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Let's Talk

WORKING WHILE STUDYING: THE MOST EFFECTIVE PROFESSIONAL DIFFERENTIATOR



"The times They Are a Changin," and so wrote the iconic singersongwriter Bob Dylan back during the sixth decade of the last century. Indeed so! This is true for all possible fields where human beings have set their foot. This is even truer for academics! The definition of education has transformed over the past two decades. With technology on an unprecedented and unstoppable march, the process of learning is no longer the same. Information accumulation has given way to skill accumulation and classroom-based lessons have given way to experiential lessons.

With global employers fast abandoning performances in examinations as the sole benchmark for employee selection, students

are being made to go the extra mile in proving their professional credentials. This is specifically true for college and university students. One of the best ways for a student to be employable and relevant is to have a first-person view of the industry that she/ he intends to be a part of after completing her/ his education. There is no better way of doing that than working while studying. Part-time and after-college jobs, paid and unpaid internships, paid and unpaid apprenticeships, granted fellowships – there is a plethora of ways to learn the industry practices from the professionals themselves.

While the continuity of education remains an uncompromisable entity in the process, students should use their free time to upskill themselves by being a part of the professional landscape. It is indeed promising to note that innumerable corporate players are coming forward and absorbing students in live industry work.

Having cleared the conceptual decks, such temporary professional stints offer many advantages to students. Let us look at some of those advantages through the following pointers:

- 1. Converting Theoretical Knowledge into Applied Professional Acumen: Through these engagements, students get the unique opportunity to apply their theoretical understanding in solving real-life problems. Thus, natural upskilling happens for the students.
- **2. Learning from the Masters:** No matter how hard a teacher tries, educational institutions can only simulate the industry. However, through these temporary stints, students get to meet the experts of the concerned field. Learning from the experts is always a life-changing experience.
- 3. Economic Sensitization: Educational institutions invariably base their curriculum on ideal circumstances and rightfully so. Consequently, students often fail to understand the economics of the field that she/ he is getting into. Professional stints provide the students an insider's view into the industry and thus they end up comprehending the economic realities.



- **4. Learning by Doing:** Learning by doing is always fun. Through temporary engagements, students get into the intricacies of the industry and learn the tricks of the trade by doing. Often students fail, and failure, as we all know, is enlightening if taken in the right spirits
- 5. Creation of Pre-Placement Offers (PPOs): Postgraduate students often convert their internships into assured permanent jobs. While the jobs commence after the students pass out, they can sleep easy knowing that they have a final placement in their kitty. Usually, PPOs happen when students perform exceedingly well during their part-time engagements. In fact, there are certain industries where PPOs are more of a norm than an exception.
- 6. Economic Self-Sustenance: Most of these part-time engagements involve the students being paid a certain sum of money for the work that they do for the organizations concerned. This leads to the students understanding the value of money even before entering the industry. Also, they often end up sponsoring their own education, which is at once empowering and instructional.

Given what has already been said, it is desirable that students take the initiative to find our suitable opportunities in the industry. However, they also need to ensure that they are not exploited in the process. They rest, as they say, is self-explanatory!

Signing off for now!

Stay safe, happy, and healthy!

Cheers!
Dr. Amrita Chakraborty
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International Conference

On

'Restructuring, Reforming, and Revamping Independent India: Reforms in Agriculture, Administrative, Economic and Entrepreneurial Sectors'

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The International Conference on 'Restructuring, Reforming, and Revamping Independent India: Reforms in Agriculture, Administrative, Economic and Entrepreneurial sectors' was scheduled on 16th and 17th August 2023 at Pandit Deendayal Energy University, Gandhinagar Gujarat. The former President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind, inaugurated this august gathering. In his inaugural address, he reiterated the need for such a conference in India to discuss and deliberate on restructuring, revamping, and rebuilding India under the Azadi ka Amrut Mahotsav. He expressed the vision of our prime minister, Shri Narendra Modi, in achieving a 5 trillion dollar economy and the policies laid by his government to achieve India's social, economic, and environmental development. He recollected the Prime Minister's keen interest in PDEU and its growth. Alongside the chief guest, the inaugural was attended by Shri Dr. Hasmukh Adhia, IAS (Retd) and Chairman Standing Committee, PDEU.

Dr. Adhia conveyed the conference's core theme, which resonates with the country's aspirations. He stated that the conference had provided a platform for the nation to elevate to new heights of prosperity by forging cross-sectoral collaborations. The diverse array of discussions has given the key to the holistic development of the country by collectively steering the course for the betterment of society. He reiterated the government of Gujarat and India's critical and strategic interventions to achieve the 5 Trillion dollar economy.

Director General of PDEU, Professor Sundhar Manoharan, warmly welcomed the guests and participants to the two-day International conference. The motto of 'Sabka Sath Sab Ka Vikas Sab Ka Vishwas' inspires Dr. Manoharan. The PM has assured a paradigm shift in governance that will lead to inclusive development, corruption-free governance, last-mile delivery, administrative reforms, PRAGATI, and soon. He talked about the vision and the achievement of the PDEU in the front of Energy in contributing to the nation's prosperity and environmental well-being. The member secretary of ICSSR expressed his happiness in collaborating with this conference; he talked about India and its growing importance in the International sphere, for which we need to enhance the quality of research in all spheres for sustainable growth. He talked about development with sustainability.

The international guest, Professor Rajade-Berry James, spoke about NAASPA, A global accrediting institution, and the kind of research and collaboration that take place in public policy and administration, increasing partnerships across the globe. NASPAA focuses on good governance, public service, community collaborations, and multidisciplinary curriculum. He was followed by the vote of thanks delivered by Col. Dr. Rakesh, Registrar, PDEU. It was much appreciated that the international conference attracted more than 300 abstracts from across India, South Africa, Zimbabwe, UAE, USA, and Bangladesh. The chief guest released the conference 'Book of Abstracts' in the inaugural and expressed his best wishes for conference participants.

The conference gathered practitioners, scholars, policymakers, academicians, and leaders from the private and public spheres to exchange knowledge and experiences on the role of public administration at both national and international levels. The conference acknowledged the efforts made by public administrative systems and academia nationwide. This conference deliberated on the institutional capacity of governments across India to improve state-society relations and deliver services sustainably.

To explore the occasions from the gathered national and international speakers, the conference schedule included keynote sessions on August 16 and a panel discussion on National Education Policy on August 17.

The critical note sessions were delivered by Professor Dhananjay Singh, Member Secretary, ICSSR, Professor RaJade Berry-James, President-Elect, NASPAA, USA, Professor Y. Pardhasaradhi Secretary- Indian Public Administration Association, Professor. Nurul Momen, Faculty of Public Admin, University of Rajshahi, Bangladesh, and Dr. Sriram Divi - Convener Faculty of Public Policy and Administration, PDEU. Professor Nigam Dave - Director, SLS, PDEU, presided over the session. All the speakers extensively delivered on the core themes of Restructuring, Revamping, and Rebuilding the Independent India. Professor Pardhasaradi and Dananjay Singh have talked on Good Governance and Administrative reforms. Foreign speakers correlated the process of rebuilding India and the opportunities to explore.

The second-day Panel Discussion on National Education Policy: Implications on Higher Education Institutions was moderated by Professor Pradeep Mallik (HoD, Media and Communication, PDEU. The panel members included Professor Nirmala Dorasamy, Professor, Faculty of Public Management, DUT, South Africa; Professor Richeleen Dashield Director, Office of Equity and Inclusion, NYU, USA; Professor Gift Mugano, Director at Africa Economic Development Strategies, NMU, Zimbabwe, Professor A. Venkatraman, Faculty of Public Admin. VNSGU, India, Professor Marzina Begum, Professor of Public Administration Rajshahi University, Bangladesh, and Dr. M. Venkat Ram Reddy, Faculty of Public Policy and Administration, PDEU. All the panel members brought in the educational status and the need for reform in their respective countries. The panel emphasized quality state education, flexibility in regulatory institutions, non-commercialization of education, equity, diversity, equality in education, and skill education.

