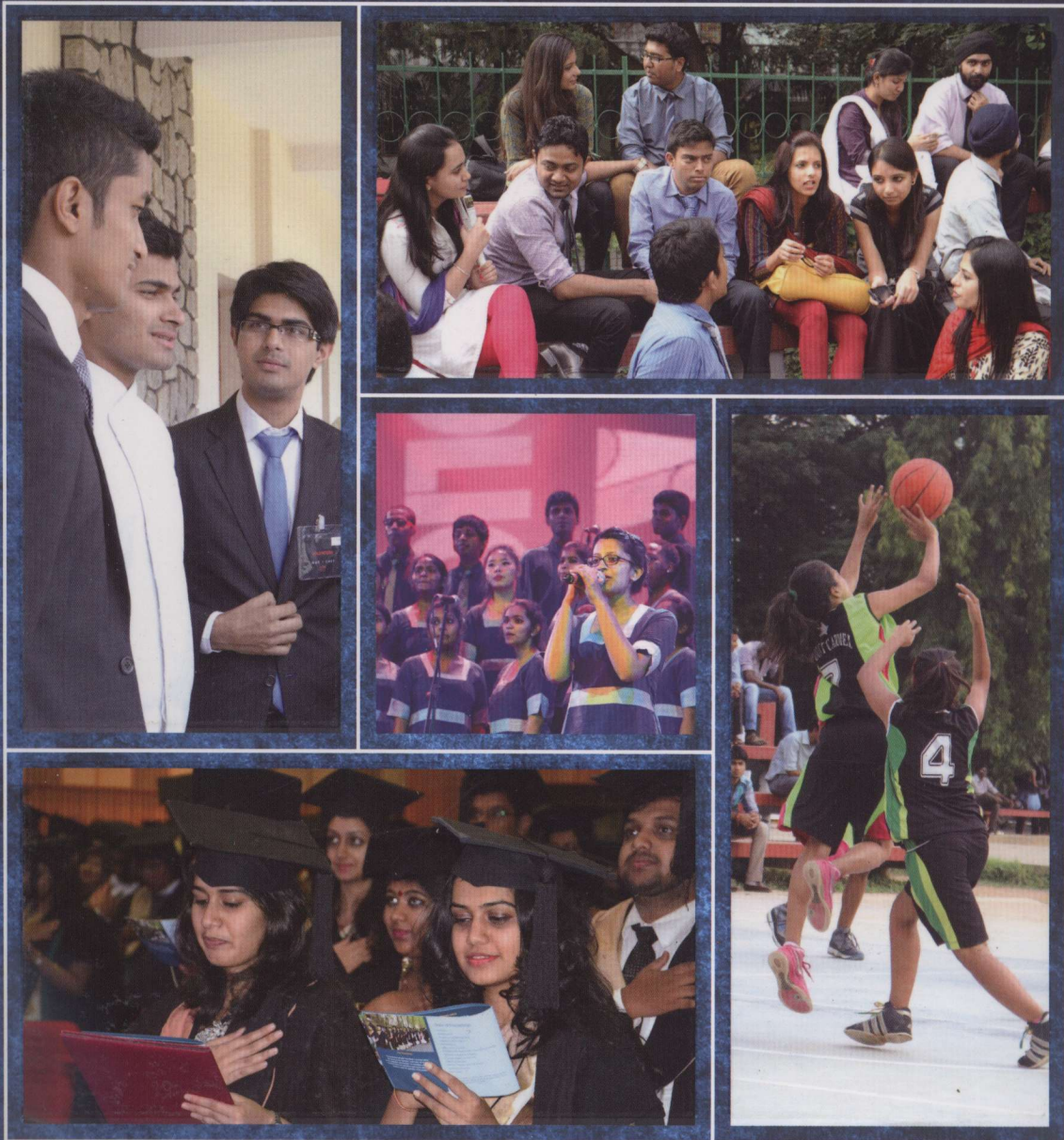




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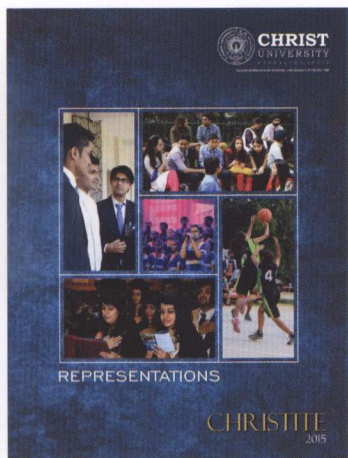
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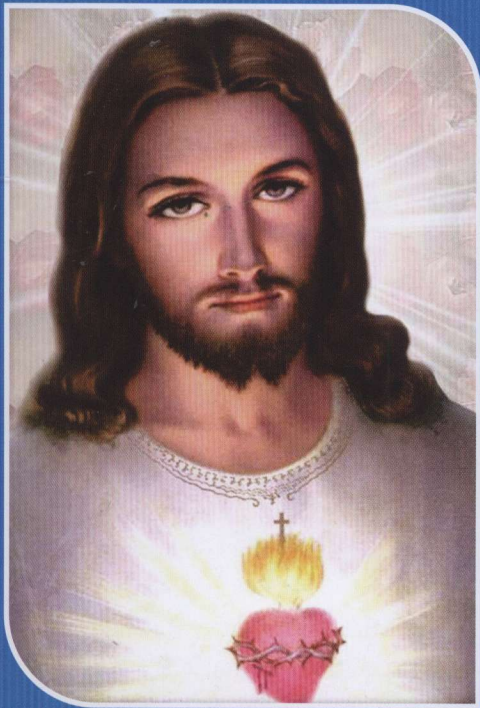
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On the Cover

Curricular and Co-Curricular Representations of Christ University as a holistic nurturing ground



OUR LEADING LIGHT

Jesus Christ

The teacher, who taught the world love, peace and compassion.

OUR CORNERSTONE

SAINT KURIAKOSE ELIAS CHAVARA

He firmly believed in empowering all children of God through Education. He successfully liberated education from the clutches of the privileged and gave it to whoever needed it, thus bringing a change into a rigid stratified society.

OUR PATRON



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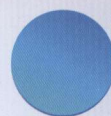
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EXCELLENCE AND SERVICE

MISSION



CHRIST UNIVERSITY IS A NURTURING GROUND FOR AN INDIVIDUAL'S HOLISTIC DEVELOPMENT TO MAKE EFFECTIVE CONTRIBUTION TO THE SOCIETY IN A DYNAMIC ENVIRONMENT



CORE VALUES

FAITH IN GOD
MORAL UPRIGHTNESS
LOVE OF FELLOW BEINGS
SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY
PURSUIT OF EXCELLENCE



The Chancellor



It is definitely relevant to ask ourselves, in the context of the canonization of our founder and patron St Kuriakose Elias Chavara, who represents the CMI congregation and Institutions globally, as to who represents Christ University, and how is it represented practically.

The word represent would mean 'depiction' or 'portrayal'. It is almost recognized by now that Christ University has been portrayed as one of the best ten universities in India for the programs offered, infrastructure, pedagogy, discipline etc. both by print and electronic media. How do they arrive at it? I strongly believe that it is from all of us- members of the Christite family: We do the right representation by sincerely doing the work entrusted to us with passion, innovation and creativity. We use our ability to communicate effectively not just by words but by our deeds. Performance is the most powerful medium of communication and representation.

When we systematize our academic year with every event and exam accounted for, when we organise our events with all the logistics and modality in place, when we follow the rules of etiquette and decorum as hosts and participants, when we put our heart and soul into everything we do excel without compromising on quality and integrity, when we cultivate that attitude of gratitude for people, places and experiences that have made us successful and competent and we go back to them with the same ardour that we expressed in the beginning- then I would have thought that we made ourselves the best representatives of Christ University and our representation a positive contribution.

It is my ardent hope and fervent prayer that we continue to excel and make excellence our habit so that the representation of our University is valuable, enlightening, invigorating and strengthening for the growth and development of the society.

March on Christites with a strong heart and a firm faith....

Dr Fr Thomas Aykara

Chancellor

The Vice Chancellor



The canonization of St. Kuriakose Elias Chavara, our patron, provides us with the right opportunity to reflect on the concept of representation. His canonisation confirmed his standing as a visionary, social reformer, and leader. His status now encompasses what I would define representation to be - the act of manifesting his educational philosophy and commitment towards the needs of the society, and also reflecting the right culture and uniqueness through the functioning of the congregation and the institutions affiliated to the congregation.

There definitely is a bar of standard that Christ University maintains in all aspects of its functioning. Every department, office, centre and association in their discharge of daily functions represents this standard. The innovative programs and certificate courses offered by the departments, the selection of students, the procedure of evaluations, the holistic approach towards education, and the process of participating and competing in events creates avenues for evolution of harmonious, multifaceted personalities - which is the mark of a Christite. The pursuit of developing competencies in our faculty through their research interests and publications, offering extension and consultancy services, and interactions with universities abroad leads to enhancing the conducive atmosphere for students to stand out as a generation brimming with intelligence, confidence and courage. Christ University is represented by Christites every day in our social and national responsibilities as conscientious, dynamic law abiding citizens working towards growth and harmony of the nation.

I am especially happy to note the wonderful curricular and co-curricular experiences that represent Christ University as chronicled in the magazine every year. It is always positive, creative and realistic. Representing Christ University as a Christite is a lifelong commitment and each of us should endeavour to be the proud torchbearer.

Wishing all the Christites the very best...

Col Dr Fr Thomas C Mathew

Vice Chancellor

The Registrar



While each day and each year is new at Christ University, 2014-15 has been specially so. One of the most elating events of course has been the Canonisation of our Founder, St Kuriakose Elias Chavara. The new teachers, staff and students have brought with them newer ideas and experiences to this campus. The older Christites have grown in the values and environment of Christ University. All these have this academic year a special one.

A University shapes us far more than we can fathom. It shapes the way we think, the way we live, our value system and more importantly how we make sense of the society and the world around us. The impact of Christ University on all of us is lasting. The challenge however, is how we pass on this Christite spirit to others in the world, through our exemplary contribution to society, community and family.

Congratulations to the editorial team for the work on this year's Christite. The team has captured the moments that have made the academic year 2014-15 and made them fonder memories bringing them together in this book. I wish you happy reading and happy bonding with fellow Christites and the University.

Dr Anil Joseph Pinto
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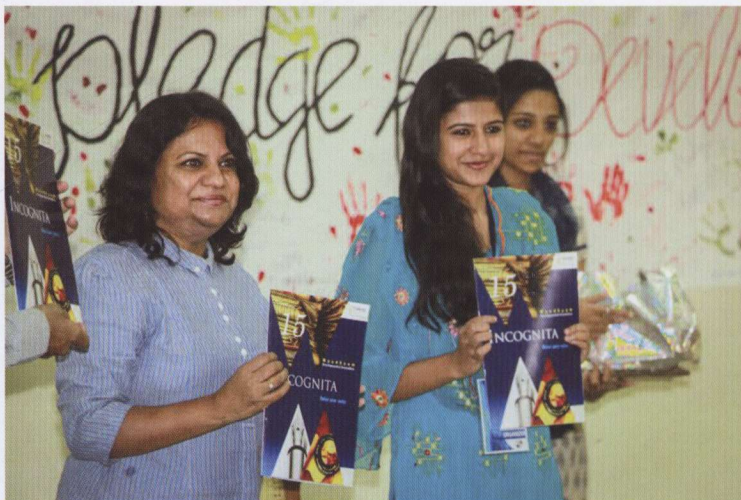
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confident at the end of their studies to go into the real world and prosper in which ever field of media they choose as a career.

The year 2014-15 started off with an Orientation programme for the newly inducted Media students. Senior students and alumni resource persons along with the faculty of the Department made sure that all the questions and doubts about joining the course were dispelled.

The two fests, 'InPrint' for Journalism and 'Commraids' for Communication and Media helped forge a strong sense of fellowship among the three batches of students. A total of twenty-five guest lectures were organized for the benefit of the media students to supplement classroom teaching. Six workshops covering areas like graphic design, script writing, photography, short film making, communication skills and interview skills made learning hands-on.

Media Meet (20-22 August 2014) is the biggest programme of the Department and this year we had an additional day devoted to the research paper presentation. Keynote speaker Suhel Seth floored the packed main auditorium with his powerful oratorical skills. A panel of eminent journalists Kumar Ketkar, Ravi Srinivasan, Hari Kumar and Imran Qureshi debated and discussed the role of print in today's scenario.



Documentary Film Festival 'Pratibimb' on 30-31 January 2015 brought the best talent in the country to showcase their films and share their thoughts with the media students. Rakesh Sharma of the Final Solution fame along with Sushma Veerappa, Sreemith, Prateek Gupta and Surabhi Sharma ensured a visual treat coupled with learning.

'Maadhyam' the Journalism fest, on 18 February 2015 focused on the theme Development Journalism. Senior journalist, representing the Public Broadcaster Doordarshan, Aarti H. N. gave an appropriate start to the day long quest to discover this aspect of journalism. A documentary titled 'The Garbage Story' was shown and an interaction with one of the crew members Shruti Kedia turned out to be a lesson in using communication for development.

On 3-4 March 2015 two groups from the MA in MaCS staged a play each showcasing their talent that was a culmination of a semester long theater workshop. The students had earlier visited Ramoji Film City, Hyderabad and undertaken a two-day CSA organized rural exposure programme.



In all the year has been very productive. Journalism students produced a record twenty four episodes of their Christ Campus TV (CCTV). More than twenty lab journals and newsletters were brought out. Two photo exhibitions to showcase the outputs of Basic Photography course; a press conference with Member of Parliament Dr. Rajeev Gowda; first ever Media MUN; screening of 'Lucia' followed by an interaction with the director Pavan Kumar; field visits to Reuters, Deccan Herald plant and Janapadaloka; Journalism students winning the overall trophy at Melange 2015 (Jain University fest) were some of the other highlights of the academic year 2014-15.

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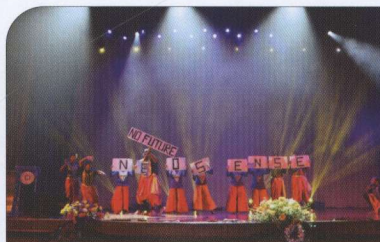
LANGUAGES

The Department of Languages of Christ University takes pride in preserving its cultural identity through the programs they conduct every year. At the beginning of the academic year, in the month of June, the Department arranged a guest lecture for the II B.Com language students on 'Building personality for a Corporate Career', by Mr. S.R. Vijayashankara, Head, Dept. of Marketing, Intel technology South Asia.

The academic year paved the way for the inauguration of Bhasha Parishat, a cultural wing, on 18 July 2014 with the showcasing of cultural art forms like Thammatte, Puja Kunitha, Pata Kunitha and Somana Kunitha. Through this forum the department conducted two panel discussions with the faculty and students as presenters. The discussions were held on 12 September 2014 and 19 February 2015. The presenters discussed the 'Wedding rituals of India' and 'Myths in our lives' respectively. Both the sessions were moderated by Dr. Vagiswari, Head, Department of History. Like every academic year the I& II UG students got an opportunity to recite poems through a linguistic meet called Multi-lingual Poets' Meet on 30 June 2014, where students of all languages namely Kannada, Hindi, Sanskrit, Tamil, Urdu and French showcased their talents through the Christ University radio. The biggest cultural event of the Department of Languages was as usual Bhasha Utsav which was celebrated on 5 September'14. The Christ University campus turned culturally colorful with the Christites dressed in their ethnic clothes. The joy was doubled when Dr. (Fr) Thomas C Mathew, Hon. Vice Chancellor, joined an ethnic procession with the students and faculty of Christ University, from Block II to the Main Auditorium accompanied by the harmonious sound of the *nadeswaram* and *singarimelam*. After a Kannada folk by the faculty, Father Vice Chancellor beat the drum to inaugurate the program which was then followed by various dance forms - *Thiruvathirakali*, *Bhootharadhane*, *Ralpha*, *Rajasthan*, *Dandya*, *Garba*, Tamil Folk Dances, *Kamsale*, *Margamkali* and *Patada Kunitha*. The moment which enthralled the audience was when the Chief Guest for the event, Ms. Pooja Gandhi, a south Indian film actress arrived and shared her views about the program. The spectacular event continued as the *chendasingarimelam*, *dollu kunitha*, *patada kunitha*, Punjabi and DJ's Film music troupes kept the music going in different corners of the campus, engaging the youngsters around who danced enthusiastically. BhashaUtsav2014 will always go down in memory as a fun filled, colorful and culture enriching program.

To develop and encourage the language skills of the language learning students, the Department of Languages conducted intra / inter-class competitions, in the name of **Bhasha Surabhi**. Bhasha Surabhi 2014 was conducted on 13 December by the different languages namely Inchara by Kannada, Jagruti by Hindi, Susamskrithi by Sanskrit, Indhira Vizha by Tamil and Joie de Vivre by French.

FRENCH



Learning a language is an advantage for students, studies show it is a key factor in academic success. Christ University, Bengaluru, has a strong academic program in French taught by distinguished faculty experts in the language.

The department of French Studies gives students at all levels the tools they need to understand the intellectual and cultural implications of French language.

Every year, the French Department comes up with number of events in support of the academic curriculum and language culture on campus. Throughout an academic year, the students and members of the department devote a great deal of time and intellectual attention to the events and activities which take place.

The year 2014-2015 had been an eventful and action-packed year with students and teachers taking part in many events and programs. The year started with a discerning Guest Lecture on 'Building Personality for Corporate Career' presented by Mr. S.R. Vijayashankara, head of marketing of Intel Tech Youth Asia on June 27. This program was particularly devised for all the 2nd year language students to give them an edge over corporate outlook and was followed by Multi-Lingual Poet Meet, an insightful event conducted by the language department on June 30 for 1st and 2nd year undergraduate students. The students from French department showed their talent by participating, writing, and reciting French poems. They were awarded for the same.

On July 18, Department of Languages organised Bhasha Parishat, in which 1st year students were a part of the program. Later, in the same month, Language Department also conducted the most celebrated Bhasha Utsav which represents the various cultures of India and abroad. The entire college look forward to the glorious event and celebrate it with much fervour and joy. 1st and 2nd year French students participated in the event.

Students of French department also took part in two of the competitions conducted by Mt. Carmel College and St. Joseph College the same year. The students participated and gloriously stood second in both of the events. Along with this, the French Department conducted an intra-class competition known as 'Joie de vivre' for its students.

On September 28, an event was organised by the Language Department, in which the 1st year under-graduate students of French Department exhibited their skills and talent by putting up chart-works based on the French civilisation and culture as part of their CIAs. Similarly, a culturally-rich exhibition was put up by the department in which the 2nd year undergraduate French students did exhibits of French tombs and monuments as part of their CIAs. Their work were substantially rated and appreciated.

In a competition held by the department, 1st year undergraduate French students took part in various role plays adapted from short stories, which

were taken from the syllabus itself. One-act plays were carried out in French to inculcate the French language in oneself. The activity was a part of the CIA and the performers were marked for their display of characters and roles. In another similar CIA activity conducted, 2nd year Undergraduate students played theatre and won prizes. This was again done in the form of a competition where students conducted one act plays.

Like every year, 2nd CEP students conducted World Pool 2015 on February 13, in which French Department contributed largely. They had put up stalls where French games were played. Many charts, exhibits, and cuisines were prepared by the students to showcase French culture. They managed to put up a great show. Appreciations were delivered in the form of feedbacks and miniatures of French flags were given to the ones who had put up the stalls.

Later in a dance competition conducted known as 'Rector's Day', Kavita. A., who is the faculty in charge of the department, participated in the program as a contestant and won accolades.

HINDI

The Department of Hindi organized their annual programme Sham-E-Ghazal on Friday, 22 August 2014 at the Campus view, 10th Floor, Central Block. The students of Christ University and Ghazal lovers from all over the city came together to enjoy the evening of music and poetry. Renowned Urdu and Hindi poets as well as aspiring student poets of Christ University were present during the occasion. This was a platform for our young poets to present their Ghazals and poems in front of a huge audience. The Vice Chancellor Rev Dr Fr Thomas C Mathew inaugurated the programme. In his inaugural address, he spoke about the relevance of organizing such programmes in our campus where students from different religions and cultures harmoniously co-exist. He also insisted upon the need to promote and preserve the ancient forms of art like Ghazal singing. The Chief Guest of the function was Prof. M Nooruddin, eminent Urdu scholar and former Chairman, Karnataka Urdu Academy, Bangalore. In his address he appreciated the departments of Hindi and Urdu for having come together and organized such a unique event. He said he had never seen such a program so far in any other institution. Dr Yejazuddin, former MLC and renowned educationist was the guest of honor. He is also appreciated the event and in his address, he praised the management for having promoted such initiatives. This event saw the presence of poets like Shadab Bedhadak, Alif Ahmed Burq, Nathik Alipuri, Shaik Habeeb, Mohsin Banarasi and Tayyab Azeezi. Renowned poet and Editor of Urdu daily 'Siyasat', Muneer Ahmed Jami presided over the function. The scholars who were present during the occasion, provided the curious students with insights on poems and Ghazals. Shafeeq Abidi was the compere for the event. Dr Abdul Munaff welcomed the gathering and Ankita Arora proposed the vote of thanks. Student poets from Hindi recited their poems in the multilingual poets meet organized by the department of Languages on 30 June 2014

The students of undergraduate programs, learning Indian languages as their second language were trained by experts from The Centre for Internet and Society, to write articles for Wikipedia. This initiative was taken up in the academic year 2013- 14, by the Department Of languages. In the same year, around 1200 students contributed articles to Wikipedia, which was appreciated on a huge scale. This also enhanced the quality of teaching- learning process of second languages in undergraduate programs.

To continue the change from the traditional mode of learning languages to the digital mode, the Department of Languages in association with Centre for Internet & Society, Access to Knowledge Programme organized an orientation session for I year UG students, in the academic year 2014-15. The Orientation was held on 31 July -1 August, between 9 and 10 am and between 11 and 12 noon, respectively. All the students learning Hindi were involved in it.

During the academic year 2013-14, the students had immensely benefited from the Wikipedia content creation experience. It has helped them to develop their language & writing skills, research aptitude and Knowledge. The concept of forming self-help groups and appointing campus ambassadors for each class enhanced the quality of the Programme.

Prof. Dr. Sebastian. K.A proposed welcome address to the gathering and introduced the resource persons, Mr. Vishnu Vardhan, Dr. Pavanaja and Mr. Rahmanudeen. Mr. Vishnu Vardhan, Director of Access to knowledge led the training program, on both the days. Hindi students took part in the cultural competitions during Bhasha Utsav organized by the Department of Languages on 5 September 2014. The students showcased the cultural diversity of India through various art forms. Faculty and students presented papers in the panel discussions organized by the Bhasha Parishat, the cultural wing of the language department. Dr. KA Sebastian presented a research paper in the national seminar organized by the St. Joseph's college Irinjalakuda, Kerala. He facilitated a workshop organized by the Bangalore University Hindi Teachers forum on the Hindi syllabus of the university. He also gave a special lecture on "Jnanapith recipients of Hindi literature" at the department of Atomic energy, regional office, Bangalore. A guest lecture was organized on 27 June 2014 for 3 semester BCom students. Dr. Vijayashankar spoke on the topic "Building personality for a corporate career". Dept. of Hindi conducted 'Jagruti', the intra class competitions on 13 December 2014.



URDU



The students of Urdu Department participated enthusiastically in the Multi Lingual Poets Meet in the month of July 2014, organized by the Department of Languages.

The department of Urdu and Hindi organized their annual programme Sham-E- Ghazal on 22 August 2014. Many renowned lovers of the language attended, among them HariKishen Pahva, Shadab, ShaikhHabeeb, Shafeeq Abidi, Natiq Alipuri, Alif Ahmed Burq are noteworthy. A huge gathering of Urdu lovers from all over the city came together and enjoyed the ghazals. The Chief Guest of the function was renowned Scholar and a great Critic of Urdu, Prof. M Nooruddin and the guest of Honor was

Prof.Yejazuddin, Retd. Hindi professor, renowned Sanskrit Scholar and Former MLC, Govt. of Karnataka.

Apart from this the Urdu Department and The Karnataka Urdu Academy jointly organized a one day National Seminar on "The Celebrated Urdu Literati of Karnataka" on 5 March 2015 at the Seminar Hall, Ground Floor, Second Block. The students as well as the writers, Poets, and scholars of Urdu attended the seminar. Dr. Fahmida Begum, Former Director NCPUL Govt. of India, New Delhi, chief guest of the day highlighted the importance of Seminar in brief. Dr. Fouzia Chowdhary, Chair person of Karnataka Urdu Academy said in her speech "I like the welfare of both Urdu and the people of Urdu. Through Urdu Academy I will try to bring Urdu People on one platform". This seminar witnessed the presence of paper presenters like, Professor Syed Sajjad Hussain, Chairman Department of Urdu Madras University, Professor M. Nooruddin, Former Chairman, Dept of Urdu, BU and Karnataka Urdu Academy, Govt. Of Karnataka, Prof. Masood Siraj, Former Dean and Chairman, Department of Urdu, Mysore University, Mr. Azeezulla Baig, IAS Retd., Dr. Qazi Ziaulla, Regional Director, Moulana Azad University, Dr Mohammed Iqbal, Mrs. Sayeeda, Department of Urdu, Al-Ameen College, Mr. Iftikhar Ahmed, Chief Editor Daily Salar, Muneer Ahmed Jami, Editor Daily Siasat, Mr. Manzoor Nouman, Associate Professor, LBS Govt. First Grade College, and Mr. Atheequr Rahman, Dept. of Urdu, Mysore University. All the scholars presented papers which were highly informative.



KANNADA



The Kannada department of Christ University, is one of a unique kind of department where no stone is left unturned in displaying the array of culture of Karnataka. Hosting a variety of events from guest lectures to colorful events for students and by the students, the year 2014 colored the campus in different shades.

The first event of the year 2014 was an exhibition and guest lecture on Numismatics on July 12, 2014. Mr. Mahesh Jambulingam the president of the Karnataka Numismatics Society inaugurated the function and presided over it. In collaboration with Karnataka Numismatics Society, it was an exhibition of old coins. The students got to know the detailed history and other aspects of the then period through this exhibition. The event was held in collaboration with the History and Kannada department of Christ University. The next event that took place on July 16, 2014 was a Yakshgana performance by the students of Kannada Department. The theme on which the Yakshgana was performed was Sudarshana Garvabhagya. It is an episode from Vishnupuran. The Garvabhagya was directed by Shankar Balkudru.

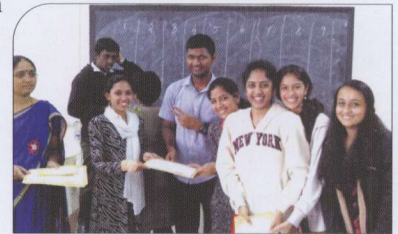
The event which was hosted next in the series was a Kannada drama, 'Rakta Muttida Hoo' on November 19, 2014. It was a social drama and was staged by Christ University students. To top it off, the play was directed by Dhanush R., a 1 year B. Com student from Christ University.

'Inchara' was an intra college literary competition and was organized on December 13, 2014. Under this, there were eight events and students across the deaneries participated in it. All the students across the campus enthusiastically participated in it and got to know a lot about the culture of Karnataka and of course, its ancient stories.

Kannada Sangha of Christ University is instrumental in promoting and celebrating Kannada literature and culture in and out of campus and it has a great reputation among its allied organizations outside of Bangalore as being unique, productive and active. Christ University Kannada Sangha is one of the powerhouses in the field of publication. It published its 231st book "Varakavi D.R. Bendre Kaavyaarthar Darshini" by great scholar and linguist Prof Dr.B.B Rajapurohita on 23 July 2014. The book was released by Dr. K.P.Bhat and reviewed by Dr. Geetha Vasanth, a poetess and Associate Professor in Kannada, Tumkur University. The program was presided by Chief Finance Officer Fr. Varghese. Christ University Kannada Sangha brought out its recent publication "Matte bantu Shrivana", on the occasion of "Kavidina" which celebrated the birthday of gifted Kannada poet D.R. Bendre on 31 January 2015. "Matte bantu Shrivana" is a collection of the 131 best poems written by 96 poets. These were prize winning poems of "Dr. D.R Bendre Kavita Spardha", a state level poetry competition conducted for students by the Kannada Sangha of Christ University since 1982. Two more prize winning books of the students comprising poems and short stories were also published and released by famous Kannada writer, critic, Devanoor Mahadeva. Kannada Sangha has brought out in total 234 books on various Kannada literary forms from the inception year 1972 till today. The annual Kannada Magazine, *Vagartha* was also released.

SANSKRIT

Like the previous year even this year Sanskrit department was active in its work. Classes were regularly held. In the month of July a talk was arranged by Mr. Vijay Shankar regarding Industrial development for the students of 4 sem B.Com. In the month of December 'Susamskruti' an interclass competition was arranged. Students from all the classes participated very actively and took part in the competitions. The competitions like Sanskrit Group song, solo song, quiz, dumb charades were conducted. II year B.A./B.Sc Sanskrit students participated in the Intercollegiate fest in B.N.M college and won 1st and 3rd prizes in picturization and Sanskrit groupsong.



TAMIL

It was encouraging to see the increased number of students for Tamil this year and the classes were more interactive and vibrant than before. The department had its own individual programmes and associated itself with the other Language departments for the common programmes. A new name **Bhasha Parishath, A Centre for Culture** was given to the activities of the Language department from this year. *Bhasha Parishath* was formally inaugurated by Hon.Vice Chancellor on 18 July 2015. *Bhasha Baashana- Guest Lecture Series* is one of the programmes under *Bhasha Parishath*. Dr Vijayashankara delivered the first lecture in this series on 27 June 2015. Another programme *Bhasha Kavitha*, a multi-lingual poets' meet was organized on 30 June 2015. Tamil Students participated and read out their poems. The much-awaited *Bhasha Utsav* was held on 5 September 2014 and the Tamil department was a part of the organization. Tamil department was instrumental in organizing *Bhasha Samskruthi* – two panel discussions, one on 'Wedding Rituals of India' (12 September 2015) and the other on 'Myths in our Lives' (19 February 2015) A exclusive Tamil guest lecture 'Popular Culture and Popular Cinema as seen through the film *Aadugalam* was delivered by Prof Emilia of St. Joseph's (Evening) College on 26 November 2015. The annual literary and cultural competitions for all the classes were conducted on 13 December 2015

The HOD of Tamil department attended an international conference on 'Cross Cultural Nuances' organized by Kanya Maha Vidyalaya, Jalandhar, Punjab on 30-31 October 2014 and a national conference on 'Rethinking Language Teaching in India' organized by Jain University, Bangalore on 2-3 March 2015. He presented papers in both these conferences.



HISTORY



The Post Modernists have challenged the notion of “Past as it actually was.” mapping the inconsistencies of “Past” and “History”. Rethinking History as a discourse

through which meaning is created rather than discovered is the alternative view. This sees History as a truth making rather than a truth finding discourse.

The Department of History intends to strengthen the critical acumen of the students through understanding the Philosophy of History. The emphasis is on structuring an ethical environment where all challenges are legitimized on the basis of arguing History to be a Truth making Discourse. The Department emphasizes research orientation, in the syllabus, pedagogy & all other initiatives. This core strength is to make students of the department, high value candidates in placement sector and in centers of advanced learning too.

While the Vision of the Department is "Towards a Critical Understanding of the Past", the Mission statement is as follows “The Department of History aims at creating an inclusive space that will facilitate a dialogue between diverse historical traditions, debates and identities.

Department of History offers an undergraduate course in History Economics and Political science (HEP). An overview of the course is as follows:

History

Modernist history claimed its legitimacy as a discipline through the pattern of past reality. Hence, modernist historians articulated that ignorance of the past brought a condemnation of living perpetually in the present. Rethinking history as a discourse through which meaning is created rather than discovered, stresses on the cultural process of knowledge creation and organization, rather than seeing knowledge as a kind of discoverable. This is an alternative view that sees history as a truth-making rather than a truth -finding discourse.

Economics

The undergraduate courses in economics are structured to contribute to the student's liberal education with a multiplicity of combinations. The programmes impart analytical skills and intellectual maturity to comprehend the complexities in the working of the economy.



The course provides a sound theoretical basis in economic theory supplemented by practical applications of theories.

Political Science

The discipline aims at imparting knowledge of indispensable institutions, concepts and ideals. The study of the subject enables an individual to learn the art of government and administration.

This department conducts activities throughout the whole year and across all semesters. Following are the events conducted during July 2014 – March 2015.

- Department of History and Kannada, Christ University in collaboration with Karnataka Numismatics Society, Bangalore organized a one day exhibition, workshop and lecture on numismatics” on 12 July, 2014.
- Department organized a lecture session on 'World War 2 and the context' by Mr. Chakrapani on 12 November, 2014.
- Department organized a lecture session on “India and Tibet” by Mr. Muthukumar on 19 November, 2014.
- Department organized a lecture on “Urban Identity” followed by screening of a documentary called “Portraits and an interactive session for the students by Ms. Krupa Rajangam on 27 November, 2014.

The Department of history is associated with different organization and institutions like:

- Indian History Congress
- South Indian History Congress
- Indian Council for Historical Research
- Archaeological Survey of India
- Centre for Society and Cultural Studies
- A.R.T and such other academic bodies as a part of its teaching and research activity
- The Department annually publishes a journal called “Articulations” which consists of the articles written by the students.



