication. The event also provided a platform for aspiring journalists to engage with industry professionals, gaining insights and building connections that could benefit their future careers. The success of Aakanksha 2024 was not only reflected in the competitive achievements but also in the camaraderie and learning it fostered among participants. The Department of Journalism and Mass Communication at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies reaffirmed its commitment to promoting responsible journalism and nurturing media talent, leaving a lasting impact on all who attended



NSS Voluntary Blood Donation Drive

On June 11, 2024, the NSS unit of Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies, in collaboration with the LIONS Blood Bank and NIMHANS Blood Bank, organized a Voluntary Blood Donation Drive at the AIGS Block Open Arena. The event, held from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, aimed to support the community by collecting blood donations and raising awareness about the importance of regular blood donation. A total of 80 participants, including students and faculty members, took part in this life-saving initiative.

The event began with an awareness campaign on June 10, 2024, where NSS volunteers visited classrooms to educate students about the benefits of blood donation and the precautions to take before donating blood. This campaign received a positive response, with many students expressing their willingness to donate.



On the day of the drive, the event was coordinated by Mr. George Varied Thekkann, NSS Program Officer, with support from 80 active NSS volunteers. The drive successfully collected a total of 251 units of blood, with 115 units donated to NIMHANS Blood Bank and 136 units to LIONS Blood Bank. The donors expressed satisfaction with the organization of the event and the care provided by the medical staff, while the NSS volunteers reported a fulfilling experience, noting the positive impact on the community.

The blood donation drive not only met its goal of collecting a significant amount of blood but also fostered a sense of community and raised awareness about the critical need for blood donations. The event concluded with the presentation of mementos and appreciation certificates to Dr. Gurunath Rao Vaidya, Principal of AIGS, by LIONS Club and NIMHANS Blood Bank, recognizing the institution's efforts in supporting such a vital cause.



AIGS Job Fair 2024 – 6th July 2024



Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies hosted a highly successful job fair on 6th July 2024, attracting over 457 participants from various streams. The event, organized by the Department of Placement, provided students with valuable entry-level career opportunities. Twenty-one companies, including top firms like Prime Career and Saankhyalabs Pvt. Ltd., conducted recruitment interviews throughout the day.

The job fair commenced with a formal inauguration ceremony, where Dr. Gurunath Rao Vaidya, Principal of AIGS, welcomed the HR teams from participating companies and briefed them about the institute's achievements. A registration kiosk facilitated the smooth processing of attendees, who also had access to an online portal for interview scheduling.

Interviews were held in 28 designated lecture halls, with

students being allocated specific time slots. On-the-spot registrations were also available, allowing maximum participation. By the end of the day, 105 students had secured placements across multiple industries.

In addition to interviews, the HR teams provided feedback on the quality of the candidates and the organization of the job fair. The event concluded with a feedback session and high tea, where both HR representatives and students shared their experiences. The AIGS Job Fair 2024 successfully bridged the gap between students and potential employers, offering students a platform to showcase their skills and secure career opportunities. With over 100 students placed and numerous connections made, the event was a significant milestone in the institute's commitment to student employability



Commerce PG Fest – Gyan Manthan 2024

13th August 2024

The Department of Commerce (PG) at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized its annual commerce fest, Gyan Manthan 2024, on 13th August 2024. This inter-collegiate fest, held at the MBA auditorium, brought together 45 participants from both undergraduate and postgraduate programs across various institutions. The primary goal of Gyan Manthan was to offer a platform for students to showcase their talents, managerial skills, and innovative thinking in the field of commerce. The event was inaugurated with a ceremonial lamp lighting, followed by a welcome address from Dr. Shaila K,

who emphasized the importance of integrating theoretical knowledge with real-world business challenges. The fest featured a series of competitions designed to test students' abilities in diverse areas of commerce. Events included Best Manager, Business Quiz, Mock Banking, Corporate Fashion Show, and Treasure Hunt, each with multiple rounds and a panel of judges evaluating participants based on creativity, resourcefulness, and strategic thinking.



The Corporate Fashion Show stood out as a crowd favorite, blending creativity with professionalism, while the Mock Banking event gave students hands-on experience in handling financial transactions and customer service scenarios.

The event culminated in a valedictory ceremony at 5:00 PM, where Mrs. Kavyanka, Managing Director of Veer Chakra Chit Fund, addressed the students. She highlighted the significance of cultivating both hard and soft skills to thrive in the competitive global market. Winners

were awarded prizes, and the judges were honored for their contributions. The response from participants was overwhelmingly positive, with feedback highlighting the learning experience and the opportunity to network with peers. Gyan Manthan 2024 was a resounding success, fostering a spirit of collaboration and innovation among commerce students and providing them with valuable insights into the business world.



Visits

- Clinical Visit to Spandana Hospital: Insights into Mental Health Care
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- Visit to Mysuru Central Prison

Clinical Visit to Spandana Hospital: Insights into Mental Health Care

On June 12, 2024, the Department of Psychology at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a clinical visit to Spandana Hospital, Bengaluru, for 24 BA Psychology students. The visit was coordinated by Assistant Professors Ms. Nidhi Kulkarni and Ms. Sahana Bhat and aimed to provide students with practical insights into mental health care, focusing on the diagnosis and treatment of psychiatric disorders.

Spandana Hospital is a well-known mental health care facility that specializes in the treatment of a wide range of psychiatric conditions, including depression, anxiety, schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, and substance abuse. The hospital is equipped with state-of-the-art facilities and offers comprehensive mental health services, including inpatient and outpatient care, psychotherapy, and rehabilitation programs.

During the visit, students were introduced to the hospital's multidisciplinary approach to mental health care, which integrates psychiatric, psychological, and social services. The visit began with a briefing by Dr. Satish Kumar, the Chief Psychiatrist at Spandana Hospital, who provided an overview of the common mental health disorders treated at the facility and the therapeutic approaches employed.



Students had the opportunity to observe various aspects of patient care, including assessment procedures, treatment planning, and the administration of psychotherapy sessions. They were also given a tour of the hospital's facilities, including the inpatient wards, therapy rooms, and rehabilitation center, which offers vocational training and skill development programs for patients.

One of the key highlights of the visit was an interactive session with the hospital's mental health professionals, where students could ask questions and gain a deeper understanding of the challenges and rewards of working in the field of mental health. The session provided valuable insights into the practical application of psychological theories and the importance of empathy, communication, and ethical considerations in mental health care.

The clinical visit to Spandana Hospital was a highly informative and enriching experience for the students, enhancing their understanding of mental health care and preparing them for future careers in psychology and related fields. The visit underscored the importance of hands-on learning and real-world exposure in the education of aspiring mental health professionals.

Clinical Visit to Spandana Hospital on June 13th, 2024

On June 13, 2024, the Department of Psychology at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a clinical visit to Spandana Hospital (SIMHANS) for 35 VI semester BA Psychology students. Coordinated by Mr. George Varied T, Head of the Department, and Ms. Neena Susan Prakash, the visit aimed to provide stu-

dents with firsthand experience in understanding the diagnosis and management of psychiatric disorders. Spandana Hospital, founded by Dr. M. Srinivasa and located in Nayandahalli, Bengaluru, is a premier institute for the treatment and rehabilitation of psychological and psychiatric disorders. The visit was part

of the students' Abnormal Psychology coursework, requiring them to collect case histories and interact directly with patients. The clinical visit began with an introduction to the hospital's rehabilitation center, where students interacted with patients diagnosed with various psychiatric conditions, including schizophre-

nia, bipolar affective disorder, clinical depression, and alcohol dependency. This interaction allowed students to take detailed case histories, offering them a deep understanding of the symptoms, behaviors, and daily challenges faced by individuals living with these mental health conditions.