The valedictory session on Public Policy Agenda for 2047-Role of Academics was addressed by the chief guest Professor Ajmer Singh Malik, Vice Chancellor, CDLU, Haryana President, Indian Public Administration Association and the Guest of Honor Professor S. Shantha Kumar, Director, GNLU, Gujarat. Both the speakers agreed upon the need for reforms in their current educational setup. Professor Malik emphasized institutional reforms, and Professor Shantha Kumar emphasized Empirical-based education and teaching-learning reforms. Alongside the Chief Guest and Guest of Honor, Dr. Bhawani Singh Desai, Dean R&D, PDEU, Professor. Nigam Dave, Director SLS, PDEU, and Dr Ritu Sharma, Dean, SLS, PDEU were Present. Dr Sriram Divi, Faculty of Public Policy & Admin and Convener of the international conference, delivered a vote of thanks.



The conference received an overwhelming response from all quarters of the stakeholders. Call for abstracts were requested in 8 different technical sessions for which we received three hundred forty-two (342) abstracts. Out of 342 abstracts, 298 were accepted. The tracks include:

- 1) Entrepreneurial Sector
- 2) Agriculture Reforms
- 3) Governance & Administrative Reforms
- 4) Economic Reforms and Raising the Bar of our Economy
- 5) Societal Reforms
- 6) Energy and Infrastructure
- 7) Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Communication & Media
- 8) National Education Policy: An Avenue to Set a Blueprint for the Country's Future

The conference was attended by 270 participants, including the paper presenters and participants. The invited delegates were 55 in number, including national and international speakers, chairpersons, and co-chairpersons.























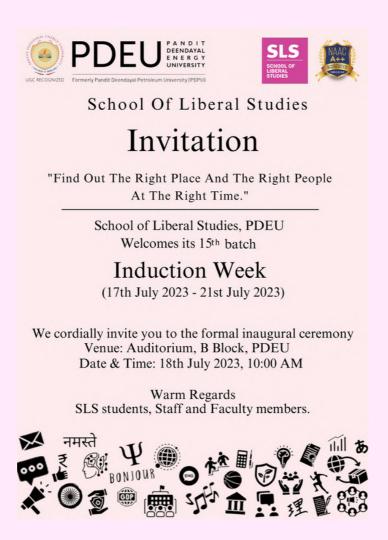
UNDERGRADUATE INDUCTION PROGRAM

Rapporteur: Dr. Amrita Chakraborty

July 17-21, 2023: The School of Liberal Studies (SLS) organized the Undergraduate Induction Programme for the 2023 Batch from July 17-21, 2023. The five-day programme was aimed to give a complete orientation to the students of the new batch about the academic curriculum and extracurricular activities. The event was organised by the Admin office of SLS under the supervision of Dr. Ritu Sharma, Dean, FOLS.

Prof. (Dr.) S. Sundar Manoharan, the honourable Director General of the university, Prof. Nigam Dave, Director of SLS, and Dr. Ritu Sharma interacted with the students and their parents on the first day. On the second day of the program, Prof. (Dr.) S. Sundar Manoharan and Col. (Dr.) Rakesh Kumar Shrivastawa, the honourable Registrar of the university addressed the students. The school organized dedicated sessions on Graduate attributes and Programme Outcome, NCC, Examination pattern, Office of Students Activities (OSAIL), Office of International Relations, Women's Cell, Narcotics and Cyber Security Awareness, Incubation and Innovation Center (IIC), Career and Placement Cell, Alumni Relations, Timetable and Student Research Opportunities.

The sessions were coupled with multiple fun-filled activities such as treasure hunt and field visits.



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Induction Schedule for Batch 2023 (17 July 2023-21 July 2023)

Day & Date	Time	Session	Venue	Session Coordinator	
	09:00 am - 9:30 am	Reporting of Batch 2023	Auditorium	Prof. Pradeep Mallik, Prof. Ashish Joshi, Dr. Tejas Dave, Dr. Neeta Sinha, Dr. Niyati Shah and Admission Committee Volunteers	
	9:30 am to 12:30 pm	Registration and Verification of Documents	Auditorium	Faculties & Admission committee volunteers	
	12:30 pm - 2:00 pm	Lunch Break	Student Cafeteria	Admission Committee Student Volunteers	
17th July	12:30 pm - 1:30 pm	Meeting & Greeting Session with Parents	Auditorium	Prof. Nigam Dave & Dr. Ritu Sharma	
Monday	2023 Monday 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm	Registration and Verification of Documents	Auditorium	Faculties & Admission committee volunteers	
	3:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Batch 2023 Interaction with the Director SLS and Dean SLS	Auditorium	Prof Nigam Dave & Dr. Ritu Sharma	
	4:00 pm to 5:00 pm	Audit / NCC / RI	Auditorium	Ms. Khushali & Team	
	5:00 pm to 6:00pm	Ice breaking Session	PDEU Campus	Dr Tejas Dave and Dr Niyati Shah & Admission Committee Volunteers	
	09:00 am - 10:15 am	Attendance	Auditorium	Dr. Ankita Srivastav , Dr. Sriram Dr Sitakanta Mishra, Dr. Sanjay Pradhan & Admission Committee Volunteers	
	10:15 to 10:30 AM	PDEU Movie	Auditorium	Faculty and Admission Committee Volunteers	
18th July 2023 Tuesday	10:30 to 10:40 AM	Prayer and Lamp lighting ceremony	Auditorium	Dr Niyati & Admission Committee Volunteers	
	10:40 to 10:55 AM	Address by Registrar (Col (Dr) Rakesh Kumar Shrivastawa)	Auditorium	Dr Ritu Sharma	



	11:00 am to 11:45 am	Commenceme nt Speech - Director General (Prof. Sundar Manoharan)	Auditorium	Dr Ritu Sharma
	11:45 am to12:00:00	Short Break		
	12:00 pm to 1:00 pm	Inaugural Session, About SLS, Faculty & Staff Introduction	Auditorium	Dr. Nigam Dave
	1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Lunch Break	Canteen	Admission Committee Volunteers
	2:00 pm - 3:30 pm	Gradute Attributes and Programme Outcomes and Academic Rules	Auditorium	Dr Ritu Sharma
	3:30 pm to 4:00 pm	Exams at PDEU	Auditorium	Dr. Indu Rao & Exam Team
	4:00 pm to 6:00pm	Theatre	Convocation Lawn	Mr. Vishal Bhatt & Admission Committee Volunteers
	09:00 am - 9:30 am	Attendance	Auditorium	Mr. Ashvin Parwani , Dr. Shweta Bamboowala , Dr. Himani Baxi, Mr. Dhyani Mehta,
	10:00 am to 11:00 am	Office of Student Activities (OSAIL)	Auditorium	Dean-Student Affairs & OSAIL TEam
19th July 2023 Wednesd	11:00 am to 1:00 pm	Experts talk on - Narcotics & Cyber security Awareness	Auditorium	Ms. Hetal Vasani & Admission Committee Volunteers
ay	1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Lunch Break	Canteen	Admission Committee Volunteers
	2:00 pm to 2:40 pm	PDEU Women's Cell	Auditorium	Dr. Himani Baxi and Women Cell
	2:40 pm to 3:30 pm	Office of International Relations	Auditorium	Prof. Nigam Dave & OIR Team
	3:30 pm to 6:00 pm	Treasure Hunt	PDEU Campus	SLS faculty members and Admission Committee Volunteers