POLITICAL SCIENCE

The Department of Political Science combines classroom teaching with other activities that provides students with political exposure. Students gain an in-depth knowledge of political theory and practical applications of political principles. This approach equips them to better understand the nuances of political dynamics. As part of this the students had sections with guest lectures namely, Adv. Aaditya Sondhi who spoke about 'intelligence and security', Mr. Sandeep Shastri on 'lessons from recent elections', Mr. Muthukumar on 'role of diplomacy in foreign policy'. Practical activities ensure that students understand certain concepts and theories better. Keeping this in mind a student's panel discussion on the topic 'Parliamentary vs Presidential systems or forms of government' was held to explore and achieve an in-depth knowledge about the topic. The students were also given exposure to several seminars and were given chances to present papers on national and international current issues which were followed by discussions. The



department as a part of the initiative sent two students from the sixth semester to the *Institut d'etudes politiques de Paris* i.e. Science Po, Paris as a part of an exchange programme. Apart from this the department also comes out with a e-journal by the students of Political Science called *Avalokana* which means 'Outlook'. The department has a strength of 416 students from both HEP and EPS combinations.

SOCIOLOGY



Sociology department organized an Interactive Session on CAREER GUIDANCE AND PERSONALITY DEVELOPMENT. It was on the lines of the Panel discussion to ensure that the students benefit from the expertise of the panelists. The Panel comprised of Mrs Priya Chetty Rajagopal, Executive Director -Leadership and Board Practice, RGF India Bangalore; Ms. Shalini Pillay, Head People, Performance and Culture, KPMG India; Ms. Suman Puri, CEO, Just Travel; Mr S. V. Venkatesh, Convener, Industry Institute Interaction Panel, CII Mysore & CEO, RiiiT, Mysore and Ms Meena Jain, Psychologist & Professional Career Consultant. Ms Priya Chetty Rajagopal moderated this session which was facilitated by Reshmi Mohandas.

The session focused on some of the areas that the students need to focus on and develop in order to enhance employability. This becomes crucial keeping the demographic scenario in mind within which not all the graduates and postgraduates would find employment. As mentioned by the Deans of Humanities and

Social Sciences, Knowledge, Skills and Attitude are crucial in the way we groom ourselves and prepare for our professional lives. This was reinforced by the panelists.

The Department of Sociology organized a NATIONAL LEVEL YOUNG SOCIOLOGIST COMPETITION 2014 on the theme 'Environment, Development and Sustainability' was held on Friday, 12 December 2014. The competition was open to all UG students in India who have Sociology as one of their subject. Call for abstracts were announced in July 2014. The Department received 60 abstracts from across India. There was a blind review of these papers and ten papers were selected for the final presentation.

The inaugural function started at 9.30 am Dr. Sudhansubala Sahu, YSC coordinator welcomed the gathering. In his introductory remark, Prof. John Joseph Kennedy, Dean Humanities and Social Sciences spoke about integrating a concern for environment in the development discourses. Chief Guest of the day was Dr. S.S. Meenakshisundaram IAS, Executive Vice Chairman, Myrada and a visiting Professor, School of Social Sciences, NIAS Bangalore. Being an experienced bureaucrat, he spoke about policy implications of development initiatives and urged students to think in terms of the question 'development for whom'.





A week long reflexive exercise on social stratification started on 3 November 2014 and ended on 8 November 2014. The first year students of EPS and PSEng were asked to construct a society without any form of social stratification and inequality. This exercise was part of their foundational paper in Sociology. It was undertaken to encourage the students to reflect upon the inevitability of inequality and how social stratification becomes an integral part of the social structure.

The Department of Sociology organized a GUEST LECTURE ON TIBETAN CULTURE on September 6, 2014, between 11 am and 12 noon, in Christ University. The resource person was Ven. Geshe Dorji Damdul. Ven. Damdul has served as the official interpreter to His Holiness the Dalai Lama for several years. In March 2011 he was appointed as the Director of Tibet House, Cultural Center of His Holiness the Dalai Lama, New Delhi, where he has been giving extensive teachings on Tibetan Buddhist philosophy, psychology and logic.

Ven. Geshe Dorji Damdul began his lecture on Tibetan Culture by narrating the history of Tibet. The history can be divided into two phases, pre 7th century AD, which was dominated by the Culture of Bon, and post 7th century AD. In this he dealt with the influence of the Culture of India and Buddhism. He mentioned how they adopted some elements of culture from their neighboring regions like, the food from Chinese cuisine, dress from Mongolians and spirituality from India. He classified his exposition on Tibetan Culture into two parts, namely Expressions of culture and the Contents of the culture. He also spoke about the invention of Tibetan Script.

The Sociology Department organized annual Sociology festival for the undergraduate students. –SAMBANDH was celebrated

on Friday 22 August 2014. It was an event organized by the students for the students. The inaugural session started at 9.30 am at Campus view with an invocation song Along with Dr. Pritha Dasgupta, Head, Department of Sociology and Dr. Victor Paul, Coordinator, Department of Sociology. The events started with a cultural exposition on the theme sustainability and development. The students from all the classes were given 10 minutes on stage to showcase this theme. This was also accompanied by a food festival where the students put up stalls selling food from different parts of the country. The profits from these sales went to charity.

The students of MA Applied Sociology had a wonderful opportunity to interact with a group of students from South Korea. These students have been on the Campus for a week and new to Bangalore and India. This interactive session saw a sharing of ideas, thoughts and cultural traits as the students spoke about their homelands, the languages they speak, their ideas about beauty and fashion as well as academia and the work space. They shared music from the regions they belong to, and spoke about the background of the same. They also spoke about childhood and the transition to adulthood in both the countries.

The department conducted a WORKSHOP ON 'WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT: A SOCIOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVE' on July 7, 2014. This Workshop covered areas such as the Sociological Relevance of Water Resource Management, Case Studies on lake pollution in Bangalore, Water Privatisation, Water Literacy, Public Health Issues, and Water Politics. The workshop commenced with a rendition of *Pyasi*, a song composed by Swarathma, a Bangalore based band. This was performed by Prof. Thomas Daniel who is an Assistant Professor from South Asia Institute, Heidelberg University, Germany. He is currently visiting professor to Christ University.





The department began the activities for the year with the induction programme which was inaugurated by Dr Victor Paul. All the faculty members and HOD interacted with the students on various aspects of the course. Eminent people from the fields, alumni and other personnel of Christ University were part of this programme. Orientation visits to LR Nagar slum (CSA project site), Mobility India (works in the area of Disability), BOSCO (works for street children), Beggars' colony was organized.

The Action Lab at LR Nagar Slum was inaugurated by Dept. of Social Work and CSA. Dr. Victor Paul, Dr. Bino Thomas, Dr. Godfred Victor, Dr. Ranjit, Dr. Sheeja, Mr. Mathew CP, Ms. Bharathi, Ms. Tharanum and other CSA staff along with I MSW students were present.

In order to develop skills and competencies among social work students in preparing them towards action oriented practices in social work, the action lab at LR Nagar and Janakiram Layout would be a platform to experience and learn.

The Department organized a seminar for the students of social work who needed to understand the contributions of the religious institutions to the development of the profession. Prof Victor Paul, Director of Department of Social Work gave the Introduction to theme of the Seminar. Fr Davis Panadan, DVK, delivered a lecture on Religious roots of social work and Prof Dr Tomy K Kallarakal addressed the students on the life and contributions of St. Chavara, founder of the CMI congregation.

The I Semester students as part of their extension activity conducted a day-long campaign on waste management. The objectives were: To create awareness among students about Waste Management, to highlight on waste segregation and to focus on recycling of products. The programme included poster presentation and sticker campaign, flash mob and street play. It also included screening of a short movie 'Frotiman'. The students took an oath saying "I can't change the past. But I can change the future. I will segregate waste properly". They signed on the campaign posters promising that they will segregate waste appropriately in the future.

As Continuing Social Work Education (CSE) initiative a round table discussion for standardizing field work education in

Bangalore was organized by the department of Social Work to develop certain common assessment abilities in field work training. This discussion involved Heads of Social Work Departments and faculty members of various colleges from Bangalore city. The Department of Social Work also organized 'Social Work Practitioners Meet' (SWPM), as a Continuing Social Work Education (CSE) initiative. This year's theme of SWPM 2014 was Assessment of abilities for Social Work practice.

The Department organized a workshop on 'Panchayath Raj' on 17 September 2014. 44 students from MSW and MA (Applied Sociology) participated in the workshop. Mr. Varghese G.M, State Officer, Good Governance programme, Karnataka Regional Organization for Social Service (KROSS) and Ms. Padmini Ananth, Senior Programme Associate of the Hunger Project Karnataka (Former Director, Sugrama) were the resource persons for the programme.

A Seminar on Human Trafficking on 28 November 2014 at Council Room, Central Block was organized. International Justice Mission was the NGO Partner for the event. This Seminar brought together members from NGOs working in the area of Human Trafficking, Government officials, academicians and students from different disciplines to exchange information on the problem and facilitate the establishment of network between them to tackle the issue of trafficking in an effective way.

The Centre for Social Action conducted a 2 Day PRA Workshop for thesecond semester students of Department of Social Work on 2 and 4 December 2014, led by Mr. Ranjit Singh and Mr. Vinay. The II semester and IV semester MSW students had a day long OBT programme at Kengeri Campus. The students had an orientation visit to the campus.

The Social work department organized the alumni day for social work students. The alumni interacted with the faculty members and the present batch students and shared their experiences. The India Gateway Programme of Griffith and Michigan University happened in the month of December, 2014 and the India Gateway Programme of Zurich University in the month of January, 2015.



ECONOMICS



The Department of Economics continued to exhibit dynamism and vibrancy throughout the academic year 2014-15. We began the year with the inauguration of the Economics Association, Amartya. The new office bearers were inducted during this programme and the proposed students' activities for the year were charted out. An out-bound training program for the first year students of MA Applied Economics was conducted to provide an opportunity for team building besides engaging them in outdoor sporting activities. Students of BA Economics Honors were provided an opportunity to combine their theoretical knowledge with real world exposure to economic activities through the industrial visit. Students were taken to Bharat Earth Movers Limited, a heavy, engineering goods factory in Mysore. The Department also conducted a rural visit for first year MA Applied Economics students to increase their level of awareness and consciousness towards society at large and in understanding the issues of the marginalised and underprivileged in particular.

As part of classroom activities, the post-graduate students involved themselves in weekly discussions of current affairs. This year, the department fine-tuned the modality of conducting it in a systematic manner. Students were expected to acquaint themselves with the latest economic news and events each week while also broadening their perspectives on political, institutional and other social changes. Readings and observations were then brought into discussion in class thereby enhancing the level of academic engagement. The weekly journal club was conducted with lot more academic rigour and intensity. Each week 3-4 students would present a paper from a referred journal in Economics. The paper is discussed thoroughly through an exposition of the research questions, the methodology, the findings and implications in the study. Rapporteurs were assigned the role of taking down the minutes of the deliberations while the respondents would pose questions to the speakers regarding the paper under discussion.

The annual national level undergraduate Economics fest *Altius* improved its stature further through higher participation levels from colleges across the country and a much bigger showcase of events. Some of the events such as *Running Story*, *Best Seller*, *Inquizitive* and *Mend the Gap* stole the show with high levels of enthusiasm and nail biting finishes. For the first time, the Department organised a post-graduate level economics fest

Ecocentric which received an overwhelming response with a good number of participating colleges from across colleges and university campuses in the country. The broad theme of the fest was 'Explore, Expand and Excel'. More specifically, the events were designed in a way that would accommodate heterodox approaches to understanding of economic issues rather than the mainstream neo-classical thinking. The fest saw the participation of top ranking institutions in the country like IIM Bangalore, IIM Calcutta and Symbiosis Institute of Management, Pune.

The much celebrated Annual National Young Economist Competition was held on the theme of Gender Equality and Development. As always we had a good turnout of undergraduate students from various parts of the country to present well researched papers. The competition was tough and the judges found it difficult in deciding the winners. Loyala College from Chennai, Hindu College from Delhi and Central University, Thanjavur were the few among the prestigious colleges that participated in the event.



The Annual National Conference this time was on the "Informal Sector Economy in India: Trends and Perspectives in Growth, Inclusion and Social Protection". The Department added yet another feather to its cap by being able to collaborate with the erstwhile Planning commission, now NITI Aayog in conducting the conference. The sub-themes of the conference were contemporary and highly relevant and drew the interests of practitioners, academicians and research scholars across the country to participate in the conference.

The Department of Economics sets its focal point on continuous innovation in pedagogic practices and student centric activities meant to accommodate the vision of higher learning and research. The faculty members discussed and deliberated over a two-day outbound FDP the various ways to strengthen the curriculum further and to improve the research calibre of the department through joint publications. The need to further improve the multidisciplinary appeal of the course paved the way for introduction of two new papers: Behavioural Economics and Economics of Health and Education.

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES



The School of law Christ University started MA in International Studies in 2014 with the objective of shaping higher education as a process of developing a critical faculty on questions of origins of war and the making of lasting peace; shifting patterns of power and wealth; a diverse set of political, economic, social and environmental

interactions between sovereign states, international organizations, non-governmental organizations, multinational corporations and civil society actors at a global, regional or inter-state level.

The MA International Studies program enables our students to develop their capacity to provide informed analysis of past and contemporary international relations, and specialize in a subfield of relations; in theory, security, political economy or some other area, extending their knowledge of core debates and developing their capacity to make informed contributions to contemporary research or policy work in these areas.

In view of the altered architecture of global politics, the scope of study of International Studies has become all encompassing in view of the shrinkage of time and space-known as globalization, resulting in complex interdependence among nations especially



in the issues without passports like terrorism, environmental and ecological degradation, human security, interstate conflicts, refugee problems etc.

To provide education of the highest quality with the emphasis on mutual respect, social harmony, sustainable development and world peace, the School of Law's MA International Studies program keeps in perspective the dynamic role of a caring faculty committed to creating an open and cooperative learning environment.

There are several career paths which International Studies student might choose to follow like a career in exactly the kind of academic organization they have been studying; a governmental or a civil service, multinational corporate, a position with an NGO, Think tanks or journalism.



PSYCHOLOGY



The psychology department held many events in the academic year 2014-15. A national conference on Cognitive and Neuropsychology was held on November 14 and 15, 2014. Many noted experts in the field delivered lectures during the conference.

November 14 began with a keynote lecture by Dr. Shobini L. Rao (Prof. of Clinical Neuropsychology, NIMHANS, Bangalore) and was followed by special lectures by Prof. C.R. Mukundan (Professor Emeritus/Director, Institute of Behavioural Science, Gujarat Forensic Sciences University) and Dr. K.B. Kumar (Dean and Professor of Clinical Psychology, Sweekar Institute of Rehabilitation Sciences University, Hyderabad). The afternoon sessions began with progressive cognitive disorders (resource persons-Dr. Rathnavalli, Sr. Consultant Neurologist, Manipal Institute of Neurological Disorders, Bangalore; Dr. Pramod K. Pal, Professor of Neurology, NIMHANS, Bangalore). The second afternoon session was on non-progressive conditions (TBI, stroke, encephalitis) and the resource persons were Dr. Joshy E.V. (Sr. Consultant and Chief of Neurology, Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Medical Sciences) and Dr. Jagadish (Professor of Psychiatry, KIMS, Senior Consultant Psychiatrist, Abhay Hospital, Bangalore). The sessions were followed by a cultural evening and banquet. The second day began with a session on neuronal plasticity and cognition, wherein the invited speakers were Dr. M.K. Unnikrishnan (Professor, Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Manipal) and Dr. Bindu Kutty (Professor of Neurophysiology, NIMHANS, Bangalore). This was followed by concurrent sessions where various presenters from Christ University and outside presented their papers. Then followed lunch, after which the next programme was a symposium on cognitive rehabilitation, the speakers this time being Dr. Keshav Kumar (Additional Professor, Department of Neuropsychology, Department of Clinical Psychology, NIMHANS, Bangalore) and Dr. Jamuna R (Additional Professor, Division of Neuropsychology, Department of Clinical Psychology, NIMHANS, Bangalore). The conference concluded with the valedictory function for which the invited speaker was Dr. Raju (Dean of Basic Neuroscience, NIMHANS, Bangalore).

The department also organised a seminar on Sudhir Kakar's contributions to Indian cultural psychology and psychoanalysis on January 9 and 10, 2015. Sudhir Kakar is an established writer and psychoanalyst and has been listed as one of the 25 major thinkers of the world. Post the inauguration of the seminar, the keynote address was delivered by Dr. Ashok Nagpal, Professor of Psychology and Dean, Ambedkar University, Delhi. This was followed by a conversation with Sudhir Kakar himself where he responded to many questions raised by students and faculty members. Post lunch, Dr. Jhuma Basak (Training Analyst, Indian Psychoanalyst Society & Associate Professor, NSHM Knowledge Campus, Kolkata) delivered a special lecture. This was followed by a symposium. The evening followed with a very interesting and insightful demonstration of playback theatre. January 10th began with paper presentations in 3 concurrent sessions. This was followed by a special lecture by Dr. Anurag Misra, Psychiatrist, Fortis Hospitals, Gurgaon; and then a symposium. The afternoon was spent by the students in meeting and interaction with the analysts where Dr. Kakar played the role of moderator and the other analysts present were Dr. Nagpal, Dr. Basak and Dr. Misra.

Both these events organised by the department were attended by PG and also Psychology Honours students, faculty members and participants from outside. Some teachers also brought some UG students to some of the sessions to expose them to these very enriching experiences.

In addition to these events, the Psychology Association of the department also played a major role in organising events for the PG and UG students for the department. The inauguration of the events and Street Play competition for the first year PG and UG students was held on July 9, 2014. A singing competition for second year PG and UG students was held on August 26, 2014. An inter-collegiate exhibition competition on the theme cognitive psychology was held on November 28, 2014. Eleven teams from other colleges participated in the event, and the teams participating from within the psychology department, Christ University, were more than hundred. Many interesting models were presented by the exhibitors and the event was a huge success. This was followed by the paper presentation competition for the final year UG students on January 9, 2015 at the Kengeri campus of the university. The final event of the association was the valedictory function held on February 16, 2015.





Vision and Mission

Department of Philosophy aims at providing a comprehensive synthesis of various philosophical disciplines to develop a critical and analytical approach to all major areas of human inquiry. The objectives of the Philosophy Programme in Philosophy include: (i) train the students in scientific research, (ii) prepare them to teach philosophy in centres of higher education, (iii) equip them to perform functions that demand higher competence in national/international organizations, and (iv) help the students to find meaning in life by broadening their field of vision.

Initiation into Love of Wisdom

The first year students of Bachelor of Philosophy and Master in Philosophy were initiated into the new academic session on 3 June 2014. Prof. Dr. Saju Chackalackal, President of DVK, Dr. Jose Nandhikkara, HOD, all the Faculty and students accorded warm welcome to the freshers in the function organized at the PKM Auditorium. Rev Fr. Raju Akkara through his interactive programme introduced the students to the wonders of life and philosophy. The One day session was held at Multimedia Hall, DVK Central Library on 5 June. The Chancellor, Prof Dr Thomas Aykara also welcomed the freshers into the world of philosophical investigations.

Environmental Focus

Environment was the focus of the activities of the Department of Philosophy, this year.

- A one day National Workshop on Environment and Law in collaboration with School of Law, Christ University, National Law School of India University, Bangalore and Globethics.net India on 5 June, World Environment Day. Prof Venkata Rao, Honourable Vice Chancellor of NLSIU inaugurated the Workshop and scholars from the three partner institutes presented papers.

- Paul Wiegmann Annual Lectures on Environmental Studies was delivered by Dr. J. Prasant Palakkappillil CMI,

Principal, S. H. College, Thevara, on 17-18, December 2014. He spoke on "Listening to the Rivers" inviting the students to lead a life in partnership with other beings on Earth.

- The Department Seminar was organized on World Philosophy Day, 21 November, 2014 on Environment and Philosophy. Professors Paulachan Kochappilly (Globethics.net India), Siddhartha (Fireflies), V. Jagannatha (ISTRAC) and students Mathew Judit (Dharmaram Vidya Kshetram), Jith Francis, (De Paul Institute), Ajay Melwin Lobo (Pushpashrama) and Khammbam Bala, (Christ University) presented papers.

St. Kuriakose Elias Chavara: Social Equity of People on the Margins

Prof. Dr. Fr. Thomas Muppathinchira CMI organised a programme on 12-13 December 2014 in collaboration with the Center for Dalit Solidarity, Bangalore, and Centre for Chavara Studies and Research, Bangalore and Centre for Dalit/Subaltern Studies, New Delhi in which "Contribution for Social Equity of People on the Margin by St. Kuriakose Elias Chavara" was presented and discussed. During the programme six volumes of Dalit Bible Commentary were also released.

Dharma Endowment Lectures

Dharma Endowment Lectures 2014-2015 was delivered by Prof Dr Catherine Cornille and Jeffrey Bloechl from Boston College, US on 21-23 July 2014. The title of the series of lectures was Religious Identity between Secularism and Plurality: Explorations of Philosophical and Interreligious Space." A special session for the members of the staff was arranged on 22 July 2014, followed by dinner.

Passion and Purpose

The annual Philosophy Day celebrations were held on Thursday, 29 January, 2015. It is an annual feature of the Department of Philosophy to celebrate this day as *Pitr-Matrdin* (Day of parents), *Gurudin* (Day of Teachers), and *Satīrtiyadin* (Day of Companions) with the presence of the parents, local guardians, staff and students of the Faculty. Prof Dr Saju Chackalackal, President DVK presided over the function. The outgoing students were given a warm send-off and students from all batches performed a variety of entertainment programmes which were both enjoyable and thought provoking.



SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

The School of Education at Christ University employs a holistic approach towards the formation of teachers. This is well reflected in the activities undertaken during the course. The School of Education leaves no stone unturned in providing enriching experiences to all its students.

The academic year began with a solemn inaugural function on 9 June 2014 followed by an Orientation Programme to all the students the next day. The faculty of the School of Education explained the road map of the journey in the coming ten months. Effective communication skill is fundamental to the success of a teacher. On 25 June 2014, Prof. Padmakumar M.M, Department of English and Media studies conducted a two-hour workshop on Communication Skills. He gave us a lot of tips on communication, and how using those to its potential will help us as teachers. A three day Personality Development Workshop was conducted on the 1, 2 and 4 of July 2014 to address the issues that we as student-teachers were currently facing and to prepare us for the roles and responsibilities that we would be taking up as teachers. The facilitator, Aparna Ponnappa, Redd Network took us through these three days covering various aspects relating to the importance of having an inspiring personality and its impact on our personal and professional lives.

On 11 July 2014, the students participated in the Theatre -in-Education workshop. The workshop aimed at providing the students of both B.Ed. and M.A Education, an opportunity to understand the significance of using theatre skills in the teaching-learning process. We had sessions on puppetry, street theatre, proscenium theatre and choreography.

The School of Education along with the Library actively hosted a two day book fest, Book Mark 2014. This event was mainly to create awareness about the libraries in our campus and the facilities available. It was inaugurated by Prof. Suresh Pai and Fr. Varghese K. J. There were various publishers who displayed their books. The School of Education participated in the Independence Day celebrations organized by Christ Junior College. Dr. Anil Joseph Pinto, the Registrar delivered an inspiring message. The theme of the celebration was –'Youth: the Power of India's Future.'

The 21st century is on the lookout for more Sarabai's, Ramnajuna's and Kalam's and this posed as the backdrop for the Panel Discussion on "Pure Sciences: Challenges and Emergence" conducted by the department on August 22, 2014. The panelists were Dr. Ananthanarayanan, Professor and Chairman, Centre for High Energy Physics, Indian Institute of Science Bengaluru, Professor Vinayakumar, Principal, KLE Pre University College, Bengaluru, Dr. Hemamalini Assistant Regional Director, Indira Gandhi National Open University Regional Centre, Bengaluru and Ms. Justy a 10 grade student from Christ School. The School of Education organized a State Level Workshop on Constructivism in Teaching and Learning on 13 September 2014. The objectives of the seminar were for the participants to explore the theory and practice of

constructivism, to relate constructivist ideas with the nature and method of specific subject area and to conceptualize and develop one teaching-learning concept within a particular subject area, from a constructivist perspective. The resource persons for this workshop were Dr. Anil Sethi, Dr. Rakhi Banerjee and Ms. Indumathi S, from the Department of Education, Azim Premji University. The workshop was conducted for a target group of teachers and principals. There were a total of 58 participants from across the state.

On the 18 September 2014, the School of Education, organized a workshop on E-Content Development at Green View Studio, Centre for Concept Design, Christ University. It exposed us to novel ways of teaching and learning using technology and to create an effective multimedia content to satisfy the needs of the present generation. The School of Education organized a Sports Day for its students of B.Ed. and MA Education on September 20, 2014. The objective was for the students to compete against each other, build team spirit and gain hands on experience of conducting a sports day. It was held at Christ University, Kengeri campus.

The Department's way of Christmas Celebrations was by collecting a sum of Rs. 14,000 and going to St. Jerome Home and spending the whole afternoon there with the inmates. We also donated stationary items to Sneha Care Home, an institution that looks after HIV infected children.

There was a colourful Teaching Aids Display on 13 January 2015. It gave us a platform to display our skills in making teaching aids as well as learn from others the way they have made use of teaching aids during their teaching practice at schools. One of the most awaited events in the School of Education, is Kala Saurabha – the cultural and literary event which brings the class together and yet keeps the class apart in its spirit of competition. The event was flagged off by Fr. Thomas T V, Director, Institute of Management and School of Education, on 27 January 2015. The events lasted up to 31 January 2015.

The School Of Education, organized a one-day National Seminar on 'Research in Education for Sustainable Development' on 5 February 2015. The aim of the seminar was to help transform the way the worldviews education and sustainable development, ensuring that sustainable development is incorporated into curricula at all levels of education and in all levels of society. There were 40 delegates from various institutions of the country.

It is beyond doubt that Christ School of Education gives a wonderful exposure to its students and also contributes in a significant way towards the progress of education in the nation.



PERFORMING ARTS



Performing Arts is a creative field which enhances individual growth through exploration of talent on stage. The Department of Performing arts at Christ University gives a platform for future performing artists through a triple major arts course of BA in Performing Arts, English and Psychology.

The department aims to achieve 'Integrity through Aesthetic Performance'

through their mission statement 'to inspire and mentor the growth of performance artists who, through their cultural ethos, will embody Respect, Humility and Discipline. The subject of Performing Arts includes Dance (Bharatnatyam), Music (Carnatic Music) and Theatre. The students discover various fields and choose a specialization from their second year. Students also get opportunities to learn and participate in all the three fields through the value added courses in Bharatnatyam, Carnatic Music, Proscenium Theatre, Playback Theatre and Art Entrepreneurship. The combination also consists of English Literature and Psychology, which is their triple-major. The department is one of the most vibrant ones in the campus with programs throughout the year at departmental level and University level.

Departmental level events are:

Classroom Productions: Classroom productions are a regular feature with the theatre major students. Every month a 10-15 minutes play is conducted by each class in the theatre room, popularly known as the 'Theatre Lab'.

Celebrations: This is the culmination performance of the final year students of dance, music and theatre majors, as a part of their Value Added Course in Art Entrepreneurship. Coordinated by the PEP faculty members, the program is a self-organized and self-funded venture by the students.

Prayatna: The annual departmental fest is called 'Prayatna'. It was initiated in 2013 with the sole intention of bringing the students and faculty members together, thus strengthening the fraternity of Performing Arts.

Samarpan: An evening of Bharatnatyam, Carnatic Music and Proscenium Theatre, called 'Samarpan', is staged in the last week of the even semester. The final year students of the course offer, through their performances, their learning's of their respective art forms.

The University level events are:

Swaranjali: Celebrating World Music Day, Swaranjali- a musical evening by Christites, is led by the music faculty Ms Chitra S. Students from PEP and others across the University render famous Indian musical compositions with the fusion of western instruments.

Thyagaraja Mahotsav: Commemorating the Carnatic great Shri. Thyagaraja, the festival renders some of his most popular compositions. It is performed by the PEP students and those from other departments. Professionals accompany them on classical instruments. This program was initiated by the department, under the leadership and training of Ms. Chitra S.

Nritta: The University Dance Day 'Nritta' is an event dedicated to the extravaganza of dance. The design of the dance performances follows a larger theme. It is choreographed by the dance faculty of the Performing Arts, Mr. Prabin Villareesh and assisted by Ms. Rajashree Das.

VISION 2020: Vision 2020 is an ongoing series of epic-theatre performances by Christ University in collaboration with the Script People's Theatre, coordinated by the Theatre-in-Education under Mr. Sibu Vaz and Mr. Mohammed Arif. The performers include Christites, as well as theatre professionals from Bangalore. A section of music for the plays is composed by the music faculty Ms. Chitra S. (who also trains the students), and the dance sequences are choreographed by Mr. Prabin Villareesh and assisted by Ms. Rajashree Das.

Gurubhyo Namaha: It is a cultural program organized by the Department of Performing Arts and the Student Welfare Office to celebrate Teachers' Day. This event includes dance and music performances by the PEP students and other students from different departments.

Students are also given opportunities to perform at prestigious platforms like the Prithvi Theatre, Mumbai where they attend workshops and watch performances by famous theatre troupes. The students also participate in Social outreach programs organized by the Centre for Social Action.



Theatre-in-Education

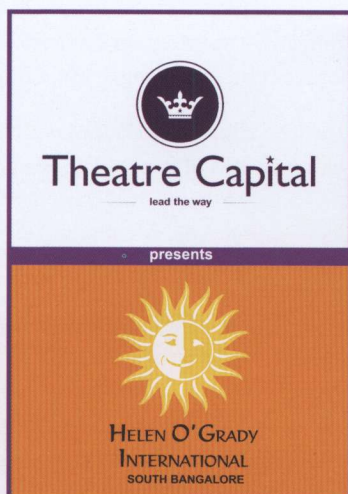
The potential of institutional growth using the tools of Drama are enormous - if there is a willing team, a visionary management and participatory families.

In 2006-07 the team of Script Peoples Theatre and Christ College made a decision to commit and explore this growth journey through an introductory short term drama program. Today after more than 8 years Christ College has become a University and drama is a curriculum subject with theory, practical components and students graduating every year with drama as a core subject. This is apart from drama being used as a tool for students of Business Management, Science, Tourism, Law, MBA programs, Commerce, B.Ed. etc

Christ University has used the latest **4G** technology to make TIE a success

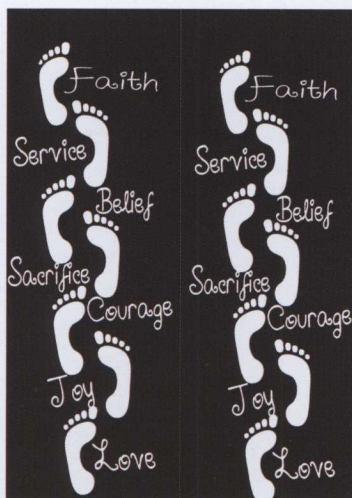
1G - Good Collaboration

Working hand in hand with best practices has been one of the cornerstones of Christ University's dramatic success stories. In the last one year Theatre Capital's collaboration with Helen O' Grady International has resulted in more than 1000 school students benefiting from drama. Christ University has been a nurturing ground for this success story.



2G - God as the first priority

The year 2014-15 saw the founder father of CMI being canonized as a saint. TIE received whole hearted support from students and faculty for keeping God as its first priority and involving deaneries to present their own versions of sainthood in the month of November. The success story of the initiative also paved the way for students of Performing Arts to win the national award for the best play for television on Goodness TV.



3G - Going Together – Co-creation



Faculty members embrace the methodology of theatre wholeheartedly through training and practice of Co-creation. Playback Theatre training followed by Intimate Interactive Theatre are the latest tools which faculty members will be using to create a unique learning environment for all in the coming years.



4G - Great Experience

The year 2014-15 has been the year for students to watch and imbibe the practical experience of the emerging new age theatre. Applied theatre, research, training and guided practical industry experience are life learnings for those students who were willing to keep their eyes open and learn.



4G

With the qualities and speed of 4G - TIE of Christ University is embracing and responding to the need of the hour. Students and faculty are neither actors of spectators but have embraced the new role of "spectactors" – waiting to act on the stage of life.

PHYSICS



The Physics Association took initiative for an inter-collegiate and an intra-collegiate physics fest along with other activities which was guided to success by the

Department of Physics, Christ University. This academic year was marked by the sheer number of participation in co-curricular activities conducted by the association.

Eureka 2014 – Inter collegiate physics fest was conducted on the 20 August 2014. The fest was inaugurated by Dr. A Nandakumaran, Professor of Mathematics, IISc, Bangalore. The fest was themed as a tribute to one of the great physicists of 20th century, Prof. Richard Feynman. Eureka 2014 included many innovative events which were first of their kind like Battle of the Scientists wherein participants were given a scientist to impersonate in rounds that not only questioned their scientific aptitude but also survival skills, Cognitive Junkie which challenged the participants to solve or attempt a physics paradox and Stumble Upon where Participants were given everyday object or phenomena and told to speak about the physics behind it and judged on Creativity, Humour and Audience response. Another activity which was actively taken up by the association was the weekly student seminars. The first seminar was given by Samip Velani, 6 PCM, on the topic “Beauty Lies in the eye of the Physicist - The making of the laws of Physics”. Prof George Thomas, HOD of dept of physics also gave a seminar cum demonstration on Superconductivity and magnetic levitation. Department of Physics also organised an Experimental Physics Demonstration which was enlightening experience for the students.

The Intra collegiate Physics fest – Friction 2015 was organised by the association on 12 February 2015. The fest which was initiated for the first time in 2014 is a fun way of students under the department to interact, enjoy and learn. Friction included Frictoos and Photography which was art based events where students were asked to draw or take photograph portraying the physics related topic for each event. The department and the Physics association was involved in guiding prospective students from various schools in the city about the courses offered and facilities in Christ University for Physics studies in the Annual Guidance Fest – Daksh 2014-2015 held on 8 December 2014. Students participated and exhibited their own experimental models and posters at the annual science exhibition conducted by the university on 28 February 2015 in connection to National Science day celebration. Aiswarya R. M., JillurRahman and



Anusha Bharghavi of 3 PCME received the Indian Academy of Sciences Summer Fellowship for the year 2014-2015 which was carried out at JNCASR and IIA respectively.



