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Let's Talk

THE RESUMPTION OF OFFLINE CLASSES: A STEP TOWARDS NORMALCY



Someone rightly said that it is not over until it is over. Many experts the world over are predicting that the Covid-19 pandemic would soon become an endemic. With the novel Omicron variant of the Coronavirus proving to be a milder version of the dreaded Delta strain, there seems to be an air of optimism around that we are experiencing the end game of the global disaster. However, as bright as the public euphoria seems to be, there is a distinct possibility that the virus might come back and bite us in a different avatar.

As important as it is to be vigilant, it is the need of the hour to slowly resume normal life. The past two years saw humanity surviving one of its bleakest ordeals.

The global economy faced one of its most trying times. More than the economy though, the impact was on education. While much has been said about online and blended education and no one can ignore its obvious advantages, education cannot really be complete without physical interactions between the teachers and the students.

Keeping in tune with this pressing need, educational institutions are opening their shutters for the students. Physical classes, therefore, are complementing online classes. Initially, there is bound to be inertia. Students have gotten used to the idea of being in their bedrooms and attending their classes. The sheer physical comfort of attending online classes has made some of them lethargic to a certain extent.

Notwithstanding, it is a sine qua non that these students are pulled out from the comfort of their homes and made to experience the beauty of campus-based learning. It should always be kept in mind that students learn from their peers more than their teachers. The pleasure of collective learning is simply matchless. One of the most important characteristics of campus-based learning is a marked emphasis on group contemplations. It not only champions diversity but also ensures plurality in perspectives.

We have seen that the world has practically transformed over the past couple of decades. Subject to the proliferation in digital technologies, the very concept of living has changed. What was once considered to be a professional skills is no longer considered so. Mechanical and clerical jobs that required mundane repeat tasking are done by machines today. Consequently, the educational needs have also changed. Critical thinking, design thinking, problem-solving skills and creativity have become the differentiators in the professional world.

While information and data are important, the ability to interpret the information and data and analyze the same are more important. Therefore, an immediate shift in mindset is the need of the hour. This paradigm shift in mindset can only be brought about when students are exposed to the contemporary dynamics of an ever-changing world.

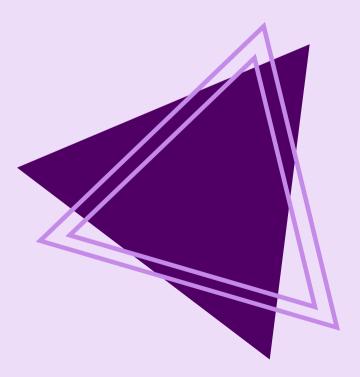
Classroom interactions, thus, are of paramount importance. While the teacher cannot claim to have a monopoly on wisdom what she/ he can do is to initiate the much-needed discussions. From thereon, the students can take those forward and bring those to their logical conclusions.

Pandit Deendayal Energy University (PDEU) has always been a progressive institution. It has always excelled in understanding the vibes of the moments and adapt accordingly. In its pursuit for excellence, the university is set to open its doors to students so that the teaching-learning process can be taken to the next level.

It is a given that the world will not be the same anymore. Some of the changes that Covid-19 quickened are here to stay although one might debate the qualitative aspects of these changes. However, what will not change is the unique emotional bond between a teacher and a student.

Stay safe, happy and healthy!

Cheers!
Dr. Amrita Chakraborty
Editor
SLS Mirror



SLS Events Calendar

SLS EVENTS CALENDAR - JANUARY 2022

SLS SCHOOL OF LIBERAL STUDIES	January 2022	School of Liberal Studies, PDEU		
SI. No.	Date of the Event/Activity	Name of the Event/Activity	Number of Participants	Department
1	18 January 2022	Research Methodology and Publication Ethics	18	Office of the Ph.D. Programme