	09:00 am - 9:30 am	Attendance	Field Visit		
20th July 2023	9:30 am to 1:00 pm	Field Visit		Dr. Tejas Dave, Dr. Ashish Joshi & Dr.	
Thursday	1:30 pm to 2:30 pm	Lunch		Akhilesh Shukla + Admission Committee Volunteers	
	3:00pm to 5:30 pm	Field Visit			
	09:00 am - 9:30 am	Attendance		Dr. Akhilesh Shukla, Dr. Sandesh Mahajan	
	9:30 am to 12:00 pm	Incubation & Innovation Centre	Auditorium	Dr. Niyati Shah & IIC Team	
	12:00 pm to 1:00 pm	Career & Placement Cell & Alumni Talk	Auditorium	Dr. Nausheen Nizami & Dr. Tejas Dave & Career Cell	
21st July 2023 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm		Lunch Break	PDEU Cafeteria	Admission Committee Student Volunteers	
Friday	2:00 pm to 2:45 pm	Center of Counselling Services	Auditorium	Mr. Ajay and Ms. Purva, Counselling Centre	
	2:45 pm to 3:30 pm	About Student Research Opportunities	Auditorium	Dr. Bhawanisingh Sir and RnD office	
	3:30 pm to 4:00 pm	Time Table Semester	Auditorium	Dr. Anurag Srivastav, Dr. Prateek Singh, Dr. Akhilesh Shukla	
	3:30 pm to 5:30 pm	Flash Mob	B- Block Foyer	Admission Committee Volunteers	

















































TALK ON 'BEHAVIOURAL ECONOMICS IN ACTION'

Rapporteur: Dr. Nausheen Nizami

Number of Participants: 35

August 1, 2023: The Economics Area, Department of Social Science, School of Liberal Studies in collaboration with IQAC organized a talk on *'Behavioural Economics in Action'* for an hour for students interested in understanding the relevance of behavioural science in policy and practice. Mr Saksham Singh (PhD, University of Wisconsin-Madison and also SLS Alumni Batch'12) and Mr Aayush Agarwal, Manager-Lab, Centre for Social and Behavioural Change, Ashoka University were invited as speakers.



Mr. Saksham elaborated on the inter-disciplinary aspects of Economics, Psychology, Sociology and Biology. He discussed the building blocks of behavioural economics and stressed the importance of understanding behavioural dynamics for economic decision-making. New methods evolved by contemporary behavioural economists were discussed.

Mr. Aayush Agarwal explained the meaning and purpose of experiments in behavioural economics and how effective interventions are taking place using them. He explained that experiments are conducted to confirm behavioural economics with scientific data. They also help in establishing causal links between our interventions and outcomes. He also explained the difference between Lab experiments, Lab-in-the-field experiments and Field experiments.

The session ended with discussions on the applications of behavioural economics experiments to study problems in real life.









INDUCTION FOR PG PROGRAM (BATCH 23)

Rapporteur: Dr. Udayprakash Sharma, SLS

August 7-9, 2023: A three-day induction programme for the PG Batch 2023 was conducted in offline mode, from August 7th to August 9th, 2023.

Day 1: The first day of the induction for the MA and M.Com. programme Students began with welcoming the students on campus, by Admin SLS and Dr. Udayprakash Sharma, which was followed by the registration and verification of documentation process, from 9:30 am to 1:00 pm. The event was coordinated and facilitated by Admin SLS.

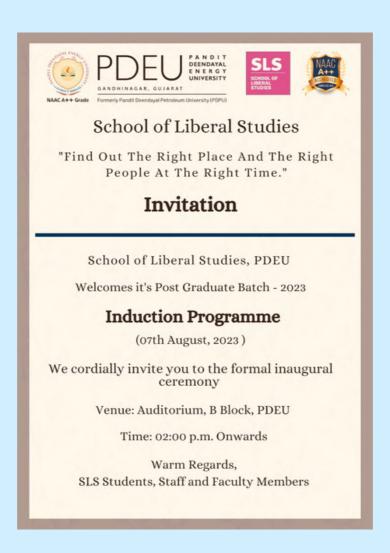
The formal event began post lunch at 2:15 pm with the auspicious lamp lighting ceremony done by (Col) Dr Rakesh Shrivastawa- The Registrar of PDEU, Prof. (Dr.) Nigam Dave- The Director of SLS, Prof. (Dr.) Ritu Sharma- The Dean, SLS, and other PDEU Officials. The welcome address to the PG Students was given by (Col) Dr. Rakesh Shrivastawa, who spoke about his life experience in the Indian Armed Forces and motivated and encouraged the students to work with dedication in their lives, to achieve success. The following session at 2:40 pm was the commencement speech by the Director General of PDEU, Prof. (Dr.) Sundar Manoharan. The Director General was travelling for official business and could not attend the induction in person, but he delivered the commencement speech through a pre-recorded video message for the PG Induction students which was played in the auditorium. The Director General welcomed the students to SLS and PDEU.

The next session was briefing the students about the SLS PG Programme which was taken by Prof. (Dr.) Venkat Ram Reddy. Another important session was conducted by the Dean of SLS, Prof. (Dr.) Ritu Sharma engaged the students by talking about the Programme Outcomes and Academic Rules at SLS. Prof. (Dr.) Sharma also spoke about her academic experience to the students and motivated them to excel in academics. The concluding session of the day was conducted by Prof. (Dr.) Nigam Dave- The Director of SLS. He spoke to the students about his life learning, academic experience, and the history of SLS. Prof (Dr.) Dave introduced the new students to the SLS Faculty and Staff. The first day's induction session was concluded at 4:30 p.m. along with refreshments for the students and faculty.

Day 2: The SLS Master's Batch 2023 reported in the auditorium at 9:00 am for the second day of induction and they were welcomed by Admin SLS & Admission Committee Volunteers. Prof. (Dr.) Udayprakash Sharma initiated the second day of induction by showcasing a PDEU introduction video clip, which gave an overall acquaintance to the new students about the infrastructure of the university and the activities done by the SLS in the past. The first session began as per the schedule at 9:30 a.m. with an introduction from the Office of International Affairs (OIR) which was delivered by Mr. Maulik Shah. The Library Committee and Time Table Committee at SLS, conducted the next session, with Dr. Sandeep Pathak and Dr. Anurag Srivastava and their Team, representing the committees respectively.

The following session was conducted by the Centre of Counselling Services and Student Activities by Team OSAIL. Another session was about introducing the students to SLS Media Lab, which was delivered by Prof. (Dr.) Pradeep Mallik and Prof. (Dr.) Sandesh Mahajan from the Department of Language, Literature, and Aesthetics. At 2:30 p.m., the students were escorted by Team Admin SLS and Admission Committee Volunteers to the Innovation and Incubation Centre (IIC). The concluding session of the second day was from 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm which was Flash Mob and Talent Showcase organized by the Admission Committee Volunteers, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all the students.

Day 3: The last day of induction was a field trip to Balasinor in Gujarat, for all the PG Students of Batch 2023. Prof (Dr.) Udayprakash Sharma and Prof. (Dr.) Supriya Pal were the Faculty Coordinators of the trip, who were accompanied by Admission Committee Volunteers. The journey started at 9:30 a.m. from the PDEU Campus. The students reached their destination in the AC buses, where the students engaged with life-like figures of various kinds of dinosaurs in the Balasinor Dinosaur Museum. The museum was vast and also had the facility of VR movie showcasing as well as a 3D movie theatre, which the students enjoyed during the first half of the field trip. During the second half, the students had their lunch and moved to visit the Dinosaur Park which was near the Museum, and it contained the real fossils of the dinosaurs. The students started their journey back to the PDEU Campus at 4:30 pm and reached at 7:30 pm. The students thoroughly enjoyed the field trip and got an opportunity to socialise with the faculty and their batchmates.