As for Postgraduate students, the year began with ambition, determination and ideas set sky high by Dr. Margarita Safanova, Professor at the Indian Institute of Astrophysics, who inaugurated the Physics Association on the 24 August 2014. A two-day workshop on Recent Advances in Frontier Areas of Physics was organized by the Karnataka Science and Technology Academy (KSTA) from 13-18 August 2014. One of the main objectives of the workshop was to bring together renowned scientists from IISc, JNCASR and IIA and interact with the PG students. The workshop concluded with a quiz competition, for which the 1st, 2nd and 3rd places were awarded cash prizes of ₹10000, ₹8000 and ₹4000, respectively sponsored by KSTA.

In order to foster interactions with eminent scientists, the Physics department organized several guest lectures in frontier areas in physics. Mr. H. Arun Kumar, General Manager at Vikram Solar Pvt. Ltd. gave a series of special lectures on Solar Cell Functioning and Manufacturing. Dr. Anuradha, from Raman Research Institute gave three lectures on Characterization of Materials. A special lecture series was arranged for astrophysics students by scientists from IIA and RRI. Dr. Annapurni subramaniam, Dr. Preeti Karb, Dr. Prajwal Shastri and Dr. Bisvajith Paul were among the speakers for this event. It was a pleasure to see lively discussions and exchange of ideas after every talk. Senior M.Sc students completed their mandatory external projects under the guidance of professors from institutes like IISc, RRI, IIA, NAL etc.

A science exhibition was organized on 28 February 2015 in connection with the National Science Day. Scientific concepts and ideas in physics are communicated through innovative models. PG students Mohan Raj and Pranothi Panchbhai got the first prize. Department also organized educational trips to Suzlon Wind Energy Farm located at Hassan, JNCASR, Bangalore and Gauribidanur Radio Observatory on January 28th, February 14th and March 19th respectively.





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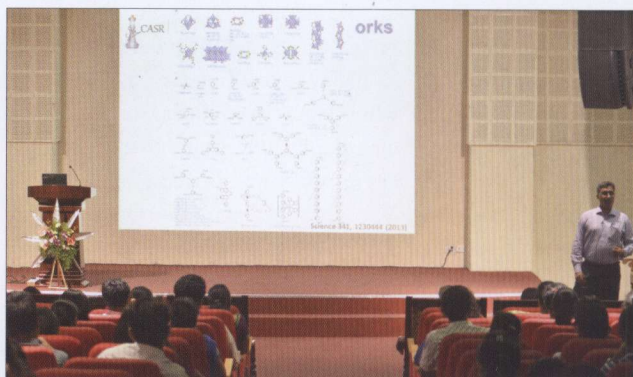
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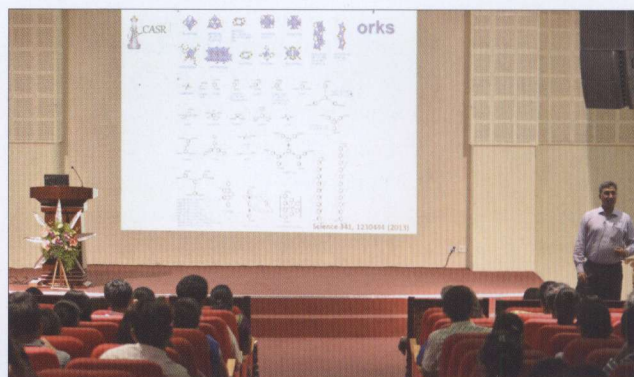
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BOTANY



The Department of Botany organized activities during this academic year under the patronage of the Botany Association.

The faculty coordinator of the

association Fr Jobi Xavier, along with the student coordinators of all the classes arranged a number of programmes during the academic year.

The department hosted their annual inter-collegiate fest "FLORA" on 20 August 2014. They had many events like quiz, potpourri, flower arrangement and vegetable carving. Students from 28 different colleges had participated in the events. Dr Fr Thomas C Mathew, Vice Chancellor, Christ University inaugurated the event. Dr Aswath C, Principal Scientist, Indian Institute of Horticultural Research, Bengaluru was the chief guest for the event. Bonsai, Gardening techniques, medicinal plants and organic farming exhibitions were organized.

A two day field trip to Madikeri was organized for the III semester CBZ and BCB students as part of the plant taxonomy and collection of plants. A one day study trip to University of Agricultural Sciences, GKVK, Bangalore was organized for the VI semester CBZ and BCB students. The students visited various departments like Horticulture, Agronomy, Plant Breeding, Agriculture meteorology and Plant Biotechnology. To study various techniques of plant propagation, tissue culture techniques and to study about the significance of the green house, poly house and irrigation methods, IV Semester CBZ students visited University of Agricultural Sciences, GKVK, Bangalore. One day study trip on 14 Jan 2015 to Indian Institute of Horticultural Research, Bengaluru was organized for the II semester CBZ students. The students visited various departments like Horticulture, Pathology and Plant Biotechnology.

The department organized a three day Quality improvement programme for the faculty members. The eminent professors and scientists like Dr Raghavendra Rao, former director, DST,

Dr Sanjappa, former director, Botanical Survey of India, Dr Aswath, Principal Scientist, Indian Institute of Horticultural Research, Dr Bhagyaraj, Professor, Department of soil microbiology from Research Centers, Institutes and Industry were invited. Faculty members visited Bannerghatta forest area to study the natural vegetation under the guidance of Dr Jai Shankar and Avinash from A Rocha.

A two day national conference on "Environmental Pollution, Urban Waste Management and Public Health Security" was organized by department of Botany in collaboration with Karnataka State Pollution Control Board from 13-14 Feb 2015. The chief guest for the conference was Dr E. T. Puttaiah, former Vice Chancellor, Gulbarga University. Dr. Suresh Heblikar, environmentalist, Director, Eco-Watch delivered the key note address. More than 150 participants from nine states and various universities, colleges, research institutes and industry participated in the conference. Around 100 research papers were presented by the participants including 70 Oral and 30 posters. The best oral, poster and young scientist award were presented to the winners. The valedictory session was presided by Fr Jobi Xavier, Director, Department of Botany. Dr K. Narayana Gowda, former Vice Chancellor, University of Agricultural Sciences, GKVK, Bangalore, and Dr. Vamana Acharya, chairman, Karnataka State Pollution Control Board were the chief guests. Dr Aswath C, Principal Scientist, Indian Institute of Horticultural Research, Bengaluru delivered the valedictory address.

Career guidance was given in the programme Career Fair which was organized by Christ University in January, 2015. The department of Botany gave a lot of career options to the students interested to take up Botany as their subject of study. This programme improved their views on the subject and also helped students in understanding the wide scope of the subject.

An exhibition was organized on 28 February, 2015 in Christ University as part of National Science Day.

The faculty members Prof Manjunath BT, Dr Praveen N and Fr Jobi Xavier presented research papers in national seminars and conferences.





The Department of Zoology, one of the oldest departments of Christ University has organized several programs and represented the University in many seminars. The department offers 2 triple major programs i.e. CBZ (Chemistry, Botany and Zoology) and BCZ (Biotechnology, Chemistry and Zoology). The goal of the department is to sensitize the students to understand classical and contemporary Zoology which are inseparable from the environment and its biodiversity and the limitations of man in utilizing its resources.

The Department organized a National seminar 'MUBICS' in September, in which delegates from different parts of the country participated actively. The keynote address was given by Mr. D.V. Girish, which was very inspiring to the young Zoologists. The valedictory programme was made much more interesting by the talk of Mr Yellappa Reddy.

The faculties and several students were a part of National seminars conducted in different parts of the country. Dr. P.U. Antony gave a plenary talk in the National seminar at Goa University, on 19-02-2015 and at Auxillium College, Vellore on 6-02-15. He also gave an Invited talk at Madras University on 4-3-15. Prof. S.G. Ganesh presented a paper in the national seminar MUBICS held in our University. Prof. Nandini.J.D gave a poster presentation in Government Science College. students also presented their paper in seminars and won prizes which includes the 'Young scientist award'.

The department organised an intercollegiate fest 'Species', in which students from 13 different colleges of the city participated actively and gained knowledge. The chief guest of the programme was Dr. Richard from Fortis hospital. Several cultural programs by students added colors to the fest.

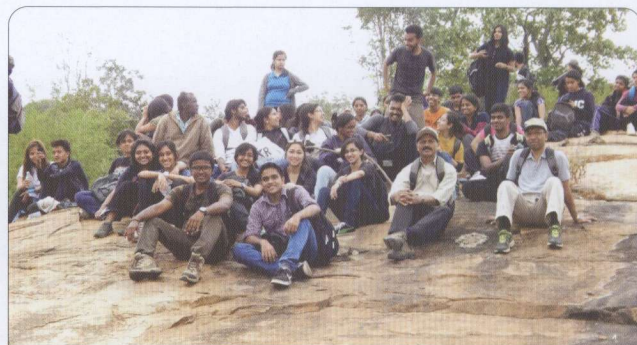
"Green Army" is an initiative from the department in which interested students together explore nature and work on its improvement. Trekking programs were organized by the Green army to Rangaswamy betta on 3 July, 2015 and Basavanna betta on 11 November, 2014. On the eve of



Independence day, the Green Army organized 'Go green', a programme which supports the use of biodegradable substances. Green Army also organized a Bird count in association with Global Backyard Bird Count. students participated enthusiastically and gave the bird count of the campus.

The department organized many guest lectures. Dr. Tetaniya. L. Delaney, Professor in Biology, St. Joseph's College, New York, was part of the faculty exchange programme. She stayed on campus for 3 weeks and gave many talks on basic Microbiology.

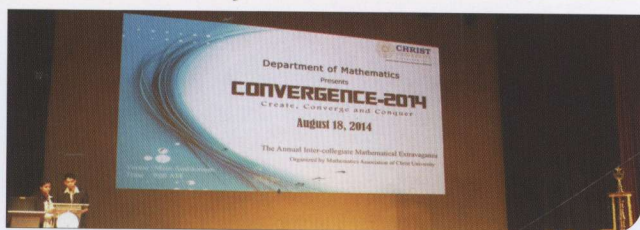
On 14 January, 2015, an interesting talk was given by Dr. I.K. Pai, Department of Zoology and Director of Academic staff College, Goa University called 'Expedition to Antarctica'. The syllabus for the first year was revised completely to include updated topics and concepts which would help students in understanding the subject well.



A field trip was organized for 2 CBZ students to Harohalli village and 2 BCZ students to KSSRDI- Karnataka State Sericulture Research and Development Institute. The main objective of both the field trips was to make students aware of sericulture practiced in our country which was also a part of the syllabus. Students of 6 CBZ and 6 BCZ were taken to NIMHANS. Professors of the institution clearly briefed the students about the Brain structure and function, brain damages and brain disorders with live affected specimens as illustrations. Students of 6 CBZ and 6 BCZ were also taken to Black Buck Sanctuary, near Tumkur as field study.

The Alumni meet was arranged on 26 January, 2015, in which 30 alumni of different batches had a beneficial interaction. It was a reunion for many with their batch mates and their teachers'. Senior alumni students guided young alumni in better career options.

The staff members also actively participated and won in sports organized by the Department of Physical Education, Christ University.



The year 2014-15 was filled with vibrant activities, conducted for the students.

'Convergence', the annual inter-collegiate Mathematical fest organized by the Mathematics Association of Christ University (MACU) was held on the 18 August 2014 in which 15 colleges participated. Christ University won the overall trophy and Kristu Jayanti College was the runner's up. 'Sequence', the Intra-collegiate Mathematical fest was organized on 8 December 2014. All the BSc classes with Mathematics combination competed with enthusiasm and high spirit. All the competitions were mathematics related. PME combination won the overall trophy. 'Arohan', the PG Fest was organized on 2 March 2015.

A One day workshop on MATLAB was organized for II M Sc Mathematics on 3 September 2014 by MathWorks India Private Limited, Bangalore. Department of Mathematics Christ University in collaboration with Science Academies' (Indian Academy of Sciences, Bangalore, Indian National Science Academy, New Delhi, The National Academy of Sciences, Allahabad) organized a Lecture workshop on "Elementary Mathematics for First year undergraduate students" during 19-21 November 2014. The Resource persons were Prof(Emeritus) Alladi Sitaram, Indian Statistical Institute, Dr T. Krishnan, Consultant, Mu Sigma, Professor Kaushal Verma, IISc, Bangalore, Professor Arvind Ayer IISc, Bangalore, Professor S Thangavelu, IISc, Bangalore, Professor B. Sury, ISI-Bangalore Centre, and Professor M S Narasimhan, TIFR and IISc, Bangalore.

Science Academies' Education Programme in collaboration



with Department of Mathematics, Christ University, Bangalore organized a two-day Lecture Workshop for Pre-University Students in Elementary Mathematics during 19-20 January 2015. A 5-day Instructional Workshop in Graph Theory was organized during March 9-13, 2015. The workshop was designed to cater to the needs of new entrants into research who are desirous of laying a strong foundation in Graph Theory Research.

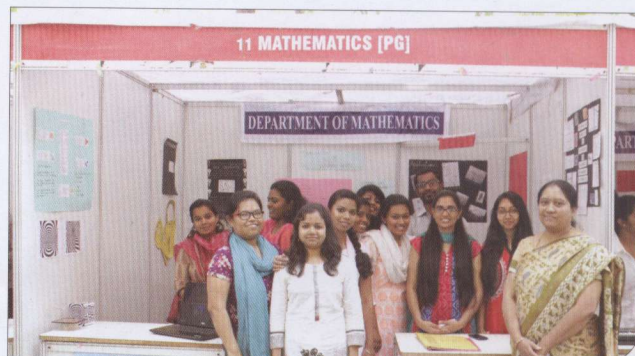
Dr. Shobha Bagai, Cluster Innovation Centre, Delhi University gave a guest lecture on "Non Dimensional Analysis in Fluid

Mechanics" for I and II MSc Mathematics students on 14 August 2014. Interactive sessions on "Basics in Mathematics" with Prof. Alladi Sitaram, Prof. S Thangavelu, and Prof Kaushal Verma from IISc Bangalore was arranged for BSc and MSc Mathematics students on 20 November 2014. Public lecture by eminent mathematician and Padmabhushan awardee Dr. M S Narasimhan (Emeritus professor TIFR, Bangalore) on "Geometry beyond Euclid" was arranged for I BSc and II BSc Mathematics students on 21 November 2014. Dr Andrew Chan, Faculty of Engineering, University of Nottingham Malaysia Campus, Malaysia delivered a talk on Fluid Mechanics for MSc students on 20 December 2014. Prof Yuko Ryan, Shizuoka University, International Centre, Hamamatsu City, Japan delivered a talk on Asia Bridge Programme in Shizuoka University, Japan which offers Indian nationals a Full Tuition Reduction Scholarship for their 1st year of study in their degree. Y2B talk (Entrepreneurship awareness) was arranged for II BSc. The speakers from Business Development AIESEC Bangalore, encouraged the youth to be entrepreneurs.

Dr. S Pranesh from the department delivered an invited talk titled "Mathematical modelling of free and forced convections" in the National Conference on Pure and Applied Mathematics (NCPAM 2014) organized by Department of Mathematics, P. K. R. Arts College for Women, Erode, Tamil Nadu on 19 August 2014; on "Mathematical Modelling" at Surana College, Bangalore on 16 September 2014 and On "Differential Equations" at Don Bosco Institute of Technology, Bangalore on 19 September 2014.

The department of Mathematics in collaboration with CSA conducted Social Responsibility week during 25-28 August 2014. To spread awareness about the theme "Hunger know/no more", the department conducted some fun and interactive events. Photography, Collage making, Creative writing and Taboo/Pictionary were the four events conducted. The participants were from I EMS, II EMS, I MSc (Mathematics) and II Mathematics.

A slum visit was arranged for I MSc and I BSc(EMS) students. On 28 January and on 4 February 2015, I MSc and I BSc students visited L.R. Nagar(Transit School and a Day Care Centre run by Centre for Social Actions(CSA)) Bangalore, the other I BSc (EMS: 24) students visited Janaki Nagar Layout in Kamanhalli, Bangalore. The objective of the visit was to introduce the students to the realities of life and the actual conditions of the people around them.



STATISTICS



Established in the year 1990, the Department of Statistics is committed to excellence in teaching and equipping students to become practicing statisticians. They work to acquaint students with various statistical methods and their applications in different fields and to cultivate statistical thinking among students. It also works to develop skills in handling complex problems in data analysis and research design and to prepare students for future courses having quantitative components.

The department invites eminent professors to instruct students in specific areas. Statistics is one of the core subjects for BSc students with Computer Science, Mathematics and Statistics and for Economics, Mathematics and Statistics combination. The department caters to other departments like BCA, MCA and MSc in Actuarial Science in which relevant tools are taught, along with the basics of the subject. Three certificate courses are offered by the department. Two of them are offered in the software SPSS while another one is an add-on course for MSc Mathematics students and is intended to help them in various entrance exams.

The department offers eight papers in six semesters for the students of BSc course. Practical sessions in which they are trained to analyse the data using the techniques they have learnt in theory classes are an integral part of the course. The syllabus is upgraded annually to incorporate the various advancements in the subject and to offer a strong theoretical foundation in the subject. Application based topics like SQC, Reliability and Operations Research are offered in the final year. Softwares like R, SPSS, EXCEL are used to explain the various concepts taught

in the theory class. Students are required to do mini projects as a part of internal assessment and also take part in the annual project exhibition competition. The department also strives to impart knowledge based on a syllabus of national and international universities of repute.

The department of Statistics organized an industry visit on the occasion of National Statistics Day on 29th June, 2014. Both the students and faculty members visited the National Sample Survey Organization (NSSO), Bangalore. The students participated in all the events conducted and three students got first and second prizes and also attended various lectures organized by NSSO.

The department also inaugurated "Christ University Statistics Association", on 4 July, 2014 followed by a lecture on "Applications of Statistics in Medical Sciences" by Prof. Ramesh, KIDWAI Institute of Medical Sciences, Bangalore.



An annual intercollegiate fest "Inference" was organized by the department on 19 August, 2014. The students of Christ University and other colleges actively participated in all the events. This was one of the opportunities for the students to shape their statistical knowledge towards application orientation.

The department of Statistics also organized an inter-class fest called "Moments" in the month of February this year. The first, second and third year students of EMS and CMS students took part in this fest. This is also one of the platforms to discuss the knowledge of Statistics in terms of its application. Department of Statistics continuously participated in all the events conducted by the Deanery of Science, like the career fair and project exhibition as part of the departmental activity.



Besides this department of statistics conducted number of lectures to improve the knowledge of Statistics in real life. Invited guest lecturers in SPSS, R programming and Eviews softwares motivated the students. Students have been placed in many organizations as statistical investigators, statisticians etc. Many of them have also taken PG courses in Statistics to further their future prospects.

ELECTRONICS

The Department of Electronics aims at providing theoretical and practical exposure to students through a variety of co-curricular and extracurricular activities in addition to the regular classroom teaching in order to equip them to face the challenges of Industry and Higher Education. The year 2014-15 also saw a series of activities achieving this goal.

The Activities of the Electronics Club, an association of Electronics (B.Sc.) students of Christ University, for the Academic year 2014-15 were formally inaugurated in July 2014 by Dr. Chandrabhas Narayana of JNCASR, Bengaluru. He spoke on Career Options in the field of Science. As a part of the Club activities, the final year students accompanied by the faculty members of the Department visited the CUFE Kengeri campus on 14 July 2014. The visit was organized in association with Departments of Electrical, Electronics and Communication Engineering in order to make students understand and get familiarized with software tools like lab view for simulating circuits and microcontroller based Arduino boards. The students also visited various labs of other disciplines.

The Electronics Club continued its practice of conducting the Tool learning workshop for the students with a session on "Digital Storage Oscilloscope (DSO)" by Mr. Mukesh Soni, Product Marketing Manager (Education), Tektronix, Bengaluru, in association with Convergent Technologies, in August 2014. The Electronics Club organized the Inter collegiate Electronics Fest 'Circuit 2014' on 19 August and more than 200 students participated in various events of the Fest. Mr. J Kasinathan, Managing partner, Advanced Electronic Systems (ALS) delivered a lecture on Embedded systems and Applications during the valedictory function.

A one day educational visit was organized to the well known research institute IISc on 15 December 2014. The students of final year PME visited various Labs. A guest Lecture was organized on "Image deblurring and its significance in consumer applications" by Dr. Vivek M of Oxford College of Engineering, Bengaluru on 5 January 2015. The Industrial visit to ISRO Satellite centre and HAL Museum was organized on 27 January 2015..

In order to sensitize the students in the campus, there was an Awareness campaign on Renewable and Non-conventional Energy Sources on 30 January 2015 by the II year B.Sc. CME and PME students. The inter-class Electronics Fest, e-junction was organized on 14 February 2015 in which five groups of final year students demonstrated their working projects to the entire students community along with other activities the fest. The Electronics Club had also organized its Annual Project Exhibition on 20 Feb 2015. The students of VI SEM BSc PME and CME participated in the event with their working

projects. About 27 teams participated in the exhibition.

The Electronics Club activities were regularly updated in the Electronics Website and are available at the URL: <https://sites.google.com/a/christuniversity.in/electronics-club/> for the public view.

The faculty members visited the Departments of Chemistry and Physics of Materials, Nano lab, Engineering Mechanics Unit and the International Centre for Materials Science of the reputed Research institute JNCASR, Bengaluru as a part of the best practices visit on 20 August 2014.

As a part of Faculty development programme a Quality Improvement Program (QIP) was organized on 27-29 October 2014. The QIP covered thrust areas in Electronics and gave an overview of research and development the field of Electronics. The Department organized a Lecture workshop on 'Latest trends in Electronics' on 23 February 2015 for the final year students (B.Sc. PME and CME) in order to supplement the newly introduced Industrial Electronics paper. The resource persons were from both Industry and academics. There were about 110 students including 25 students from other UG colleges of Bengaluru participated in the Lecture workshop.

Prof. Hamsa K S got a certificate of appreciation from Karnataka Rajya Vijnana Parishat (KRVP), Department of Science and Technology, Government of Karnataka for guiding the winning team of our students in the Zonal level Project Exhibition.

Our students Nileena N and Deepak Hegde of 6 B.Sc. PME got First Prize and Koushik K V and Chinmaya V S of 6 B.Sc. PME got Second Prize in the Zonal level Project exhibition organized by Karnataka Rajya Vijnana Parishat (KRVP), Department of Science and Technology, Government of Karnataka, on 28 February 2015.

The students from II year classes (PME and CME) won First place in Collage, Circuit Analysis, Junk Art and Science Quiz events of 'Singularitas 2015' organized by St. Joseph College (Autonomous), Bengaluru.



COMPUTER SCIENCE



A year has gone by and another set of students are all set to leave a blazing trail towards the horizon, seeking new adventures, with a will to make a positive impact on the world around. As these students leave, a sense of loss pervades the department. To see the students pass out of our department has always been gratifying because we see them transform, mold themselves to better human beings, honing their skills and succeed in different paths they take.

There was a dash of colors and exuberance as Revelation, Techleons and Gateways reached out to student communities across Karnataka and neighboring states. The impact was not just extrinsic, but also intrinsic as we could see changes in our own students as they become better followers, organizers, artistic performers and leaders. Be it dance performances or theatre productions in In-Bloom or winning Coding Competitions or Best Manager in other colleges, these wonderful students and their actions is what finally defines us.

There has been a strong focus on research this year with the start of the Journal Club and our efforts to catalyze research projects has been a great success. Project demonstrations by our students were the highlights of the X-eBIT 2015 and Softex 2015 held on February 26 and 27, 2015 respectively. Some innovative ideas that were proposed included quad-copter, soil analyzer, traffic mobile apps, home security system, human detector and biometric based applications.

Placement and internship has been very good and with BCA ranked as number one in India, there has been a great demand for



our final year students with CTC going as high as twelve lakhs.

Under the 'Corporate Connect' sessions, students were able to interact with our alumni who are now working with top IT companies in Bangalore. This year also saw a series of sessions ranging from computer architecture to cloud computing, android development to big data. Eminent speakers like Dr. Mathew Jacob (IISC), Mosesraj R (VP) Brillio, Samson Selwyn (Volvo IT), Sukanta Basak and Reynold Pereira (RedHat), Raghu Venkat (Evide R&D) shared nuggets of knowledge and inspired students to reach greater heights. *One of the judges for a project exhibit remarked that when they interact with Christites, they are able to take a lot of the vibrant energy and infectious enthusiasm back to their workplace.*

The Alumni Day 2015 on January 26 saw more than a hundred computer science alumni returning to their alma mater, reliving their college days and yearning to give back to the system.



Computer Science is a subject which cuts through most of the courses in Christ University and hence our faculty has taught in different courses. Some of our faculties represented the department in Board of Studies in other colleges, as Session Chairs in conferences by taking sessions for corporates. Some students and faculty have also played a major role in improving the IT framework and process flows in the University.

The Department had also organized the National Conference on 'Emerging Trends in IT' on February 26, 2015. The conference brought together industry professionals, academicians and research Scholars on one platform to share the rapid advancement in the field of computer technology. This year also saw student interactions with German and Korean University for quite a few collaborative programs. The exposure adds to the existing diversity with our own international students.

What we as a department represent and stand for may seem to get a bit blurred in the plethora of academic endeavors and cultural activities. Sometimes the bits and bytes that differentiates us is what defines us. Who says the rainbow has only seven colors? This is where the lines get blurred and science becomes an art form.

BIOTECHNOLOGY

The Biotechnology department of Christ university is highly recommended by the people from this field for pursuing higher studies. It has elaborate syllabus, experienced faculty members and well equipped laboratory which attracts students from all over the world. Association of the academic year 2013-14 was inaugurated by Dr. Anujith Kumar. K.V. scientist in Manipal Institute of Regenerative Medicine on July 14 2014 was the Guest speaker for the day. This was followed by a talk on "GLIMPSES OF PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE OF PLEURIPOTENT CELLS" by the chief guest.



Department had organised various guest lecture for interaction of the students with research and industrial experts. Guest lecture by Dr. C. R. Subhashini Senior scientist, aristogeneon the topic "Immunotechniques and diagnosis" was organised on July 24 2014. She elaborated on the different immuno diagnostic techniques such as precipitation reactions, agglutination reactions, Enzyme Immuno Assays (EIA). After the lecture, the Director of Aristogene, Dr. Sudha addressed the gathering regarding the opportunities available to the students in their company to have hands-on experience.

The third guest lecture of the academic year 2014-15 was held on July 25 2014 by Dr Jayaram Reddy, Professor, St Josephs College who is an expert in the field of Bioinformatics delivered a lecture on "Role of Bioinformatics in Drug Designing". He stressed the significance of the emerging area of Genomics and Proteomics and the role of Bioinformatics in analyzing the huge amount of data obtained. He also spoke about the opportunities available in the field of designing new drugs

The Biotechnology Association of Christ University had organized a fourth guest lecture by an eminent scientist Prof. Justin V McCarthy, Director of Biotechnology, University of Cork (UCC) gave a wonderful talk on the topic "Altering the genetic blueprint: Pharming for pharmaceuticals". He also gave the students an insight into the various opportunities for higher studies at UCC campus followed by a meeting with faculty of Dept. of Biotechnology and Deans of Science regarding syllabus and opportunities for higher studies.

The department of Biotechnology organised the fifth guest lecture Dr. T. S. Balganes, distinguished scientist CSIR, and head of the Open Source Drug Discovery Unit delivered a talk on "Antibiotics: are we losing the war?" on 6 December 2014

Sixth Guest lecture was by Ms Bhavya D, who is currently pursuing Ph D in the field of Plant Biotechnology in Nottingham University, UK on the topic of "Crops in the warming world" She is an alumnus of Christ University who had done her B Sc BCB course during 2008-2010. She stressed the significance of

the emerging area of Plant Genomics and She also gave insights regarding courses in Nottingham University and other reputed Universities in UK.

Operon 2014 is an intercollegiate fest organized by the Department of Biotechnology, Christ University. Some of the events like Mind Twister, Marketing Genius, Master-Cracker, Pot Pourri, Clay Modeling, Synthesizing Shakespeare and Techtooning were organised and students from various colleges enthusiastically participated.

Department had organised an Institutional visit to G.K.V.K Hebbal Bengaluru for final year BCB & BCZ to know the recent research activities in the Department of Microbiology, Biotechnology, and Horticulture.

The faculty of Biotechnology and Chemistry departments of Christ University visited Aten Biotechnology, an R & D industry in Bommanahalli, Bangalore on 20.10.2014 to understand and observe the latest developments in the field of nanotechnology and plant tissue culture.

Department had organised two days lecture workshop on "Life Science research- Present and Future" in association with Indian academy of Sciences Bangalore, Indian National Science Academy, New Delhi and The National Academy of Sciences Allahabad. The goal of this lecture workshop is to provide an overview on the emerging role of Biotechnology and platform for interaction with eminent scientists from premier Institute IISc.

THE DEPARTMENTS OF COMPUTER SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

A very special Guest Lecture for the Department was conducted in the year 2014. Dr. Sudha Murthy (Chair Person – Infosys Foundation) gave a talk to the students of Christ University Faculty of Engineering at the open air auditorium. It was truly refreshing to one and all listening to a well-known personality talk so candidly about her life, work, family and passion.

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Department of CSE CUFE organized a Quality Improvement Program (QIP) as a part of Faculty Development Programs (FDP) under Christ University Academic Staff College on Cloud Computing. It was conducted by i3Indya Technologies, New Delhi for three days on October 17- 19 2014, Kengeri Campus, Christ University. Mr. Gopinath and Mr. Murgarajthe were the resource persons who discussed various concepts on emerging trends of cloud computing and its components.

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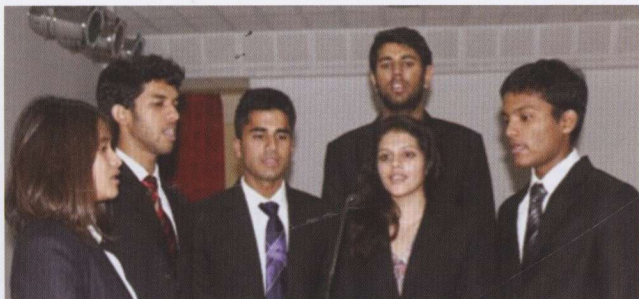
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DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL ENGINEERING

The CACE inauguration for the academic year 2014-15 was held on 21/06/2014. The chief guest of the program was Mr. A.T. Samuel, Director, STUP Consultants P.Ltd and the guest of honor was Dr. V.Ramachandra, Zonal Head-Technical, UltraTech Cement Limited.

A one day workshop on Concrete Mix Design was organized jointly by CUFE and Ultra Tech Cement Ltd on 20 June 2013. All the students and faculties of the Civil Engineering Department attended the workshop. Mr. A.T. Samuel gave a lecture on Civil Engineering for Sustainability construction and Dr. V.Ramachandra gave a lecture on Opportunities and challenges in civil engineering.

The 25-27 of June 2014 saw the department playing host to the participants of Experience Engineering Program – a first of its kind in the country. The participants had an insight into what they would experience in the four years of their undergraduate study of Civil Engineering.



A workshop was organized jointly with “Civil Simplified” on 31 Aug 2014 on “Design and Fabrication of Bridges” and was attended by all the students of Civil Engineering Department at CUFE, and also participants from other Engineering Colleges. The workshop provided hands on experience on fabricating the bridges as per their design, and testing them for failure. Certificates were given off for the best design, and most creative design of bridges. A similar workshop was organized with “Civil Simplified” on the 22- 23 of August on “Application of GIS” which also saw students participating in various activities in large numbers.

A one-day workshop on “Environmental Science and Technology” was organized on 02 FEB 2014. Professors from The Indian Institute of Science, Dr.Mohan Kumar M.S., Dr. Mudakavi. J. R, and Dr. Subramanian S, conducted these sessions. Students attended the workshop from CUFE, and other Engineering Colleges as well.

Students visited RMC Plant, SV Concrete, Begur Valmark Residential project and Visvesvaraya Technological Museum as a part of the Industrial Visits. Based on the experimental investigations conducted by Dr.Prahallada M.C. and Prof. Beaulah M. on 'The effect of replacement of cement by metakaolin on the properties of concrete subjected to acid attack', papers have been published in journals of national and international repute.

Faculties and CSA volunteers visited the old age home “TARA” at Rajarajeshwari Nagar on 24 Aug 2014. It was touching to see the inmates of the home mingling freely with the Christites, sharing not just their knowledge and experience, but also their fear and insecurities.

Stepping onto the hills of Subramanya Ghati, 12 KM from Doddaballapur for an extensive survey of the land was a real time experience for the VI semester B.tech Civil Engineering students. This camp was extended for a period of 10 days from 19- 28 October 2014 to trek, conduct the survey, talk and toil through the hills, valleys and banks of water bodies at S.S.Ghati. Blessed with the choicest weather that was soothing and supporting the cause, altogether it was an amazing experience.

The camp started by a stroll through the project sites for the “New Tank Project”, “Old tank Project”, “Highway project” and “Environmental Engineering project”, introducing different projects and the groups that were assigned to collect preliminary data for the projects. Different groups started to work on their projects independently with different elements and tools of civil engineering like 'Total Station', 'Plane Table', and 'Theodolite'.

Every student had to play his/her role which integrates and reaches the goal of the project.

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THE DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONICS ENGINEERING



EETA (Electrical Engineers Technical Association) was inaugurated as a new venture by the department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering of CUFE on the 9 July, 2014. Mr. Prasanth Gopalakrishnan, CEO of Kalki Communications Technologies Pvt. Ltd. was the chief guest at the inauguration. The inaugural ceremony was followed by a technical talk on 'Smart Grids' by Mr. Prasanth Gopalakrishnan.