Following the patient interactions, students had the opportunity to meet and engage with the psychiatrists and psychologists overseeing the patients' care. This session provided valuable insights into the diagnostic processes, treatment approaches, and overall management

strategies employed at the hospital. Students were also granted access to review the case files of the patients they interacted with, allowing them to further study the clinical presentations, diagnoses, and treatment plans documented in the patients' records. Throughout the visit, stu-

dents observed the multi-disciplinary nature of psychiatric care, witnessing the collaborative efforts of psychiatrists, psychologists, nurses, and other healthcare professionals. The clinical visit to SIMHANS offered students a comprehensive learning experience, enhanc-

ing their understanding of mental health care and preparing them for future roles in the field. The visit concluded with positive feedback from students, who appreciated the practical exposure and the opportunity to integrate theoretical knowledge with real-world practice.

Industrial Visit to Goa Forensic Science Laboratory and Police Finger-print Bureau

From June 20 to 22, 2024, the Department of Criminology and Forensic Science at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an industrial visit to the Goa Forensic Science Laboratory (FSL) and the Goa Police Finger-print Bureau. The visit, attended by nine students specializing in

Dactyloscopy and DNA Fingerprinting, aimed to provide practical insights into forensic science applications. The visit began with a tour of the Ballistics division at the Goa FSL, where students learned about the analysis of firearms, ammunition, and ballistic evidence. They observed demonstrations





On bullet trajectory analysis and weapon identification, gaining hands-on experience in ballistics investigations. The tour continued in the Computer Forensics division, where students were introduced to techniques for retrieving and analyzing digital evidence, including cybercrime investigations and data recovery. On the second day, the students visited the Fingerprint Bureau, where they observed the process of lifting, analyzing, and comparing fingerprints from crime scenes. The bureau's experts demonstrated various fingerprinting techniques, including the use of powders, chemicals, and advanced imaging technology. This session provided students with a deeper understanding of fingerprint analysis and its critical role in criminal investigations. The final day of the visit

Industrial Visit to Akshaya Patra Foundation

On June 19, 2024, the Department of Commerce at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an industrial visit to the Akshaya Patra Foundation in Bengaluru for second- and fourth-semester B.Com students. The visit aimed to provide 35 students with a practical understanding of large-scale food service management and the social impact of Akshaya Patra's initiatives. The visit began with a devotional tour of the ISKCON temple, followed by an informative session

led by Guru Das Prabhu, who introduced the students to the history and mission of Akshaya Patra. Established in 2000 by the International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON), Akshaya Patra is a non-profit organization dedicated to fighting hunger and malnutrition among children in India. The organization's mission is to provide nutritious meals to government and government-aided schools, ensuring that underprivileged children have access to food,





Industrial Visit to Karnataka Police Academy, Mysuru

On June 29, 2024, the Department of Criminology and Forensic Science at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an industrial visit to the Karnataka Police Academy (KPA) in Mysuru for 50 sixth-semester BA Criminology students. The visit aimed to provide students with a practical understanding of police training, forensic science, and crime scene man-

agement, complementing their academic studies. The visit began with a seminar by a Forensic Science professor, who highlighted the crucial role of forensic science in criminal investigations. The seminar was followed by an address from the Superintendent of Police, who explained the rigorous training provided at KPA for police personnel ranging from DYSP to IPS lev-

els. The curriculum at KPA includes both indoor subjects like forensic science, law, and psychology, and outdoor activities such as weapons training, drills, and swimming, ensuring a well-rounded preparation for law enforcement duties. A key highlight of the visit was the demonstration of the Zen Advanced Weapon Simulator, where students observed the functioning of various firearms, which in turn improves their school attendance and learning potential. During the visit, students toured the Vasanthapura kitchen, one of Akshaya Patra's largest facilities. They witnessed the large-scale food preparation process, observing the use of industrial-sized cooking equipment, automated systems, and stringent hygiene protocols. The kitchen visit provided valuable insights into the complexities of managing a large-scale food service operation, including menu planning, procurement, and quality control. The visit emphasized the significant social impact of Akshaya Patra's work, highlighting how the organization addresses childhood hunger, boosts school attendance, and enhances learning potential. The students also learned about the role of innovation and technology in streamlining food production and the importance of social responsibility in running a non-profit organization. The industrial visit concluded with a wholesome lunch provided by Akshaya Patra, giving students a firsthand experience of the meals served to the beneficiaries. The visit was highly educational, offering students a unique perspective on the intersection of social impact, food service management, and community engagement.



toxicology, DNA analysis, and digital forensics. The students were particularly impressed by the crime scene simulator, which showcased various

crime scenarios, enhancing their understanding of crime scene investigation. The visit concluded with a tour of the KPA museum, model police station, and

the forensic medicine museum, offering students a comprehensive view of police training and forensic applications. The experience was invaluable, providing practical knowledge and insights crucial for their future careers in criminology and law enforcement

Industrial Visit to Siri Gramodyama Kaigarike Belthangadi, Mangalore

From June 21 to 23, 2024, the Department of Commerce at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an industrial visit to Siri Gramodyama Kaigarike Belthangadi in Mangalore for 26 third-year B.Com students. The visit aimed to bridge the gap between classroom learning and practical application by exposing students to real-world industrial practices, particularly in the manufacturing sector. The visit commenced with the students arriving at Siri Gramodyama, where they were welcomed by the guide, who provided an overview of the company's operations. Siri Gramodyama is a rural enterprise focused on uplifting the financial status of rural women by creating job opportunities and fostering entrepreneurship. The guide explained the manufacturing process of various products, including shirts, pants, pickles, ice creams, and detergents, which are marketed under the Siri brand across Karnataka and Kerala. During the visit, students observed the cutting and stitching processes, where they learned about the precision required in manufacturing garments. The guide demonstrated how 36 pieces are stitched to make



make each pair of pants and explained the packing and distribution procedures. The visit also included a tour of the retail outlets, where products made by small-scale and cottage industries were sold under the Siri brand. In addition to the industrial tour, the students engaged in various cultural activities, including a talent show and visits to local attractions such as Mullayanagiri, Bababudanagiri, and Kemangundi Flower Garden. These activities provided a well-rounded experience, combining industrial learning with cultural enrichment. The industrial visit to Siri Gramodyama Kaigarike was highly educational, offering students a firsthand look at rural industrial operations and the role of entrepreneurship in community development. The experience enhanced their understanding of business strategies and industrial practices, preparing them for future careers in commerce

Industrial Visit to Coca-Cola Plant, Bidadi



On June 13, 2024, 41 fourth-semester BBA Aviation students from Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies participated in an educational visit to the Coca-Cola manufacturing plant in Bidadi. This visit, organized as part of their Production and Operations Management curriculum, aimed to bridge the gap between theoretical learning and practical application by exposing students to real-world manufacturing processes. The visit commenced with a safety briefing, followed by a detailed tour led by Ms. Himanath, who explained the various stages of Coca-Cola's production process. Students observed the handling of raw materials, the mixing and blending stages, filtration, carbonation, and the bottling and packaging process. The emphasis on automation and the use of advanced machinery was highlighted, demonstrating Coca-Cola's commitment to operational excellence and innovation. One of the key learning experiences was the company's rigorous quality control measures, ensuring that every

bottle of Coca-Cola meets the highest standards. Additionally, the visit underscored Coca-Cola's environmental sustainability efforts, including initiatives to reduce water and energy consumption and promote recycling. The visit concluded with a discussion on the challenges and best practices in production and operations management, inspiring many students to consider careers in this field. The feedback from participants was overwhelmingly positive, with students expressing a deeper understanding of the complexities involved in large-scale manufacturing and an appreciation for the innovative practices that contribute to Coca-Cola's success. This industrial visit successfully achieved its objective of providing hands-on experience and practical insights into production management, leaving students better equipped to apply their classroom knowledge to real-world scenarios.