PANDIT DEENDAYAL ENERGY UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LIBERAL STUDIES INDUCTION SCHEDULE FOR POST GRADUATE PROGRAMME - 2023 DATE: 07th, 8th & 9th AUGUST, 2023

Day & Time		Session	Venue	Session Coordinator	
	09:30am - 10:00am	Welcoming and Reporting Batch 2023	B-Block Foyer	Admission Committee Volunteers	
	10:00am - 01:00pm	Registration, Document Verification & ID Card Distribution including Tea & Snacks	Auditorium	SLS Faculty Members, Admission Committee Volunteers	
	01:00pm - 02:00pm	Lunch	Cafeteria	Admission Committee Volunteers	
	02:00pm - 02:15pm	PDEU Movie	Auditorium	SLS Faculty Members, Admission Committee Volunteers	
	02:15pm - 02:20pm	Lamp Lighting Ceremony	Auditorium	PDEU Officials	
07th	02:20pm - 02:40pm	Welcome Address by the Registrar, PDEU-Col (Dr.) Rakesh Shrivastawa	Auditorium	Dr. Ritu Sharma	
August, 2023	02:40pm- 02:50pm	Commencement Speech by the Director General : Prof. (Dr) Sundar Manoharan	Auditorium	Dr. Ritu Sharma	
	02:50pm - 03:00pm	SLS Post -Graduation Programme	Auditorium	Dr. Venkatram Reddy	
	03:00pm - 04:00pm	Programme Outcomes and Academic Rules- Dean SLS - Dr. Ritu Sharma	Auditorium	Dr. Ritu Sharma	
	04:00pm - 04:30pm	Introduction of SLS, Faculty & Staff Director SLS - Prof. (Dr.) Nigam Dave	Auditorium	Prof.(Dr.) Nigam Dave	
04:30pm - 05:00pm		High Tea	B-Block Foyer	Ms. Ashwini Raisinghani, Admission Committee Volunteers	
	09:00am - 09:30am	Reporting of Masters Batch 2023	B-Block Foyer	Admission Committee Volunteers	
09:30am - 10:00am 10:00am - 10:30am 10:30am - 11:00am		Office of International Relations	Auditorium	OIR	
		Library & Time Table	Auditorium	Team - Library & Time Table Committee	
		High Tea	Auditorium	Ms. Ashwini Raisinghani, Admission Committee Volunteers	
08th	11:00am - 11:30am	Research at PDEU	Auditorium	Team - R & D	
August,	11:30 am - 12:00 pm	Centre of Counselling Services	Auditorium	Counselling Centre PDEU	
2023	12:00 pm - 01:00 pm	Student Activities	Auditorium	Team OSAIL	
	01:00pm - 02:00pm	Lunch Break	Auditorium	Admission Committee Volunteers	
	02:00pm - 02:30pm	SLS Media Lab	Auditorium	Team - Media Lab	
	02:30pm - 04:00pm	IIC Visit (Innovation & Incubation Center)	UG. Hostel Campus	Team - IIC	
	04:00pm - 04:30pm	High Tea	Student Cafeteria	Ms. Ashwini Raisinghani, Admission Committee Volunteers	
	04:30pm - 06:00pm	Flash Mob & Talent Showcase		Admission Committee	
09th	08:00am - 08:30am	Reporting of Masters Batch 2023	B Block Foyer	Admission Committee Volunteers	
August, 2023 09:00pm - 06:00pm		Field Trip		SLS Faculty Members, Admission Committee Volunteers	

























ALUMNI TALK

Rapporteur: Dr Nausheen Nizami.

Number of Participants: 53

August 9, 2023: The Career Cell, School of Liberal Studies in collaboration with IQAC organised an Alumni Talk for students interested in learning life's sessions and career planning from their Alumni. Three Alumni- Tanay Katiyar, Aaizaz Patel and Mazhar Momin were invited for the talk. All the speakers were Economics Major Students from Batch 2016-2020.





Alumni being felicitated by current Economics Major students of Batch 2020-Saumya Jhaveri and Bilen Dijene.

Tanay Katiyar discussed the 'Cognitive Analogies for the Present and the Future' and interacted with the audience to understand their current understandings of the same.



Tanay Katiyar during his interaction.



Aaizaz Patel shared his experiences working as a derivative analyst and explained the importance of knowing both Finance and Economics for such a position. Mazhar discussed the importance of self-learning and skill upgradation and shared his certifications and learnings during COVID-19.



Aaizaz Patel interaction with juniors.

The session ended with an interaction between current students and the Alumni, followed by a note of thanks from Dr. Nausheen Nizami, Faculty coordinator, of Career Cell.



Interactive round with Alumni.



WEATHER STATION INSTALLATION AT PANDIT DEENDAYAL ENERGY UNIVERSITY (PDEU), GANDHINAGAR, GUJARAT

Rapporteur: Dr. Ritu Sharma



August 10, 2023: The Bronx Community College (BCC) of the City University of New York (CUNY) backed by a grant from the US Consulate General, Mumbai, installed a weather monitoring station at Pandit Deendayal Energy University (PDEU) on August 10, 2023. The US Consulate General, Mumbai, has provided a grant to BCC/CUNY to install weather monitoring stations at seven higher education institutions in Western India. The inauguration event was held at the PDEU campus, Gandhinagar, Gujarat on the same day.











EXHIBITION ON AAKRUTI: THE SME CLINIC FOR SHAPING AND EMPOWERING MICRO-LEVEL WOMEN ENTREPRENEURS

Rapporteur: Dr. Ankita Srivastava

Number of Participants: 60+ Exhibitors

August 21, 2023: In commemoration of *World Entrepreneur Day* on August 21, 2023, the School of Liberal Studies at Pandit Deendayal Energy University organized an event that not only celebrated the tenacity of micro-level women entrepreneurs but also facilitated their growth by providing an avenue to showcase their distinctive business ventures. This initiative, in line with India's emphasis on women's entrepreneurship during its G20 presidency, effectively underscored the university's dedication in nurturing the entrepreneurial spirit for fostering sustainable economic progress.

Dr. Manjula Jagatramka was the Chief Guest of the event which featured over 60 micro-level women entrepreneurs who exhibited a plethora of innovative products, each embodying the ingenuity and zeal of these remarkable women. The products on display, ranging from intricately crafted artworks to meticulously assembled handcrafted articles, served as a testament to the entrepreneurial prowess present within this dynamic group.





Entrepreneurs displaying their products.

The event was graced by the honourable Director General of the university Prof. S. Sundar Manoharan and the Registrar of the university Prof. Rakesh Srivastava.













What set this event apart was the comprehensive approach taken to truly understand the journeys and challenges of these entrepreneurs. A select team of proficient marketing students, under the guidance of an experienced faculty mentor, conducted detailed interviews with each entrepreneur. This personalised engagement allowed the team to gain deep insights into the hurdles faced by these entrepreneurs and the remarkable paths they have taken.



Marketing students conducting interviews with an entrepreneur

The insights gathered from these interviews will be instrumental in crafting tailored skill-based support for a chosen group of entrepreneurs among the 60. This strategic approach to providing guidance and mentorship is aimed at making a substantial impact on their growth trajectories. By addressing their unique challenges and leveraging their journeys, the university aims to provide these women entrepreneurs with the tools they need to flourish.