A workshop on MATLAB Fundamentals and Simulink was organized by EETA, the association at the forefront of the Dept of Electrical and Electronics Department, CUFE. The two day workshop was conducted by REACH, a professional body which is widely known for conducting software and hardware workshops. The workshop proved to be very useful for B.Tech as well as M.Tech students and was well utilized by the students. EETA also organized a workshop on the software tool 'PowerApps' by Kalki Communication Technologies Pvt. Ltd, on the 18 August. The workshop gave exposure to yet another

software tool for the power system environment. The workshop was open to all PG students of the department. The workshop will be continued into the next semester to give a complete insight into the tool. Dr. Sundara Rajan, Jt. Director, Research and Development Management, CPRI gave an invited talk on 'The Research Opportunities in Power Systems' on the 25th of August in the dept. of Electrical and Electronics Engineering. The talk gave an insight into the research opportunities existing across different government organizations - the hurdles as well as the opportunities were discussed by the speaker. The students had a good opportunity to understand the research arenas in current power engineering field including the opportunities in latest superconducting materials.

An industrial visit was undertaken by the department to Schneider Electric to give the students an exposure to the industrial arena. Fresher, both UG and PG students were taken to the prestigious company campus where they were given an insight into high power capacitor manufacturing. Industrial visits were also organized for PG and UG students of the department to Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore campus and High Voltage India where the students were exposed to practical aspects of High Voltage Engineering. Students were highly benefited and motivated by the field visits organized by the department to these facilities.

Mr. Ramesh Phatak, Vice President, R & D, Schneider Electric India, addressed the students of the Electrical, Electronics and Communication disciplines on 'Innovation and Technology Trends'. He stressed upon the importance of innovation in today's scenario, its importance in building business opportunities and the importance of knowledge of multiple disciplines in innovating. He also explained about some of the recent trends in technological innovations. Mr. Phatak was accompanied by Mr. Srinivas M.R., Manager-Power Quality Solutions and Edison Expert at Schneider Electric, India.

Students of EEE Actively participated in the Engineers Day Project Exhibition; all the classes from the Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering developed a prototype and Posters exemplifying Electrical technology.

Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering

Spearheaded by Dr. Iven Jose the department of Electronics and Communication inaugurated its student association CUESTIC (Christ University Electronics and Electrical Students Technical

Interaction Club) with the aim of providing a platform for students to generate ideas in the core fields of Electronics and Communication and to create technical awareness the department believes not only in theoretical approach to a course but also in practical and industrial exposure of the same for students, thereby enriching their expertise and boosting their knowledge.

The year 2014 saw the department hosting its own festival, a one of a kind event- 'Source Code' which was organized under CUESTIC was open to all students. The aim of the program was to provide students an open platform to share their interests, ideas and to explore.

There were many industrial visits organized in the year 2014, across all the semesters. Some of the notable visits were to ISRO Satellite Centre, Bangalore, Schneider Electric India Pvt. Ltd, International Exhibition Centre for PLUGGED In which is India's premier consumer electronics and technology event which showcased the latest digital technology and breakthrough innovations. A very exclusive technical talk was delivered by Dr. Manikandan, Scientist, DRDO on 12 July. Neuromarketing is a new field of marketing research that studies consumer's sensory motor, cognitive, and affective response to marketing stimuli. The session gave an insight to application of cognitive science in marketing.

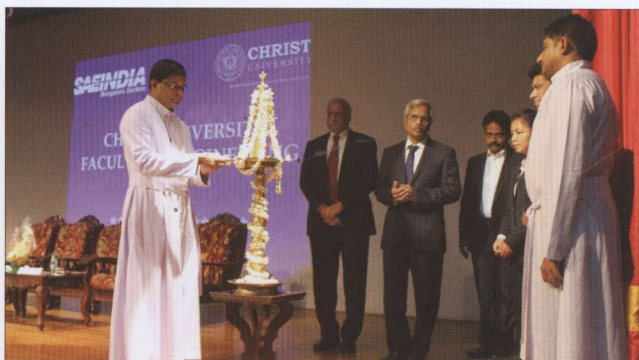
Wireless Network Evolution and Emerging Trends by Dr. Abraham George, Group Manager, RF system Design Division, National Instruments, Bangalore gave the students an awareness on the emerging areas such as 5G, cognitive networks and heterogeneous networks. As an initiative of Green Energy concept, CUESTIC conducted a Wind Turbine Designing Competition. The competition was open for all the students of CUFE. Around 30 students had taken up the challenge to come up with the best design. As a part of the challenge, the students who were involved in the design were taken to Vinayaka Energy Tech for getting better ideas which helped them in designing the Turbine.

The Departments of CUFE, Texas Instruments India University Program and EdGate Technologies Private Limited arranged "The Three Day Workshop on MSP430 Microcontroller and DSP Processors" in association with Academic Staff College on 17, 20 and 21 October 2014. Volunteers of CSA from the Department of ECE and EEE were taken to St. Joseph Nivas, a school for the physically and mentally challenged, on 14 September 2013. The school has a physiotherapy department where treatment is given to the children to empower their muscular strength using ultrasound electronic machines and a variety of equipment that helps the children to stand, walk on steps, balance their feet and coordinate their mind and hands.

Mr. Sanjay Srivastava in his speech commented positively on the activities initiated by the departments toward the growing technological trends. The main theme of the talk was "Internet of Things". 'Internet of Things' is the development of current technology by which all the devices and belongings of a person is synchronized. He emphasized on the usage of technology towards societal development in rural India.



DEPARTMENT OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERING



The Department of Mechanical Engineering is the largest branch of CUFE, with strength of 150 students in the 2nd year, 110 in 3rd year and 87 in the 4th year, strengthened by 22 lecturers. Following are few activities of the academic year 2014-15:

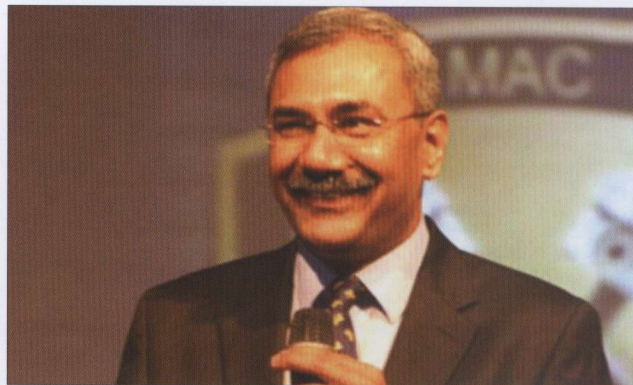
Festo, an international giant in the field of industrial automation signed a memorandum of understanding with Christ University Faculty of Engineering on 13 June 2012. A state of the art training laboratory was inaugurated and established in the CUFE premises by Mr. Volker Schmidt, Head of Business Development, Asia Pacific, FESTO Didactic, GmbH & Co. KG on 5 June 2013. The faculty in campus was trained in Hydraulics and Pneumatics and PLC and subsequently many batches of students have been trained as a part of a certificate course as well. This facility is intended to enhance the curriculum and also promote research.

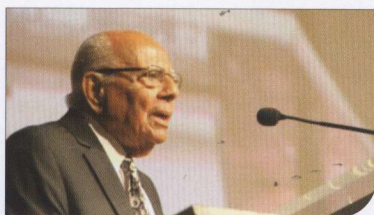
MAC or The Mechanical Association of Christites was formally inaugurated on 19/07/2014, MAC is the department association of the Department of Mechanical Engineering, Christ University Faculty of Engineering. The chief guest for the event was Mr. Simanth Arun, Deputy General Manager, Toyota Kirloskar. A guest lecture was organized on 1 August 2014 and the topic of discussion was Energy systems by Mr. Nakkeeran Singaravelu. Mr. Purushotham briefed the Department about some of the major activities carried out by SAE (Society of Automotive Engineers) and introduced to us the SAE International, National and Regional bodies. The SAE plays a major role in setting standards for all automobile and automotive related aspects. The various activities and competitions held for students who are members of SAE were also elaborately discussed. Students will be exposed to a number of national and international technical events.

Christ University Faculty OF Engineering has organized a three day workshop based on Automobile & Vehicle Dynamics conducted by ELITE -TECHNO groups. The aim of the Workshop was to create awareness on automobile and racing industries and design and dynamics of the vehicle. It also took an initiative by igniting Interest among the students in self designing their own vehicle. The highlights of the workshop of all four days included Chassis and Frame, Steering and Braking Systems, Vehicle Dynamics (Slip angle etc), Breaking and Aerodynamics and Working on a Live ENGINE. An overall feedback regarding the workshop can be expressed as a new learning experience for the students present.

A two day National Conference on Innovative Research on Materials was organized on the 14- 15 November 2014. The key note speaker was Mr. Subba Rao, Consultant TATA Advance Material Limited, Bangalore, who emphasized on current trends in industries and place of composite material in day to day life. He also gave detailed information about how different types of materials which are used and what innovations are done in the field of material science. The address was followed by lectures from various eminent personalities in the field of Material Science. Dr.A.K.Bhudari, IGCAR, Kalpakkam, delivered a lecture on Innovations in Fabrication Technology for Application to Fast Reactor Components. Mr. Satish N, Research Scholar Department of Mechanical Engineering R&D Center, U V College of Engineering, Bangalore, rendered a thought provoking talk on Effect of Fiber orientation on fundamental frequencies of laminated composites.

A Bilateral International Conference on Material Processing organized by Christ University Faculty of Engineering and Shanghai Jiao Tong University in association with NRC-M, UGC Centre and IISc Bangalore. Shanghai Jiao Tong University (SJTU) is one of the higher education institutions which enjoy a long history and a world-renowned reputation in China. A key university directly under the administration of the Ministry of Education (MOE) of the People's Republic of China and co-constructed by MOE and Shanghai Municipal Government. Through 117 years unremitting efforts, SJTU has become a comprehensive, research-oriented, and internationalized top university in China. Shanghai Jiao Tong University (SJTU) pioneered in setting up the discipline of Materials Science and Engineering in China, which began with Department of Metallurgy in 1958, and renamed the School of Materials Science and Engineering. In 1997, currently "Materials Science and Engineering" in MSE and SJTU is listed in the national key fields, fields with first level priority in financial support, in China. SMSE now is developing toward a world-class school with initiative spirit, and high standards for achievements of faculty and students. Students actively participated in CSA activities conducted by the CSA section of Christ University Faculty of Engineering. This year faculty from the Department went to an organization named NEST, which educates orphaned children. From the donations collected from teachers and students, the Department contributed an overhead projector for the benefit of the children.





The Orientation Programme for first year students of UG and PG courses, was held from 9-14 June 2014 at Campus view, Central Block, as well as

Kengeri Campus, Christ University, Bangalore. This programme was arranged with a view to integrate the students coming from various backgrounds into law. This helps in bridging the gap that arises out of the different academic backgrounds of the students. Among the resource persons were eminent personalities like Dr. Sairam Bhat, Dr. Elizabeth, Mr. Abhijit, Mr. Muralidhar, Dr. Venkat Rao, Vice Chancellor, NLSIU, Bangalore. The alumni of School of Law play a major role in familiarising the freshers into the School of Law by apprising them of the various academic and extracurricular programmes that are arranged throughout the year.

DeNovo 2014: A New Beginning was held in the Main Auditorium, on 25 June 2014. This was organised by the second year students along with the Cultural Committee of School of Law to welcome the first year students.

Nishith Desai Associates, in collaboration with the Internships and Placement Committee, as part of their 'Campus Connect Initiative' held a guest lecture for the fifth year students on the topic "Basics of Cross-border Mergers & Acquisition" on 28 August 2014 at Block 1 Mini Auditorium.

A team comprising of students from SLCU went to Bosco Mane on 15 August 2014 on a visit as a part of CSA activity.

The Grand Finale of the second edition of the Management Committee Quiz Competition was held on the 1 September 2014 at Main Auditorium. The Quiz Master was Mr. Vinay Mudaliar, an SLCU alumnus.

A guest lecture on 'Legislative History and Application of Indian Succession Act, 1925', was arranged on 3 September, 2014. The lecture was delivered by Dr. Sarasu Ester Thomas, Co-coordinator, Centre for Women and the Law and Associate Professor of Law at National Law School of India University, Bangalore,

National Moot Court Competition 2014 was held from 4-7 September 2014. 43 teams from across the country participated in the competition. The guests for the valedictory session were:

- i. Hon'ble Mr Justice A V Chandrashekhara, Judge, High Court of Karnataka
- ii. Hon'ble Mrs Justice Rathnakala, Judge, High Court of Karnataka
- iii. Mr. Ram Jethmalani, Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India
- iv. Mr. Manas Kumar Chaudhuri, Partner, Khaitan & Co

v. Mr. P S Dinesh Kumar, Advocate, High Court of Karnataka

The final year students and the LLM students visited the Manchenahalli village on September 13- 14 as a part of their Legal Aid and Awareness programme. They conducted a survey among the villagers.

The Faculty Development Programme 2014-15 was held from 5-13 November 2014. The Workshop was on 'Emerging areas of Law'.

The following faculty from various Universities addressed the faculty

1. Prof. Sarah Neild, Southampton University,
2. Prof. Mel Kenny, De Montfort University,
3. Prof. Prakash Shah, Queen Mary University of London,
4. Prof. Nicholas Kang Riou, University of Salford
5. Prof. Martin Morgan Taylor

On 19 November 2014, a presentation was made by 7 students of School of Law to the M C Nanaiah Committee, an Expert Committee set up by the Government of Karnataka to study and suggest amendments to the laws relating to crimes on Women and Children.

Dr Pravina Ramanathan, Fullbright Scholar delivered a lecture for the students of second year on 28 November 2014.

A 'Guest Lecture was held at Dharmaram Vidya Kshetram Auditorium on 29 November 2014 from 9.00 am to 10.00 am for the first year students. Professor Madhav Menon enlightened the students with his wisdom.

The School of Law annual theatre event 'Hamlet' was staged by the School of Law students on Saturday 10.30 am to 1.30 pm at the Main Auditorium on 29 November. It was again staged on November 30, Sunday the following day at 6.00 pm.

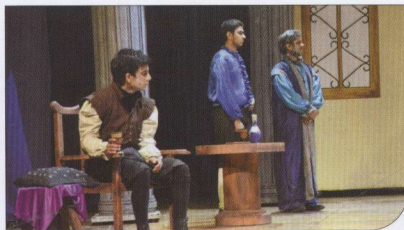
Human Rights Committee organized 2nd PUCL – Bangalore's College Lecture Series at 415 on 1 December 2014. Mr Arvind Narrain, Advocate, Human Rights Activist and founding member of Alternative Law Forum, addressed the gathering. The topic was 'Human Rights Activism in India: From Gandhi to Balgopal'.

The LLM students went for Legal Awareness Camp at Kanakapura on the 6-12-2014. They conducted a survey on issues like family law and education. Rally and street play was also organised. On 7-12-2014 a lecture was organised guiding



the villagers on various social issues. The village has around 1500 families with a population of over 6000.

'DAKSH' the annual education fair was held where the School of Law set up a separate stall to give out information about SLCU to all guests.



Human Rights Day was observed on 10 December with all students taking oath to promote and protect human rights. It was followed by a guest lecture by Dr S Krishnamurthy, IPS Officer on the 'Relevance of Human Rights'. The second speaker was Dr Manisha Sethi who spoke on 'Law, Anti-terrorism and Human Rights' followed by a third lecture on 'Protection Mechanisms against Human Rights Violation, by Mr Mathew Philip.

A 'Google Talk' was organised on the Human Rights Day for the students of X semester (International Criminal Law elective) with Mr Michal Kucera, Legal Officer at the European Court of Human Rights. He spoke on the functioning of the European Court of Human Rights and the decision in the *Al Nahiri v. Poland* case.

School of Law attended the celebrations of the conferment of Sainthood on Kuriakose Elias Chavara, Founder of the CMI congregation, on the 9 of January 2015. The celebrations were held at the Main Auditorium from 2.30 pm to 4.30 pm.

Dr Reschke and Ms Sagarika Ghosh from Springer addressed the staff of School of Law about publications with Springer on 13 January 2015

The National Conference was held on 13-14 January 2015. The Inauguration was held on 13 January, 2015 at the Main Auditorium from 10.00 am. to 11.30 am. The guests were T R Andhyarajuna, Senior Counsel, Supreme Court of India, D R Kartikeyan, Former Special Director of CBI and Director General of NHRC, and Krishna Dixit, Addl. Solicitor General Karnataka. Around 236 delegates from all over India participated and presented papers in the Conference on Constitutional Appointments: Vignettes and Vicissitudes. The Valedictory session was held at Room no 211 from 12.00 to 1.00 pm. The guest gracing the occasion was Prof. V S Mallar, Chair Professor V R Krishna Iyer Chair on Public Law and Policy Choice, NLSIU Bangalore.

On 21 January 2015 a guest talk was arranged at the Moot Court Hall, 4th floor from 12.00 - 1.30 pm. for the students of School of Education. Mr George Jose apprised the students on the functioning of the courts, legal system and familiarised them with law.

Dr Peter Whelan from the University of Leeds and Mr Danish Choudhary, Advocate Supreme Court, addressed the students of the VI and X semesters from 9.00 am to 12.00 noon. The programme was held in 415 and 411 on 28th January 2015.



The Inaugural ceremony for the International Model United Nations Conference was held on 30 January 2015 at Room No 911. The Chief Guest

was Dr Sandeep Shastri, Pro Vice Chancellor of Jain University. The programme was held from 9.30 am. The United Nations Information Centre for India and Bhutan accredited the International Model United Nations Conference. 230 delegates who had come from across the globe attended it. 6 Councils were simulated and the discussions went on for the following 3 days. The programme culminated with the Valedictory function on the 1 February 2015. The Guests were Mr Vinod Sachdeva, Former Joint Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs and Mr Goetz Ortmann from German Consulate, Bangalore.

The Philip C Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition – Surana and Surana India National Rounds was held from 30 January - 1 February 2015. The Inaugural ceremony was held at the Main Auditorium at 6.00 pm on the 30th of January. The Guests for the same were Honourable Mr Justice P Dinesh Kumar, Judge High Court of Karnataka, Mr Soli J Sorabjee, Senior Counsel Supreme Court of India and Dr S Ravichandran, Advocate Surana and Surana International Attorneys. 28 teams from all across the country competed in a fierce battle showing legal acumen and advocacy skills.

The finals and Valedictory ceremony were held on 1 February 2015, at the Main Auditorium from 1.30pm to 6.00 pm. the guests for the Valedictory ceremony were

1. Honourable Mr Justice Altamas Kabir, Former Chief Justice Supreme Court of India
2. Dr T R Subramanya, Honourable Vice Chancellor, Karnataka State Law University, Hubli
3. Dr A David Ambrose, Professor and Head, Department of Legal Studies, Madras University
4. Dr Roza Pati, Professor of Law and Director, Human Trafficking Academy, Executive Director Graduate Programme in Intercultural Human Rights, St. Thomas University, School of Law.
5. Mr Krishna S Dixit, Assistant Solicitor General of India
6. Dr Vinod Surana, Partner, Surana and Surana International Attorneys, Chennai

The School of Law also conducted the Constitutional Law Orientation Programme for the other departments in Christ University in the Main Campus as well as at the Kengeri Campus for Engineering students. As a part of the programme a panel discussion was held introducing the Constitution. This was followed by a skit and speeches by students. The second part of the programme saw the students enacting a mock Parliament. The programme closed with a quiz.

Christ University Institute of Management (CUIM)

Christ University Institute of Management is a differentiated B-School aimed at offering comprehensive post graduate management (MBA/PGDM) tuned to the dynamic requirement of industry and society. Our mission is to develop a community of socially responsible, creative and enterprising leaders to operate in a knowledge-based, globalized and dynamic world.

In the second year, all students have completed 8 weeks of Summer Internship Programs in more than 400 organizations. This encounter radically upgraded their thinking, feeling and behavior toward corporate expectations. Live projects helped our students to connect their classroom learning with the real time business. The students are put through a complex and challenging simulation game to apply their skills and team work in general management. All students attend more than six workshops to enhance skills such as Excel, SPSS, Negotiation Skills, NLP, SAP Six Sigma, econometrics etc. We have developed association with IBM and Sparx systems for business analysis and analytics. This enables the post graduate students a valuable hands-on-experience. More than 120 organizations have visited and selected candidates for final placements.

The faculty members continuously hone and update their skills by attending training workshops in premier institutes and within the University. Faculty members publish research articles in international and national refereed journals, magazines and newspapers. They have been invited to conduct workshops and speak at national and international conferences and seminars. Our faculty is also a permanent invitee to the FHWS – University of Applied Sciences, Wurzberg, Germany. Our pedagogy continuously aims at adopting the latest technology in the teaching-learning process including Simulations, Case studies, Lab works, use of Learning Management Systems, Flipped Classrooms, Co-teaching and Joint-teaching, Digital Learning, etc. which significantly enhances students' learning capabilities. CUIM organized one national Seminar, four FDPs, three MDPs and quality improvement programs for in-house faculty.

With the aim of broadening the students' perspective, the Institute organized various Conferences, Case Study Competitions, Student Research paper presentation, and a research methodology workshop for all second year students to engage in meaningful research in completing their dissertation more systematically. The 'Entrepreneurship cell' of the institute organised workshops for students who plan to get into their 'start-up' business.



The co-curricular activities include the Club activity specialization-wise to enhance functional skills and interact with the best from the industry to keep in touch with the latest. Corporate interfaces and invited lectures are organized for candidates to transit them smoothly from academic to a corporate sensitivity. More than 150 corporate professionals have visited the institute for training, student interface and engage special sessions. Institute of Management has raised maximum fund in the University for Child Sponsorship. The CSR of CUIM has initiated various awareness programs on campus.

Ushus & Chrizzellenz are two national level management events that had more than 80 B-Schools participated and competed for the top honours. Extracurricular activities of the institute included 'Altius' an interclass sports and games event, 'Cantata'





family day of the Institute. Our students have won more than 75 prizes in various National Inter B-School Competitions and our team won TATA crucible regional round.

CUIM had credit exchange programs with Virginia Commonwealth University, Virginia, USA, University of Applied Sciences, Wurzburg, Germany, and Chonnam National University, S. Korea.

FINANCE



The students of the Finance group periodically publish three newsletters 'Chaanakya', 'Nishka' and 'Symbiont' each one with a different focus and circulate 'Economic Numbers' every fortnight to encourage students in knowing important economic parameters which impact the markets. This enables them to keep their fingers on the pulse of

financial markets at all times.

The students are exposed to corporate developments by inviting executives from Schneider Electric, Wipro, Income Tax Department, Govt of India, Oracle, Citi Group, Fed Reserve of Richmond, State of Virginia, US, ING Vysya Bank etc. These executives gave different perspectives of the important areas they are handling in the corporate domain which includes Data Analytics, Corporate Finance, Credit Appraisal techniques in banking, Monetary Policy, IT matters from the IT department perspective etc. Students were also exposed to 'career prospects in the area of finance' and the skills that are necessary to become employable. The finance group students had 26 such sessions apart from the class room sessions.

A panel discussion on 'Central Budget 2014-15' organized in association with the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) was well attended by the members of ICAI as well as the students who had the opportunity to listen to the high quality discussions on the Central budget. The panel consisted of Mr.

Mohandas Pai and Mr. Padamchand Khincha as moderators and Mr. Suresh Senapathy, CFO, Wipro, Mr. Narayan Ramachandran (Ex Morgan Stanley), Prof. R. Vaidyanathan, IIM Bangalore, as panel members. A series of speeches by Mr. Ravi Srinivasan, Senior Associate Editor,

The Hindu Business Line was organized for the benefit of the finance and Lean Operations and Systems students on topics such as Corporate Governance and Ethics, Frauds in Corporate world, Innovation and Research. A perspective on the Indian Economy by Prof. Makedonis, Queen Mary University London and a good insight into how the students should prepare for placements by Mr. Saurabh Bansal, Founder Director, Fin@Work, Financial Advisors have provided an entrepreneurial stint in the area of providing financial planning services. Mr. Gurumurthy, GM, FSU, RBI, Mumbai delivered in November 2014, an insightful talk on financial stability and capital adequacy under the Basel norms.

Mr. Max Carrier, U.S. National Partner-in-Charge - eAudit and Global Delivery Center, Mr. P. Bandopadhyay, and Mr. Pramathnath, Director of KPMG in India addressed the students on 'The growing opportunities for Management students' from KPMG's global perspective.

MARKETING



The Marketing specialization at the Institute of Management, prepares students for an exciting career in a variety of marketing functions that include Technology marketing, Digital marketing & Analytics, Brand and Product

management, Advertising, and Marketing research. The curriculum places a strong emphasis on experiential pedagogical methods with students learning through simulations, case studies, Harvard simulations, industry visits, online tools and various team based activities. The Marketing specialization is quick to understand the industry needs and is able to address these needs by launching relevant courses. We helped students to stay up to date on this evolution by launching multiple courses in this niche area like Digital marketing, Marketing analytics and Marketing Metrics.

The Marketing Club provided an engaging forum for students to develop appropriate marketing acumen and industry networks. The clubs gave students the opportunity to apply classroom learning to the real time corporate world. The club brought together some of the brightest minds interested in exploring the ever changing dynamics of marketing. The club aims at keeping

students abreast with the latest on marketing while integrating the vast experience of corporate speakers across functions and industries. The club had a series of exciting events lined up for the year: Corporate interface series, On-line Media Enthusiasts Meets, Live projects, Training programs in niche areas.

The specialization conducted a power packed panel discussion titled "Challenges for Modern Retail & Career Opportunities for Young Professionals" on 1st August 2014. The panel was represented by who's who from the world of retail. Some of the panelists were Mr. Ganesh Subramaniam, COO Myntra.com, Mr. Johnny John, Former COO Mahindra Retail and Mr. Sudeep Menon, CEO, Inmark Retail.

LEAN OPERATIONS AND SYSTEMS



LOS specialization has grown from strength to strength and about 180 students opted for the LOS specialization which is the highest in number since 2010. To strengthen teaching pedagogy and with the intention to move towards lab based curriculum, Christ University and IBM have collaborated to setup the IBM Business Analytics Lab in both the campuses to help students and faculty members enhance their skills in areas of Business Analytics. The MoU between Christ University and IBM was signed and the Business Analytics Lab was inaugurated on November 07, 2014. Ms Ameeta Roy, Business Unit Executive, Technical Sales and support, IBM India, was the Chief Guest.

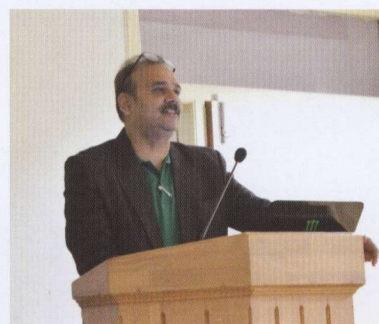
30 faculty members representing all the five specializations were provided with 50 hours of lab based training on Big Data

Analytics, Descriptive Analytics and Predictive Analytics.

The Quality Circle program was inaugurated on June 26, 2014 and was presided over by Mr. S. K. Venkatram, CEO, Sansera Aerospace. The other distinguished guests who attended the inauguration ceremony included Mr. Harish Shetty, Creator, HS Labs and Mr. Anup K. Kelkar, an engineering and management consultant. This year, a total of 39 teams participated in the QC competition. Techniques such as Quality control tools Kanban, Kaizen and Value Stream Mapping were adopted.

Management Development Programme (MDP) was organized on the topic "Implementing ERP for SMEs" on December 6, 2014. A workshop on Project Management was also organized providing lab based training on MS Projects. Students attended the certification course on Lean Six-Sigma green belt provided by KPMG. There were more than 15 corporate interface sessions this year where industry experts interacted with the LOS students, and provided the latest insights about the operation and systems aspects.

HUMAN RESOURCES



The HR specialization acknowledges the necessity of creating synergies between the human and business side of an enterprise. Our goal is to develop ethical leaders and managers who understand that commitment to

employee well-being and talent development enhances an organization's productivity, reputation and sustainable profits. In this direction, the HR club, through a student driven activity organised various corporate interfaces with HR professionals such as Mr Santhosh George, Director of Human Resource, Vertical who spoke on "Development of Winning Attitude" and Mr. Umesh Belludi, Managing Director of Braintree who presented a bird's eye view on Trends and Developments in HR. HR club activities are basically student driven wherein HR students take the lead in arranging the events such as quizzes, debates, group discussions on a regular basis. This promotes team spirit and allows them to practically implement HR concepts learnt in the classes. Recognising the multi-disciplinary nature of human resource specialization, the students also were introduced to psychological tests such as Myer Briggs Type Inventory. This was done in collaboration with the Psychology Department.

The students also underwent an intensive HR facilitation workshop, starting from 13 September, 2014 to 6th December, 2014 collaborating with Dr Joseph George, Organization Development Expert from Workplace Catalyst. The course was designed for anticipatory readiness with profession enhancing



skill acquaintance and active involvement in near-job like conditions. Small groups were made for students to get a chance to work in teams to learn facilitation skills.

As a fitting end to the academic year, the Department organised a National Conference on 6th and 7th March, 2015 titled "Human Capital Challenges in Knowledge Driven Organizations". It provided a perfect ground for an academia-industry interface. A total of 52 delegates- students, research scholars and faculty from across the country participated in the conference. The inaugural session was addressed by Ms. Latha Subramanyan, Director, HR IBM India

GENERAL MANAGEMENT

The academic year 2014-15 was significant for the Department of General Management. Apart from the regular events, the department witnessed a number of events and activities aiming at personal as



well as professional development of the students. They include curricular as well as extracurricular aspects. Corporate interface was a platform to interact with executives like Mr. David Zakkam, Director, MuSigma, Mr. Venkat, CEO, Four Clover Realty

Private Limited, Mr. Girish Krishnamurthy, Senior Vice President, TCS, Bengaluru etc. and provided various levels of expertise to the students to keep themselves updated on the latest industry practices.

National Conference on Contemporary Business Challenges and Strategies held in February 2015 was a remarkable initiative by the department. CEO's from various firms and Institutions were invited for the plenary session. Nearly 100 participants attended the conference. We have organized annual corporate quiz competition and a pan- India representation of corporate quizzers attracted the audience.

The General Management club, apart from organizing the corporate interfaces also took initiatives for personal development of the students. Advanced Excel sessions, Financial Statement Analysis, Case Study discussions, Quizzes and debates were conducted as part of skill building exercises. Specific discussions and presentations on the Union Budget 2015 also was one of the initiatives of the club which is worth mentioning. Students secured a certificate from IIBA for the 90 hours sessions in Business Analysis.





Academics is challenged to adapt, to stay competitive, and to motivate people; despite and because of a rapid, sweeping and constant change. Therefore there is a need for constant and timely reflection and representation. With our thoughts and actions, we illustrate and represent a year that passed.

Corpus Conclave: – To bridge the academia–industry gap and to network with the industry, a conclave was organised on 2 September 2014; in collaboration with CISI to bring in the industry experts share their expectations from the academics. CEO's of 24 companies took part in this event. The constructive inputs of these discussions were later incorporated in the syllabus with the BOS approval in January 2015.

CUCA (Christ University Commerce Association):– Organised a host of activities every week, with the finals scheduled at every month end. These included Logo Slogan, Entrepreneurship Development, Public Relations, Human Resources, Best Manager, Finance, Business Quiz, Marketing, and Mock Stock; which ensured participation of every student in the department. The valedictory and certificate distribution for the winners of CUCA happened on 4 March 2015. The selected students of CUCA took part in the fests organised by Loyola Chennai, Xavier's Kolkata, SRCC New Delhi, Jai Hind Mumbai, Symbiosis Pune, Sindhi College Bangalore, Garden City College Bangalore, SJCC Bangalore, CMS Bangalore, Jain University, Mount Carmel College Bangalore, MES Bangalore, Aloysius Mangalore, and Department Of Professional Studies Christ University; in which we came overall in Loyola and Xavier's, and runners up in the rest.

PRAYAS: – The yearly business fest of our department was held on 2- 3 September, 2014. For the first time PRAYAS was made international with student participations from UK and registrations from the colleges of Middle East and Singapore. Besides around fourteen prime Commerce and Management institutions across India, IIT and IIM students also contested in the events.

ARTHAPRABHANDA – The Finance Club: - Organised an event “Financial Drive” on 26 November 2014 with an objective of giving insights on financial products in the market, information on

tax benefits involved in these avenues, and basic knowledge on financial products and instruments for the non-commerce background students. On 5 December 2014, Arthaprabandha, with ICICI learning organised an event “Stock Minds” virtual stock trading game across all top colleges in India. Mr. Amar Gupta from ICICI explained the game for our students. Nearly 150 BCom Students attended this event. A Panel Discussion by the club members on the Budget (with a keynote address by Ajay Rotti, Tax partner KPMG) was held on 15 July 2014.

UDAAN - The Entrepreneurship Club had the Start-up Conclave on 16 September 2014, a start-up conclave was organised to promote the entrepreneurship spirit among the students. Mr. Venugopal (Venture Capitalist) inaugurated and interacted with the students and gave tips for improvement. A budding student entrepreneur Meghna Jain [II - H C] who showcased her business model of cupcakes in this conclave, later was shortlisted among the final ten in an international business plan event organised by NIT Trichy in January 2015. Enlight-en 2015 was an event organised by UDAAN in collaboration with NIT Trichy's E-cell. The format of the event included a startup showcase and a panel discussion. The showcase gave a platform to NIT, UDAAN, and ENACTUS students to display their ideas, business model, marketing channels and business delivery. Ten start-ups were showcased before the panellists, media and the audience. The panel discussion was a very lively and enlightening one with panellists from Marketing, Venture Financing, and Consultancy field. Students interacted with all of them and gained new insights about becoming successful.