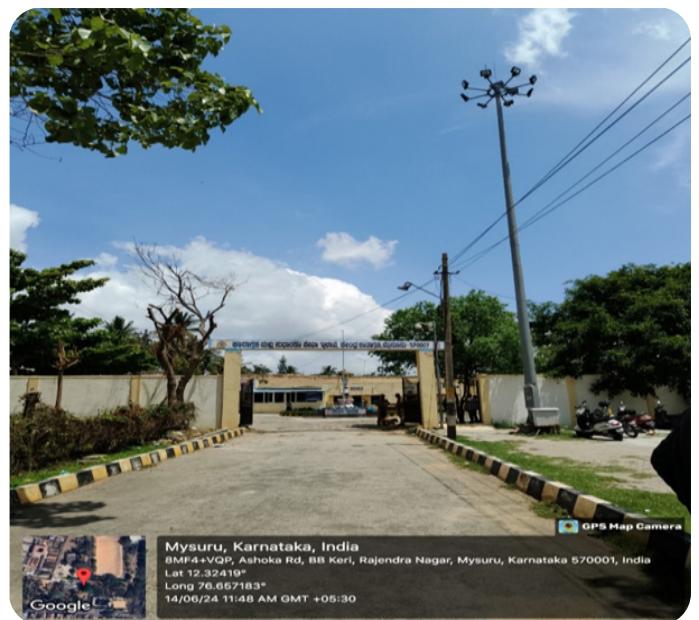
Visit to Mysuru Central Prison



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On June 14, 2024, 58 fourth-semester BA Criminology students from Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies embarked on an educational visit to Mysuru Central Prison. The primary objective of this visit was to provide students with firsthand experience of the criminal justice system and correctional facilities, deepening their understanding of the rehabilitation processes and the psychological traits influencing criminal behavior. Upon arrival, students were introduced to the strict security protocols required for entry into the prison. The visit began with a tour of the Women's Prisoners Section, where students learned about the inmates' daily routines, legal assistance, and the rehabilitation programs available, including phone call facilities and access to legal support.

The tour continued through various sections of the prison, including the Ration Godown, hospital, laundry, and kitchen. Students observed how prisoners engaged in vocational training, such as soap making, tailoring, weaving, and carpentry. These activities are integral to the rehabilitation process, providing inmates with skills that can aid their reintegration into society post-incarceration. One of the most memorable aspects of the visit was the carpentry section, where inmates showcased their craftsmanship, including a remarkable Lord Ganesha temple carved from wood without the use of additional materials. This demonstrated the potential for creativity and skill development within the prison environment. The visit provided students with a profound understanding of the challenges faced by incarcerated individuals and the efforts made by the prison system to rehabilitate them.



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The experience dispelled many misconceptions about prison life and highlighted the importance of rehabilitation over mere punishment. Feedback from students indicated that the visit was both educational and impactful, significantly enhancing their understanding of the criminal justice system.

Industrial Visit: Exposure to Social Work for Community Mental and Social Health

23rd August 2024



On 23rd August 2024, the Department of Psychology at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an industrial visit to the Indian Social Institute in Benson Town, Bengaluru. The visit aimed to provide IV Semester MSc Psychology students with firsthand exposure to the role of social workers in addressing community mental and social health issues. Thirteen students participated in the event. The visit's primary objective was to enhance students' understanding of human rights and social change

while providing them with an opportunity to interact with an expert in the field. The resource person, with over 15 years of experience in law and legal advising, delivered a comprehensive presentation on human rights, the challenges faced by social workers, and the impact of legal frameworks on community health. The session began at 10:00 AM with an introduction to the key objectives of the visit. The resource person discussed the significance of human rights in shaping healthy societies, citing case studies to illustrate how

social workers contribute to social justice. The students were encouraged to reflect on the ethical implications of their work in psychology and social services. During the interactive session, students posed questions about the practical applications of human rights in community work. They explored how social workers navigate challenges such as discrimination, access to resources, and legal obstacles when advocating for marginalized communities. The visit concluded with a group discussion and a feedback session, where

students shared their reflections on the day's experiences. The event successfully broadened the participants' perspectives on the intersection of psychology, human rights, and social work, inspiring them to consider the broader societal impact of their future careers. The industrial visit was a valuable learning experience, offering students a deeper understanding of community mental health and the vital role of social workers in promoting social change



Industrial Visit to Handicrafts Service Centre

30th August 2024



The Department of Fashion and Apparel Design (FAD) at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an industrial visit to the Handicrafts Service Centre in Nandini Layout, Bengaluru, on 30th August 2024. Forty-nine first-semester B.Sc. FAD students participated in this educational visit, aimed at providing practical knowledge of Indian traditional handicrafts.

The visit offered students an in-depth understanding of various Indian handicraft forms, including metal-work, pottery, wood carving, textile design, and bamboo crafts. The students were guided by Ms. Ashwini Atul Joshi, Head of the Department, and Ms. Mayuri Sanakal, Assistant Professor, who accompanied them throughout the tour. The students were introduced to skilled artisans working on live demonstrations, showcasing the intricate processes involved in creating these masterpieces.

The visit also shed light on the challenges faced by the handicrafts sector, such as low capital investment and limited exposure to new technologies.

The students left the centre with a greater appreciation for the skills of Indian artisans and the cultural heritage preserved through these crafts. The feedback from participants was overwhelmingly positive, with students expressing satisfaction at the opportunity to observe the creative process firsthand.

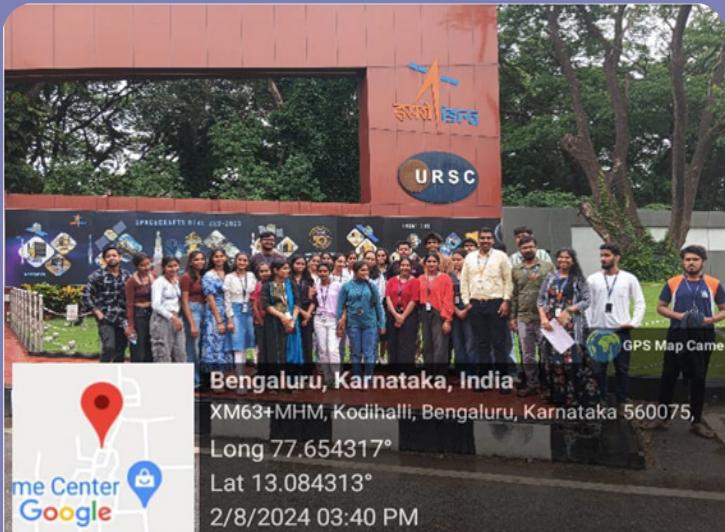
Mr. D V Sreenatha, Senior Assistant Director, briefed the students on the operations of the Handicrafts Service Centre. Mr. Kashi Vishwanath Rao, a manager at the centre, provided detailed insights into the techniques and materials used in traditional crafts.

Students were particularly fascinated by the live demonstrations, which included metal inlay work, terracotta pottery, and hand block printing on textiles. Several students had the opportunity to try their hand at pottery under the guidance of a local artisan.

The visit to the Handicrafts Service Centre helped students gain valuable practical experience, reinforcing the theories they have studied in class. They learned about the socio-economic significance of Indian handicrafts and their potential for employment generation, particularly in rural areas.



Industrial Visit to ISRO-UR Rao Satellite Center 2nd August 2024



On 2nd August 2024, the Department of Physics at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an industrial visit to ISRO's UR Rao Satellite Centre (URSC) in Bengaluru. Forty-two MSc and BSc Physics students attended the visit, which provided them with exposure to satellite technology and space missions. The purpose of the visit was to deepen the students' understanding of advanced space technology and the operational aspects of satellite development.

The visit began with the students arriving at the URSC campus, where they were welcomed by ISRO scientists. The students were taken on a guided tour of the facility, which included key areas where satellite design, development, and testing take place. The session also featured a lecture by senior ISRO scientists who provided insights into satellite mission planning and the challenges associated with launching satellites.

Students were particularly intrigued by the interactive session, where they were able to ask questions about satellite technology, mission operations, and India's achievements in space exploration. The experts discussed the key stages involved in satellite development, including design, integration, and testing. They also highlighted ISRO's innovative approach to overcoming challenges in space missions and how advancements in satellite technology contribute to scientific research and communication systems.

The visit concluded with a tour of the URSC museum, where students were able to see models of India's successful satellite missions and learn about ISRO's journey in space research. The experience inspired many students to consider careers in space science and technology.

Overall, the industrial visit to ISRO's UR Rao Satellite Centre was a highly informative experience that bridged the gap between theoretical knowledge and practical applications in satellite technology. The event motivated students to pursue further studies in the field of space technology and reinforced their passion for scientific innovation.