This initiative aligns perfectly with Pandit Deendayal Energy University's commitment to inclusive economic development and women's empowerment. By offering a platform for micro-level entrepreneurs and extending support through meaningful interactions and skill-based mentorship, the university contributes to creating a more resilient entrepreneurial ecosystem.

As India continues to hold the G20 presidency, initiatives like these reaffirm the nation's dedication to championing innovation, inclusivity, and sustainable economic development on the global stage.

The event organized by the School of Liberal Studies at Pandit Deendayal Energy University to mark World Entrepreneur Day not only celebrated the achievements of micro-level women entrepreneurs but also highlighted the university's commitment to their growth and success. The comprehensive approach of conducting insightful interviews by a team of marketing students, guided by faculty mentors, adds a layer of personalized support. This approach is expected to be instrumental in providing skill-based guidance to a chosen group of entrepreneurs, further strengthening their journey toward success.









SESSION ON "STRATEGIES FOR SUSTAINING TRADITIONAL INDIAN HANDCRAFTED TEXTILE PRODUCTS IN THE GLOBAL MARKETPLACE"

Rapporteur: Dr. Ankita Srivastava

Number of Participants: 200

August 21, 2023: The session titled 'Strategies for Sustaining Traditional Indian Handcrafted Textile Products in the Global Marketplace' held on August 23, 2023, resonated with the Marketing Major students from Semesters 5 and 7 of BBA and B.Com. Guided by the expertise of Dr Manjula Jagatramka, a distinguished social entrepreneur with an impressive 45+ years of experience, the event centred on the delicate balance between preserving cultural heritage and attaining international prominence.

Dr Jagatramka's age of 66 seemed inconsequential as her energy and insights captivated the audience. Her discussion revolved around the strategic fusion of tradition and global success, emphasizing the necessity to safeguard traditional practices while adopting innovative strategies to penetrate international markets. This approach, she asserted, not only secures the legacy of traditional Indian handcrafted textile products but also propels their recognition on a global scale.

The session transcended the traditional lecture format with a lively Q&A segment. During this interaction, students actively engaged with Dr. Jagatramka, posing pertinent questions related to the challenges faced by micro-level women entrepreneurs in the context of traditional Indian textile products. The students' curiosity and desire to grasp effective strategies to surmount these challenges were evident in their inquiries.

Dr. Jagatramka, drawing from her extensive experience, provided insightful responses to these questions, offering practical approaches to overcoming obstacles micro-level women entrepreneurs face. Her wisdom and guidance served as a valuable resource for these budding marketers, enriching their understanding of the intricacies involved in sustaining and promoting traditional products in the global marketplace.

Key points:

• Experienced Speaker: Dr Manjula Jagatramka, an esteemed social entrepreneur with a vast 45+ years of experience, led the discussion, offering a wealth of practical knowledge.



- Balancing Tradition and Success: The session revolved around the intricate interplay of preserving cultural heritage while achieving international recognition. Dr. Jagatramka emphasized the need to harmonize these aspects for sustainable growth.
- Active Student Interaction: The session's highlight was the dynamic Q&A segment, where students engaged with Dr. Jagatramka, addressing challenges faced by micro-level women entrepreneurs and seeking strategies to navigate them.
- Insightful Responses: Dr Jagatramka drew from her extensive experience to provide pragmatic solutions to the challenges posed by students, offering valuable guidance for overcoming obstacles.
- **Practical Learning:** The interactive nature of the session enriched students' understanding, providing them with theoretical knowledge and real-world insights to apply in their future endeavours.
- Mentorship Impact: The session underscored the significance of mentorship and experiential learning in preparing students for the multifaceted landscape of global business.

In conclusion, the session on 'Strategies for Sustaining Traditional Indian Handcrafted Textile Products in the Global Marketplace' transcended a mere discussion by fostering active engagement between experts and students. Dr. Manjula Jagatramka's profound insights and infectious energy left an indelible mark on the participants. The interactive Q&A segment gave students a unique opportunity to delve into challenges faced by micro-level women entrepreneurs and seek strategies to overcome these hurdles. As these young marketers step into their professional journeys, they do so equipped not only with theoretical knowledge but also with practical wisdom gained from an expert's experiences. The session underscored the importance of mentorship and experiential learning in preparing students to navigate the complex landscape of global business.

















SLS CELEBRATED ITS 15TH FOUNDATION DAY

Rapporteur: Dr. Amrita Chakraborty



August 24, 2023: The School of Liberal Studies (SLS) celebrated its 15th Foundation Day on August 24, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. at the foyer of the SLS Building.



The event was graced by Col (Dr) Rakesh Kumar Shrivastawa, Registrar of PDEU, Shri Ankur Pandya, Chief Human Resource Officer, PDEU, Shri Abhinav Kapadia, Chief Financial Officer, PDEU, Prof. (Dr.) Nigam Dave, Director, SLS, PDEU and Dr. Ritu Sharma, Dean, FOLS, PDEU.

The occasion was celebrated with cake cutting, rangoli and treats for all the students and faculty members of SLS.















SRA INTERNSHIP AT GNLU: CENTRE FOR LAW AND ECONOMICS

Student Name: Arya Menon (21BABBA058) **Internship Duration:** May 24 - June 24, 2023

About the Internship:

- Worked as a Student Research Assistant under the guidance of Dr. Hitesh Thakkar, Assistant Professor at the Centre for Law and Economics in GNLU, for a two-month period.
- The role involved tasks related to data analysis, interpretation, and hypothesis testing for two projects. One project focused on assessing the efficiency of IBC (Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016), examining its overall functionality and associated processes.
- The second project explored the satisfaction levels of recipients of the Victim Compensation Scheme, their awareness, and public attitudes toward it, relying on information from NGOs, advocates, and responses from the victims themselves.
- The primary statistical tool utilized was SPSS, which facilitated data coding and graph creation. Data distributions were summarized using descriptive statistics, while inferential statistics aided in drawing conclusions about the population. Additionally, exploratory data analysis techniques were applied to visualize relationships within the data.
- The interpretation of the analyzed content was conducted with respect to the research objectives. The identification of significant trends, variable relationships, and outliers was part of the collaborative effort within the team to draw conclusions.
- The internship also encompassed a critical component of hypothesis testing. Contribution was made in the evaluation of p-values from tests such as the Pearson square test, Cramer V test, Kruskal Wallis test, and more, in order to assess the significance of results and confirm null or alternative hypotheses. The final stage involved the preparation of the ultimate draft of the work completed.

Outcomes:

- The internship at the Centre for Law and Economics offered valuable hands-on experience in applying data analysis techniques and interpreting results. This experience resulted in the enhancement of analytical skills and a deeper comprehension of the research process. Mr. Hitesh Thakkar provided thorough and patient guidance throughout the entire internship duration.
- Gained knowledge about the intricacies of the research process was invaluable, and there is gratitude for the opportunity to contribute to meaningful research projects.

SUMMER INTERNSHIP AT UNITED SERVICES OF INDIA

Student Name: Anshika Chauhan, Economics Major, Batch 2020

Internship Duration: June 1- 30,2023

About the Internship:

- United Services of India (USI) is India's pre-eminent think tank on matters of diplomacy, defence and national security. It was established in 1970 and has its headquarters in Delhi. It focuses on policy research and publications on new-generation warfare, military doctrines and strategy, operational art, disruptive force development, Indian Military Heritage and post-independence wars and Conflicts.
- The job role was to initially work under diplomats and officials from military backgrounds to understand the nature of policy and decision-making and further research to come up with strategies followed by a research paper.