Last Minute Productions, the Theatre Club:- In DARPAN theatre festival won first in mime, and street play; and second in proscenium at the university level. Won first in street play and second in mime at Autumn Muse Festival organised by St John's Medical College, Bangalore. Finalists of Proscenium play, Third in mime at BITS Pilani, Goa. Second place for street play at Dhvani – theatre fest at St Joseph's College, Bangalore, Invited to perform at THESPO – National theatre fest Prithwi Theatre Mumbai, Placed third in Microsoft V-India Fest,



Bangalore zonals, and represented Bangalore for the finals held at Goa, Two teams of LMP won first and second for street play, and first in Proscenium for BLOSSOMS departmental, and first in street play for BLOSSOMS finals. Students also participated in fests at IIT Mumbai, and IIM Bangalore.

SUYUKTI - Oratory Club: - A platform to improve the literary and oratory skills, organised training and mock sessions with the support of internal and external trainers like Ian Faria (Founder President of Toastmasters, South Asia), Sharoon Sunny (Corporate Trainer - Toyota), Arul Gasper (Faculty English Department) and a few MBA students from Christ to groom and share their experience and expertise.

EKTA 2015 – On 15 January 2015, SUYUKTI in collaboration with CSA, organised a one day workshop on SOFT SKILLS as a social outreach program for the youth from sponsored villages of Kolar and Hoskote. 74 students benefited from this one day training that was assumed to increase their employability.

ELOQUENCE 2015 - Commerce Literary Marathon - To select THE ELOQUENT, we had eight rounds which began in the month of August 2014 till February 2015. In the finals named as ELOQUENCE, Pounacha [India's first Certified Real Estate Trainer, REAL ESTARE HEROES], and Santhosh [Former Editor, Wisden Magazine] judged the event. Kushal Wadhwan (I B Honors B) evolved as the winner.

Old Age Home and Orphanage Visits: “The greatest gift you can give someone is your time, your affection, your love and your concern.”- Anonymous. Millions of people are affected by HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus) every year and millions die as a result of it. But the worst part of this disease the social stigma and aversion they face from the society. The isolation and discrimination they face from the society is the hardest part of being a HIV-AIDS patient. The quote which is stated above served as an inspiration for our students who spend a day of their lives at an AIDS care home centre. We also visited Asha Home care and a few old age homes and orphanages on the same day. The main purpose of the visits was to interact with them and

bring happiness and a smile on their faces.

SAMSHODHAN – A national paper presentation for PG students was organised on 27 February, which had students from across India participating. Dr. Akhilesh (Former Director, Department of Management Studies, IISC, Bangalore) inaugurated this event.

82 research papers were received and 30 were shortlisted and presented. The rest were presented in the form of posters.

Service learning: For the accounts and tax elective students as a part of service learning scheduled in international accounting subject, 19 students had been to a charitable institution “Trinity English School” at Marathalli. They had set up a library and books were donated by the students of MCOM along with some stationery.

Campus Ambassadors: - Carolyn Theresa, Namitha Kulkarni and Anjali Vyas were selected as the KPMG campus ambassadors; and Ajay Pai as Google campus ambassador.

Alumni Meet: – Homecoming in the format of a carnival on 26 January had 235 former students back home to meet their mentors. Fun filled games and events marked a day memorable in alma mater.

There were Guest Lectures by eminent resources people like Mr Nagaraj (Retd Manager, Canara Bank) on Performance challenges of modern banks, Rajiv Prabhu (UCO Bank) on Financial Inclusion, Sanyanth Naroth, on social innovation, Dr. Justin Paul (Strategic Management in Japan) for the MCom students. There were other interactions organised as well like talks by Mr. Venkat (MD, JP Morgan) on Derivatives, Chetan Shiva (Logo designer of Mindtree and PhD Scholar) on Problem Based Learning, Sourish Ghosh on leadership, Prof. Debashis Chatterjee (Director, IIM Kozhikode on Academic Leadership), George M Alexander, Muthoot Group. On Issues in Banking, Heramb Vadalkar, on financial planning, Ashwin and Lakshmi Narayan on Derivatives, Mr. Pankaj Kumar CA, CS., working at KVK Associates “*You don't pay taxes—they take taxes.*”





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HOTEL MANAGEMENT



The aim of the Hotel Management Department is to train students not only academically, but also professionally, to become future leaders of the industry.

This has been possible with the collaboration of faculty and the experts from the hotels as well as other fields who helped and encouraged the department in continuous improvement. The academic year began with the orientation program, an academic program designed to integrate new students into the academic community by an expert from the industry Mr. Madhav Sehgal- General Manager, Hyatt Bengaluru who gave insights on the operations and management of hotels.

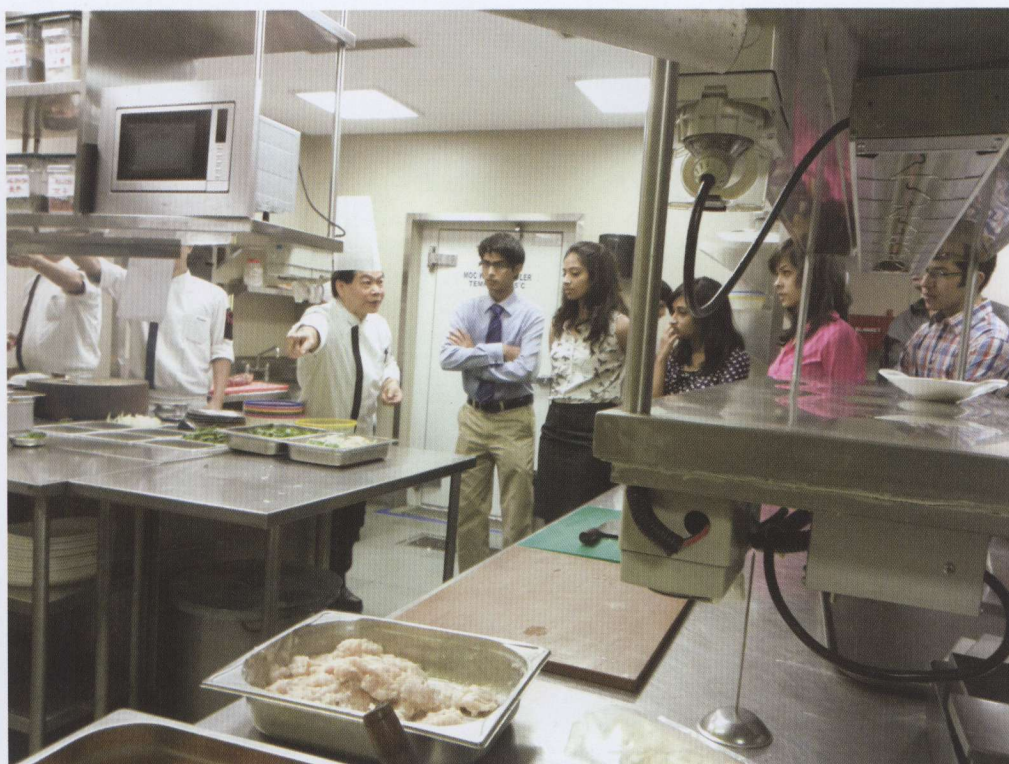
The department always takes initiatives to train students to develop their overall personality by conducting various programs like Public Speaking which was conducted by Prof Joseph Edward Felix, Workshop on Writing Skills by Prof Arul Gasper, special sessions on War Social Stratification by Mr. John Surendranath, Germany-Post Second World War by Prof Thomas Daniel and also sessions by industry experts to give



insights on career in the hotel industry. The department also conducted study circle meets where specialization students got to meet experts from their domain and discuss on topics of their interest thereby learning new trends and concepts. The program promoted success not only in academics but also increased social skills, development of independent living skills, and career development.

The students were taken to the industry to get more insights on areas like budgeting, revenue management, organic cuisine, restaurant project evaluation, hospitality work culture and many more.

The Hotel Management program offers internship as a complementary source of learning and enhancement to the students' academic program and career objectives. Mr Jacob, training and placement coordinator organized a session on Hospitality work culture conducted by Ms. Felicita Shanty, HR manager, Vivanta, Taj.



Various workshops were also conducted to give hands on training to students in various areas to name a few "Creating the Layout for designing hotel areas and elevation surfaces, Cul Art- The Single Malt, Mitaas- Indian sweet workshop/comp, EAT- Eat & Taste 2014, Vendor Management in Hotels and SWAD. The mandatory certificate course which is offered to second semester students by Eco-lab on clean care and safe steps was organized by Dr. Leena Fukey. To encourage continuous improvement, the department also conducted various sessions for faculty members.

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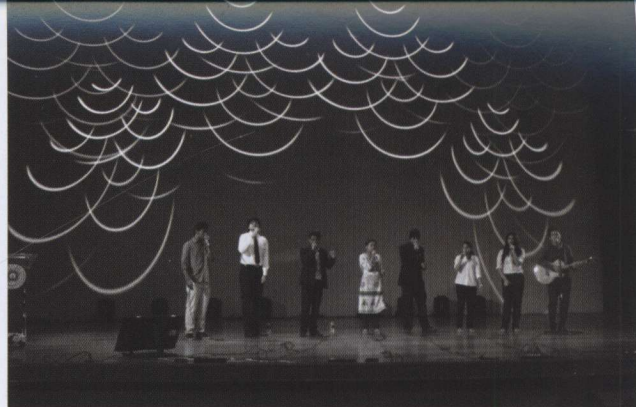
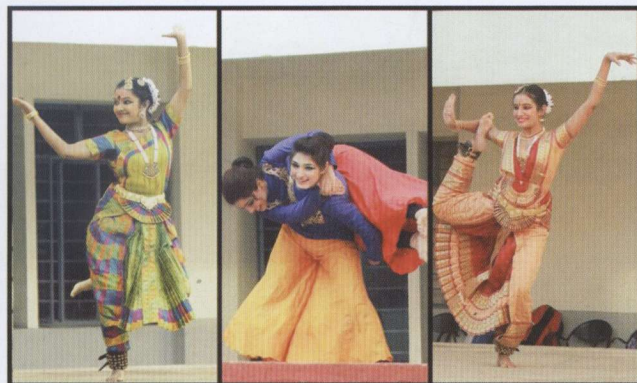


The Department of Professional Studies was established in 2002, in order to facilitate the pursuance of a professional course along with the Bachelor's degree. Today four undergraduate programmes and one postgraduate programme come under its wing; namely, BCom (Professional), BCom

(F&A), BBA (F&A) and BCom (M) along with MSc Actuarial Science. All five programmes are aimed at allowing students to scout out other professional qualifications like CIMA, CA, ACCA, Insurance and CS alongside the UG or PG degree. With practicing professionals for faculty, the students are constantly engaged in adding value to their career profiles through a variety of certificate courses. The department takes pride in being able to groom its students into budding professionals.

In the academic year 2014-15, the department fashioned some fine top rank achievers in CA, CIMA, ACCA, Insurance, CS and Actuarial Science. The department showed its appreciation to these young achievers through a special Felicitation Ceremony, presided over by the Vice Chancellor, Col Dr Fr Thomas C Mathew.

Apart from facilitating academic rigor among the students, the Department also takes pride in hosting several events like, INSIGHT, Sahyog, FutureMun, Incognito and the national level business fest- Cognito. "Insight" is an introductory Business fest organized by the second year students exclusively for all the first year students of the Department of Professional Studies. Specially designed for first time festers, INSIGHT gives the participants a taste of all the areas in a business fest – Entrepreneurial Development (ED), Human Resources (HR), Marketing, Finance, Public Relations, Best Manager and Business Quiz. The fest, unlike others of its kind, allows its participants to participate in all the events of the fest, this provides a chance to participants to identify their interest and flair for any of the events in the early stages, so that they could specialize in them for the fests in the 2nd and 3rd year of study.



INCOGNITO

The second level of festing training comes in the form of Incognito, which is an intra department fest that provides a platform for the First -Year students of the Department of Professional Studies to nurture and develop their talents and capabilities in business festing under the guidance of second-year and third-year students.

COGNITO

Cognito is the flagship event conducted by the Department of Professional Studies. A Corporate Business Fest of the highest caliber, it attracts colleges from all over the country to participate in. With the standard being exceptionally high, the key focus is on professionalism, teamwork, global corporate and critical thinking, and practicality.

The fest is designed to emulate the corporate world and it recreates real-time business scenarios and situations to analyze the participants and find the best among the competitors. Colleges send their best teams to participate in this fest and the quality and scenarios in the fest keep evolving with the changes in the real business world. The fest mainly includes rounds based on Finance, Marketing, Human Capital Management, Public Relations, Entrepreneurship, Managerial skills and Stress Management. The winners of the fest are rewarded with cash prizes which is usually one of the highest for an undergraduate business fest in India. For the academic year 2014-15, the theme of Cognito was based on Venture Capital with more than 20 participating colleges from across the nation. Students from the department also won the overall first position in national level business fests like Prayas, Threshold, Adroit, Carpe Diem, Cross Currents, Hyperion, Vittoria and Canfest.

SAHYOG

Recognizing social responsibility, DPS hosts SAHYOG. It is an initiative which aims to give the differently abled a platform to showcase their talents and an opportunity to perform before the public and the professionals. The event SAHYOG presents the talents within various NGOs with an opportunity to come forth and put up an eventful and memorable show at Christ



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University. Started in the year 2013, SAHYOG managed to achieve its objective in a big way the very first year by organizing a grand event. The event was indeed a success as one of the participants, who is visually challenged, was offered an opportunity to be a playback singer for one of the leading music directors of the State.

FUTURE MUN

Taking the department to an international echelon, DPS hosted FutureMUN. Facsimiles of the United Nations Committees have been ubiquitous over the years. Expectant and experienced novices, sophomores and graduates from various educational institutions have constantly devised their version of the United Nations. Model United Nations, an extracurricular activity of international eminence, has been critically acclaimed in the

Indian Subcontinent. It has gained prominence as the absolute forum of discussion, with continuous problem solving and global acceptance its official mandate.

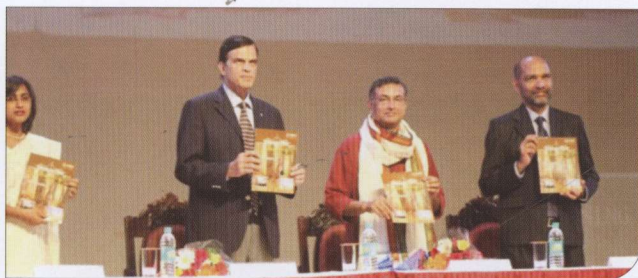
Future MUN is a skillfully scripted, delicately designed and fiercely fought saga over 3 days in seven committees and a Special Fictional Committee. Future MUN was chaired by some of India's finest MUNers from across India and abroad. With stress being laid on applicability and enforceability rather than theoretical synchronization of comfortable, albeit ineffective resolution scripting, Future MUN was determined to deviate from the norm and find the right balance between formulating impactful procedures and obtaining desired results. This year, FutureMun had 300 delegates from 6 countries including students from Kenessaw State University, Georgia and Yale University, Singapore.

IFRS CONCLAVE

International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) is designed as a common global language for business affairs so that company accounts are understandable and comparable across international boundaries. They are progressively replacing the many different national accounting standards. A panel discussion of experts in their field of finance and accounts stated consequence of growing international shareholding and trade and particularly the importance of IFRS for companies that have dealings in several countries. Apart from these, the department also takes pride in the department dance team Maya, Streetplay team- Team Professional, Western acoustics team – Interlude. All the teams have won accolades in various fests on the campus and elsewhere.



TOURISM STUDIES



The Department of Tourism Studies, established in 1999, is dedicated to the motto of excellence and service. Christ University through the Department became the premier educational institute in Karnataka to introduce a two-year post-graduate programme in Tourism Studies - Master of Tourism Administration (MTA), today rechristened as Master of Business Administration (Tourism and Travel Management) or MBA T. With a focus on greater academia and stronger industry relations, the Department also emphasizes on research and development. The Department offers PhD, MPhil and BBA (Tourism and Travel Management) or BBA T courses. The department is also an IATA/UFTAA Authorized Training Centre for international travel and tourism training programmes.

Driven with a strong and sound set of core values, the Department has always endeavored to empower students to face the challenges in the rapidly growing and ever-changing travel, tourism and hospitality industry. The Department undertakes educational programmes and organizes courses of study, lectures, seminars, workshops, symposia and conferences to prepare the students to meet the requirements of the industry. The department also offers guidance and directions to other institutions in the country and coordinates with them, so as to develop uniform and adequate standards of courses of instruction.

Every academic year, the Department of Tourism Studies organizes numerous programmes and events for the enhancement of the students' knowledge and skills.

Commencing all the activities was a formal inauguration of the *Tourism Association and Konkurrenz*. The initiative is an inter-class event organized by the Department to develop the overall personality and communication skills. The activities are used as a platform to instill confidence, explore latent talents, and mold the students into professionals most apt for the industry.

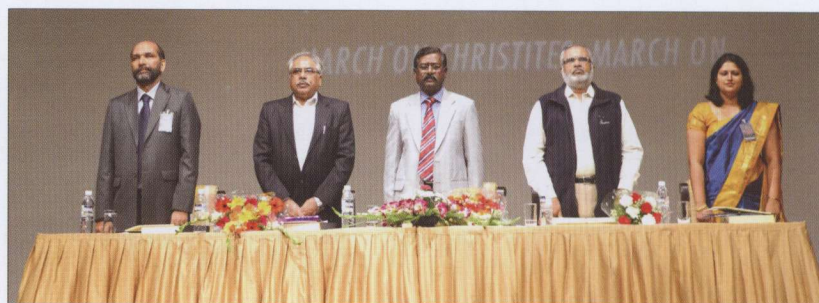
The inauguration was immediately followed by the *Soft Skills Training Workshops* for the first year BBA T and MBA T students. Through *Milan* and *Coalesce*, for the students of MBA T and BBA T respectively, they come together and actively

participate in various co-curricular activities like theater, dance and singing.

The first year students of MBA T got their first taste of learning beyond the university walls through the *Outbound Training Programme* organized in Freddy's Ashram, on the outskirts of Bengaluru in the month of August.

All the students from the Department also supported the Department of Education and NCC in organizing the *University Independence Day Celebrations* on August 15.

Alta Vista, the National Level Inter-Collegiate Travel and Tourism Fest organized for undergraduate students by the BBA T students was organized in the month of September every year. *Alta Vista 2014* organized on September 19 was inaugurated by Mr Mohan Krishna, Senior Vice President, Thomas Cook (I)



Ltd. *Alta Vista* was followed by the *World Tourism Day Celebrations*. Colorful stalls on national and international tourist destinations decorated the campus and the International Students in the Department also played a very important role in organizing the event.

In addition to the *International Educational Tour* for the final year MBA T students, a plethora of *study tours* were organized for all classes of BBA T and MBA T. The Bangalore Walk, Tours to Mysore, Halebidu and Belur, allowed the students to receive firsthand experience on tourism products, management and execution of tour packages. As part of the International Educational Tour 2014, the final year MBA T students visited Malaysia in the month of October, which also included a visit to the famed Taylor's University Campus.





Exodus, the two day National Inter-Collegiate Travel and Tourism Fest organized for postgraduate and undergraduate students by MBA T students was held on December 19 and 20 in this academic year. The fest was inaugurated by Mr C B Ram Kumar, Founder and Managing Director, Our Native Village. Around 200 participants from colleges across the country participated in Exodus 2014. *Travelitez*, the Travel and Tourism Quiz organized exclusively for the corporate fraternity, as a part of Exodus was hosted by Mr. Arul Mani, prominent writer, faculty and quiz master in the afternoon of December 20.

Both *Travelogue* and *Frequent Flyer*, the bi-annual magazines brought out by the students of MBA T and BBA T respectively, found a proposal with the Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation to be distributed to passengers travelling on the premium Airavat buses in the city of Bangalore, for a period of five year. They also found their place on the reading tables of all corporate houses, colleges and universities in India. *Atna*, the bi-annual Journal of Tourism Studies continues to focus on original investigations and analysis of theoretical concepts in tourism, while contributing for better understanding and wisdom in the fields of travel, tourism and hospitality.

Ontrack is the Annual Cricket and Throw Ball Tournament organized by the MBA T students for the travel, tourism and hospitality corporate fraternity. Most recently organized in the month of January 2015, Ontrack continued to be a resounding success with Yatra.com winning the Cricket Tournament and Via.com winning the Throw Ball Trophy.

The Department hosted a Seminar on 'Tourism, Leisure and Hospitality in a Globalized Economy' under the

theme, Critical Issues in the Management of Services on February 24 and 25, 2015. The Seminar encouraged papers addressing topics relevant to the seminar theme. The Seminar invited a mix of academicians, students, industry practitioners and other professionals in order to discuss the various dimensions of the tourism industry. The activities also included a panel discussion.

As a part of skill and team building exercise, the students also organize inter-class Football and Cricket Tournaments within the Department, *TATO League* in the month of November and

Tornos Cup in the month of February respectively. From the current academic year, the Department has also introduced an *On the Job Training Programme* for the final year MBA T students.

The annual alumni meet of the department, *Jharoka* is organized every year on January 26, the same date as the University Alumni Day. On completing their studies with the Department, the students are offered plum roles in leading travel, tourism and hospitality organizations in India and abroad. The cent percent placement that the Department enjoys every year is a testimony that the training the students receive in the University has been recognized in the corporate world, world over.



Centre for Advanced Research and Training (CART)

Centre for Advanced Research and Training (CART) was established in July 2013 with a vision to create a self-supportive research culture by introducing intensive and systematic trainings on data analysis softwares for the faculty members and students.

The mission of CART is to train the trainers. CART believes if an annual cycle of one trainer raising two trainers continues, there will be more than 500 trainers in ten years.

Last two years CART has offered Basic, Intermediate and Advanced SPSS facilitator courses to over 100 faculties. In the academic year 2015-16, CART is pleased to announce that the faculties who have completed up to the advanced level of SPSS will offer Basic and Advanced SPSS courses in three batches. Faculties are free to join any batch as per their level and convenience. They can complete both Basic and Advanced courses in 40 hours spread across two semesters.

CART is also pleased to introduce trainings on other essential data analysis softwares—R, NVivo, Origin, MatLab, EViews, LaTeX, AMOS and Excel. For this initiative, the Institution has heavily invested to purchase the software licenses and organize trainings. CART has identified key trainers for each software to take forward the vision and mission of the Centre.

Apart from the software trainings, CART offers Data Management and Analysis course. In the academic year 2015-16, CART offers the course to the 1st year PhD scholars and to the departments of Statistics, Economics, Mathematics, Sociology and Social Works.

So far CART has provided mentoring services to some faculty members and students. Going forward, this mentoring services will be systemised so as to benefit more people.

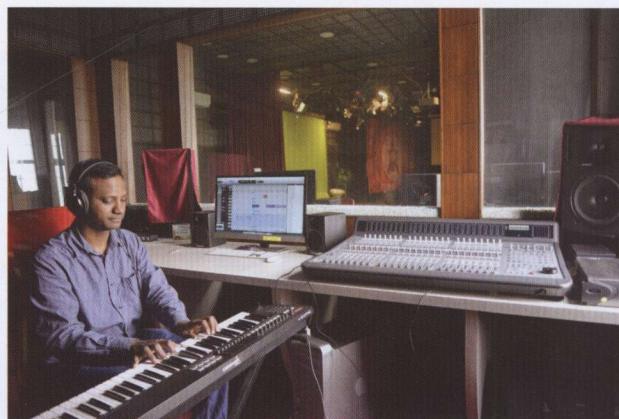
CART has extensive course materials on the Institution's LMS. Whoever wants to utilise the materials may open Christ University website, click "My Course" link, and enter User ID as "student" and Password as "student". CART believes that "No one lights a lamp and puts it in a place where it will be hidden, or under a bowl. Instead he puts it on its stand, so that those who come in may see the light." CART will continue to freely disseminate the light of knowledge required for quality research works.



Centre for Concept Design (CCD)

The Centre for Concept Design (CCD) had an action packed year with events scheduled frequently. CCD has been instrumental in training faculty members in creating numerous Instructional videos. Training sessions included IT, scripting and presentations. Numerous digital videos for certificate courses as well as regular courses from various departments were recorded, edited and transferred from Green View Studio, a part of CCD to students via Moodle with deftness by video editor Binny Viswanath.

Interviews with various industry experts were also produced for few departments. As part of a National Workshop, 50 plus



participants from across the country were trained to create Instructional videos in the studio. Workshops on audio-video production were also conducted for students from various streams like MCA, Media and Communication Studies, MSW and Education.

Apart from online lectures, various other productions were also done. Promotional videos were made for the University, MBA, Christ University Faculty of Engineering and Theatre Studies Department. The studio also witnessed various audio productions. Mr. Leo T, with his expertise in music created numerous pieces for different audio-video productions of the University.



Centre for Counselling



This year the Centre for Counselling saw a flurry of activities. The Centre welcomed into its fold, five new counsellors and a nurse. The academic year 2014 –2015 began with the Faculty Development Programme (FDP) and a session on Positive Psychology conducted by the Director Fr. Viju P. D. The Peer Education Programme for the year was conducted with 65 students who were chosen after an elaborate selection process that included interviews.

The Centre conducted the Student Orientation Programme for the students of MBA; Commerce and Management; Science and Humanities and Postgraduate Courses respectively.

The Centre was part of the Orientation Programme for the newly joined International Students, welcoming the students with a brief introduction into our campus life and addressing their concerns. Two counsellors from the department attended an Art Therapy Workshop conducted by Kate Donohue, PhD. It brought fresh insight into the powerful tool of art in therapy. Psycho-education Classes were conducted for all first year students by the Centre. They were a huge success, with interactive participation by eager listeners. Six counsellors attended the Satir Transformational Systemic Therapy Level 1.

The annual Parent Meeting, conducted by the Centre was a huge success. The department also conducted a Capacity Building

Programme. With the exception of Dr. Isabel who conducted a session on Case Studies, the resource persons were our own with Ms. Shelly and Ms. Premkumar taking a session on Enhancing Counselling Skills. REBT, an action oriented psychotherapy, was taught by Fr. Viju P. D. and a session on Emotional Intelligence was conducted by Ms. Prabhu and Ms. George.

The PES Programme for the Engineering Students of the Kengeri Campus commenced with 28 selected participants undergoing the PES Certificate Course. The course was very rewarding to the Counsellors and resource persons, who worked with an interactive and enthusiastic batch of participants.

The Centre along with the Health Centre, organised an Awareness Programmes for the Science and Commerce Deaneries. Six medical professionals in the fields of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Psychiatry, Paediatrics, Surgical Oncology, and Dermatology conducted interactive awareness sessions on topics ranging from Nutritional Health and Cancer Prevention to Mental Health, Substance Abuse and HIV/AIDS. Counselling and Health Services, was represented at Daksh, the Annual Career Fair of the University.

The Centre also organized and attended a Career Guidance Workshop, to enhance the counsellors' knowledge on the various options available to students that may require career counselling. The Peer Treasure Magazine by the Peer Educators of 2014-15 was released successfully by the Centre for Counselling.





Office of International Affairs (OIAS) witnessed an exciting 2014-15 year.

The main objective of OIAS is to facilitate faculty and student exchanges between Christ University (CU) and foreign universities.

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU):

Office of International Affairs expanded its contacts by signing MOU's with University of Illinois, USA and University of VIVES- University College, Belgium.

foreign students:

The objective of inviting foreign students to Christ University is to bring diversity and help in cultural exchanges. Christ University hosted around 200 international students for short durations throughout the year. The following were the ways in which the students were enrolled in Christ University for non-degree programs.

Exchange students:

Around 15 students came to Christ University to study for one semester. Students came from NHTV (Netherland), IESEG (France), Science Po (France), University of Burgundy (France) and University of Paris-Dauphine (France).

University Studies Abroad Consortium (USAC), USA:

The University Studies Abroad Consortium known as USAC is a consortium of 33 American Universities that has been providing quality study abroad programs for almost 25 years. USAC has identified Christ University as a host institution for USAC students to attend academic programs in India. Christ University offers special courses/programs for USAC students. Around 90 USAC students came to Christ University in the year 2014-2015.

India Gateway Program:

The India Gateway Program provides an opportunity for foreign students to experience India. The experience includes a combination of classroom lectures and field visits. Foreign students visited historical sites, industries, NGO's, Hospitals, villages, slums etc. Students are also taken on a sightseeing tour around Bangalore and Mysore city. During the trip they also interacted with local students. Dance and cultural programs were organized by Christ University students for the groups.

Under India Gateway program, International Office hosted 13 faculty and 98 students from University of Paris-Dauphine (France), University of Minnesota (USA), Griffith University (Australia), Western Michigan University (USA), Zurich University of Applied Sciences, (Switzerland) and University of Applied Sciences, Wurzberg-Shweinfurt (Germany).

Christ University students to foreign countries:

European Summer Program:

Three Bachelor of Arts students were offered scholarships to participate in the one month "European Summer Program" organized by Lille Catholic University, France. The aim of this program was to give students "study abroad" experience in the summer with less financial burden.

Study Abroad Program:

20 students were given the opportunity to study abroad for one semester. The students did not pay tuition fees, they only had to cover their living expenses. Under the exchange program, students were sent to NHTV (Netherland), Baldwin Wallace University (USA), IESEG (France) and Sciences Po (France).

Disney Cultural Exchange Program:

Hotel Management students were given an opportunity to do a three month Cultural Exchange Program in Walt Disney World, USA. Around 9 students took part in the exchange program.

Credit Transfer Program:

International Office has been facilitating credit transfer programs since 1997. The Office has tie ups with foreign universities so that the Christ University students get international exposure and certifications from renowned foreign universities. The students pursue first 2 years at CU and they are transferred to a foreign university for completion of their undergraduate degree program. Around 20 students were successfully transferred to foreign universities in the year 2014-2015. The students went on credit transfer programs to: Griffith University (Australia), Sheffield Hallam University (UK), IESEG School of Management (France), Birmingham City University (UK), Liverpool Hope University (UK) and Catholic University of America (USA).



Centre for Publications

The quarterly journals-Artha-Journal of Social Sciences, Mapana-Journal of Sciences, Ushus-Journals of Business Management and three biannual journals Tatva-Journal of Philosophy, Atna-Journal of Tourism Studies and Christ University Law Journal were regularly published.

Working Paper

-978-93-82305-37-8, Working paper on Theory of Constraints-Throughput Accounting by Kavita Jayakumar and Veertha Thaniya

-978-93-82305-45-3, A Working Paper on Production of Bio Gas from Food Waste Using a Reactor under Laboratory Conditions by Pranab Das and Students

-978-93-82305-49-1, A Working paper on Trends in Corporate Sustainability Reporting Practices Evidence from Indian Mining companies by Latha Ramesh

-978-93-82305-50-7, A working paper on A Novel Method to Extract Vasculature from the Optical Imaging of Intrinsic Signals using Fuzzy Morphological Approach by Sreekala K

-978-93-82305-51-4A Working Paper on Vehicle Speed Estimation using Video-Image Processing: State of the Art and Challenges by Vinay Jha Pillai

-978-93-82305-53-8, A Working Paper on Fall of the Indian Rupee- Is it an orchestration of the Indian Government? By Shubhashree Acharya

-978-93-82305-59-0, A Working paper on A Study on the Environmental, Sustainable Practices and Challenges at "Our Native Village" by Sushil Dwarkanathan

-978-93-82305-64-4, A Working Paper on Biodiesel Utilising Waste Vegetable Oil, by Dr Gurumoorthy S Hebbar

-978-93-82305-65-1, "A Working Paper on Mutilated and Soiled Currency Notes: Paradoxes and Propositions-An Attempt to Make the Life of a Common Man Easier" by Anusha Srinivasan Iyer

-978-93-82305-67-5, A Working Paper on Solar Water Pump with Automatic Water Controller by Niranjana S J

-978-93-82305-72-9, A Working Paper on "Role of Human Resource managers to handle work related issues in the Hotel Industry" by Nita Thomas

-978-93-82305-75-0, A Working Paper on Value Addition in Waste Foundry Sand through Ceramic Processing" by Pranab Das

Monograph

-978-93-82305-38-5, Building Managerial Competency among Graduating Students of Hotel Management: An Industry Perspective by Jay Kumar V

-978-93-82305-41-5, Monograph on Study of Graphene Layers in Various Carbon Materials: A Structural Characterization by Spectroscopic Techniques by Manoj B

-978-93-82305-43-9, A Monograph on Competency Mapping of Management Teachers - A Comparative Study among Postgraduate and Undergraduate Management Teachers by Vinayak Anil Bhat

Major Research Projects

-978-93-82305-40-8, Major Research Project on Development and Validation of tool on Critical Thinking Skills: An Evaluative Study of its Benefits for Institutional Leadership in India Dr S Srikanta Swamy

-978-93-82305-42-2, Major Research Project on Synthesis, Characterisation and Antimicrobial Activity Studies of Fluconazole Analogues by Dr Anitha Varghese and Dr Louis George

-978-93-82305-44-6, Major Research Project on Causal Nexus between Settlement Prices, Trading Volume, Open Interest and Volatility on Indian Capital Market: Evidence from Stock Futures by Jain Mathew and K Srinivasan

-978-93-82305-46-0, Major Research Project on Mapping Social Work Perspectives in Corporate Social responsibility by Dr Hemalatha

-978-93-82305-52-1, Major Research Project on The Need for Environment Protection, Green Investments and Green Banking by Dr Alice Mani

-978-93-82305-58-3, "Major Research Project on Social Sector Expenditure in Karnataka with Special Reference to Education and Health" by Rajeshwari U R and Emmanuel

-978-93-82305-60-6, Major Research Project on Tracking the Flow of Resources in Education Sector: An Application of System of Education Accounts by Mahesh E

-978-93-82305-61-3, Major Research Project on A Cross-sectional Study on User Fees in Health Care System by Ganesh L

-978-93-82305-62-0, Major Research Project on An Evaluation of Eco and Sustainable Tourism Practices of Selected Resorts in Karnataka by Joby Thomas

-978-93-82305-66-8, Major Research Project on Employees Work Environment and Fairness Perceptions' Effect on Work Engagement and Turnover Intentions in Services Sector by Harold Patrick

-978-93-82305-68-2, "Major Research Project on X-Ray Crystallographic Studies of Some Benzimidazole Derivatives" by Dr S G Bubby and Dr S B Guddenavar

-978-93-82305-69-9, Major Research Project on Sustainable Corporate Social Responsibility Model for Socio-Economic and Environmental Protection by Dr Leena James

-978-93-82305-71-2, Major Research Project on "Community Participation and Socio-Economic Transformation in Watershed Management" by Dr Prita Dasgupta

Kannada Sangha Publications

-978-93-82305-39-2, Varakavi Da. Ra. Bendre Kaavyaarthha Dharshini (Collection of Kannada Poems), Dr. B.B. Rajapurohita

-978-93-82305-55-2, Matte Bantu Shrivana, Ed. by Dr. Vikram Visaji

-978-93-82305-56-9, Prize winning poems By students

-978-93-82305-57-6, Prize winning short stories By students

Book of Abstracts:

978-93-82305-47-7, Book of Abstracts- Media Meet 2014

978-93-82305-48-4, Book of Abstracts, Department of Zoology

978-93-82305-54-5, Conference on Emerging Trends in Business (CETB- 2014), Department of Management Studies

978-93-82305-70-5, National Conference on Environmental Pollution, Urban Waste Management and

Public Health Security- Book of Abstracts, Department of Botany

978-93-82305-73-6, "Sixth National Conference on Emerging Trends in IT-eit15" Department

of Computer Science

978-93-82305-74-3, "A Seminar on Tourism: Leisure and Hospitality in a Global Economy, Department of Tourism Studies

University Publications

978-93-82305-63-7 Strategic Planning 2015-18

A workshop Routledge and CRC workshop on Publishing

A workshop on publishing was held on Sep 25, 2014 in collaboration with Routledge and CRC Press. Resource persons were Dr. Gagandeep Singh, Senior Acquisitions Editor, CRC Press (for Sciences & Engineering) and Ms. Shoma Choudhury, Senior Commissioning Editor, Routledge (for Arts, Humanities, Commerce & Management). Nitasha Devasar, Managing Director, Taylor & Francis India (the mother org for Routledge and CRC) was also present and addressed the audience. 233 participants including teachers, other staff and research scholars attended. The Certificate for the participants were distributed.