Workshop on Childhood Disorders: Assessments and Interventions – 6th & 8th August 2024



On 6th and 8th August 2024, the Department of Psychology at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a two-day workshop on "Childhood Disorders: Assessments and Interventions." The event, held in the Seminar Hall of the Mechanical Block, was designed for MSc Psychology students, with 20 participants in attendance. The workshop aimed to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of childhood disorders and the corresponding assessments and interventions used in clinical settings.

The workshop was facilitated by Dr. Jayanthi M, an RCI-licensed Clinical Psychologist and Founder of Sankalp Child Care Center.

Dr. Jayanthi covered a wide range of childhood disorders, including Autism Spectrum Disorder, ADHD, Intellectual Disabilities, Learning Disabilities, and Neurogenetic Disorders such as Down Syndrome.

She explained the clinical symptoms, diagnostic criteria, and challenges associated with these conditions.

On the first day, the focus was on assessments, where Dr. Jayanthi introduced various tools such as the Binet Kamat Test, Gessel Drawing Test, SNAP-IV, and the

ISAA (Indian Scale for Assessment of Autism). She provided detailed explanations of the scoring systems and practical demonstrations on how these assessments are conducted in clinical settings.

The second day concentrated on intervention strategies, including Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA), Functional Communication Training (FCT), and Infant Stimulation Programs. Dr. Jayanthi emphasized the importance of early interventions in improving the developmental outcomes of children with these disorders. She also discussed current trends, such as the increasing prevalence of autism, and the impact of prolonged screen time on children's cognitive development.

The workshop concluded with a Q&A session, where students discussed case studies and clarified their doubts. The feedback from participants indicated that the workshop was highly informative, providing them with valuable insights into childhood mental health.

Overall, the workshop successfully equipped students with the knowledge and skills necessary to assess and intervene in cases of childhood disorders.



International Guest Lecture: Impactful Teaching and Learning Practices with ICT Tools – 5th August 2024



On 5th August 2024, the Department of MBA at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies hosted an International Guest Lecture titled "Impactful Teaching and Learning Practices with ICT Tools for Gen Z and Alpha." The event, held in the MBA Auditorium, targeted Heads of Departments (HODs) and ICT Coordinators, with 65 participants in attendance.

The primary goal of the event was to explore how ICT tools can enhance teaching and learning experiences for digital-native generations.

The session featured two distinguished resource persons: Dr. Debabrata Samanta from Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT) Kosovo, and Dr. E. Abhilash from King Khalid University, Saudi Arabia. Both speakers highlighted the importance of adapting teaching methods to meet the needs of Gen Z and Gen Alpha students, who are accustomed to interactive and technology-driven learning environments.

Dr. Samanta emphasized the role of adaptive learning platforms and project-based learning in fostering

engagement and personalized learning experiences. He demonstrated various ICT tools, including interactive apps and digital resources, that educators can incorporate into their lessons to enhance collaboration and active participation among students.

Dr. Abhilash focused on social-emotional learning (SEL) and its significance in addressing mental health concerns among students. He discussed how integrating SEL with ICT tools can help educators create supportive learning environments that prioritize students' emotional well-being.

The event concluded with a valedictory session and feedback from participants. Many attendees expressed their appreciation for the practical insights shared during the lecture and their enthusiasm for applying these strategies in their classrooms.

Overall, the International Guest Lecture was a resounding success, providing educators with valuable tools and strategies to engage and empower Gen Z and Alpha learners in today's digital age.



Industrial Visit to Ramachandrapuram – Department of Fashion and Apparel Design (20th September 2024)



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The day began with a tour of the bustling Ramachandrapuram market, renowned for its rich variety of fabrics ranging from cotton and silk to synthetic blends. The students were given the opportunity to examine and evaluate different fabric qualities, including texture, weight, and durability.

During the visit, students interacted with local vendors, gaining insights into the material sourcing process, pricing strategies, and market demand for

different fabrics.

This hands-on experience allowed them to apply classroom knowledge to real-world scenarios, such as negotiating prices and selecting fabrics for specific designs.

The faculty members guided the students in identifying key fabric properties, emphasizing the importance of functionality, aesthetics, and cost-effectiveness when selecting materials.

The visit also provided an opportunity for students to sketch and brainstorm

ideas for their future projects, inspired by the wide range of materials they encountered.

The visit concluded with students sharing their learnings and reflections, noting how the experience enhanced their understanding of the fashion industry's supply chain and commercial aspects.

The trip was a crucial step in preparing the students for their final projects and future careers as fashion designers .



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Industrial Visit to Social Service Complex

Department of Social Work (15th September 2024)



On 15th September 2024, the Department of Social Work at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies (AIGS) organized an industrial visit to the Social Service Complex in Bengaluru for first-year MSW (Master of Social Work) students. The primary objective of the visit was to provide students with hands-on experience and exposure to real-world social work scenarios, focusing on community development, mental health, and social welfare services.

A total of 21 students, accompanied by faculty members Dr. Shashi Kiran Shetty and Ms. Rukmini, participated in the visit. The Social Service Complex, a well-known establishment dedicated to community welfare, provides a range of services including rehabilitation, mental health counseling, and livelihood programs for underprivileged communities.

The visit began with a briefing by the Director of the Social Service Complex, who explained the organization's mission, vision, and the scope of its services. The students were then taken on a tour of the facility, which includes counseling centers, vocational training units, and rehabilitation spaces for individuals with mental health issues

and disabilities. This gave the students an understanding of how social work principles are applied in practice to support vulnerable populations.

During the visit, students had the opportunity to interact with the social workers employed at the complex, gaining insights into the daily challenges and responsibilities of professional social workers.

They observed how case management, group therapy, and community outreach programs are implemented, deepening their understanding of social work's practical applications. A session on mental health awareness was conducted, where the importance of addressing stigma and providing accessible mental health services was discussed.

The visit concluded with a reflective session, where students shared their observations and discussed how the experience enhanced their understanding of social work in the field. The industrial visit to the Social Service Complex was an invaluable learning opportunity, providing students with practical exposure to social work practices and preparing them for future roles in community development and welfare services.



Industrial Visit to Shrirampuram and Raja Market Department of Fashion and Apparel Design (5th September 2024)

On 5th September 2024, the Department of Fashion and Apparel Design (FAD) at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies (AIGS) organized an industrial visit for final-year B.Sc. FAD students to Shrirampuram and Raja Market. A total of 30 students participated, accompanied by Assistant Professors Samreen Imran and Hemavathi. The visit aimed to provide hands-on exposure to fabric sourcing and accessory selection, key components of the fashion industry.

The day began with a visit to Shrirampuram, renowned for its diverse collection of fabrics, including cotton, silk, and synthetic blends. Students were given the opportunity to feel and evaluate various fabric qualities, including texture, weight, and drape, enhancing their practical understanding of the material. They were also encouraged to think critically about the functionality, aesthetics, and cost-effectiveness of materials for future designs.

Following this, the group proceeded to Raja Market, a bustling hub for fashion accessories such as buttons,

zippers, embellishments, and trims. This part of the visit allowed students to explore how accessories can impact the overall design and appeal of garments.

Through interactions with local vendors, students gained insights into market demand, pricing strategies, and material sourcing, skills essential for future fashion designers.

Throughout the visit, faculty members provided guidance on fabric and accessory selection, helping students apply theoretical knowledge to real-world scenarios. The experience also allowed students to sketch ideas for their final-year design projects, inspired by the materials encountered during the visit.

Overall, the industrial visit to Shrirampuram and Raja Market was a valuable experience for the students, bridging the gap between classroom learning and the commercial fashion world. The visit not only enhanced their technical knowledge but also inspired creativity, preparing them for their final projects and future careers in the competitive fashion industry.