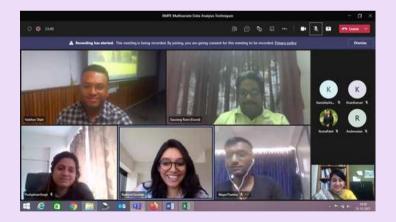
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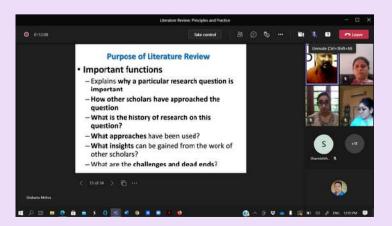
RESEARCH METHODOLOGY AND PUBLICATION ETHICS

Rapporteur: Dr. Vaibhav Shah

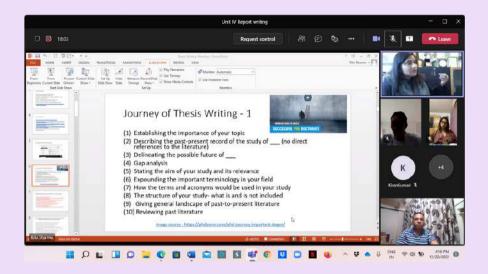
18 Jan. 2022: Office of the PhD programme of School of Liberal Studies organized 'Research Methodology and Publication Ethics' (21RMPE701T) as a part of the PhD course work for the batch of 2021 PhD scholars. The resource person for this seminar course were Prof. A.C. Brahmbhatt, Dr. Ritu Sharma, Dr.Pradeep Mallik, Dr. Sitakanta Mishra, Dr. Neeta Sinha, Dr. Nausheen Nizami, Dr. Vaibhav Shah, Dr. Sandip Pathak and Dr. Bharat Chaudhary who shared their deep and insightful knowledge of the domain with PhD scholars. The course commenced on 5 Oct. 2021 and was concluded on 18 Jan. 2022. This course was offered in a Seminar-Lecture series mode where different experts (both external and internal) interacted with the scholars.

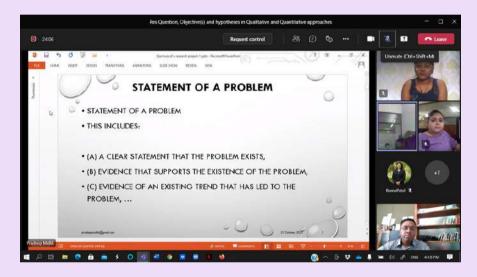
The sessions covered important aspects pertaining to research methodology viz. formulating research questions, objectives and hypothesis; Research Design: Quantitative, Qualitative and Mixed Methods; Techniques of Data Collection and Analysis; Report Writing: Argumentation, MLA/APA referencing; Publication Ethics: Research Ethics, Publication Misconduct, Open Access Publishing and Research and Data Metrics etc. The course also witnessed some interesting and engaging sessions from the external experts - Prof. Gaurang Rami, Dr. Meena Bilgi and Ms. Vaidehi Hariyani.