Outcomes:

- Policy and strategy-making decisions- Focused on Indian military operations (1990's- present), and financial allocations on warfare.
- Understanding of data analysis and interpretations.
- Geopolitical analysis- Learned to implement various policies directly under diplomats and chief army
 officers on topics. India's relations with China, Pakistan, Russia, the USA, Sri Lanka and Nepal were
 mainly focused. Discussion on current geopolitical and foreign affairs was tracked back to the origin of
 several policies and their effects.
- Research paper and article writing:- Besides discussions, got guided on the format and construction of research paper and article writing. Researched and worked on a paper titled 'India's foreign trade policy towards sustainable growth by 2030'.







SUMMER INTERNSHIP AT THE DIRECTORATE OF ECONOMICS AND STATISTICS GUJARAT

Student Name: Mandar Bhatt (22MAECO01), MA Economics Batch 2022

Internship Duration: May 22 - July 07, 2023

About the Internship:

- The Directorate of Economics and Statistics is a renowned organization under the government of Gujarat. It primarily deals with the collection, compilation, and processing of statistical data and disseminates it in the form of important statistical publications pertaining to the economy of the State. In addition to this, the organization conducts socio-economic studies, surveys, and censuses related to various socio-economic aspects vital to the development of the State.
- The role was to write a report titled 'Trends in various indicators reflecting development in the agriculture sector of Gujarat.' In addition, there was a collaboration with working colleagues to write a report on the 'Impact of public debt on Economic growth of Gujarat'.

Outcomes:

- Enhanced skills to use statistical software for analysis.
- Gained hands-on experience in handling large data sets.

CERTIFICATE

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E-mail: dirdes@gujarat.gov.in

To whom so ever it may concern

This is to certify that, Shri Mandar Bhatt a student of Pandit Deendayal Energy University, Gandhinagar has worked from 22nd May, 2023 to 07th July, 2023 for internship at Directorate of Economics and Gandhinagar.

During the Internship, he was associated with State Income Branch, at DES, Gandhinagar and study report on State level trend analysis in Agriculture Sector was submitted by him to Directorate of Economics and Gandhinagar.

Place: Gandhinagar

(Dr. Rakesh R. Pandya) Director **Economics & Statistics** Gandhinagar

SUMMER INTERNSHIP AT DIRECTORATE OF ECONOMICS AND STATISTICS, GOVERNMENT OF GUJARAT

Student Name: Priyanshu Chavda, MA Economics Batch 2022

Internship Duration: May 22- July 7, 2023

About the internship:

- The Directorate of Economics and Statistics is a nodal agency under the Government of Gujarat dealing with the collection, compiling, and processing the statistical data under various heads and publishing it through different publications pertaining to the economy of the state. The Directorate of Economics and Statistics is also responsible for compiling and preparing the estimates of the State Domestic Product and related aggregates. With that, they also publish the Socio-Economic Review of Gujarat State as a Budget publication.
- Had the opportunity to work with the Publication Branch, which is responsible for various key publications like Socio-Economic Review, Budget-in-Brief, and Performance of Development Indicators of the Gujarat State, among others. Submitted a report titled 'Status of Primary Education in Gujarat' and 'Effect of Public Debt on Gujarat's GSDP Growth' with one of my fellow interns, and had the opportunity to work on transforming the data for their upcoming publications.

Outcomes:

- Acquired hands-on experience in conducting research, data analysis, and preparing reports.
- Learned to collaborate effectively within a team and across different branches.
- Understood how the organization collects primary data.
- Familiarized with various publications of DES and their methodologies.
- Understanding of the government's organizational structure, functions, and processes
- Use of statistical software such as EViews and Tableau.



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During the Internship, he was associated with Publication Branch, at DES, Gandhinagar and study report on Status of Primary Education in Gujarat was submitted by him to Directorate of Economics and Gandhinagar.

Date:

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Place: Gandhinagar

(Dr. Rakesh R. Pandya)

Director

Economics & Statistics

Gandhinagar



SUMMER INTERNSHIP AT THE DIRECTORATE OF ECONOMICS AND STATISTICS

Student Name: Saumya Jhaveri, Economics Major, Batch 2020

Internship Duration: May 22 to July 7, 2023

About the internship:

- The Directorate of Economics and Statistics (DES) is a government organization under the Ministry of Statistics and Planning Implementation (MOSPI). DES works on generating all economic, social, and environmental indexes such as GDP, IIP, and Socio-economic review.
- They develop a coherent and consistent system of data collection, analysis, and dissemination for improving the credibility, timeliness, reliability, and comparability of data generated at different levels, both across time and space.
- The task was to simplify the process of creating an index using the provided dataset in Excel and get hands-on experience in making an index. It also included generating visualizations through Tableau.

Outcomes:

- Formulation of Indexes such as the Index of Industrial Production, Annual survey of industries, etc.
- Importance of each variable and how to choose one.
- Hands-on experience working with large data sets.
- Experience in working culture as a researcher.
- Report Writing: Successful preparation of two comprehensive reports for the Annual Survey of Industry and Index of Industrial Production.

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This is to certify that, Shri Saumva Jhaveri a student of Pandit Deendayal Energy University, Gandhinagar has worked from 22nd May, 2023 to 07th July, 2023 for internship at Directorate of Economics and Gandhinagar.

During the Internship, he was associated with Annual Survey of Industries (ASI) Branch, at DES, Gandhinagar and study report on Analysis and forecast of IIP was submitted by him to Directorate of Economics and Gandhinagar.

Date:

2 5 JUL 2023

Place: Gandhinagar

(Dr. Rakesh R. Pandya)

Director

Economics & Statistics

Gandhinagar



CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY INTERNSHIP AT THE HOSPITAL OF MENTAL HEALTH, SHAHIBAUG

Rapporteur: Juhee Yadav

Number of Participants: 25

May 8 – June 10, 2023: PDEU's School of Liberal Studies organized a Clinical Psychology Internship at the Hospital of Mental Health, Shahibaug, Ahmedabad, for 25 students, primarily from the Psychology Majors BBA Semester 6 and MA Semester 2. The duration of the internship was one month, and it was from 8th May to 10th June 2023.

The internship's primary goal was to provide interns with a comprehensive understanding of Psychological Disorders and Case History Taking. Interns were assigned tasks, including maintaining a file with assignments and case histories collected from the Hospital's General Ward. They received assignments every few days covering various psychological concepts and disorders and were required to submit reports.

Interns were allowed to visit and interact with patients and their families in both the Male and Female General Wards, creating at least 5 case histories. They also shadowed Mental Health Professionals at the OPD and observed their work. During the internship, interns split their time between two sites. They either observed Psychiatrists diagnosing mental disorders or interacted with patients and their families in the General ward to compile detailed case histories.

Additionally, interns visited the Child Rehabilitation Centre, where they observed therapies for children with various disorders, and the Occupational Therapy Centre, where patients engaged in revenue-generating activities. These experiences provided valuable insights into therapeutic practices and patient interactions. Interns had to complete assignments assigned by their supervisor and submit five comprehensive case histories by the end of the internship.

Internship Mentor: [Department of Social Sciences]

Dr. Ritu Sharma, SLS Aditi Goyal, 20BABBA387, Bachelor's Student of BABBA (Psychology Major) Ruben Joseph, 22MAPSY05, Master's Student (MA Psychology)

Internship Mentor: [Hospital of Mental Health]

Dr. Ajay Chauhan, Medical Superintendent

Dr. Bibin Zachariah, Clinical Psychologist, Department of Clinical Psychology



Key Takeaways

- Insights into the functioning of various departments of the Hospital such as OPD, General Ward, Rehabilitation Centre, and Occupation Therapy Workshop.
- Exposure to the Consultation Sessions of Clinical Psychologists and Psychiatrists and Real-Life Patients suffering from any major or minor mental illnesses.
- Gaining a detailed understanding of various psychological concepts, the procedure, and the do's and don'ts of Case History Taking.
- Valuable experience with well-coordinated mentors, helpful hospital staff, and the guidance of accompanying interns and medical students.