Industrial Visit to Weavers Service Center – Department of Fashion and Apparel Design (20th September 2024)



On 20th September 2024, the Department of Fashion and Apparel Design (FAD) at AIGS organized an industrial visit for first-semester B.Sc. FAD students to the Weavers Service Center in Okalipuram, Bengaluru. A total of 20 students participated, accompanied by Assistant Professors Trishala Yadav and Hemavathi. The visit aimed to provide practical exposure to traditional and modern weaving techniques, dyeing processes, and fabric finishing.

The Weavers Service Center is part of an Indian government initiative dedicated to preserving and promoting traditional weaving techniques while supporting local artisans. During the visit, the students were introduced to the different types of looms and weaving equipment, learning how skilled artisans produce intricate textiles using manual techniques. They also observed the dyeing process, where fabrics are colored using both natural and synthetic dyes. This hands-on experience allowed students to understand the intricate steps involved in producing high-quality fabrics. In addition to weaving and dyeing, the

students were educated about fabric design and texture analysis, learning how different materials and techniques result in unique textile qualities.

The visit highlighted the importance of preserving traditional craftsmanship in a world increasingly dominated by industrialized production.

The students actively participated in discussions with artisans and professionals at the center, gaining valuable insights into the challenges faced by the handloom industry and the importance of supporting sustainable textile practices. The visit concluded with a group reflection, where students shared their learnings and appreciated the richness of India's textile heritage. The industrial visit to the Weavers Service Center was an enriching experience for the students, providing them with a deeper understanding of traditional weaving techniques and the sustainability of handloom textiles. The hands-on exposure to the weaving and dyeing processes significantly enhanced their practical knowledge, preparing them for future studies and design projects.



NCC Trekking Expedition to Nijgal Betta

Department of NCC (28th September 2024)



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On 28th September 2024, the National Cadet Corps (NCC) unit of Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies (AIGS) organized a trekking expedition to Nijgal Betta, located in the Dabaspet region of Nelamangala, Bengaluru Rural. This event, attended by 45 cadets, was designed to combine adventure with environmental conservation. The primary goals were to promote eco-friendly practices, raise environmental awareness, and foster teamwork among cadets through activities such as plastic waste collection and seed bombing.

The event commenced with a bus ride to Nijgal Betta, where cadets, accompanied by their ANO and two PI staff members, prepared for a day of outdoor activities focused on nature preservation. Upon arrival, the group received an orientation on safety protocols, teamwork, and the importance of environmental stewardship.

The cadets were divided into smaller groups, each responsible for collecting plastic waste along the trekking path. The trek began with a gentle incline through a landscape rich in greenery. As the cadets progressed, they

actively collected litter, demonstrating a strong sense of responsibility toward nature. The teams collected over three bags of waste, and discussions were held on the detrimental effects of plastic pollution on local ecosystems. This activity deepened the cadets' understanding of their role in environmental conservation.

After a break, the cadets participated in a seed bombing initiative, throwing mud balls filled with native seeds in strategic locations to enhance the biodiversity of the area. This activity aimed to promote the regeneration of local vegetation, contributing to a healthier ecosystem. The trek culminated in a rock painting session at the summit, where cadets created a mural symbolizing cleanliness, nature, and sustainability.

The trekking expedition was a resounding success, blending adventure with meaningful contributions to environmental preservation. The cadets left the event with a renewed commitment to nature and a deeper appreciation for their role in protecting the environment.



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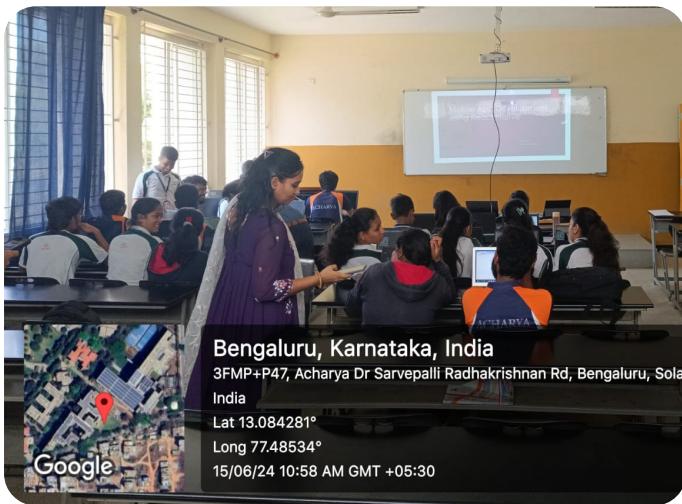


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Workshop on Android and iOS Application Development



On June 15, 2024, the Department of Computer Applications at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted a workshop on "Android and iOS Application Development" for fourth-semester BCA students. The event, attended by 36 participants, was led by Dharmendra Choudhary, an expert in mobile app development.

The workshop aimed to provide students with foundational knowledge and hands-on experience in developing applications for both Android and iOS platforms. Dharmendra Choudhary began by introducing the mobile application development landscape, emphasizing the growing demand for

skilled app developers in today's digital world.

Participants were guided through the process of setting up development environments for Android and iOS using Android Studio and Xcode, respectively. The workshop covered key concepts such as activities, fragments, view controllers, and storyboards, as well as data storage options like SQLite and CoreData.

The hands-on sessions allowed students to create simple Android and iOS applications, providing them with practical experience in app development. They learned to design user interfaces, write code in Java/Kotlin and Swift, and deploy their apps on emulators or physical devices.

The workshop also addressed performance optimization, security measures, and best practices for app development, ensuring that students left with a comprehensive understanding of the mobile development process. The event concluded with a discussion on the career opportunities in mobile app development, with Dharmendra Choudhary encouraging students to continue exploring and building their skills in this dynamic field. The feedback from participants was overwhelmingly positive, with students expressing satisfaction with the practical and informative nature of the workshop.



Workshop on Crime Scene Investigation and Security



On June 1, 2024, the Department of Criminology and Forensic Science at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized an extensive workshop on Crime Scene Investigation and Security. The event, attended by 151 criminology students from various semesters, was conducted by Mr. Niketh P S, an esteemed expert in forensic science.

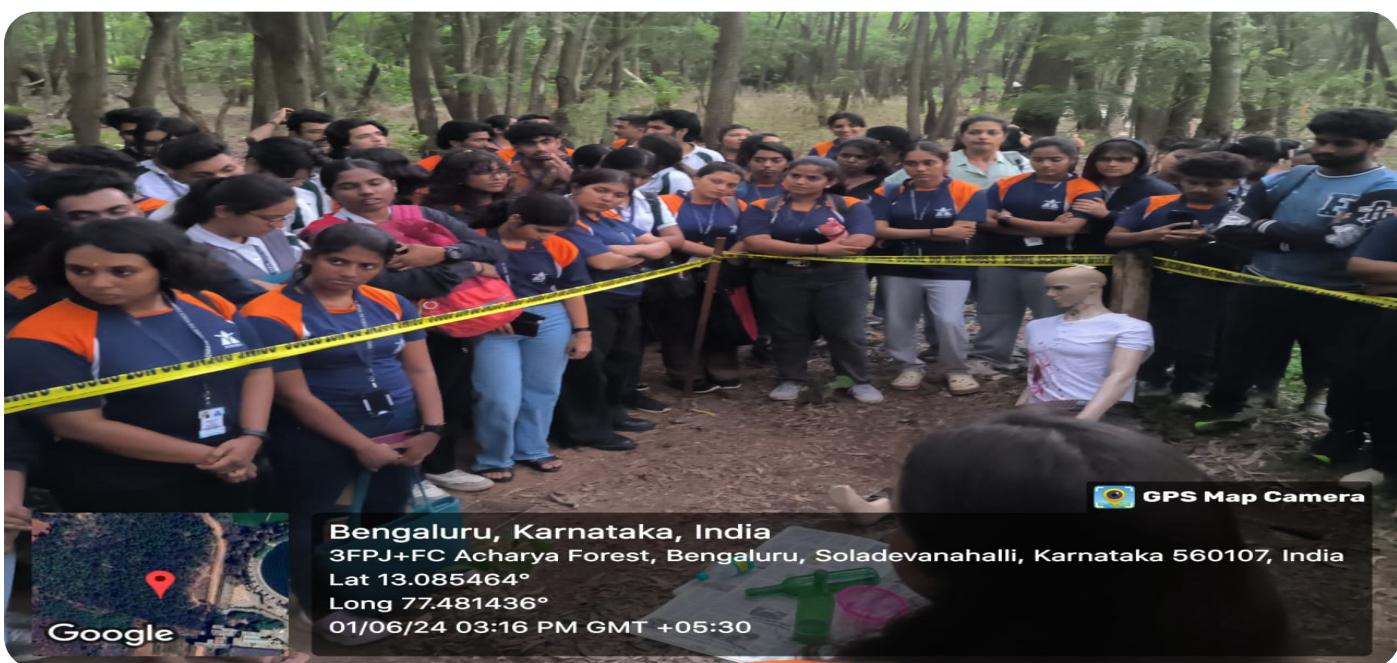
The workshop began with an insightful lecture on the fundamentals of crime scene investigation, where Mr. Niketh emphasized the importance of maintaining the integrity of the crime scene and meticulously documenting every detail. Participants were introduced to the protocols for securing crime scenes and the crucial role of first responders in preventing evidence contamination.