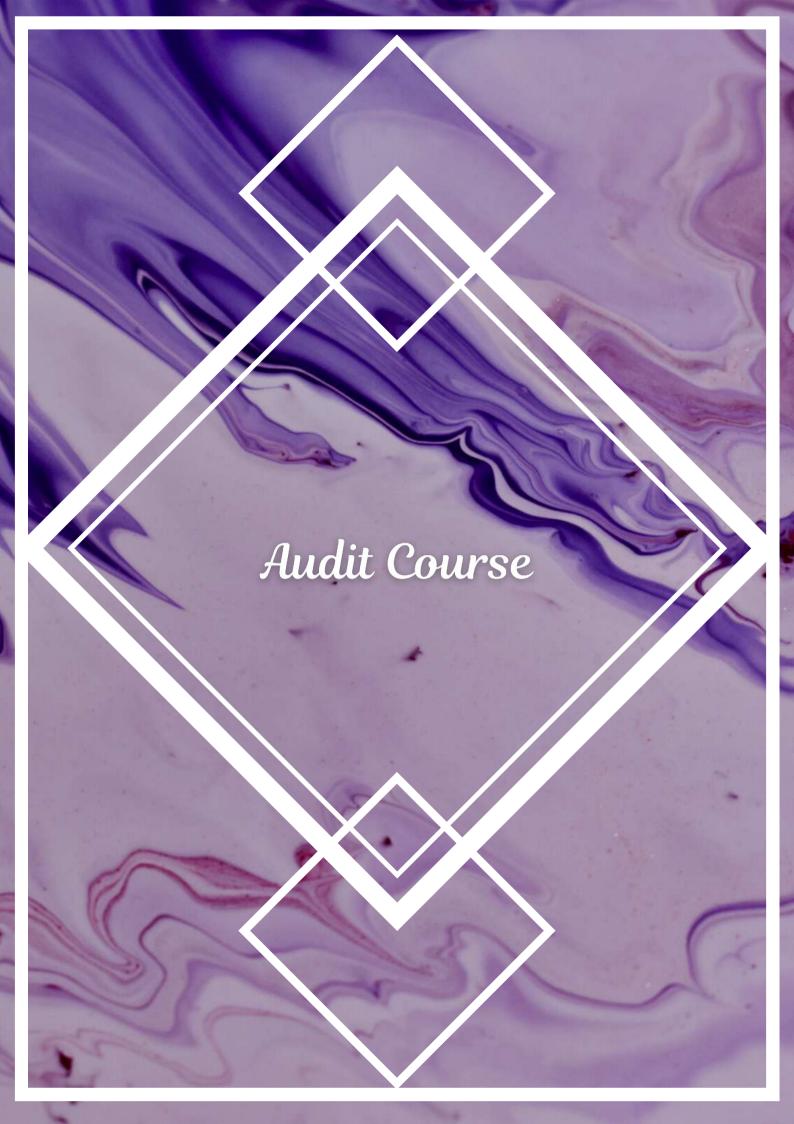












CLAY MOSAIC & MADHUBANI ART

Batch: 2021-25

Rapporteur: Audit Team

What is an Audit Course?

The School of Liberal Studies (SLS) offers an Audit course especially for its first-year students. The course is a step towards one of the main objectives of SLS, that is of enhancing creative thinking of a student and fostering the scholarly teaching and learning culture, based on reflective and creative independence. Due to the present scenario of COVID-19 the pandemic has gotten each and every aspirant diverted into a new technology based learning and new experience. With the utmost discipline and confidence along with the guidance of the respected faculty members the Audit Team and Mentors running the Audit and Exposure to NCC session via online portal, maintaining a cordial positive environment with exploration and fun.

Clay Mosaic

22 - 23 Jan. 2022: A session for clay mosaic was conducted for the batch '21. The session commenced with Seema Agarwal providing theoretical knowledge on clay mosaic, the students of Group 1 and 2 were briefed on 22 Jan. 2022 and Group 3 and 4 were briefed on 23 Jan. 2022 about the history, origin, and importance of clay mosaic. They were taught how difficult Clay Mosaic is and it is an intricate skill that requires patience, persistence, and creativity. Along with several motifs as well as designs drawn in previous years of the same artwork. Following that, the students were explained all the steps practically so that they could get a detailed idea about the same. Followed by the theoretical part, the practical session started post-lunch. Activity kits were provided by the School of Liberal Studies. Each student was given constant guidance for the same. The session turned out to be informative and entertaining and it was concluded by filling the feedback form.

Testimonials:

T.Keerthana Reddy (21BABBA216): The session was very informative. The artwork that was taught this time was wonderful. I realised that the effort that goes into the making of this artwork is immense and I learnt that in order to get desirable outcomes, patience is required.

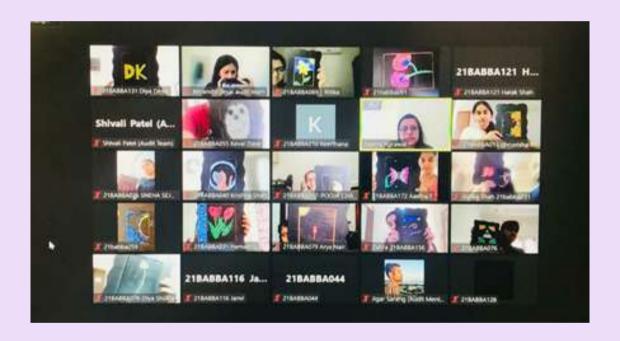
Kashish Tiwari (21BABBA233): The session was very entertaining and informative. I learned so much about the artwork and different techniques to use colours and shapes to create a masterpiece.