Learnings: It was called 'workshop'; but in effect it was an introduction. It was useful to many; but for many it was too basic and redundant. The effort will be more fruitful if we can offer multiple sessions addressing smaller, homogeneous groups having similar knowledge level and learning needs. Need to plan various learning modules and offer them as a series.





The Centre for Research was established at Christ University in 2008 to nurture the research talents. Through various academic exchange program, the centre aims at establishing a universal nature and legitimacy of a research centre. It motivates and facilitates scholars to cultivate an aptitude for intercultural and transnational communications in economic, social, political and scientific spheres. The centre has PhD program in seventeen disciplines. There are nearly 105 empanelled guides supervising the research scholars. So far 29 got their PhD degree and there are 183 scholars still doing.

Eligibility for the PhD Program is a pass with 55% marks in Post graduation and M.Phil in the relevant subject from any recognized University. M.Phil exemptions are given to JRF/NET passed students, Law, Engineering and candidates aspiring special studies.

- A research proposal (Maximum 1500 words) has to be submitted along with the application.

Course work

- Course work is compulsory for every PhD. scholar. It will be for one semester.
- Emphasis will be on Philosophical foundation, Research methodology, computer application (Online courses, Digital interaction and training in technical software) and literature survey.
- Every scholar has to complete 3 online certificate courses (MOOC)-two related to English writing skills and one related the research area in which the scholar is doing research.
- Seminars, Assignments and term papers are compulsory. Assessment includes both the CIA and end sem Exam. Participation in colloquia is compulsory. Finalization and Presentation of the research proposal is mandatory during the Course work period.
- Scholar who fulfills the course work requirement is eligible to get course completion certificate.

- Without the course work completion certificate, the scholars are not eligible to proceed with their PhD work.

Activities Conducted by the Centre

1. Discussion meets to help the research scholars to develop the measuring instruments. Guiding the PhD scholars regarding the standardisation procedure to be followed while developing their research tools for their study.
2. Helping PhD scholars regarding data analysis in terms of quantitative and qualitative analysis.
3. Assisting the PhD scholars with respect to the online sources.
4. Helping the PhD Scholars to acquaint themselves with the writing of bibliography.
5. Free consultancy for the members of the Christ University faculty pursuing a PhD outside the university.
6. Organising training programmes for the guides regarding writing of research proposals.
and synopsis.
7. Inviting guest faculty to speak on some thrust areas of research-*Special lecture series*.
8. Orienting the PhD scholars with regard to writing articles for refereed and non-refereed journals.
9. Disseminate information regarding National as well as International conferences.
10. Organising National level conferences regarding trends and issues in research.
11. Providing opportunities for the faculty members of Christ university to share their Research knowledge (Whose PhD is from outside Christ)to our PhD scholars –FORUM FOR KNOWLEDGE SHARING-Lecture series





The beacon that was lit in 1999 has been leading generations of Christ University students in lighting the lives of the deprived and the marginalized sections of society. Yes! Centre for Social Action (CSA) has indeed come a long way from a humble initiative of

sponsoring the schooling of economically deprived children of Bangalore urban slums. The serving hands have spread out to 8 programs in 2 urban slums and 75 villages in Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh and Maharashtra. A new project "Unnathi" was kick started in Jamakhandi taluk of Bagalkot district.

Here is a bird's view of CSA's achievements during the 2014-15 academic year.

The year saw a whirlwind of activities from the word go and kept all volunteers engaged throughout the year. A library was launched in the urban slum-LR.Nagar, street theatre performances were put up in numerous public spaces in collaboration with other NGOs, a daylong photo walk cum workshop was conducted near a waterfall in Anekal, cultural and sports day was held for the sponsored children and numerous other activities took place.

As part of rural exposure visit nearly 4500 students from 65 Classes/sections from 8 different departments/denary were taken to CSA rural project area villages of Hoskote and Kolar. 850 Children from 4 slum localities have been sponsored for their education and skill development programmes by more than 200 classes and 150 Individuals. In collaboration with World Vision, Bangalore, CSA organized Social Responsibility Week with nearly 2000 students participating in nearly 62 events from 19 departments to create awareness among Christites on poverty and hunger as a global crisis. A Service and Cultural Learning Programme was hosted by CSA for a group of 18 students from Kyugpook National University of South Korea and 8 student volunteers from CSA. As part of the programme students conducted various skill development classes for slum children on Computers, Taekwondo (self defense skill for girls), Science Experiments and Korean Cultural games. The 'Chetana Computer Training Centre' was inaugurated at Hoskote rural project area, an initiative by CSR Karma and Computer Science Dept.

The first rural camp was conducted at Hoskote, and the second camp was conducted at a village in a tribal belt near Krishnagiri in Tamil Nadu, with volunteers getting to experience the rural life in the real sense. Prayatna, a clean-up drive in neighbouring SG Palya to keep the surroundings cleaner really swept the neighbourhood of its feet. The sponsored children were taken on a ride in Namma Metro and also to the Planetarium.

Media & Communications: Media & Communications wing has been more vibrant than ever. Coming out with 10 COCs (Chat Over Coffee), 7 Photowalks, 3 workshops (Writing,

Designing and Photography), 2 Photography Exhibitions, 2 socially-relevant documentaries, 1 COM (Chat Over Movie), 1 database exclusively dedicated for volunteers, 1 edition of We Care focusing on Social Entrepreneurship, M&C has proved quite productive. Comprehensive documentation and professional design for all CSA events are just a few on the innovation list. Even social media was conquered through Twitter, Instagram, YouTube and Wordpress.

Dhristi: The street theatre team of CSA, Drishti successfully completed twenty nine street theatre performances in the academic year 2014-15. The street plays were conducted in collaboration with NGOs like CRY, BOSCO, OASIS Foundation and Bridge of Hope and were performed both inside and outside campus. The team touched upon a variety of social issues ranging from Girl education, Child Labour and Child Sexual Abuse, Waste Management, Water Conservation etc. Apart from street plays certain other initiatives like Radio drama (for community radio) and social experiments were taken up. Changes were brought in the form of theme based dress code, abstract face painting and introduction of different regional languages based on the area. Drishti has continually incorporated musical elements into its street plays to attract the crowd. Various theatre workshops and team building sessions were conducted throughout the year. The volunteers always had constant interaction with the audience and feedback sessions with the crowd after the performances to ensure the message had struck the right chord.

"Educate a Child" Project in L. R. Nagar and Ambedkar/Rajendra Nagar

The Centre for Social Action (CSA) has been implementing the "Educate a Child" project in L. R.Nagar and Ambedkar/Rajendra Nagar for over a decade. The project has provided educational assistance and extracurricular activities to many children throughout these slum localities. Through this project, the CSA has provided these slum areas with multiple activity centers, a Transit School for dropout children, a Day Care Center, a library, and a computer training center. In all, 471 children have received educational support through this program. Throughout these slum areas, eight activity centers cater to the educational needs of local children. At the Computer Training Center, a total of 215 children have been educated on basic computer skills. The Day Care Centre provides child care to 30 young children while the Transit School serves 30 school dropouts. Approximately 245 children have attended special library sessions. Throughout the 2014-2015 reporting period, the children of these project areas were also taken on various exposure visits, given spoken English coaching, creative art classes, Christmas and New Year's Celebrations, and participated in a Christ University program entitled "Gracias."

Parivarthana-Trash to Treasure

Parivarthana, the in-campus recycling and segregation unit, as the name says is going leaps and bounds in transforming the society by propagating waste segregation, paper recycling, product manufacture from apt waste materials and promotion of eco-friendly Biogas units for cooking purposes.



During the reporting period, children of the eco-club at LR Nagar organized eco-friendly programs in LR Nagar slum. Children performed street plays and rallies in the streets of LR Nagar slum. CSA Volunteers trained eco-club children in street play performance. Children spread the awareness of waste management and environment related issues. As a token of appreciation, children who performed in the street plays were given certificates. Over 200 children participated in these rallies. Green Apple Day was observed during the reporting period in collaboration with "Reap Benefit" and "Global Communities." Students from the MBA department took initiative to organize this program. Student volunteers from Christ University organized activities for CIG members and also helped market the recycling center products inside the campus.

Desirable, Dynamic, Development (3D) empowerment project

Janakiram Layout Slum, Bengaluru.

3D empowerment is one of the slum community development focused projects of CSA with onus on women and children. This project was started in the year 2008 by an organization called "InZ" from Netherlands and handed over to CSA during 2010. Activities like Self Help Group, income generating programmes, Children Activity Centres, Once again shop and English coaching classes are conducted in the slum covering around 400 families.

During the current year, 380 deprived children were enrolled and supported for their education through "Educate a Child" sponsorship programme of CSA supported by the students of Christ University and other individual donors from different countries. These children were supported with note books, bags, shoes, fees and regular tuition classes through Activity Centres (After school programme).

English Access Micro Scholarship Program

"English Access Micro Scholarship Program" is funded by the US Government and provides a foundation of English language skills to economically disadvantaged 13-20 year olds. The program includes 20 months of after-school instruction and intensive sessions. The program enables the Access students to gain appreciation for U.S culture and democratic values. It also increases their ability to participate successfully in the socio-economic development of their country. As a result, the program strengthens the students' ability to compete and participate in future U.S. exchange and study programs.

A total of 225 children from 4 different areas-Uttarahalli,

LaxmanRaonagar, Ambedkarnagar, Janakiram Layout in the Bangalore city limits, have benefited from this program. During the reporting period, the students participated in various classroom and learning enhancement activities. The students learned about and were given chances to participate in various American holidays such as Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year, and Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Learning enhancement workshops were also provided for the co-ordinators. Every month teachers were trained by resource persons for effective classroom instruction. On one special occasion, Mrs. Andi and Mrs. Krishna Kumari from the US Consulate in Chennai visited the project area.

Unnathi "Child Focused Community Development" Project

Jamkhandi Taluk, Bagalkot District, Karnataka

One more new integrated community development project was started in North Karnataka by CSA to support 1800 underprivileged families of Scheduled Caste (SC) and Scheduled Tribes (ST) covering 13 villages in and around Jamkhandi Taluk of Bagalkote District which is also one of the most backward districts in the state.

The six- month preparatory work was started in October 2014 and the required base line data is being collected by the staff appointed in the project area. They work through focused group discussions with children, women, ANC/PNC mothers etc. Rapport building exercises with the various stake holders like communities, PRI Leaders, government departments such as Education Department, Social Welfare Office, ICDS, PHCs etc are carried out and they are enlightened about CSA and its project.

The primary project activities will start from June 2015 and will end in 2022. The major components of the intervention will be Early Childhood Care & Nutrition, Strengthening Children's Education, Community Health & Hygiene, Livelihood development and promoting Community Based organizations.

Pragathi "Child Focused Community Development" project

Srinivaspura & Mulbagal Taluks, Kolar District.

Pragathi CFCD project, the seven year integrated development project was started in April 2012 and has completed 3 years. The number of project impact villages is 22 covering 1500 marginalized families.

During the current year, the project focused on capacity building of various Community Based Organizations (CBOs) such as Self Help Groups, Cluster Level Associations and Children's Parliament. Training was provided on organizational & financial management aspects, resource mobilization through various government schemes etc. Major activities like construction of toilets for the target families, kitchen garden promotion through children, credit support for income generation programmes (farm and non-farm based), children study exposures cum picnic, sports day and personality development camps were carried out in the financial year 2014-15.

The project has been progressing well and achieving the goal of empowering women and children towards sustainable growth.

Nodal Office, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala

Since its inception, the Nodal Office at Thiruvananthapuram is engaged in (a) improving capacities of researchers, teachers and development professionals; (b) conducting studies and evaluations; (c) promoting interactions on specific issues through seminars and workshops; and (d) linking academic community/institutions with Christ University.

A. Training Programmes:

During 2014-15, 28 training workshops were organized for researchers on the following topics: (i) Qualitative Research Using N Vivo Methods; (ii) Structural Equation Modeling (SEM), (iii) Quantitative Data Analysis Using SPSS (iv) Qualitative and Quantitative Data Analysis using 'R' Methods and other Open Source Tools; (v) Contemporary Research Methodologies/Techniques; (vi) Writing Research Proposals, Theses and Papers; (vii) Indian Data Bases on Selected Topics; (viii) Studies/issues on Migration; and (ix) Action Research; (x) Identification and Documentation of Key Learnings and Best Practices; and (xi) Improved Teaching Methods.

Participants of the training workshops included Researchers from Colleges, Universities and National Research Institutions; and professionals from Development Organizations from different parts of the country. There is growing interest and participation of scientists/researchers of reputed national institutions and nationals of other countries mainly due to the good quality, relevance, affordability and innovativeness of the training topics and methods. Therefore, it is planned to continue the ongoing training programmes, with more intensity in 2015-16. It is also planned to diversity the training programmes, based on need and demand of the Researchers, by including training on the following topics:

- ❖ Structural Equation Modeling (SEM) – Advanced Module;
- ❖ Basic Statistics for Researchers;

- ❖ Design of Experiments;
- ❖ Advanced Data Analysis Using SPSS - Module II (continuation of Module I);
- ❖ Identifying and Analyzing Indian Data Bases of different sectors and themes;
- ❖ Programme/Project Management;
- ❖ Participatory Management of Climate Change; and
- ❖ Capacity building of Vanasree Groups.

B. Conducting Studies/Evaluations

Evaluation of National Afforestation Programme in Kerala

Nodal Office evaluated the National Afforestation Programme in four Forest Divisions in Kerala in 2014, using the methods of Document Analysis, Field Study, Structured and Guided interviews and Focused Group Discussion. The Study was completed successfully and the Report submitted in time to the Department of Forests, Government of Kerala.

C. Organizing Discussions, Seminars/Workshops

Organizing discussions, seminars and workshops on important topics is one of the main focus area of the Nodal Office. During 2014 the following two national level workshops were organized at the Nodal Office: (a) Development Disparity and Social Research and (b) Global Warming and Climate Change. Participants were from educational and research institutions from different parts of the country.

There is growing interest and participation of researchers in the different programmes of the Nodal Office. It will continue the ongoing activities and take up more innovative and needy programmes on relevant topics in research and development in the coming years.



The Placement Office facilitates the students to explore the world of employment. The Placement Office takes initiatives to explore new career avenues for undergraduates and postgraduates through visits to organisations. The Placement Office focuses on the professional development of students and trains them to get an entry into a career of their choice. The Placement Office also helps students in career planning through career counselling where in they get an insight about themselves in terms of their interests, aptitudes and abilities.



Campus recruitments are usually organized between August and February every year. The recruitment process usually starts with a pre-placement talk in which the organization gives the students information about the job profile etc. It is followed by the actual selection process i.e., written test/group discussion/personal interviews etc. Student placement representatives from every class are also present to provide assistance throughout the recruitment process.

The University has state-of-the-art facilities that make campus recruitment a pleasant experience.



Highest Packages Offered (2014-15)

Organisation	CTC Per Annum in Rs	Course/s
HAAS	12.5 Lakhs	MBA Marketing
CISCO	10 Lakhs	MBA Marketing
Futures First	9.5 Lakhs	MBA Finance
DEShaw & Co	6.5 Lakhs	All UG
UBS Verity	6.25 Lakhs	All UG
Oracle	6 Lakhs	UG & PG
Godrej Properties	6 Lakhs	All UG
Zomato	5.48 Lakhs	All UG
Thomson Reuters	5 Lakhs	All UG
Great Place to Work	4.8 Lakhs	MSc Psychology HRDM
Inspire One	4.8 Lakhs	MSc Psychology HRDM
VMWare	4.5 Lakhs	BCA & BSc Comp. Sc.
Deloitte	4.2 Lakhs	BCom
Grant Thornton	4.2 Lakhs	MFM & MCom

Top Recruiters (2014-15)

Organisation	Number of Offers	Course/s
KPMG	91	UG&PG Commerce & Mgmt.
Goldman Sachs	74	All UG & PG
Ernst & Young	50	All UG & PG
ANZ	30	All UG
L&T Infotech/Construction	25	UG & PG Computer Science
TCS BPO	23	All UG
TESCO	23	All UG
Teach for India	19	All UG & PG
Wipro Technologies	15	UG & PG
Deloitte	15	BCom

Office of Admissions

The Office of Admissions is a multifaceted arm of Christ University equipped with a team of well-trained and highly educated administrators who strive to ensure that the admission process for each of the courses offered at Christ is rendered to perfection.

Given the gargantuan size of Christ University, it is vital for the Office of Admissions to run smoothly and steadily; they have to expedite and regulate the intake of 12,000 and more students, by no means an easy task.

The office of admissions is in charge of handling the admissions in all programs offered by Christ University. The office handles a plethora of responsibilities, and takes care of admissions for UG, PG, MBA and other courses.

The office is responsible for collating the list of students being admitted into the university and clearly informing them of the nuances and details of the payment process as well as document verification. Once a student is admitted, application forms along with supporting documents may be submitted directly between 9 AM and 4 PM on all working days except on Saturday (9 AM to 12 Noon) at the office of admissions.

For all programs (except BCom and BCom F & A), application forms along with supporting documents can be sent by Registered Post / Courier Service to the Office of Admissions. The office categorizes them and forwards them to the departments concerned. They also facilitate the admission of NRI students. Since they are used to an entirely different style of

procedural intake, it is up to the office of admissions to accommodate different types of documents and orient the students to the rules and regulations of Christ University.

Students are also required to hand over required documents, including migration certificate, transfer certificate, 10th and 12th marks cards, college transcripts (for a postgraduate course), photo ID (copy) and a copy of the cheque or demand draft through which the student is paying.

The office of admissions holds on to the submitted documents for approximately 3 months, during which time they are verified and entered into the system. They are then handed back to the students, provided there are no discrepancies found.

The office also sends reminders to students about payment of fees and other chals. At the end of every semester, the office of admissions is flocked by students collecting their exam admit cards at the last minute, or paying a fine for low attendance. The administrators work tirelessly around this time to make certain that minimum inconvenience is caused to the students as well as the faculty.

All fees, fines and other amounts are collected and processed by the Office of Admissions. They have to ensure that no cash or cheque is misplaced, lost or damaged, and is sent to the right financial authority at the right time. For this purpose, the office of admissions coordinates with South Indian Bank, one of the branches of which is located on campus.



Office of Accounts

The Office of Accounts can be called as the back bone of the University as it manages all the finance and planning related functions of the University.

The driving force behind the effective functioning of the Office of Accounts can be attributed to its motto - "To keep the accounts up-to date in a transparent and time-bound manner as per the rules and regulations of the University and adhere to the statutory compliances under various laws applicable to the University. To adopt newer techniques of accounting to keep pace with the modern accounting practices."

The following significant contributions were made by the Office of Accounts in the academic year 2014-15:

- a) Form 16 issued by the Income Tax Department has been made available on Knowledge Pro.
- b) All statutory Compliances are handled in house without the help of outside agencies.
- c) All statutory returns such as Professional Tax, ESIC, Provident Fund, Service Tax, Income Tax and Luxury Tax Returns are filed online.

- d) Payments to vendors are being cleared within 24 hours of receipt of approved bill / vouchers.
- e) Students are sent alerts through e-mails / SMS with regard to pending fees well in advance to ensure compliance and obtaining exam hall tickets / results / Marks Card.
- f) Documents received by the department from various parties are tracked via bill tracker.

The Office of Accounts has set the target to complete the Annual Audit for the year 2014-15 by May 2015. This is a task that requires a lot of efforts and hard work for its completion.



Office of Examination

The year 2014-15 was about continued innovations measures and radical changes in the policies for effective functioning of examination system for the benefit of the students as well as the associated faculty of Christ University. A single entry software was developed to include all the batches of students writing the exams under one time table. A syllabus tracker updation system was introduced to help the supplementary students find out what syllabus to study during particular academic years in the KP itself.

The system of putting up stickers on the desks of supplementary students was done away with and IT departments' help was taken to prepare seating arrangements for such students online. Earlier, the venue would not indicated in the Hall tickets of repeaters and hence they had to approach the Office of Examination every time before the exams. This problem was resolved by printing the venue details on the repeaters' Hall Tickets and also indicating the same on the notice boards.

A new system was introduced to ensure punctuality among students in the examination hall. It was made mandatory for the students to be in the examination Hall 10 minutes before the scheduled time and the reporting time was printed on the hall ticket. Hence the students could start writing the exams at the ring of the second bell.

Badges were introduced for the examination squad members and Deputy Controller of Examinations.

Following table shows the details of end semester examinations conducted in the academic year 2014-15

Sl.No	Examination name
1	Mphil I Semester examinations
2	MBA/PGDM - I/IV Trimester Examinations
3	End Semester Examinations for UG/PG/LLB/Bed-odd semester
4	Supplementary Exams for UG/PG Odd and even semester
5	End Trimester Examinations for II/V/MBA/PGDM
6	MPhil II Sem Examinations
7	Odd Semester Special Supplementary examinations UG/PG/BTech/MTech
8	Special Supplementary Examinations for MBA – All trimester except VI trimester
9	End Semester Examinations for UG/PG/BTech/MTech - Even Semester
10	End Trimester Examinations for MBA/PGDM for III/VI Trim
11	Supplementary examinations for UG/PG/BTech/MTech Odd and even semester
12	Special Supple Exams for Final Semester / Trimester UG/PG/MBA/PGDM/BTech/MTech



Apart from the end semester examinations, office of examination also conducted mid semester examinations (CIA II) in the month of August and January for all UG and PG programmes. MBA mid trimester examinations were held in the month of July, October 2014 and February 2015. CIA I and 3 were conducted as per the schedule and marks were uploaded by the faculty directly in the KP.

A total of 3861 students graduated in the four convocations held on Saturday 26 May and Sunday 27 May 2014. 2213 undergraduates and 1592 postgraduates, 49 MPhil scholars and 07 PhD Scholars were admitted to their respective degrees. Mrs Sudha Murthy, Infosys Foundation; Dr Balakrishna Shetty, Vice Chancellor, Siddhartha University; Dr R Venkata Rao, Vice Chancellor, National Law School of India University; Dr Rajan M Welukar, Vice Chancellor, University of Mumbai were the Chief Guests.

GOLD MEDALISTS			
Endowment Gold Medal to Best Students			
Sl. No.	Endowment	Course	Name
1	Esta Lesser Gold Medal	Bachelor of Science (BSc)	Sanjana Joseph
2	Basanth Kumar Sarala Birla Gold	Bachelor of Commerce (Bcom)	Rachit Ghai
3	Basanth Kumar Sarala Birla Gold	Bachelor of Business Management (BBM)	Ms.Tarini Vijay
4	Basanth Kumar Sarala Birla Gold	Bachelor of Law (LLB)	Adhunika Premkumar
5	Basanth Kumar Sarala Birla Gold	Master of Business Administration (MBA)	Saharsh Bhushan
6	Alumni President Jugnu Uberoi Gold Medal	Bachelor of Hotel Management (BHM)	Keerthana John Noble
7	Chancellor Vishwanathan Gold Medal	Bachelor of Arts (BA)	Brinda S
8	Alumni Association Gold Medal	Bachelor of Engineering (BTEch)	Shivpal Singh

RANK HOLDERS - 2014 - 15 - CHRIST UNIVERSITY
TOPPERS LIST - CONVOCATION MAY 2014 : HUMANITIES

Class Name	Student Name
CEP-BA in Communication & Media, English, Psychology	SAHITYA MAIYA
EPS-BA in Economics, Political Science, Sociology	RODY ZA LIEN SING
HEP-BA in History, Economics, Political Science	ANUSHA SHEKAR
JPENG-BA in Journalism, Psychology, English	GUDDUGURKI ANJU RAO
PEP-BA in Performing Arts, English, Psychology	LAXMI PRIYA SURYA NARAYANAN
PSECO-BA in Psychology, Sociology, Economics	BRINDA S
PSENG-BA in Psychology, Sociology, English	LAKSHMEE V SHARMA
HECO-BA in Economics (Honours)	VIJAYAMBA R
HENG-BA in English (Honours)	MANDARA VISHWANATH
HPSY-BA in Psychology (Honours)	MONICA MURALI KAMATH
BA LLB	IQRA MINHAJ
BBA LLB	ADHUNIKA PREMKUMAR
BED-Bachelor of Education	VIKRAM S BHAT
MECO-MA Applied Economics	CLEDYWYN PRIMUS SAVIO FERNANDEZ
MCN-MA (Media and Communication Studies)	ATHREYA AISHWARYA RAMESH
MENG-MA English with Communication Studies	ARCHANA SRINIVASAN
MPCL-Master of Science in Psychology (Clinical)	MANISHA NARESH NAGPAL
MPCO-Master of Science in Psychology (Counselling)	SNEHALATA B
MPHRDM-Master of Science in Psychology (HRDM)	KIRTI KHURANA
MSOC-MA Applied Sociology	PREETHI N R
MSW-Master of Social Work	PRERANA CHIDANAND
LLMCA-Master of Law (LLM) in Constitutional and Administrative Law	NEETHI CHACKO
LLMCL-Master of Law (LLM) in Corporate and Commercial Law	LUBNA FAIROZE
LLM	SUMITA PATWARI
MAED-MA Education	SHALINI KURIAN
BPHL-Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy	BHANDARE SWQUEIRA CINDERELLA M
MPHL - MA Philosophy	VARUGHESE P M
MACS-MA Counselling and Spirituality	MARIYAMMA DEVASIA
MTHE-MA Theology	MEJO PAUL
MATRL-Master of Arts in Theology of Religious Life	DEEPIKA EKKKA

RANK HOLDERS - 2014 - 15 - CHRIST UNIVERSITY
TOPPERS LIST - CONVOCATION MAY 2014 :
SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

Class Name	Student Name
CME-BSc in Computer Science, Mathematics, Electronics	SHERIN JOY
CMS-BSc in Computer Science, Mathematics, Statistics	SANJANA JOSEPH

PME-BSc in Physics, Mathematics, Electronics	LITTY THOMAS MANAMEL
PCM-BSc in Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics	SWATHI KARANTH
CBZ-BSc in Chemistry, Botany, Zoology	MALAIKAL A L FERNANDES
BCZ-BSc in Biotechnology, Chemistry, Zoology	MICHELLE NINCHKA D'SOUZA
BCB-BSc in Biotechnology, Chemistry, Botany	VAISHNEVI RAJ
BCA-Bachelor of Computer Applications	MICHAEL SUSHEEL G
HCS-BSc in Computer Science (Honours)	VAIBHAV GUPTA
BTCL-BTech in Civil Engineering	ABRAHAM P LUKOSE
BTCS-BTech in Computer Science & Engineering	ADITYA S DAMODARAN
BTEC-BTech in Electronics and Communication Engineering	PRIYA CHARLEY
BTME-BTech in Mechanical Engineering	SHIVPAL SINGH
MTCN-MTech in Communication Systems	AJILA PAUL
MTCS-MTech in Computer Science and Engineering	D'SILVA JOVI JOSE SALVADOR
MTMD-MTech in Machine Design	PARMAR KASHYAPKUMAR
MTSE-MTech in Structural Engineering	JOANNA VARGHESE
MCA-Master of Computer Applications	SAMANJANA BAIDYA
MCS-MSc Computer Science	MADHUPRIYA S ISRANI
MPHY-MSc Physics	AKSHAYA SUBBANNA M S
MMAT-MSc Mathematics	SANIYA ARORA
MCHE-MSc Chemistry	PRINCY KHURANA
MSCS-MS Computer Science	SANDHYA R

RANK HOLDERS - 2014 - 15 CHRIST UNIVERSITY
TOPPERS LIST - CONVOCATION MAY 2014 :
SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

Class Name	Student Name
B.Com-Bachelor of Commerce	MADHUMITHA KUMAR
B.Com FA-Bachelor of Commerce F&A	GAYATHRI GURURAJAN
BCOMH-Bachelor of Commerce - Honours	VARSHA K R
BCOMP-Bachelor of Commerce Professional	MAHITHI BHARATHESH
BCOMT-Bachelor of Commerce - Tourism	DEEPIKA V
BBM-Bachelor of Business Management	MEGHANA REDDY N
BBA-Bachelor of Business Administration	AARUSHI SIGHANIA
BHM-Hotel Management	GARGI AJIT EKBOTE
MBAEX-MBA Executive	AJAY DHAWAN
MCOM-Master of Commerce	RASHMITA BARMAN
MFM-Master of Financial Management	KOKILA N
MTA-Master of Tourism Administration	SANDHYA H
MBA Finance	ASHA JOSE
MBA HRM	MARIETTE GEORGE
MBA Lean Operations and Systems	JINU R THOMAS
MBA Marketing	PREETI PERIWAL
MBA(PGDM) German	KSHITIJ SINGH YADAV

Office of Personnel Relations

The office of personnel relations assist the Personnel Officer in implementing the responsibilities as laid down in the statutes. The main responsibilities of the Personnel Officer include: coordinate recruitments of faculty and staff, manpower budget of departments, update employment regulations, salary fitments, promotions, maintain and update attendance and leave records of employees, update personal profile of employees, prepare employee reports as per the requirements, employment certificates, meetings of staff selection committee and subcommittees, media advertisements for vacant positions, attend to faculty and staff grievances by proper procedures, measures for academic and professional development of employees, welfare schemes and financial assistance to employees, initiate disciplinary measures against erring employees, and coordinate appraisal of faculty and staff.

Apart from the aforementioned responsibilities the Personnel Officer is also the general coordinator for MPhil programs. Hence, the office also involves in updating MPhil regulations and procedures, admission process, general enquiries, orientation, preparing schedules, oversee course work, approval of guides, study agreements, research proposal and reports, approval of dissertation, consolidation of marks and preparation of marks statements, and remuneration for course work, dissertation and evaluation. The MPhil program for the academic year 2014-2015 was inaugurated with an orientation to the students on 24 June 2014. 12 guides were empanelled in this academic year in various departments. Results were processed for 30 students to proceed for convocation.

The office of personnel relations is managed by the Personnel Officer, three office assistants and a Director. Apart from the regular interaction with the members, they meet every Tuesday to review the activities, discuss the issues and plan of action. Even though specific responsibilities are allotted to each member, all are familiar with the procedures followed for all the activities in the office. This helps in smooth functioning of the

office, even if someone is unavailable for a couple of days. In the current academic year, the meetings of the staff selection committee (SSC) were held on 22 July 2014 and 24 February 2015. The main agenda for the first meeting was to approve the recruitments and that of the second meeting was to approve the manpower budget submitted by the departments. The annual faculty and staff appraisals were held between 2 and 14 March 2015.

The office of personnel relations is also involved in organizing the FEEL (Facilitating Esteemed Employee Leader) programs for the non-teaching staff. Every year two programs are conducted, one in November and the other in December. FEEL 1 is intended for the coordinators of administrative offices and FEEL 2, conducted in two groups is intended for the other employees of different offices of the University. These programs help to orient the employees towards the vision and mission of the University. This also helps them to develop community feeling, remove inhibitions, and improve the personal and interpersonal skills.

Administrative Activities during the academic year 2014-15

During this academic year, 96 faculty and 50 staff members are recruited to fill the vacant positions and issued the appointment letters for them. 85 faculty members were promoted to the higher levels and the letters were issued in the month of July 2014. The relieving orders are issued to 42 faculty/staff members as they left this institution for various reasons. As per the request from the employees, 53 bonafide certificates were issued for different purposes. As a part of promoting the research activities of faculty members, 64 faculty members were given financial incentives for published article in journals; and 29 reimbursements were made against the registration fees for attending/presenting papers in workshops or seminars. Many faculty members availed the financial assistance to complete MOOC/online courses from various universities.