A highlight of the workshop was the hands-on session on evidence collection and preservation. Mr. Niketh demonstrated techniques for collecting fingerprints, blood samples, hair fibers, and other trace evidence, allowing students to practice these methods in a controlled environment. This practical experience provided invaluable insights into the challenges and precision required in forensic work.

The workshop also covered forensic analysis, including fingerprint analysis, DNA profiling, and forensic entomology. Mr. Niketh introduced students to the latest advancements in forensic technology, such as digital forensics and the use of AI in crime scene analysis. Real-life case studies were presented to illustrate the application of these techniques in actual investigations.

In addition to technical training, the workshop addressed broader security measures and crime prevention strategies, highlighting the role of technology in enhancing security through surveillance systems, biometric identification, and cybersecurity.

The event concluded with a Q&A session, where students engaged with Mr. Niketh on various aspects of forensic science and career paths in this field. The workshop was highly praised for its interactive approach, providing students with both theoretical knowledge and practical skills essential for their future careers in criminology and forensic science.



Workshop on LinkedIn Profile Building



On June 5, 2024, the Department of Commerce at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted a workshop on LinkedIn Profile Building for second, fourth, and sixth-semester B.Com students. The event, attended by 88 participants, was led by Mr. Aditya U Diwan, Assistant Professor in the Department of BCA.

The workshop aimed to equip students with the skills necessary to create and optimize their LinkedIn profiles, enhancing their professional visibility and networking opportunities. Mr. Aditya began by explaining the importance of LinkedIn as a platform for professional networking, job searching, and personal branding. He highlighted the significance of a well-crafted LinkedIn profile in attracting potential employers.

and building a strong professional reputation.

Participants were guided through the process of creating a LinkedIn account, including setting up their profiles, adding personal information, and customizing their URLs. Mr. Aditya emphasized the importance of a professional photo, a compelling headline, and a well-written summary to make profiles stand out.

The workshop also covered key aspects of LinkedIn optimization, such as incorporating relevant keywords, listing skills and endorsements, and highlighting accomplishments and certifications. Mr. Aditya provided tips on how to effectively network on LinkedIn, engage with content, and build credibility through recommendations.

The interactive nature of the workshop allowed students to receive personalized feedback and make real-time updates to their profiles. The session concluded with a discussion on the career opportunities available through LinkedIn and the importance of maintaining an up-to-date and active presence on the platform.

The feedback from participants was overwhelmingly positive, with many expressing increased confidence in using LinkedIn to advance their careers. The workshop successfully achieved its objectives, providing students with valuable insights into professional networking and personal branding.



Workshop on Ethical Hacking and Cyber Security

On June 12, 2024, the Department of Computer Applications at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a workshop on "Ethical Hacking and Cyber Security" for sixth-semester BCA students. The event, attended by 71 participants, featured guest speakers Harsh Priyam and Yuvraj Singh, both certified ethical hackers with extensive experience in the field.

The workshop aimed to provide students with a thorough understanding of cyber security fundamentals, ethical hacking principles, and the various types of cyber-attacks. Harsh Priyam began the session with an introduction to ethical hacking, distinguishing it from malicious hacking and emphasizing the ethical and legal considerations involved.

Participants were introduced to different types of cyber-attacks, such as phishing, malware, and denial-of-service attacks, with real-world examples illustrating their impact. The session included hands-on exercises in penetration testing, where students applied their theoretical knowledge to identify and exploit vulnerabilities in a controlled environment.

The workshop also covered network security principles, web application security, and cryptography, providing students with a comprehensive understanding of the tools and techniques used to protect IT systems. A significant focus was placed on incident response



and management, teaching participants the steps involved in responding to a cyber security incident.

The event concluded with a discussion on career opportunities in ethical hacking and cyber security, highlighting the importance of continuous learning and professional development in this rapidly evolving field. The workshop was well-received, with students appreciating the practical exercises and the opportunity to engage with industry professionals. The event successfully achieved its objectives, leaving participants better equipped to pursue careers in cyber security.



Workshop on Reiki & Pranic Healing



On June 21, 2024, the Department of Psychology (PG) at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted a workshop on "Reiki & Pranic Healing Techniques for Mental Health" for second-semester M.Sc. Psychology students. The workshop, attended by 27 participants, was facilitated by Dr. Sadashiv S Gore, a Reiki Master and faculty at the Indian Institute of Ayurvedic Medicine and Research.

The workshop began with an introduction to the fundamental concepts of Reiki, a Japanese form of energy healing, and Pranic Healing, a system of energy treatment using prana or life-force. Dr. Sadashiv

explained the origins of these healing practices and their applications in mental and physical health.

Participants were guided through the attunement process, where Dr. Sadashiv performed a channeling of Reiki energy to attune the participants to this universal energy. This was followed by practical demonstrations of Reiki healing techniques, where students learned to apply the basic principles of Reiki on their peers. The morning session concluded with discussions on the symbols, applications, and benefits of Reiki.

After lunch, the workshop resumed with an exploration of Pranic Healing. Dr. Sadashiv explained the similarities and differences between Pranic Healing and Reiki, focusing on the concept of the seven primary Chakras and their influence on physical and mental well-being. Participants engaged in activities that helped them sense and harness this universal energy, followed by a Q&A session where Dr. Sadashiv addressed various queries.

The workshop successfully fulfilled its objectives, providing participants with a comprehensive understanding of Reiki and Pranic Healing as supportive treatments for mental health. The feedback from students was positive, with many expressing satisfaction with the quality and effectiveness of the workshop.



Workshop on Alternative Healing Techniques – 20th July 2024



On 20th July 2024, the Department of Psychology at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted a workshop on "Alternative Healing Techniques," focusing primarily on Yoga Therapy. The event, which took place in the Mechanical Block Seminar Hall, was attended by 21 MSc Psychology students and facilitated by Dr. Sindhu Nagaraj, a distinguished Yoga therapist and founder of the Sindhu Nagaraj Clinic.

The workshop aimed to introduce students to the origins, key principles, and therapeutic applications of Yoga. Dr. Sindhu began by providing an overview of the historical foundations of Yoga, explaining its evolution as a practice for harmonizing the mind, body, and spirit. She discussed how Yoga, through its physical postures (asanas), controlled breathing (pranayama), and meditation, can be used as a supportive treatment modality to improve both physical and mental health. Throughout the session, Dr. Sindhu engaged participants in a series of practical Yoga exercises. These exercises were designed to enhance mobility, flexibility, and energy management, focusing on the alignment of body and breath. The workshop delved into the significance

of Chakras, the body's energy centers, and how Yoga practice helps balance these energy points for improved overall well-being. Dr. Sindhu elaborated on the therapeutic benefits of specific asanas and pranayama for mental health, citing research that supports Yoga's role in reducing stress, anxiety, and depression. Participants also engaged in interactive sessions where they could sense and manipulate their energy fields through controlled breathing and mindfulness. This experiential learning allowed students to perceive the therapeutic potential of Yoga beyond its physical aspects.