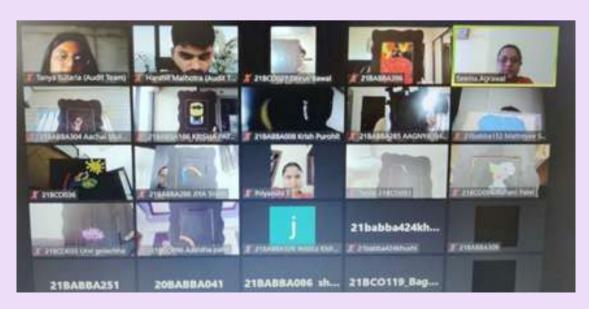












Madhubani Art

29 & 30 Jan. 2022: The session was commenced by Seema Agrawal with a theoretical presentation of the history, origin and importance of Madhubani Art. Students were briefed about the importance of Madhubani Art. Along with portrayal of several motifs about the Madhubani Art. After the theoretical presentation they were explained stepwise procedures about the artwork. All the students were provided with an art kit by the School of Liberal Studies, which was used to create an art. Everyone was provided with constant guidance and solutions if they faced any issue. Post-lunch all the students were asked to complete the artwork. The session concluded on a positive note. Overall, the session was interactive, informative and fun-filled. The session ended with filling of feedback forms.

Testimonials:

Avani Firke (21BABBA114): The session was extremely informational. I learnt about art. The session was very fun-filled and I enjoyed doing it. I loved how ma'am explained to us about the artwork.

Priyanshi Shrivastava (21BABBA105): I am partly from Bihar and I had some knowledge about Madhubani Art but after attending the session I got to learn about it even more. I had fun even doing the art practically. Overall, the session was interesting.



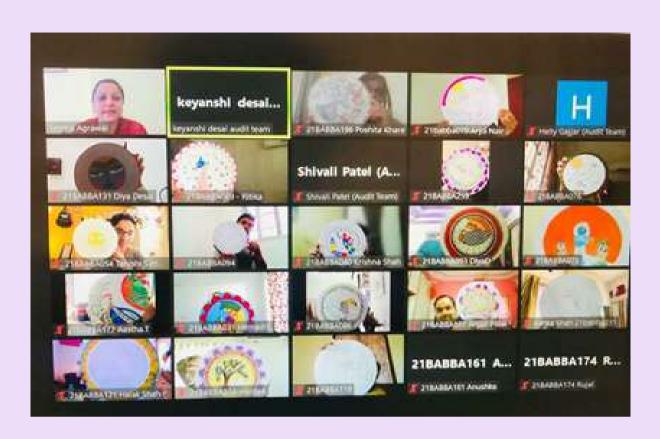








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Group 1 & 2



Group 3 & 4

EXPOSURE TO NCC



Health & Hygiene: Environmental Awareness Batch: 2021-2025

Rapporteur: Audit Team

21 Jan. 2022: Session on health and hygiene was conducted for the students of the 21st batch. In total three sessions were conducted on the dates 19th and 26th Nov. 2021 and 21 Jan. 2022. The session was hosted by Keyanshi Desai and Harshit Malhotra and was managed by the audit team. Over 140 students were a part of the sessions. The first session conducted on 19 November 2021 consisted of topics: components of personal hygiene, food hygiene, water supply and purification, sanitation, the concept of reuse, reduce and recycle, disposal of different kinds of waste. In-depth discussions took place on the topics like physical health, the elements of good health, the importance and characteristics of mental health, measures to improve mental health and mental disorders. A lot of preventive measures were also discussed in the session which would personally help the students.

The second session was a guest lecture by Dr. Nile Desai. She is a Valsad based dental surgeon and implantologist. She has done her BDS & MSc-CR from the UK. She is the co-owner of a care and cure dental clinic and a consultant dental surgeon and advanced diabetes care at Amit Hospital. She is a member of clinical and medical research, institutional ethics committee at Dixit Hospital, Vapi. Dr. Nile covered topics like the importance of dental hygiene across all age groups, the measures of dental hygiene, dental hygiene for the diabetics. The students also asked doubts about their personal issues relating to dental hygiene.