Overall, The Internship at the Hospital of Mental Health was a huge success. It offered a hands-on learning experience in the field of Psychological Disorders and Case History, Taking through assignments, case histories, hospital visits, and interactions with healthcare professionals. Furthermore, it was a great learning experience for all the students and helped them gain good insight into their future plans. The internship was very well organized for everyone.









Achievements of Faculty and Staff Members



DR.RITU SHARMA

Dr. Ritu Sharma was invited as a moderator to 'SAMAVESH 8.0', The HR Conclave, Track II, conducted by the School of Management, Pandit Deendayal Energy University, Gujarat on July 27th, 2023.

She also completed a collaborative research project funded by the University of Louisville on Children's and Adolescents' attitudes towards science in India and the United States along with Ms. Kanishka Varyani as a research associate from India.

Additionally, she submitted the Interim Report of the Garima Research Project Submitted and presented it to the Home Minister GOG.











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DR. NAUSHEEN NIZAMI

Presented a Research Paper entitled 'Empirical Evidences on the Impact of Automation on Skill-Gap and Demand for Labour in India's IT-BPM Industry' at the International Conference on 'New Technologies and the Future of Work in the Global South' held on July 17-19 2023, at New Delhi (India International Centre). The three-day International Conference was organised by the Institute for Human Development (IHD), New Delhi; the International Labour Organisation (ILO); and the Southern Centre for Inequality Studies, WITS University, South Africa.



She presented a Research Paper titled 'Capital Diversion: Towards a Greener Route- Incorporating Green Bonds in India's Climate Finance Strategy' at International Conference on Sustainable and Inclusive Urban Development in Global South International Experiences and Future Strategies organized by Institute for Human Development in collaboration with Department of Urban and Regional Planning, University of Florida (UF) in partnership with the Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) and National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA) at India International Centre from 10th-12th August 2023.







DR. HARMIK VAISHNAV

Dr Harmik Vaishnav presented a paper 'Gandhi The Inspirational CEO for People, Process And Productivity: Leadership In 21st Century' at Oxford Brookes University, Oxford, UK at an Eighteenth International Conference on 'Interdisciplinary Social Sciences', July 19th, 2023 – July 21st, 2023. The paper was appreciated and there were many questions on Gandhian studies from the faculties who represented other countries.

Dr Harmik Vaishnav was invited as a judge at an elocution competition at the Law Institute, GLS University. Enthusiastic participation from students on a relevant and much-debated topic, 'Reservation Policy in India: Social Justice or Roadblock to Meritocracy'. The competition was held on August 26, 2023. Dr Harmik Vaishnav and Mr Gaurav Mehta, an advocate in the High Court of Gujarat, also shared their observations and tips for improvement with the students of LLB.









DR. AMRITA CHAKRABORTY

Dr. Amrita Chakraborty presented the research paper titled 'Breaking Stereotypes and Challenging Social Narratives: Spotting the Alternative Gender Discourse in Select New Age Hindi Movies' at the International Conference on Restructuring, Revamping, and Rebuilding Independent India: Reforms in Agriculture, Administrative, Economic, and Entrepreneurial Sectors, organized by Pandit Deendayal Energy University, Gujarat, India, on August 16-17, 2023.



Dr. Chakraborty also served as the Co-Chair for the technical session on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Communication and Media during the same conference.

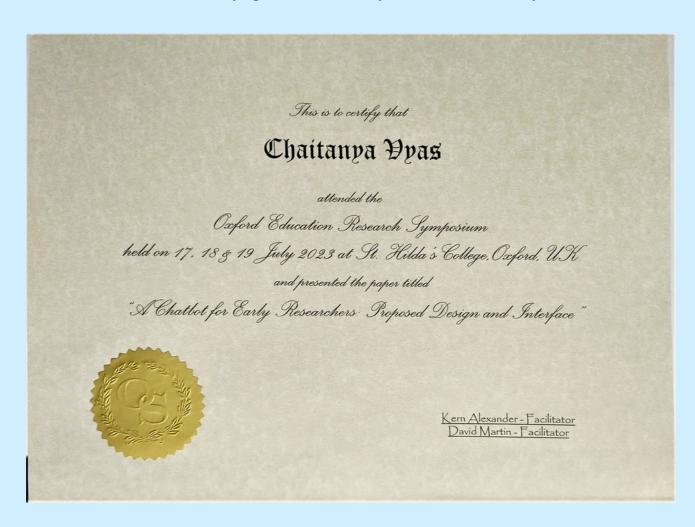






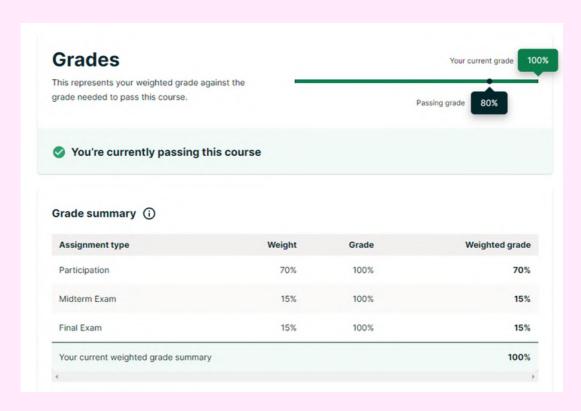
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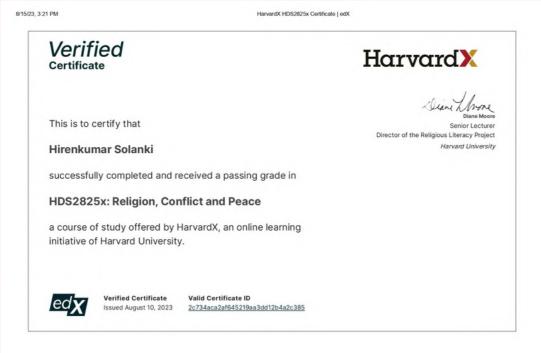
Dr. Chaitanya Vyas, Assistant Professor in the Department of Business Administration & Commerce, presented his research paper titled '*A Chatbot for Early Researchers: Proposed Design and Interface*' at the Oxford Education Research Symposium held in July 2023 at the University of Oxford, UK.



DR. HIREN SOLANKI

Dr. Hirenkumar Solanki successfully completed the course 'HDS2825x: Religion, Conflict and Peace' offered by Harvard University's online initiative, Harvardx. He received a verified certificate for the same.











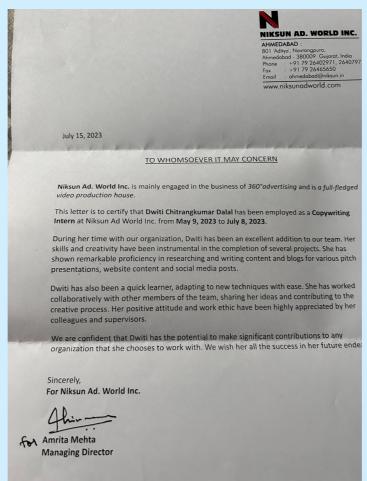
DWITI CHITRANG DALAL

(23MAMC13)

Dwiti Dalal has been a part of the social media team in the Urban20 inception meeting that was held from February 8th, 2023 to February 10th, 2023.