The session concluded with a demonstration of advanced breathing techniques, and participants reported a deeper understanding of Yoga's transformative impact on mental and emotional health. The workshop ended with a group photograph and overwhelmingly positive feedback from students, who expressed appreciation for the hands-on approach and the practical insights provided by Dr. Sindhu. The workshop was a success in broadening the participants' perspectives on alternative healing techniques and their application in mental health.



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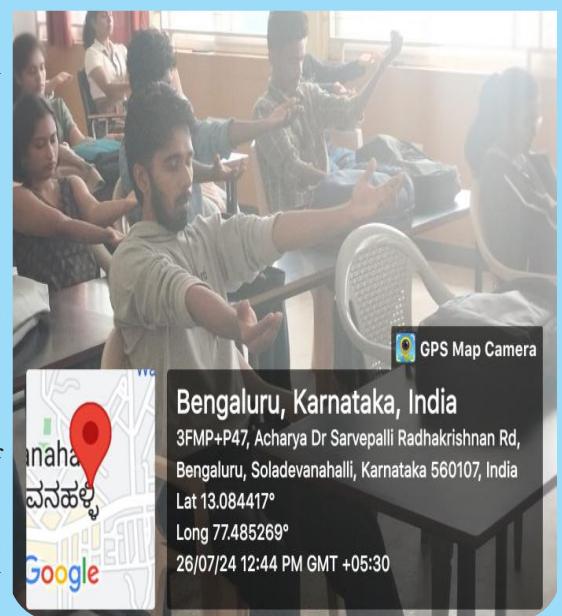
Workshop on Hypnotherapy & Neuro-Linguistic Programming (NLP) 26th July

The Department of Psychology at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted a workshop on “Hypnotherapy and Neuro-Linguistic Programming (NLP)” on 26th July 2024. The session, attended by 26 MSc Psychology students, was led by Dr. Anisha Mahendrakar, a psychologist and certified hypnotherapist.

The workshop focused on the foundations of clinical hypnotherapy and NLP, therapeutic techniques designed to influence the mind and behavior. Dr. Anisha began by dispelling common myths about hypnosis and explaining its relevance in modern clinical practice. Using practical demonstrations, she showcased different levels of suggestibility among individuals and discussed how to tailor hypnotherapy approaches accordingly.

Dr. Anisha provided insights into the unconscious mind's role in perception and behavior, highlighting how hypnotherapy can complement traditional psychotherapy. She shared various techniques, such as formulating cases and using suggestive language, supported by examples from her clinical experience. The workshop also covered NLP principles, which explore the connection between neurological processes, language, and behavior. Dr. Anisha emphasized the ethical considerations of hypnotherapy and the importance of maintaining a patient-centric approach.

Participants left the workshop with a solid understanding of hypnotherapy and NLP and their applications in mental health treatment. The session concluded with a vote of thanks, and students expressed high levels of satisfaction with the quality and content of the workshop.



Workshop on Case Conceptualization in CBT & REBT – 11th July 2024

On 11th July 2024, the Department of Psychology at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies hosted a workshop on “Case Conceptualization in Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT) and Rational Emotive Behavior Therapy (REBT).” The event, attended by 41 MSc Psychology students, was facilitated by Mr. Vignaanth Bapu, Assistant Professor and Clinical Psychologist from Kristu Jayanti College, Bangalore.

The workshop aimed to deepen students' understanding of CBT and REBT, focusing on their application in treating psychological disorders. Mr. Bapu began by outlining the theoretical foundations of both therapies and used case studies to demonstrate their clinical applications.

One of the highlights of the workshop was an interactive case discussion session, where participants analyzed complex clinical scenarios. This activity enhanced their understanding of case conceptualization and treatment planning. Mr. Bapu emphasized the importance of tailoring interventions to individual client needs, particularly in child and adolescent psychology.

Throughout the session, Mr. Bapu provided insights into specialized CBT and REBT tech-



niques, ethical considerations, and emerging trends in clinical psychology. The workshop fostered active participation, with students engaging in discussions and problem-solving exercises.

The event concluded with positive feedback from participants, who appreciated the practical knowledge gained. The workshop successfully bridged the gap between theory and practice, empowering students with advanced skills in clinical case analysis.



Workshop on Career Counselling for Chartered Accountancy – 1st July 2024

The Department of Commerce at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a highly informative workshop on Career Counselling for Chartered Accountancy (CA) on 1st July 2024. The event, held in Room 201, saw the participation of 68 BCom students, along with a few BBA students who showed interest in the session. Chartered Accountant Ashwini K facilitated the session, sharing valuable insights into the career paths available in accounting, particularly within the CA profession.

The workshop began with CA Ashwini K addressing the students with an introduction to the Chartered Accountancy course. She elaborated on the basic eligibility criteria for registering in the CA program, emphasizing the commitment and dedication required to succeed in the field. She also provided an in-depth explanation of the stages of the CA course, including the Foundation, Intermediate, and Final stages, along with the required articleship training.

CA Ashwini K further discussed recent amendments in tax laws and their implications on businesses and individuals. She provided real-world examples to illustrate the impact of these changes on the work of Chartered Accountants, highlighting the importance of staying updated with the latest developments in financial regulations. Participants actively engaged in discussions on auditing standards, financial reporting requirements, and best practices in audit methodologies, which are crucial areas of focus for aspiring Chartered Accountants. To make the session more interactive and practical, CA Ashwini K facilitated a series of case studies. These allowed students to apply theoretical knowledge to real-world scenarios, giving them a clearer understanding of the challenges and opportunities in the field of Chartered Accountancy.

The workshop concluded with a detailed discussion on the diverse career opportunities available for Chartered Accountants, such as roles in audit, tax consultancy, and corporate finance. The session underscored the importance of continuous learning and professional development in building a successful career. The event concluded with a token of appreciation presented to the resource person by Ms. Ashwini T G, Assistant Professor of the Department of Commerce. Overall, the workshop provided students with a wealth of practical knowledge and invaluable insights into the accounting profession.



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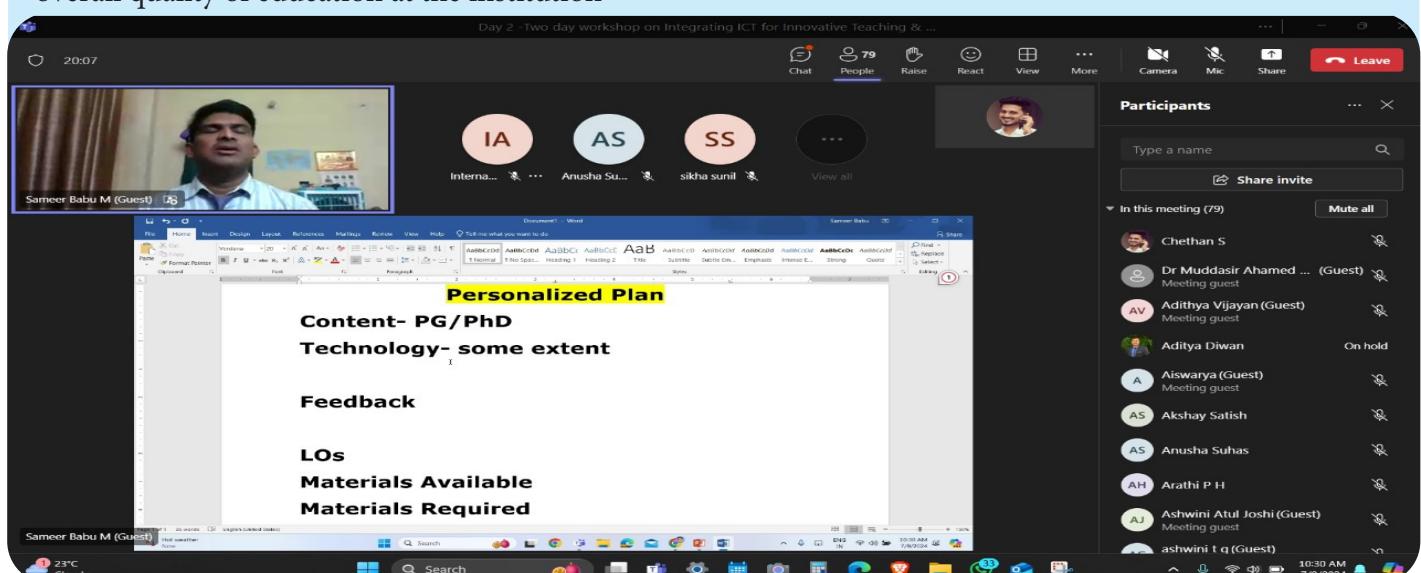
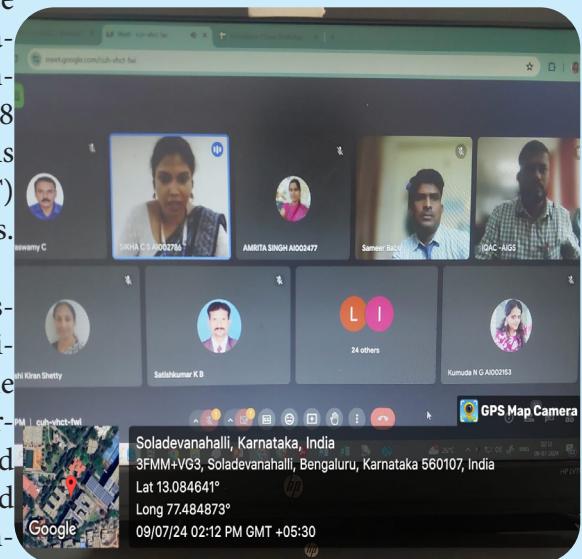
Two-Day Workshop on Integrating ICT for Innovative Teaching & Learning – 8th-9th July 2024