In the third session conducted on 21 Jan. 2022, the topics of discussion were first aid, medical emergency. It was very helpful as the students might be experiencing something on the same lines and the students were intrigued to know the solutions. They were also briefed about home nursing, wound treatment etc. This was one of the most important sessions as the very basics of any kinds of injuries treatment was taught. In conclusion all the 3 sessions were conducted with utmost determination and enthusiasm, the session was ended by filling the feedback form.

Testimonials

Viraj Patel (21BABBA345): My biggest takeaway from the session was that I was made aware of several important aspects of hygiene and health in our day-to-day life. And also learnt how we can maintain the same in the simplest way.

Kashish Tiwari (21BABBA233): The session was very knowledgeable because I came across different types of safety things like if a snake bites what we have to do, a person gets a fracture then what can I do.

Praneel Pandya (21BABBA191): My biggest takeaway from this session was the centrality and importance of Oral Hygiene and also how deeply interconnected are the other different systems of our Body with the Oral Cavity. Overall, the session was wonderful.



Environmental Awareness

28 Jan. 2022: A session conducted on the topic Environmental Awareness for the batch of 2021. Over 100 students attended the session. Harshit Malhotra from the audit team was the host for the session. The session was managed by the Audit Team. The session began with a brief introduction about the topic. Students were taught the importance of environmental awareness and role of NCC for the same and were briefed how various issues viz. solutions for pollution, waste management, protection of wildlife, conservation of energy and other resources are extremely important to save the environment. Students were explained why it is extremely crucial to work towards the issue and how they can serve the nation and help the environment in different ways in order to save it. Several videos were also shown for the same. The session encouraged students to work towards the issue and made them realise the importance of keeping the environment clean. Overall, the session was quite informative and interesting. It was concluded with filling of feedback forms.

Testimonials

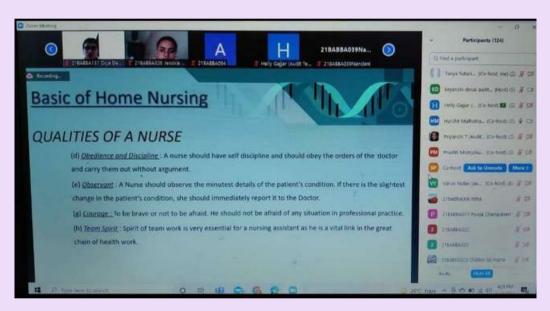
Khushi Bhensjalia (21BABBA282): The session instilled a sense of conscious awareness about how the world is depleting due to the pollution we create. It is ironic that we ourselves create havoc. Also, learning about the various waste management techniques at an individual level too was helpful.

Sneha Sajwani (21BABBA025): The session was a very informative, interesting, awareness raising session. We were given brief information about the topic. I learnt new things and overall, I enjoyed the session.

T. Keerthana Reddy (21BABBA216): I got to learn about the importance of spreading awareness about saving the environment. We were explained about the topic in a very brief and clear manner. I had fun attending the session.









Internship Report

INTERNSHIP FOR UNDERGRADUATE AND POSTGRADUATE BATCH OF PSYCHOLOGY

Rapporteur: Ishan Chawla, Khushi Rawal, Maitrik Jani & Abhyuday Sikarwar

6 Dec. - 7 Jan. 2021: The Psychology Department of PDEU facilitated Internship for the Bachelors and Masters batch at Kanoria Hospital and Research Centre which was supervised by Dr. Ritu Sharma, Dean, SLS, PDEU and Dr. Rajendra Anand, CEO, De-Addiction Expert and Mental Health Expert. Mr. Abhishek Tripathi, Counselling Psychologist and coordinated by Maitrik Jani, Ishan Chawla and Abhyuday Sikarwa. Over a period of a month, the interns dealt with alcohol and drugs de-addiction cases in particular and multiple addictions along with different disabilities and disorders. They also conducted psychological tests and provided effective counselling and group therapy to patients and their close relatives to get over the habit of addiction. The hospital arranged a special lecture on different types of drugs to provide in-depth knowledge to the interns. The aim of this training is to provide hands-on clinical exposure and prepare individuals to provide their services to hospitals, clinics, schools, special educational schools and to government agencies.