Office of Student Welfare

This year was a great year for Student Welfare Office, organizing various events in the University with the help of University Volunteer Body which comprises of about 200+ volunteers from across the campus who helped in organizing various events such as Convocation, Inaugurations, Darpan, Sports day, Magnificat, Blossoms, National and International Conferences, In-Bloom, National Quiz Championship, Farewell Day, Dance day and Gratitude day. For the first time we had a two days orientation program for the volunteers in the Kengeri campus to train them to be more effective team players.

The cultural team has visited different colleges across the country and competed in various cultural fests. A few memorable visits out of the many were BITS Goa, Rajagiri Kerala, St. Josephs, Mount Carmel College, New Horizon, IIM B, IIT Chennai, CMS, Sindhi, Jain University, etc. In fact the University cultural team managed to win 7 over-all trophies at, St. Joseph's College of Commerce – Dhvani 2014, Sindhi College – 2014, Birla Institute of Technology & Science, Goa Campus (BITS GOA) – Waves 2014, Jain College, Jayanagar, CMS - Lasya, St. John's Medical College, NMKRV College.

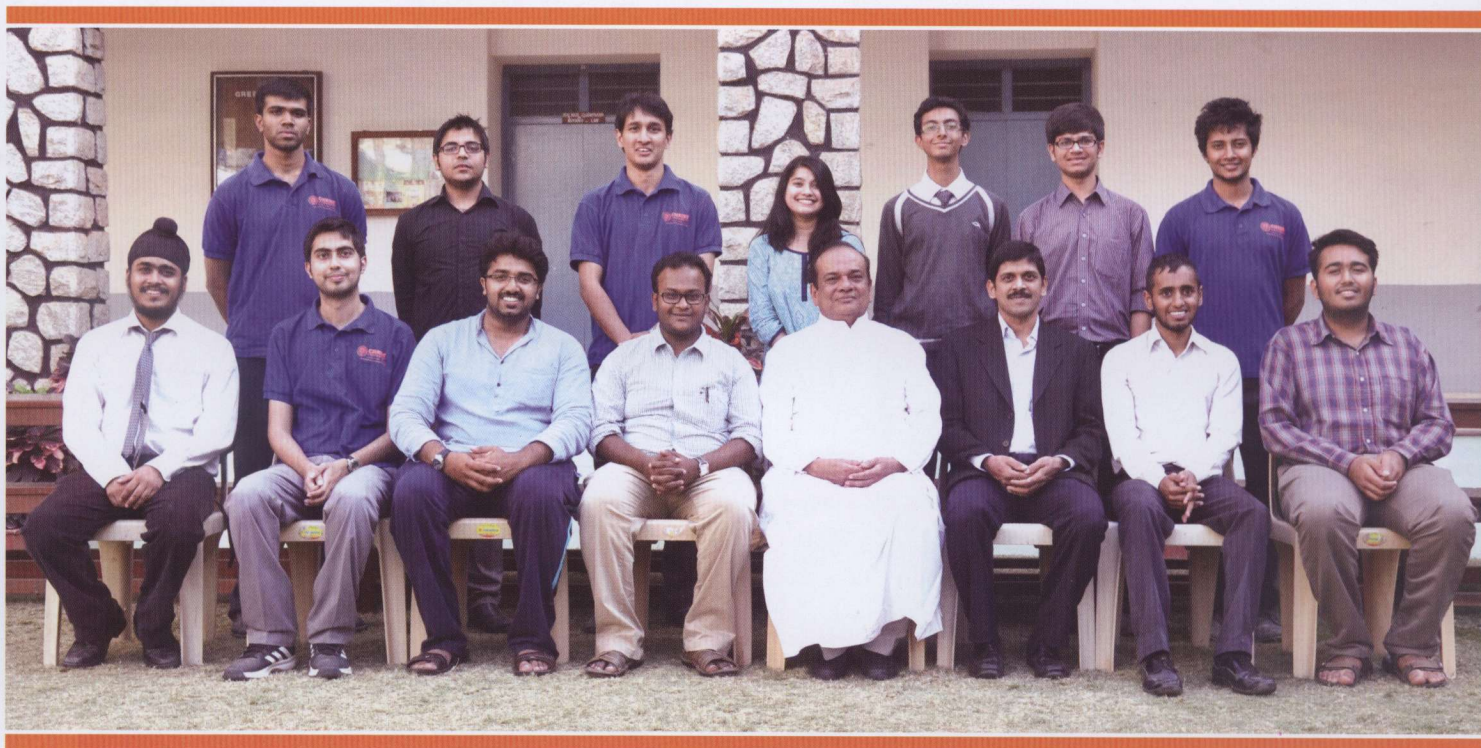
The Christ University Quiz Association (CUQA) organized Weekly and Monthly quizzes in the University for the Students to enrich their quizzing abilities. CUQA for the second time organized a National Level Quiz Championship which was a huge success with over 150 teams participating from across the Country. Other than these CUQA has also participated in various

quizzes across the nation and has won many quizzes. CUQA has also organized an All Girls Quiz to encourage girls participation in the Quizzing club.

Christ University Choir with over 130 students which is the biggest choir in the city organized Magnificat in the main campus and Kengeri campus in which we had around 25 choirs across the country participated to sing the glory of the lord. The university choir has also sung in many competitions like Glorious and also performed in Kodaikanal International School etc.

Natyaarpana- University Dance team, which is a very important wing of SWO has around 60+ dancers performing in various events in the campus across the year. Natyaarpana has also organized University Dance day with 350+ dancers sharing the stage to present a wonderful dance performances in both Main campus and Kengeri Campus. This year the theme of Dance Day was a tribute to 100 years of Indian Cinema.

Overall it has been a great year for the SWO with a huge success of events like Darpan with over 3000 students participating, In-Bloom with over 55 Colleges/Universities across the nation participating and National Level Quiz Championship with over 155 teams participating and making it the biggest quiz fest in the country.



Total Quality Management System (TQMS)

The quality policy of Christ University emphasizes continuous evaluation, benchmarking and re-validation of procedures and practices in all functional areas with reference to its Vision and Mission. The Quality policy covers main principles and standards of Total Quality Management System (TQMS) envisioned by Christ University established on the basis of the University's Strategic Plan and driven by NAAC's principal criteria for achieving the vision of the institution. Institutional performance is evaluated on the basis of these standards. This is an umbrella body consisting of Quality Review and Development Cell (QRDC), Centre for Education Beyond Curriculum (CEDBEC), Holistic Education Development Cell (HEDC) and Faculty Development Programme Cell (FDPC)

The Quality Review and Development Cell (QRDC) conducted the quality review meetings of all the departments of the university through a panel of faculty members between 19 September 2014 and 13 October 2014. This was followed by the Out Bound Training Programme (OBT) for all the faculty members during the months of November and December 2014

As always the Centre for Education Beyond Curriculum (CEDBEC) has been very active through the summer of 2014 and through the academic year 2014-15. The following are the list of programmes:

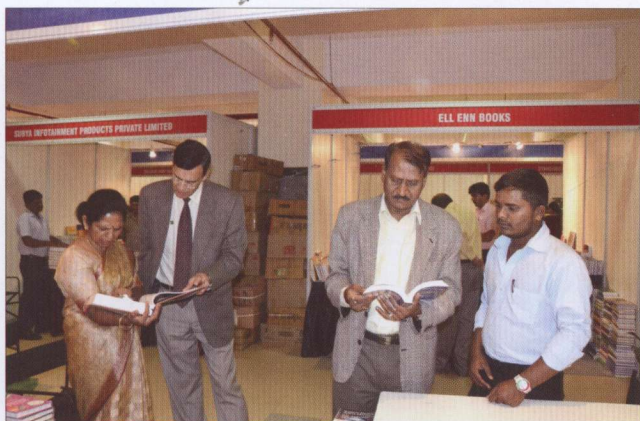
1. Seminar on Leadership for CONGREGATION OF HOLY CROSS SISTERS, Kottayam, Kerala April 30 – May 3, 2014
2. Research Methodology with Hands on Experience in SPSS+ Package organized by Xavier Board in collaboration with Christ University May 7-9, 2014
3. National Workshop on “e-Content Development of Indigenous Teaching Practices in Humanities and Social Sciences May 15-17, 2014
4. Workshop on Effective Management of Xavier Board Colleges Organized by Xavier Board in collaboration with Christ University, Bangalore. May 20- 22, 2014.
5. Seminar on Educational Excellence for Teachers of Carmel Academy, Bangalore. June 5 – 6, 2015
6. National Workshop on e-Content Development for Enhancing Pedagogical Skills for Teachers in Higher Education: a complete e-content Production Experience. September 9- 11 2014

7. Faculty Development Programme for Mercy College, Kerala July 26 – 27, 2014
8. National Workshop on Instructional Design, Multimedia and e-Resources in Higher Education, 29 September 1 October 2014
9. Christ Nagar State School and Christ Nagar Central School CBSE January 2 - 3. 2015
10. The role of Religion in Promoting Peace and Harmony: Contribution of Christianity” February 19 – 20, 2015
11. National workshop on 'Innovations in Curriculum, Teaching and Instruction for Teachers of Professional and Technical Institutions', March 4-6, 2015
12. Seminar on Leadership: Leading desirable changes in Higher Education for Higher Educational Leaders, March 10-12, 2015
13. Teacher Orientation Programme on Enhancing Institutional Effectiveness Through Educational Excellence for Bhopal Province, CMI, March 22-24, 2015

The Holistic Education and Development Cell (HEDC) has a team of 54 teacher trainers handling 18 topics under three major skills, Personal, Interpersonal and Societal. The preparation has started in the months of February- March 2014 for the odd semester 2014-15 and in the months of October-November 2014 for the even semester 2014-15. Goal Setting, Cyber Etiquettes, Dealing with Competition, Leading and Following, Gender Sensitization, Community Living, Spirituality, Transition to Adulthood, Alienation, Blocks in Relationship, Gender Sensitization, Good Governance, Anger Management, Water Conservation, Safeguarding Public Property, Negotiating Changes, Ecology, Culture and Development, Social Media Ethics, Intercultural Competence, Negotiating Changes are some of the topics covered. These topics, having relevance to contemporary living, are put to serious discussion in the class room for the students to get oriented towards a meaningful living.

The TQMS organized the first Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on 30-31 May 2014 and continued with various other programmes, in association with the departments of the university throughout the year.





The Christ University library aims at providing modern, efficient and ready service to the students and the faculty members. It also aims to fulfill the University's vision and mission statements by providing various facilities besides the vast collection of books, journals etc.

The library grew further with the increase in number of books housed in the library in the academic year 2014 – 2015. The total number of books added to the already existing collection was 8,000. This addition has brought the current number of books in the library to 2,20,524.

18 online databases were renewed during the academic year too. The online collection has now 25,000 journals and 2 million theses and dissertations across various disciplines.

Subscriptions to print journals were also renewed during the academic year and now the library has 502 print journals.

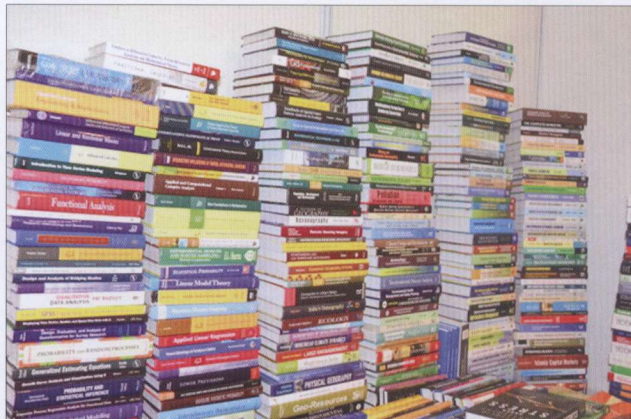
During the academic year 1,48,188 books were issued, 1,50,579 books were returned and 23,272 books were renewed online by library members.

The library extended its facilities to visitors from different Universities and Colleges. Some of the library users from other Universities include:

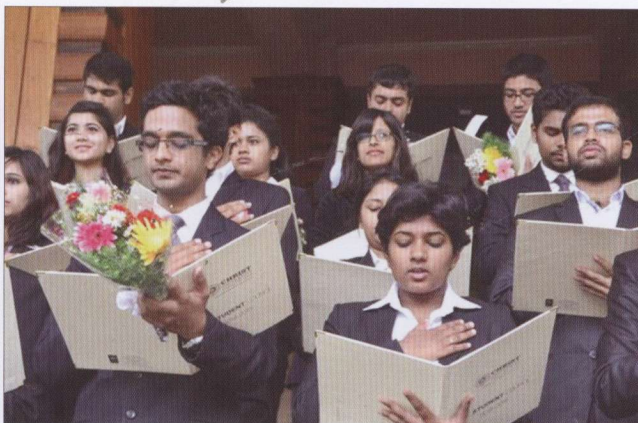
1. Bangalore University, Bangalore
2. WB National University of Juridical Sciences, Kolkata
3. University Law College, Bengaluru
4. National Law School of India University, Bengaluru
5. National Law University, Jodhpur
6. Tilak Maharashtra Vidyapeeth, Pune
7. Annamalai University, Annamalai Nagar
8. Rajagiri College of Social Science, Kochi
9. SRM University, Chennai
10. DVK Central Library, Bengaluru
11. Tamil University, Tanjavur
12. Assam University, Silchar
13. CBR National College of Law, Shimoga
14. PSG College of Arts and Science, Coimbatore

The annual book exhibition 'Bookmark' was held in the month of July 2014 in the main campus as well as in the Kengeri campus. Around 18 suppliers and publishers took part in this 3 day book exhibition. The library purchased 3575 books in the book exhibition. This exhibition was supported by the School of Education, Christ University, who displayed various library books and models for student's reference. An orientation programme was conducted for the first year students during the book exhibition by the School of Education students.

As a part of Library Staff Development Programme, the Library conducted orientation programme for its staff members. Presently, 16 library staff members and 5 student volunteers are working in the library under various capacities. An orientation programme on improving communication skills for library staff members were conducted during the academic year by Professor Edward Joseph Felix from the English Department. To update and improve library working knowledge skills, Library Knowledge Test was conducted for library staff members twice in the academic year. All library staff members attended the test.



STUDENT COUNCIL



The Student Council journey began in March 2014, when the induction took place.

The primary goal of a council member is to bridge the gap between management and students by various activities and programs throughout the academic year.

The first step was to initiate the Deanery level student council in order to reach out to every single student of Christ University, which was an essential task in order to be efficient and truly succeed in the primary goal. The council worked with a multi disciplinary approach and touched upon areas that play a significant role in the daily life of a Christite.

One of the first missions was the attempt to promote environment friendly materials to serve food in the food zones of the campus.

The Student Council also worked in collaboration with the SWO volunteers during Bhasha Utsav, to try to maintain decorum on campus. This year, we also got the opportunity to host an interactive session with former New Zealand cricket team member and currently New Zealand Education Ambassador Stephen Fleming.

The Student Council also celebrated Teachers day in collaboration with all departments and student centres on campus to thank all teachers for all their efforts.

In terms of academics, the Council worked on various aspects with the management including giving inputs to better the curriculum, improve research and promote research culture, improve library facilities, tie ups with foreign universities, and other such matters were addressed.

The council initiated activities in order to encourage students to use the skywalk, which was constructed due to the initiative taken up by members of the council few years back and was inaugurated this year.

The Student Council organised DAKSH 2015, the career guidance fair, which was the biggest and most successful edition of Daksh till date, where more than 50 schools were invited and had visitors from distant places such as Tripura, Pondicherry and other states of the country.

All in all, this year has been a whirlwind of an experience and has helped all the members learn so much while working towards the mission of the University, 'Excellence and Service'.



Association of Christian Christites (ACC)

"If you want your dream to be, Take your time go slowly. Do good things but do them well, Heartfelt work grows purely" - St. Francis of Assisi

The association of Christian Christites caters to the spiritual needs of the students of Christ University. Every Christian student of the University is included in the family of the association. The ACC conducts various retreats, camps and concerts throughout the academic year. This year, the association was presided by Mr. Avish Johnson.

The year began with an inaugural mass held at the Dharmaram Chapel. Christian Christites as well as students of other religions participated in the Eucharistic celebration. The orientation for the first year students was then followed by an evening of fun, prayer and introduction of the association. Mr. Clyne, a well known preacher was the resource person for the program.

The Annual UG and PG retreats followed. Various well known resource people engaged the students of the university, helping many in the process of their faith formation. Eucharistic celebration, gospel music, dances and short plays ensured active participation from all the ministries of ACC.

Two students, Ms. Andrea Thomas and Mr. Lionel Dias represented the University and the country in a student camp held in Fu Jen Catholic University, Taipei, Taiwan, conducted by the ACUCA (Association of Christian Universities and colleges in Asia) on the topic "Rediscovering Human Values to foster a better world".

A gospel musical evening was conducted by the ACC. Various choirs and bands from Bishop Cottons College, Christ University and Christ Junior College performed at the event.

The event received accolades as many Christites interested in music attended the event.

The ACC conducted a South India level Student leadership camp called the SCLC-2015 (Student Christian Leadership camp). Colleges from across south India participated in the camp which was themed "Rediscovering Christian Values to foster a better world". It was a unique opportunity to interact with each other and discuss on how they could transform their campuses to Values-driven campuses. There were acclaimed resource people who trained the students on how to be effective Christian leaders.

A special Eucharistic celebration was conducted in the month of December to celebrate Christmas. The ACC, along with the University Choir had the University Christmas celebrations in the main auditorium, spreading the joy of Christmas in the entire university. The campus was also decorated and cribs were built at various locations.

We were privileged to have an international gospel jazz band named "On the table with Dr. King" perform at our university. Few of the members of the association also had the opportunity to perform with them onstage. The band conducted various workshops on vocal training and instruments for interested students of the university.

A farewell celebration for all our outgoing students was held in the Kengeri Campus of Christ University. The academic year ended with a thanksgiving Eucharistic celebration held in the Dharmaram chapel on 2 May 2015.

The association also participated in various gospel fests held at different colleges all over Bangalore. We have won many accolades for our performance at the various fests.



National Cadet Corps (NCC)



The Number 2 Company of 9 Karnataka Battalion NCC, Christ University has always ensured that our cadets have opportunities aplenty to build their leadership skills and serve the nation. This year too, the Company offered a plethora of learning and serving experiences to the cadets.

Service programmes

As part of serving the society, our cadets went to the Jayanagar area and supported the Police Staff in the smooth conduct of the Parliamentary Elections 2014. On our campus, the cadets volunteered during the University Admission Process, Basha Utsav, etc. Our cadets, along with Biome Environmental and MAPSAS, did a major water survey around 10 lakes covering the area from Kaikondrahalli Lake to Parpana Agrahara Lake. In collaboration with the Department of Botany, the cadets identified 33 bird species in the Kaikondrahalli Lake area. In collaboration with the Department of Chemistry our cadets identified that the Hardness of the water in Kaikondrahalli is tolerable where as the Ph tests pointed it to be on the borderlines of being marked alkaline. On the Independence Day, the company organised a Youth Empowerment Rally for the students of Christ Pre University and stressed on the importance of the youth in Nation Building.

Adventure and Leadership programmes

Cadets were taken to the Kengeri Campus for a two-day orientation was they had a rigorous leadership and Team Building Workshop. During the summer vacation, cadets went on a week-long Blue Mountain Odyssey covering different forest and trek routes in the Nilgiris and covered around 80 kms under the leadership of Lieutenant Sajina Begum and professor Padmakumar. They went to Upper Bhavani, Avalanche, Doddabetta, Banagaudi, etc. On their way to Kolaribetta Peak in Avalanche, quite magically, the cadets happened to cite a full-grown tiger at a distance of 30 metres! With a sense of awe, they continued their trek and completed the mission.

At the beginning of the calendar year, Pulse 10 km Run was organised. The then Group Commander Col Biju

Thomas flagged off the Run and around 750 participants took off with a sense of exhilaration. Olympian C.S. Poonacha as the Chief Guest, distributed the prizes. During December, 30 cadets and team leader Padmakumar attended a Jungle Survival and Adventure Training programme at Nataraja Gurukul, Sommanalhalli, from 21st to 27th December. The cadets were trained in Leadership, Obstacle Training, Cave Exploration, Navigation, River Crossing, Rappeling, Jumaring and Jungle Survival.

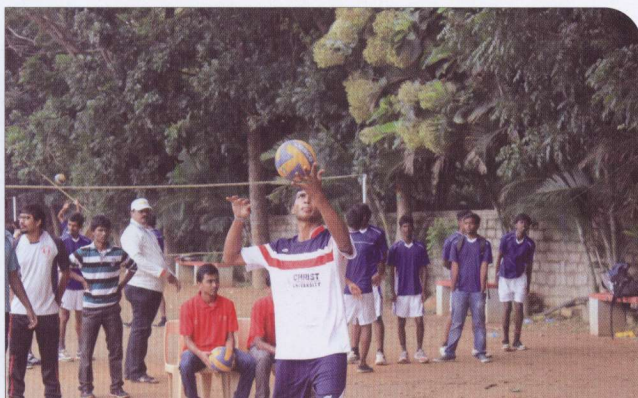
Achievements

It was also a year of achievements for the Company. Following its outstanding achievements and consistent good work, the Company's Senior Wing was honoured with the Best Institution Award in the State for the year 2013-14 by the Karnataka and Goa Directorate on the 4th of February 2015. Professor Sajina Begum completed the three-month rigorous Pre-Commission Course at Officer's Training Academy, Gwalior and earned the rank of Lieutenant. JUO Chinmayi Venkatesh represented India in the NCC Youth Exchange Programme.

JUO Ramya Muthulakshmi and Cdt Pooja Sharma represented the Karnataka and Goa contingent in the Thal Sainik Camp. JUO Ramya Muthulakshmi and Cdt Vindhya were part of the Karnataka and Goa Directorate's 2015 Republic Day contingent.

Further, the Company also hosted a few programmes. A Guidance Programme on Careers in the Indian Air Force was offered by the Defence Personnel. The Felicitation Programme for the Karnataka and Goa Directorate Republic Day Contingent was organised on our campus by our 2/9 Coy NCC. The Annual All India 'B' Certificate exam of NCC for the Bangalore 'B' group was also conducted in Christ University with volunteers from the Company organising the programme. Overall, it was a year to fondly remember for those achievements which have laid the seeds for greater strides in the future!





Sports has always been an integral part of Christ University life, however this academic year has been especially significant in identifying budding athletes and the participation of more than a handful of men's and women's teams across various sports. The response to several tournaments has been phenomenal and the expression of talent and enthusiasm has been quite remarkable.

The year started off with the **Pedagogic League held in June and July**, competitions in Football, basketball, volleyball, throw-ball, tennis and hockey resulted in the highest participation for football in Christ University with **250 students**. The League allowed the best players to represent the Christ University main teams. The Physical Education Department provided professional coaches for their training.

In August, there was **CHRISPO**, the annual inter-collegiate, sports festival held by Christ University, in which we had participation of all men's and women's teams.

The University Cricket team participated in the International Inter varsity Championship organised by UKM, Kaulalampur, Malaysia in the month of October 2014, where we were placed Second.

During the months of November-December-January, National Level Inter-University Tournaments took place, in which –

Women's Hockey team went to Kongunadu College of Engineering, Anna University.

Women's Volleyball team went to D B Jain College, Madras University, Chennai.

Men's Hockey team went to National Engineering College, Anna University, in Chennai

Men's Football team went to Calicut University, Calicut, in Kerala.

Women's Basketball Team went to Hindustan University, Chennai

Women's Football Team went to Thiruvalluvar University, TN

Men's Cricket team went to Anna University, Chennai.

Men's Basketball Team went to Sathyabama University, Chennai.

Men & Women Badminton teams went to Bharathiar University.

Men & Women Athletics teams went to Alva's College (Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Science)

Men's Tennis Team went to SRM University, Chennai.

SRIKA K RAJU & ANUSHA RATHOR represented University in All India Inter University Aquatics Championship at Jain University.

MAYUR D BHANU represented University in All India Inter University Shooting Competition at Punjabi University.

MESTONE THARAKAN & SARVAPRIYA MAKAR represented University in All India Inter University Fencing Championship at Punjabi University.

NIHAL F S – III BCOM – REPRESENTED U-25 Karnataka State Team

KARAN JOSHUA - III BCOM – REPRESENTED Karnataka State Men Team

Isaac Thomas – II BCOM – REPRESENTED Karnataka State Men Team.

NIHALI DECHKA - I BSC – REPRESENTED Karnataka State Women Team

PRATHIKSHA - I BA – REPRESENTED Karnataka State Women Team

The annual Athletic meet was held on 5 - 6 December 2014 at the University grounds.

Mr Sharath Gayakwad [Paralympian] was the Chief Guest.

NITHYA R – III BSC won the individual championship in the women's section.

AJAY KUMARA, III BCOM won the individual championship in the men's section.

The Department had organised games and competition for the staff during the month of November and December 2014.

The List of tournaments that our Team participated and won:

Sl No	TEAM	TOURNAMENT	Organised By	Result
1	FOOTBALL [MEN]	SPHYGMUS	JYOTHI NIVAS COLLEGE	Winners
		CHRI SPO FEST	CHRIST UNIVERSITY	Runners Up
		PRESIDENCY	PRESIDENCY	Runners Up
		MANGALORE	ST ALOYSIUS COLLEGE	Runners Up
2	BASKETBALL [MEN]	SPIEL	SJCC	Winners
		BES	BES COLLEGE	Winners
		PESIT	PESIT	Winners
		AUTUMN MUSE	ST JOHNS	Runners Up
3	THROWBALL [WOMEN]	CHRI SPO FEST	CHRIST UNIVERSITY	Winners
		BNM	BNM COLLEGE	Winners
		MANGALORE	ST ALOYSIUS COLLEGE	Winners
		ALL INDIA	ST JOHNS	Winners
		AUTUMN MUSE		Winners
		SPHYGMUS	JYOTHI NIVAS COLLEGE	Winners
		SPIEL	SJCC	Runners Up
		ALL INDIA	SATYABAMA UNIVERSITY	Third Place
4	BASKETBALL [WOMEN]	CJC	CITYJUMPBALL CLUB	Winners
		MANGALORE	ST ALOYSIUS COLLEGE	Winners
		SPIEL	SJCC	Runners Up
		CHRISPO	CHRIST UNIVERSITY	Runners Up
		SPHYGMUS	JYOTHI NIVAS COLLEGE	Runners Up
		BFI	BFI	Runners Up
5	TABLE TENNIS	INFINI	PESIT	WINNERS
		AUTUMN MUSE	ST JOHNS	WINNERS
		IIHM		WINNERS
6	HOCKEY [WOMEN]	CHRISPO	CHRIST UNIVERSITY	Winners
		INTERCOLLEGIATE	KSHA	Winners
7	CRICKET	CPL	CMS JAIN	Winners
		NCJ T20	NATIONAL COLLEGE	Winners
		INTERCOLLEGIATE	VIJAYA COLLEGE	Runners Up
8	FOOTBALL	CHRI SPO FEST	CHRIST UNIVERSITY	Winners
		SPIEL	SJCC	Runners Up
9	BADMINTON	SPIEL	SJCC	Runners Up
10	VOLLEYBALL [WOMEN]	CHRISPO	CHRIST UNIVERSITY	Runners Up
		MANGALORE	ST ALOYSIUS COLLEGE	Runners Up



The Information Processing Management (IPM) is the office which maintains electronic data about various programmes offered, subjects under each programme and the data of the students enrolled under each class. The office functions in collaboration with various offices like Admission, Examination, Accounts and IT Services. The office is located at Central Block, ground floor next to the Office of Admissions in the main campus and also has an office which supports the programmes at Kengeri campus.

The main functions of the office are assigning register number and classes to fresh students after the admission, distribution of smart card, e-mail ID, various IT related services such as user login IDs and passwords to the students and as well as the newly joined faculty members and staff. The IPM holds the attendance details of each student and the lecture hour attendance and work allotment of each staff. The timetable update is done in the system of each class for making the attendance entry online. It also maintains and updates the curriculum of each course in the system conducted by the University.

The course list and group entries for the entire programmes are maintained by IPM, along with sending attendance report of the students to the respective HODs and class teachers weekly, and sending attendance reports to parents whose wards have less than 85% attendance. This process is carried out every month. The examination hall ticket due list and its clearance through different offices, exam squad work related with Hall Ticket block, Coordinating with the office of Examination in the entry

of marks and verification, faculty evaluation and report generation, printing and issue of temporary ID cards to the students on loss of original smart card, issue of temporary hall ticket if one loses original admit card during examinations- all of it is managed by this particular office. Handling the inward and outward postal services of the entire campuses, providing reports to office of international affairs and TQMS is also a part of its work. The office also looks after the CIA repeat exams fees and application submission.

From the year 2013, IPM had started with the issue of car and bus pass, and student hall ID cards to the students of both campuses. IPM also keeps and issues mementos to the guests for the activities conducted by various departments.

The IPM focuses on administering information throughout the information lifecycle despite source or format (data, paper documents, electronic documents, audio, video etc.) delivery through multiple channels that may include cell phone and web interfaces. The Office of Information Processing and Management at Christ University believes that information management is corporate accountability that needs to be addressed and followed from the uppermost senior levels of management to the front line workers. It must hold itself accountable to capture, manage, store, preserve and deliver information appropriately and responsibly. The Office ably manages the various tasks under the guidance of experienced officers and staff.



System Administration - IT Services

The Information Technology department at Christ University manages and maintains the entire IT, networking and information security needs of the



University. With 40 dedicated staff members working full time, the department also ensure the functioning of every other network related application.

The IT services department is responsible for managing the university website including the contents which are news & events, academic programmes, faculty profile, exam alerts and so on. The web related application on the website such as the attendance page, learning management system (LMS), live television feeds etc fall under the purview of the department's work. Both the libraries in the university and also the Kengeri campus utilizes data management services offered by the department.

The department holds responsibility for maintaining the security aspects of Christ University's information networks. All the networks are protected through firewall and therefore it blocks outside users from accessing contents within the university website and network. This function also limits activity within the network to suit academic needs and maintains a network activity report with the username given to the students. For using the university internet services on one's personal laptop, it should be equipped with a functional antivirus and this step is strictly followed by the department during this academic year.

The IT services department also adds value to the Christite experience through services like the smart card which integrates the bank debit card and digital identity card. Christ university webmail service which provides students with an individual and a collective class e mail id is entirely managed by the department and is also at the helm of managing any query or service related to the same. The department uniquely offers a 24/7 Interactive Voice Response System that gives information regarding attendance, examination results, admission status and allotment details. Students can also access these information through the department's i-message service which sends a text message within seconds corresponding to the information needed.

Christ University's vibrant presence in the social media is entirely managed by the IT department. All the university activities are publicized through

platforms like facebook, twitter and blogger. The videos and photographs of various events are uploaded on youtube and flickr respectively. In addition the department also manages the live television feature and co ordinates with the media studies department in broadcasting the campus radio 'decibel'.

The IT services department initiated various new projects aimed at enhancing the access, maintenance and management of information technology services this academic year. The major development work initiated by the department is the upgradation in networking infrastructure which modified the cable layout topography, changed to virtual LAN setup and enhanced the

firewall and security features. The development activity has resulted in high network availability



and enhancement in performance. For example as the networks are now split into virtual LAN at various receiving ends, any error will only affect that portion and the entire network thus functions smoothly.

The department also conducted a training programme, "Crash course in computer fundamentals" absolutely free of cost at the beginning of this academic year. The course aimed at improving the basic computer knowledge of students who didn't have access to the same previously.

The HED/EVS/Indian Constitution online examinations for the entire University is co-ordinated by the department without any grievances whatsoever. The department also coordinates with the placements cell to guide the process of online placements. Various international and national seminars were supported by the IT services in holding Skype, video conferences and virtual discussions. The SAP, industry proficiency training was given to students from the university. The department also conducted the SAP tests for certification.



- **Tell us about you being appointed as the Director of Center for Research.**

As I said, in 2008, Christ College became a deemed University and as a matter of fact any University looks at higher education for its contribution to research. That is how the Centre for research was established, where potential scholars can pursue research to get their Doctoral degrees. My previous contact with this University through guest lecturers and coincidentally, I also completed my service in the teaching profession during that time made me to accept the call from the University to head this Department.

- **What is the Center for Research all about and what does it do?**

Right now the Centre for Research is monitoring PhD programmes in seventeen disciplines including Engineering. Conducting the PhD Course Work, organising Research proposal presentations, arranging Annual review meeting, arranging guest lecturers under *Forum for Knowledge sharing*, conducting PhD synopsis defence and conducting PhD public viva are all done by the Centre. The Centre for Research is a platform for potential and dedicated scholars who have the determination to reach the highest level of studies - Ph.D. It is really a nurturing ground to harness the creative talent. It empowers the scholars to acquire the basic skills in using soft ware's such as, SPSS, Mat Lab, Origin, use of open online sources to deal effectively with their data analysis. It also encourages the scholars to acquire certificates by doing MOOC courses.

- **What are your further plans to develop this Center?**

Right now we only have students applying to us online but they come for selection here itself. So in the future we plan to have online *Entrance Test* to select the PhD scholars for admission. Announcing Scholarships well in advance for those who are going to be full time scholars, encouraging International Students to do PhD from Christ University, forming

Experts Group to assist the PhD scholars technically, introducing incentives to the best paper awardees, encouraging and rewarding scholars who have applied for *patents* pertaining to their area of research, rewarding scholars who publish their article in very high impact factor International journal are some of the ideas I would like to see realised.