She has also worked as a copywriting intern at Niksun Ad World Inc. from May 9th, 2023 to July 8th, 2023.





LAHER DUDANI

(22BABBA188)

Laher Dudani did an internship at All Cargo from May 1st, 2023 to July 31st, 2023. He learned about how CFS (Container Freight Station) works, its processes, how it responds and builds the bridge between importer, exporter, and customer.



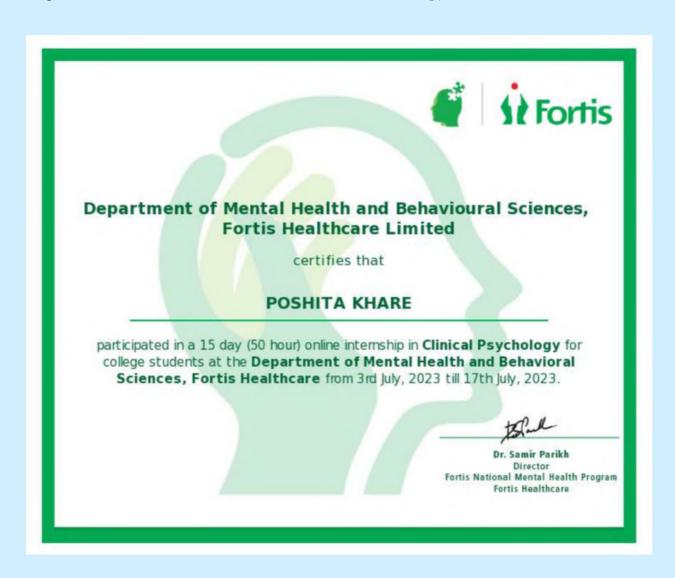




POSHITA KHARE

(21BABBA196)

Poshita participated in the Online Internship in Clinical Psychology organised by Fortis National Mental Health Program. It was a training internship that covered the basics of clinical psychology over the course of 15 days. She was additionally assigned tasks related to the material taught to the interns, post the session. Her favourite session was on 'Art Therapy'.



NIRMIT GARG

20BABBA180

Nirmit Garg completed an internship with Vibes of India Pvt Ltd as a Content Writer from May 2023 to July 2023. This internship provided him with insights into the operations of a conventional news media organisation.







OM PANDEY

20BABBA131

Om Pandey is currently pursuing a degree in Mass Communications at PDEU. Over the past few months, he had the opportunity to work as a part of the direction team for 'Satyaprem Ki Katha,' a Bollywood film starring Kiara Advani and Kartik Aryan. This film was directed by the national award-winning director, Mr. Sameer Widhvans, and was produced under the banner of Sajid Nadiadwala Productions and Namah Pictures.

After securing this role, Om worked in the direction team of an upcoming Gujarati film, '3 Ekka,' directed by Mr. Rajesh Sharma. This film features Malhar Thakkar, Yash Soni, and Mitra Gadhvi. Working in various film industries has helped Om evolve as a person, imparting values that he believes will remain with him forever.











ગાંધીનગર 29-08-2023

સાથ ઘણા અવા ાકસ્સાઆ બના સરળ બના જતા હાવ છે.

PDEUમાં 'ધ વ્યાપાર' યોજાયો

ગાંધીનગર: પંડિત દીનદયાલ એનર્જી યુનિવર્સિટીમાં સ્ટુડન્ટ્સ દ્વારા 'ધ વ્યાપાર' નામની ઈવેન્ટ યોજાઈ. જેમાં સ્ટુડન્ટ્સે પોતાની આંત્રપ્રિન્યોરશીપ સ્કિલ્સને દર્શાવી હતી. આ ઇવેન્ટમાં સ્ટુડન્ટ્સ દ્વારા વિવિધ પ્રકારની પ્રોડક્ટ્સ પ્રેઝન્ટ કરી હતી. જેમ કે, ફૂડ, એસેસરીઝ, કપડાં, પેઇન્ટિંગ વગેરે. સ્ટુડન્ટ્સ દ્વારા કુલ 26 સ્ટોલ્સ ઊભા કરાયા હતા. ઈવેન્ટનો ઉદ્દેશ્ય સ્ટુડન્ટ્સની આંત્રપ્રિન્યોરશીપ સ્કિલ્સ વધારવાનો અને પ્રેક્ટિકલ એક્સપોઝર આપવાનો હતો. 500થી વધુ લોકોએ વિવિધ સ્ટોલ્સની મુલાકાત લીધી હતી.

DIVYA BHASKAR

29-08-2023



Former President Ram Nath Kovind at the event organised by PDEU

Former Prez hails reforms in India

'India has done remarkably well to pull 13.5cr people out of poverty since 2014'

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International conference on Wednesday at Pandit Deendayal Energy University (PDEU), former President of India Ram Nath Kovind said that India has charted an extraordinary journey as it enters the Amrit Kaal that the country's stature has increased at the international level.

Kovind was Chief Guest at "Restructuring, Reforming, and Revamping the Independent India: Reforms in Agriculture, Administrative, Economic and Entrepreneurial Sectors" and said that he was confident that India will soon be regarded as "Vishwa Mitra" or the friend of the world as its stature grows at steep pace in the world- at the international level.

"India has pulled out around 13.5 crore people from poverty from 2015-16 to 2020-21, as reported by NITI Ayog. It is a major milestone, reducing half the number of people living in poverty by 2030. We are on the right path and should achieve the target much before the deadline. The International Monetary Fund has projected a 5 trillion economy for India in the next 4-5 years, I have immense faith in the young people to contribute to the demographic dividend. I urge young friends to contribute and participate in the Start-Up revolution. Make in India can transform lives of every India," he said.

AHMEDABAD MIRROR

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પીડીઇયુ ખાતે NCC એક્સપોઝર પ્રોગ્રામ યુનિટે ભવ્ય ઉજવણી કરી



ગાંધીનગર, તા. ૧ દ પંડિત દીનદયાલ એનર્જી યુનિવર્સિટી (PDEU) એ ૭ દમા સ્વતંત્રતા દિવસ પર એક અદ્ભુત ઔપચારિક પરેડ યોજાઈ હતી, જેમાં નેશનલ કેડેટ કોર્પ્સ (NCC)ના કેડેટ્સ અને NCC એક્સપોઝર પ્રોગ્રામના વિદ્યાર્થીઓ દ્વારા સમર્પણ અને દેશભક્તિનું પ્રદર્શન કરવામાં આવ્યું હતું. કાર્યક્રમની શરૂઆતમાં PDEUના મહાનિર્દેશક પ્રો. એસ સુંદર મનોહરનના પ્રેરણાદાયી વક્તવ્ય બાદ પ્રતિભાશાળી વિદ્યાર્થીઓ દ્વારા પરેડ અને સાંસ્કૃતિક પ્રદર્શન કરવામાં આવ્યું હતું. આ પ્રસંગે મહાનિર્દેશક દ્વારા "એમ્પાવરિંગ યુથ કોર નેશન-બિલ્ડીંગઃ એનસીસી એન્ડ એક્સપોઝર ટુ એનસીસી એટ પીડીઇયુ" નામના નોંધપાત્ર પુસ્તકનું વિમોચન પણ કરવામાં આવ્યું હતું. આ પુસ્તકમાં એનસીસી અને તેના એક્સપોઝર પ્રોગ્રામની વિવિધ પ્રવૃત્તિઓ અને નોંધપાત્ર સિદ્ધિઓને સમાવી લેવામાં આવી છે. સમપને NCC ગીતની હદયસ્પર્શી પ્રસ્તુતિ કરાઈ જેના પગલે વાતાવરણમાં દેશભક્તિની ભાવના છવાઈ જવા પામી હતી.

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