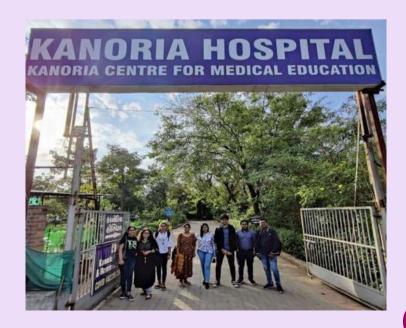
Following students have successfully completed the internship programme.

Khushi Rawal	Ishan Chawla	Maitrik Jani	Maanya Shah
Abhyuday Sikarwar	Hardi Trivedi	Khushi Khandelwal	Yashasvi Mehta
Samyak Shah	Shaily Vasani	Khushi Parikh	Jenny Panchal
Vedangi Sharma	Ananya Pandey	Tanvi Gupta	Hemangini Rathore
Michelle Lalkaka	Sneha Bhayani	Palak Bhargava	Riddhi Raval
Drashti Shah	Manav Desai	Yajushi Patel	Onesphore Kubwimama
Jinal Thakor	Rutvi Patel	Monica Thakur	Moksha Megani
Ishita Dang	Aakanksha Patel	Stuti Jain	Liza Abadan
Sonali Goyal	Anupriya Toshniwal	Om Paradkar	























DR. AMRITA CHAKRABORTY

Dr. Amrita Chakraborty addressed the 43rd All India Public Relations Conference on 4th January 2022 over virtual platforms. She delivered a talk on **'Public Relations Activities by the Government of India: Digital India Initiative'**. The event was live streamed on Facebook and YouTube.





DR. ANKITA SRIVASTAVA

Dr. Shrivastava participated and completed the Online Faculty Development Programme on 'Entrepreneurship, Incubation & Innovation' organised by Electronics and ICT Academy, NIT Patna, held from 20 December 2021 – 1 January 2022. She also completed a 4-credit online course through SWAYAM on 'Basics of Digital Marketing' with a consolidated score of 82% from the evaluation based on continuous online assessments and the proctored examination.







DR. HIREN SOLANKI

Dr. Hiren A. Solanki completed a certified course on 'Sustainable Cities' from SDG Academy on edX Platform with 89 percent.







AARJYAADITYA MOHANTY 20BABBA066



Aarjay started his internship at the Mahashakti Coke, Baraya plant which is a coke manufacturing facility in Mundra, Kutch, Gujarat from 9 December 2021. He learned various logistics, weighbridging, store handling and the process of production of coke along with bidding and tender finalisation. Aarjay's experience at the Mahashakti Coke Plant was a big lesson. He acknowledges the whole unit of the plant for the help and for introducing him to the new mode of his future.



AAROHI SAMARTH 20BABBA230

Aarohi Samarth, a second year student, is hardworking and great at multitasking. She enjoyed her internship with Setup Service India as a content writer from 2 February 2022. She also completed her 3 month internship at LearnArt Technologies Pvt. Ltd. from 4 June 2021- 4 September 2021. Along with another internship for 2 months at Youth Empowerment Foundation as an Event Manager Intern. During the Covid-19 Pandemic, she took up hooping as a hobby and soon developed immense passion and interest, which helped her feel relaxed and fit at the same time. To hone her skills, she went through a few professional classes, which she wishes to share, and that is why she has recently started her own classes, to teach people who aim to learn hooping. Her start-up goes by the Instagram handle of @hulahoopersofahmedabad, where she and her team conduct hoop jams. She is also currently working under "dance abound" and is teaching hula hooping online.







Letter of Completion

This is to certify that Ms. Aarohi Samarth has completed her internship as "Event Management Intern* at LearnArt Technologies Pvt. Ltd. She worked diligently as a part of LearnArt during her tenure of 3 months from 4th June, 2021 to 4th September. 2021.

Aarohi's ideas were really helpful and she showed utmost level of punctuality and professionalism during the entire internship period. We found her extremely inquisitive and hardworking. It was a pleasure having her with us for this shortperiod. Wish to work with her again whenever the opportunity strikes!