From 8th to 9th July 2024, the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a two-day online workshop on “Integrating ICT for Innovative Teaching & Learning.” This event, attended by 138 faculty members, was designed to enhance educators’ skills in using Information and Communication Technology (ICT) to foster more effective and engaging teaching environments.

The workshop began on 8th July with an introductory session led by Dr. Riyaz ur Rahaman Khan, Assistant Director of Quality Assurance. Dr. Khan emphasized the growing importance of ICT tools in higher education, particularly in creating dynamic, interactive, and personalized learning experiences for students. The first session, delivered by Mr. Kapil Singh Murdia, focused on the theme “Technology in Education – The Art of Possible.” Mr. Murdia introduced participants to tools such as Mural, an online whiteboard platform that supports brainstorming, and Microsoft Designer, a tool for creating professional-quality presentations quickly and efficiently. During this session, Mr. Murdia also covered strategies for personalizing educational content, encouraging participants to tailor their teaching methods to meet individual student needs. Collaborative learning techniques were also explored, with tools like Mural facilitating student interaction and collective problem-solving.

On the second day, Dr. Sameer Babu M led the session on “Personalized Learning Content Development.” Dr. Babu introduced tools such as Jamboard, Wooclap, and H5P, which help create interactive and engaging learning materials. He also discussed innovative applications such as Puzzle-maker and FutureLearn for testing student learning and developing creative educational content.

Throughout the workshop, participants were given hands-on training on using these tools to design interactive lessons and manage classroom activities effectively. The event concluded with a Q&A session and a feedback survey, where participants expressed enthusiasm for implementing the new techniques in their classrooms. The two-day workshop was highly successful, empowering educators to integrate ICT tools into their teaching strategies, thus improving student engagement and learning outcomes. The positive feedback received from participants highlighted the event’s effectiveness in upskilling faculty members and enhancing the overall quality of education at the institution.



Advanced Excel Workshop 30th & 31st August 2024

The Department of MBA at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies organized a two-day Advanced Excel Workshop from 30th to 31st August 2024 in the Seminar Hall. A total of 93 MBA second-semester students participated in the workshop. The primary objective was to enhance students' proficiency in Excel by introducing advanced features and functionalities relevant to managerial tasks.

The workshop, led by Mr. Bharath Rajanna, CEO of Edupinnacle, Bengaluru, aimed to equip students with essential Excel skills, including advanced formulas, data analysis tools, and automation techniques that can be applied in real-world business scenarios. Mr. Rajanna emphasized the importance of Excel in decision-making processes, data management, and problem-solving. Key topics covered included array formulas, VLOOKUP, HLOOKUP, INDEX, and MATCH functions, as well as pivot tables and Power Query for data analysis.

The hands-on approach adopted during the workshop allowed students to engage in practical exercises, fostering a deeper understanding of Excel's potential in managerial and financial tasks. Students learned to create customized reports, automate repetitive tasks, and manage large datasets effectively. The event was interactive, with students working on case studies that simulated business situations requiring advanced Excel tools.



The workshop concluded with a vote of thanks from Dr. Benjamin, Associate Professor, Department of MBA, who emphasized the relevance of Excel skills in today's competitive job market. The event was a resounding success, with participants expressing their satisfaction in the feedback session. Many students mentioned they felt more confident in their ability to use Excel for data-driven decision-making, and several stated their intent to explore further certifications in the field.

Overall, the workshop was an excellent opportunity for students to sharpen their Excel skills and gain insights into its applications in professional settings.



Alumni

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On 26th August 2024, the Department of Psychology at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted an online alumni talk on LGBTQ+ concepts and challenges. The event, held from 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM, was attended by 13 MSc IV semester students. The primary goal of the talk was to enhance students' understanding of LGBTQ+ issues and the social and psychological challenges faced by this community.

The guest speaker for the session was Mr. Jayven Ponion, an HR executive and counselor at Wapalapam Island Eatery, Mauritius, and an alumnus of AIGS. With extensive expertise in gender equality and human rights, Mr. Ponion shared insights into the importance of human rights for the LGBTQ+ community. He emphasized how social psychology plays a crucial role in advocating for equality and inclusion.

During the session, Mr. Ponion covered essential concepts such as sexual orientation, gender identity, and the societal pressures faced by LGBTQ+ individuals. He discussed the psychological effects of discrimination and the need to foster empathy

and understanding within communities. His presentation also featured case studies illustrating the challenges LGBTQ+ individuals encounter in both personal and professional environments.

The interactive nature of the talk allowed students to engage with the resource person through meaningful discussions. They asked questions about applying human rights principles in different cultural contexts and expressed curiosity about how social workers and psychologists can support LGBTQ+ individuals. Mr. Ponion encouraged the students to reflect on their future roles as advocates for marginalized communities.

The event concluded with students expressing their appreciation for the valuable insights gained during the session. Many left with a deeper understanding of the complexities surrounding LGBTQ+ issues and the importance of supporting this community. Overall, the session was well-received, and it motivated students to think critically about their responsibilities as future psychologists in advancing equality and inclusion for all.

The screenshot shows a Google Meet session titled "Meet - LGBTQ: Social Narratives and challenges". The participant list includes "Jay Ven (Presenting)", "V J", "7 others", and "GULFISHA K M. AI002670". The in-call messages panel shows a message from "NEENU NASNIN K T" at 3:00 PM with the text "Yes". The main content area displays a diagram titled "SELF" illustrating the relationship between gender identity, sexual orientation, and gender expression. The diagram features a central "SELF" circle connected to three boxes: "Gender Identity" (internal sense of being male, female or along the spectrum), "Sex Chromosomal & Anatomic" (sex assigned at birth), and "Sexual Orientation" (the gender to which a person is attracted to). Arrows point from these boxes to a horizontal axis with "FEMALE" at the top and "MALE" at the bottom. Vertical arrows point from "WOMAN" (left) and "MAN" (right) to the axis. The axis is divided into "GENDER FLUID" (pink), "INTERSEX" (light blue), "ANDROGYNOUS" (pink), and "MASCLINE" (light blue). The "Sexual Orientation" box also points to "BISEXUAL", "ASEXUAL", and "PANSEXUAL" categories, which in turn point to "ATTRACTED TO WOMEN" and "ATTRACTED TO MEN". The bottom of the diagram includes a box for "Gender Expression" (how one manifests one's self through social norms of masculine, feminine or variant).



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