We wish her success for all her future endeavors.

Thank You!

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YOUTH EMPOWERMENT FOUNDATION

YEF/20/EM0497

Joining Dated:04/02/2021

Internship Offer Letter from Youth Empowerment Foundation

Dear Aarohi Samarth

We are delighted to offer you Event Management Internship at Youth Empowerment Foundation. You would be responsible for managing events, conferences, webinars & other related works assigned by our organization. The duration of internship is two month starting from the date of joining. We expect your personal accountability in all the projects, actions, advice and results that you provide as a representative of YEF. We would also ask for your commitment to deliver outstanding quality and results that exceed team expectations.

In return, we are committed to providing you with every opportunity to learn, grow and stretch to the highest level of your ability and potential.

You will receive a certificate on completion of the internship tenure, no stipend will be provided as this is unpaid internship.

We look forward to the opportunity to work with you in an atmosphere that is successful and mutually challenging and rewarding.

Sincerely,

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OFFER LETTER

INTERNSHIP WITH SETUP SERVICES INDIA (A UNIT OF SIXTH ELEMENT FINSERV PRIVATE LIMITED)

8th February 2022

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Dear Arohi,

We are delighted to welcome you to Setup Services India as a Content Writer. At SSI, we believe that our biggest strength is our team, and we take pride in hiring ONLY the best and the brightest. We are confident that you would play a significant role in the overall success of the venture and wish you an enjoyable, learning and a truly meaningful internship experience with Setup Services India.

Your appointment will be governed by the terms and conditions presented in the Annexure A.

We look forward to you joining us. Please do not hesitate to call us for any information that you may need. Also, please sign a duplicate copy of this offer letter as your acceptance and forward the same to us.

Congratulations

Nishant Arora

ASTHA BARCHHA 19BABBA018

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Astha Barchha, a student of BABBA 2019 batch had joined CERC (Consumer Education and Research Centre) for a one-month internship that was held from 13 December 2021 to 13 January 2022. During her internship, she conducted an online survey to find the effects of misleading advertisements on consumers (Food and Beverages industry). Based on her findings from the survey, she prepared a report as well as an E-book. She also found a few misleading advertisements which were worth questioning. She learnt a lot of facts regarding the menace of misleading advertisements during her time of internship and that the opportunity was indeed a wonderful and fruitful learning experience for her.



DHANVIN SOOD 19BABBA090

Dhanvin Sood, a PDEU student from the 2019 batch has successfully completed his three months internship with Zomato in the Supply Team (Sales) at Ahmedabad office.

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October 18, 2021

Dhanvin Sood

Dear Dhanvin.

Welcome to Zomato!

This letter confirms your internship in the **Supply** team **(Sales)** as **Intern** at our **Ahmedabad** office from **October 21, 2021** to **January 31, 2022**. You will be paid a monthly stipend of **INR**-. The stipend will be credited on the last working day of the month.

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- 2. Professional tax is subject to location is deducted from your stipend on a monthly basis.
- 3. Any statutory deductions (PF/PT/LWF/ESI) will be deducted from the stipend.
- 4. The nature of your Internship is fixed.
- 5. As an Intern you will be entitled to holidays as per the holiday calendar of the Company.
- 6. As an Intern you will be entitled to apply for leave as per Zomato's leave policy for Interns.
- During the course of your internship, you shall not engage in activities that would be unsuitable with your capacity as a representative of Zomato and you shall not act in any manner that would conflict with the interests of Zomato.
- During your internship, you may be expected to travel or work out of an alternate city where Zomato has an office.
- You shall undertake to read and remain in compliance with Zomato internal policies throughout the term of your internship.
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PULKIT GUPTA 18BABBA010

Pulkit Gupta, a student of Financial Management, enrolled in a course about the operating and administration of NGOs called "Non-profit Essentials Certificate Program" to learn about the Finances in NGOs, he also enrolled in "Financial Management Essentials Certificate Program". He attended both the courses parallelly, provided by the Cornerstone OnDemand Foundation (USA), and cleared certificate examinations for both the courses on 27 January 2022.





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