- **How do you think the research scholars should contribute to Research?**

Now days, there are umpteen number of areas to do research. Scholars also have the access through material which are available online and offline. They should have the capacity to read and digest the knowledge so that they can structure their research work better. They can contribute in various ways; adding knowledge to the existing one, come out with a new theory, a new model, designing new Experiments, improving the efficiency of products, developing and validating the tools, developing mathematical models etc. The scholars can Skype with the experts who are outside India, get online consultancy. Because of Technology, the entire globe can be a platform where research tips can be obtained. There are thousands of high indexed journals available at the finger tips. Every scholar should understand this and work in that direction.

- **Your advice to PhD scholars**

Research is not an easy task. It is not a mere continuation of one's master degree. It is very easy to speak on research but difficult to prove it practically. Take it as a challenge. Limitations and constraints are there for everyone. If your level of motivation and dedication is very high you can climb the ladder of success and complete your Ph.D.

Good wishes to everyone.

Interview by

Skandashree Bali

I MA in Media & Communication Studies

Graduation Day



Christ University organized the Convocation of Class 2014 on 24-25 May 2014 in the Main Auditorium. There were four convocations in which students from the streams of Humanities, Social sciences, Science, Engineering, Commerce, Management, Law and Education took their degrees. The programmes were presided over by Dr Fr Thomas Aykara, Chancellor, Christ University and addressed by Dr Fr Thomas C Mathew, Vice Chancellor, Christ University. All the deans, Heads of Department, Coordinators and Faculty members attended the programmes. Mr JugnuUberoi, President, Christ University Alumni Association felicitated the graduating students during all the four occasions.

All the UG, PG and MPhil candidates from the Deanery of Science including Faculty of Engineering and School of Education received their degrees on Saturday, 24 May 2014 at 11 a.m. Dr Sudha Murthy, Chairperson, Infosys Foundation, Bangalore was the chief guest and delivered the convocation address. Dr Fr Thomas Aykara, Rector, Dharmaram College and Chancellor, Christ University distributed the certificates to around 800 students with the message that the core values of Christ University will enable them to contribute to their communities, states, nations and the world.

The second programme was for UG, PG and MPhil candidates from the Deanery of Humanities and Social Sciences and all the BBM and BBA candidates. More than 1000 of them received their degrees on Saturday, 24 May 2014 at 5 p.m. Dr Balakrishna P Shetty, Honourable Vice Chancellor, Sri Siddhartha University, Tumkur was the chief guest.

The third programme was held on Sunday, 25 May 2014 at 11 a.m. All the UG candidates from the Deanery of Commerce (BCom, BCom (Hons) and BHM) received their degrees. Dr R Venkata Rao, Vice Chancellor, National Law School of India University, Bangalore was the chief guest. More than 900 students received their degrees in person.

The fourth and last programme was for all the PG and MPhil candidates from the Deanery of Commerce and Management (All MBAs, MTA, MCom, MFM) and for all the UG, PG and MPhil candidates from the School of Law. This programme was organized on Sunday, 25 May 2014 at 5 p.m. Dr Rajan M Welukar, Vice Chancellor, University of Mumbai was the chief guest and Dr Sibylle Wollenschlager, Head of Postgraduate Education, Vice President (Retd.) FHWS, Germany was the guest of honour. Degrees were distributed to around 1100 students.



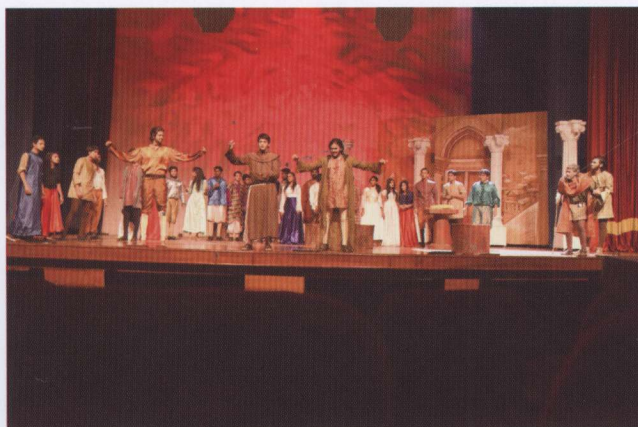
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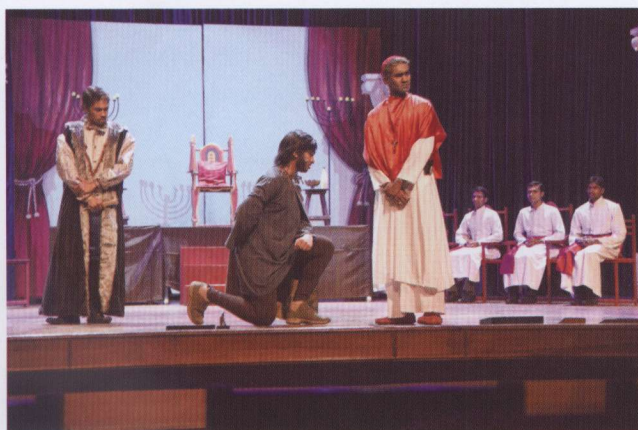
Alumni Meet (Glimpses)



Agony and the Ecstasy



Christ University's mega production has been a performance worth waiting for over the years. With every year, there is a new spirit dancing over the University. Every Mega Production is not just a normal performance but a stage for students from all over the University to showcase their talent and a ladder that reflects the level of theatre talent present in this University. Every production is directed by Prof. Esther Yates, who is also the Head of the Department of Theatre Studies at Christ University. The Mega Production was a name given by the students who put up the very first university-level production, "Of Power and Passion". The students came up with this name because of the participation of students from all over the University. And this went on to become a legacy.

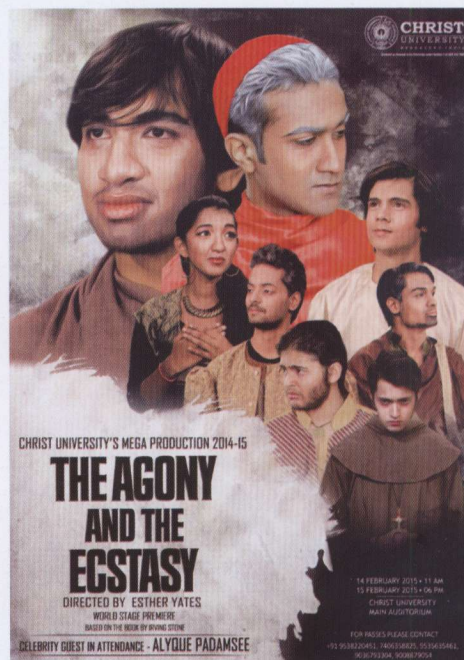


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annually. The plays performed in these productions are biblical and involve the skills of student to an incredible extent. Starting right from the script, down to the music score, logistics and stage management, everything is done by students. Students build these plays from scratch with the support of the director. Hence this is a great place for exploring what you are best at. Students definitely have to dedicate their time to mega production. This year's mega production was based on the novel of Irving Stone "The Agony and the Ecstasy". It is the story of Michelangelo's passion for art and his true love, Contessina. This performance rose to another level especially because of the presence of the celebrity guest – Alyque Padamsee. When his voice joined with the audience asking for "more show", the joy of the actors could not be measured. This performance was not like any other performance but marked a new beginning to the perception of theatre in colleges. Preparation for this production began in June 2014 with the auditions posters. With the end of this production, long months of rehearsals have come to an end, leaving the students with a void and a treasure trove of memories. Being part of the Mega Production was like being part of different seasons; something which always gave you endless stories.



Christmas & Rector's Day



Rector's day and Christmas celebration 2014 was celebrated together on 18 December 2014. The day was celebrated in honor of the Chancellor of Christ University and Rector of Dharmaram College, Dr. Fr. Thomas Ayykara. The Vice Chancellor of Christ

University, Dr. Fr. Thomas C Mathew, Pro Vice Chancellor, Dr. Fr. Abraham Vettiyangal, Registrar in charge of Christ University, Prof Johny Joseph, Fathers from various offices, Directors of various centers, Deans and Associate Deans of the various Deaneries, Directors of various Departments, Heads of the Departments, Coordinators, members of the Faculty, Non Teaching staff, Security personnel and Members of the House keeping were also the part of Rector's day. Christ family gathered together to celebrate and rejoice in the season of Peace, hope and Love. The program began with a welcome address by Mrs. Grace Pais followed by the vice Chancellor and then the Chancellor of Christ University delivered the Christmas



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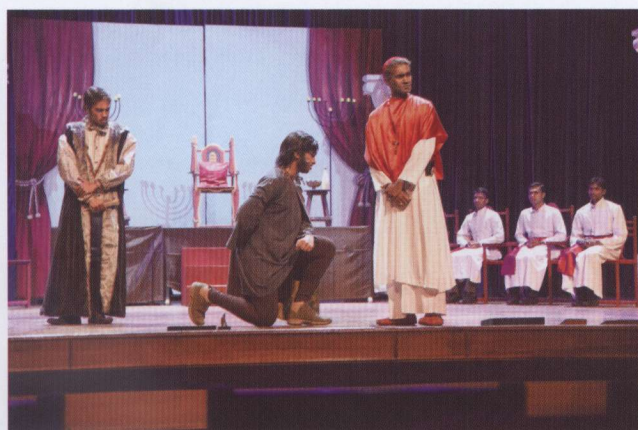
message to the audience. The purpose of celebrating Rector's day is to bring the entire fraternity of Christ University, teaching and non teaching staff together to felicitate the Rector and also to usher in the Christmas season. Christ University is an institution that believes in the value of togetherness, giving and sharing. Various cultural programmes and games were organized on that day where entire university participates. The Deanery level cultural event was conducted with the theme "Past, Present and Future". Deanery of commerce and Management won the 1st prize with a cash prize of Rs. 25,000 for their performance. They came up with a theme of "A journey of a Girl Child – her past, present and Future. There are quite a lot of other activities participated by teaching as well as non teaching staffs. The president of the Alumni association, Mr Jugnu Uberoi sponsored



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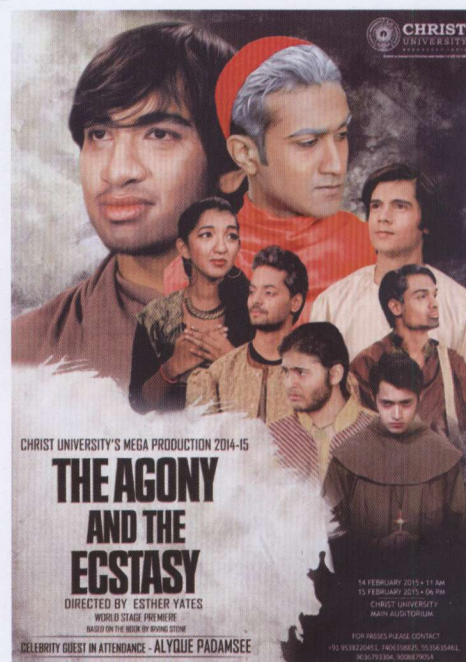


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Gratitude Day

Christ University commemorated Friday, 9 March 2013 as 'Gratitude Day'. The event was organized by students and staff of S.W.O and student council. This was a day to appreciate and thank every member on the University campus, from the Vice Chancellor to the gardeners tending to the lawns, security personal at the gate and block entrances, faculty members and support staff and everyone who has contributed to make the year gone by an eventful and successful one.

Students and staff of every deanery assembled in front of the Central Block to sing together in unison, the ABBA's song 'I have a Dream' led by the Christ University choir, followed by Fr. Vice Chancellor's address to the entire student body and staff members. 'Gratitude Day' was concluded with the University Choir singing the University Anthem making the day, a memorable one.





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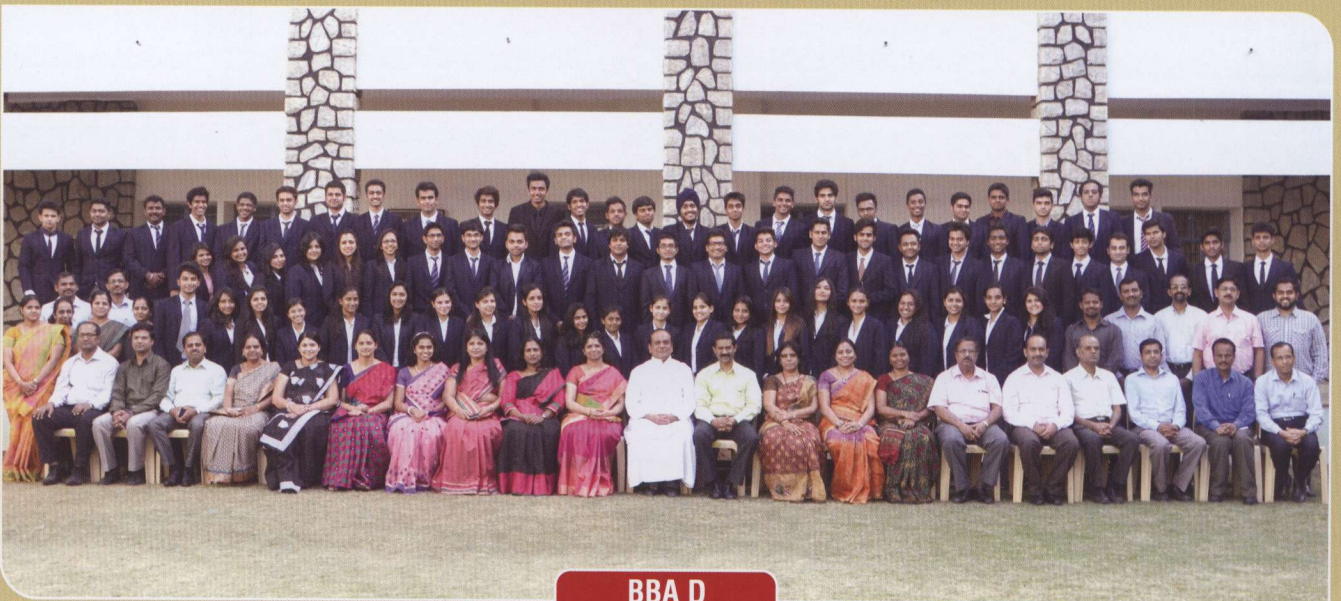
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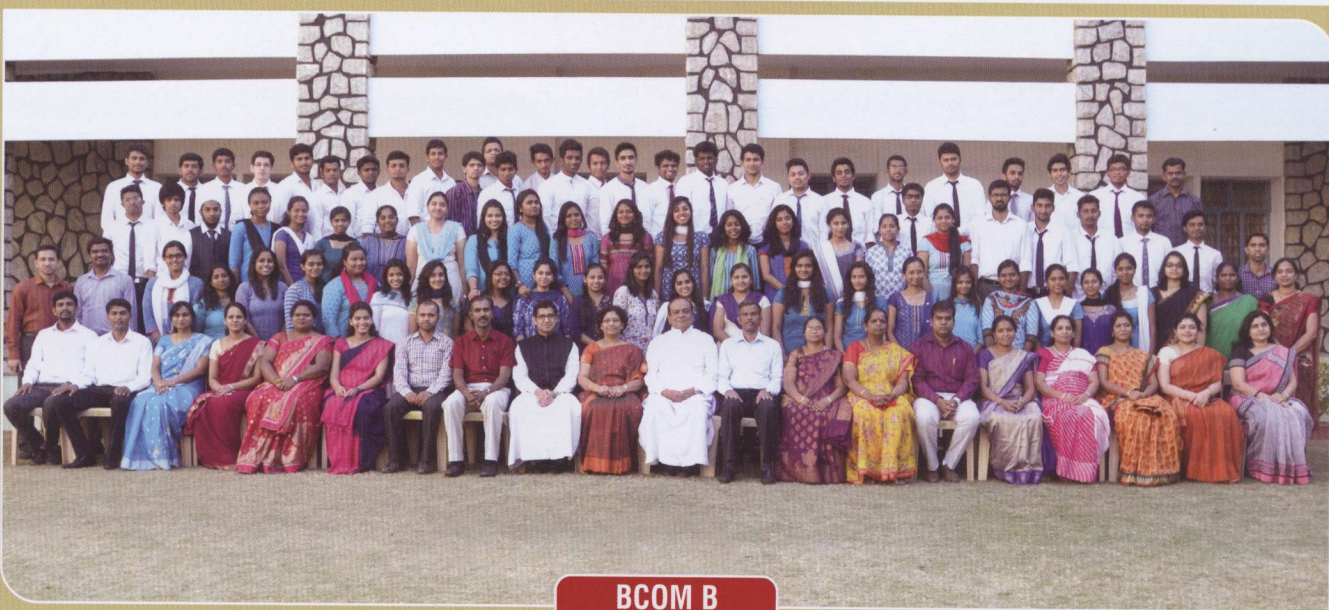
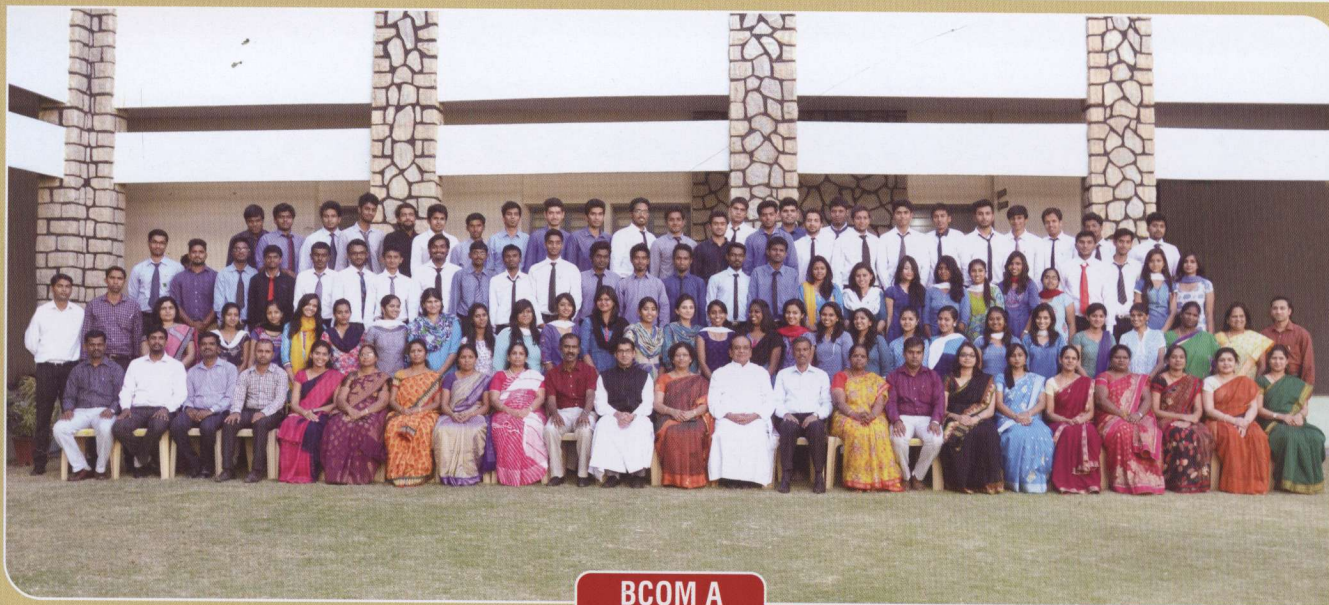
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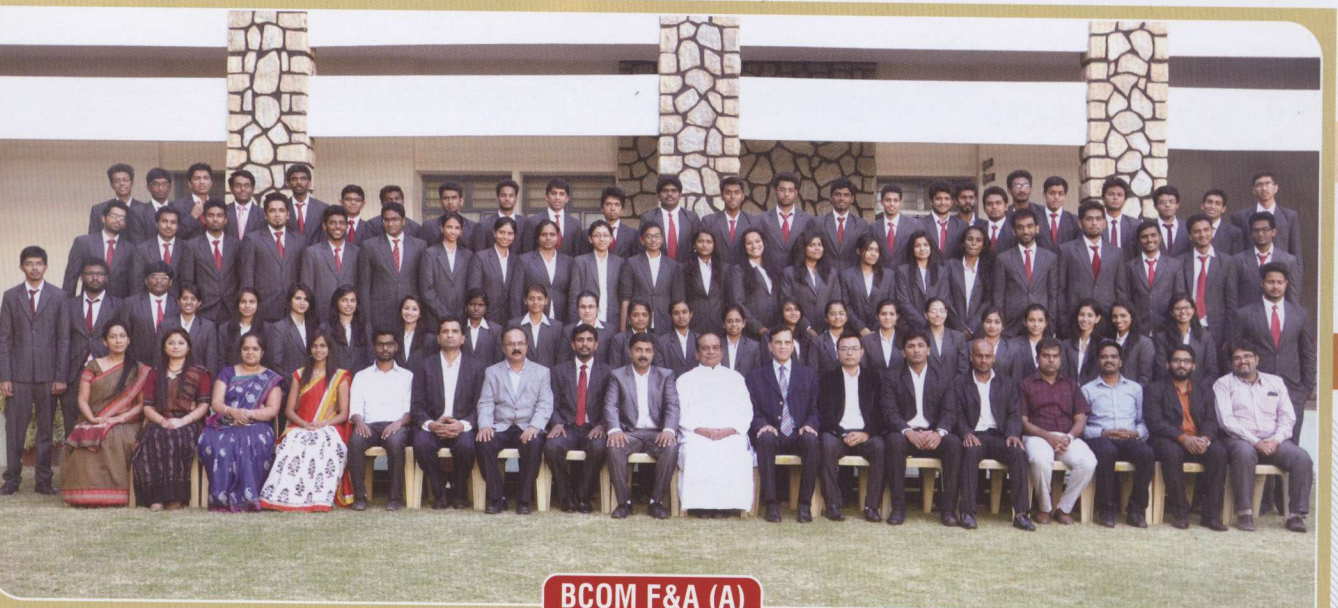




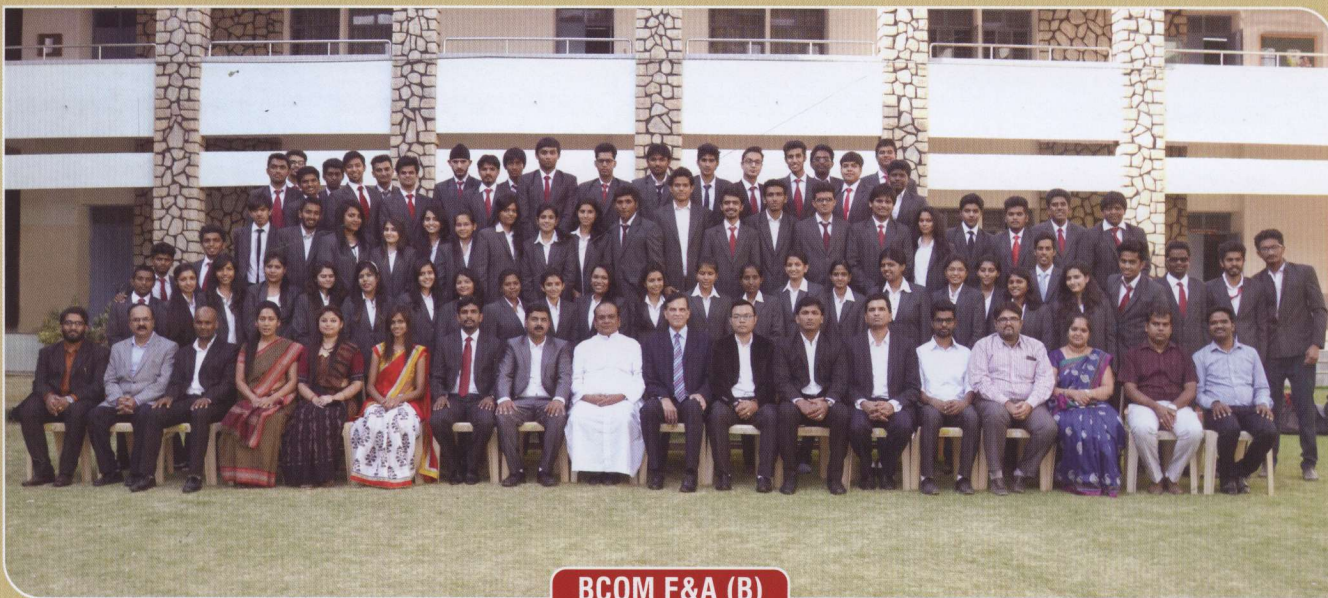
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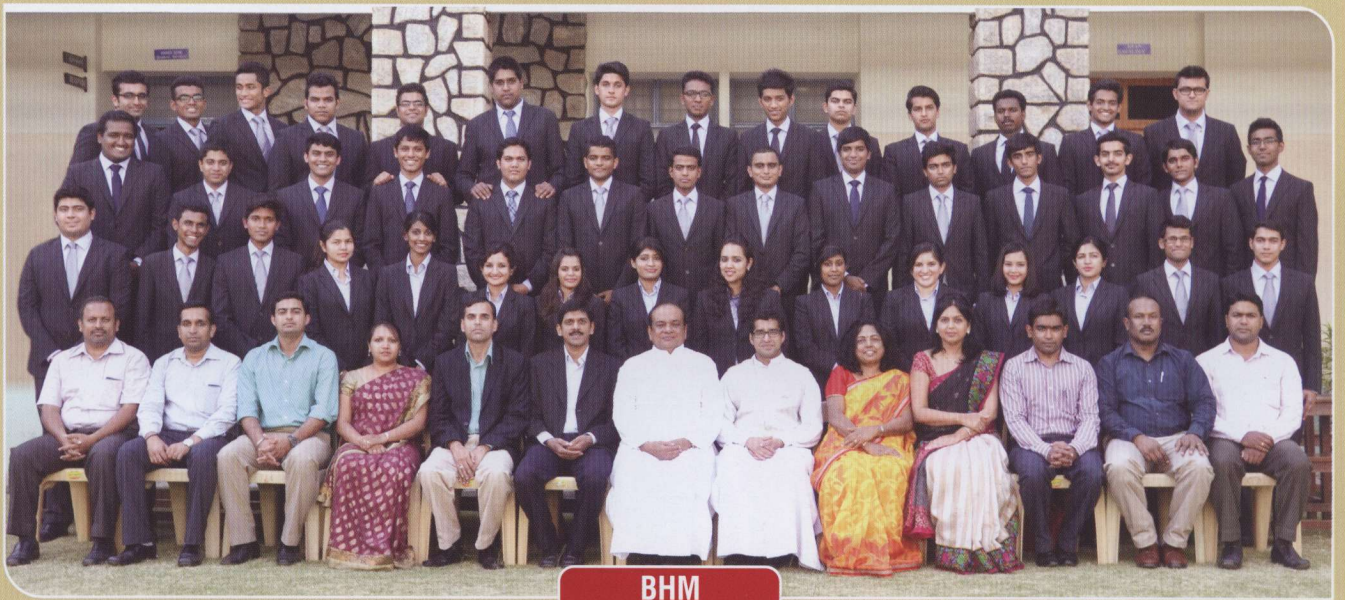
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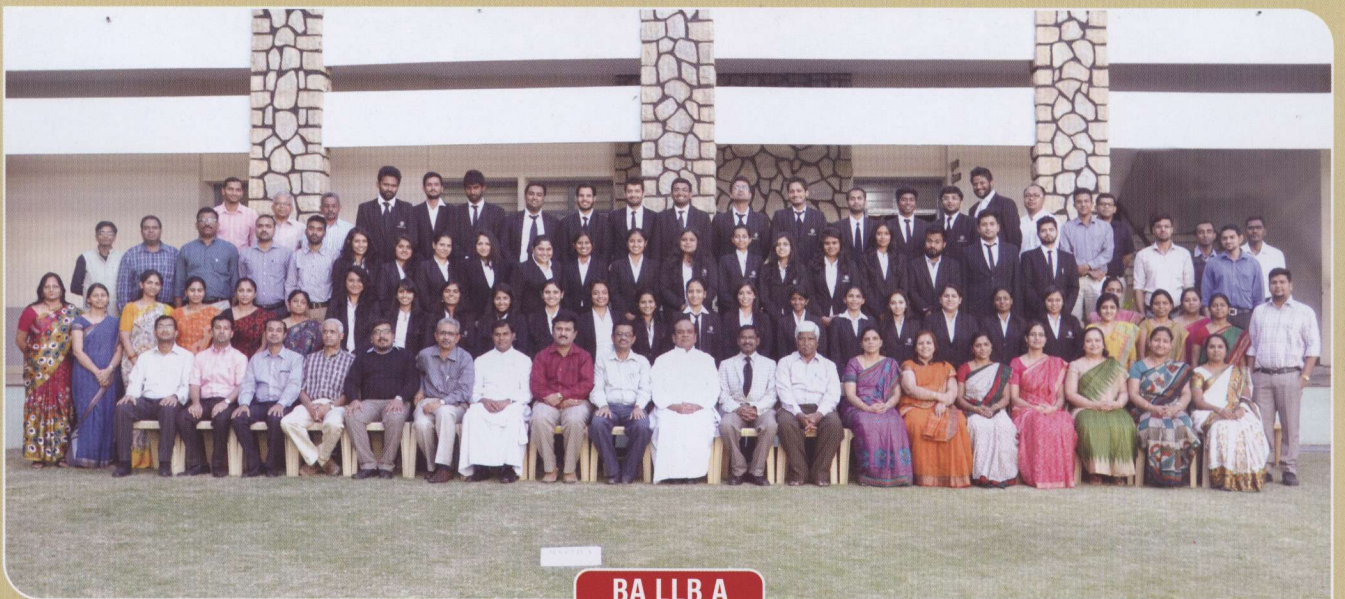
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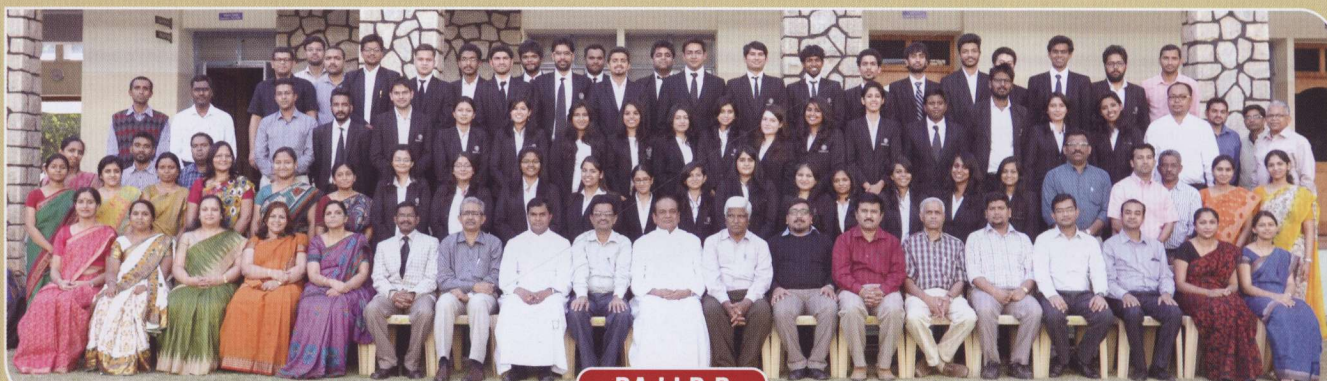
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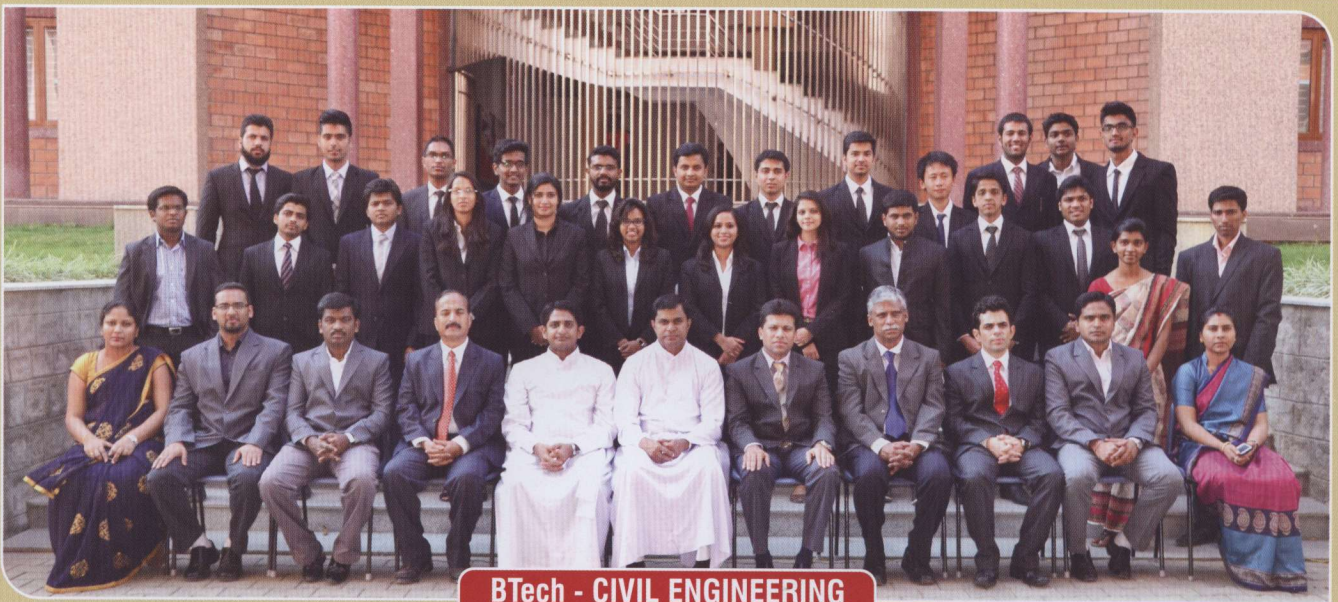
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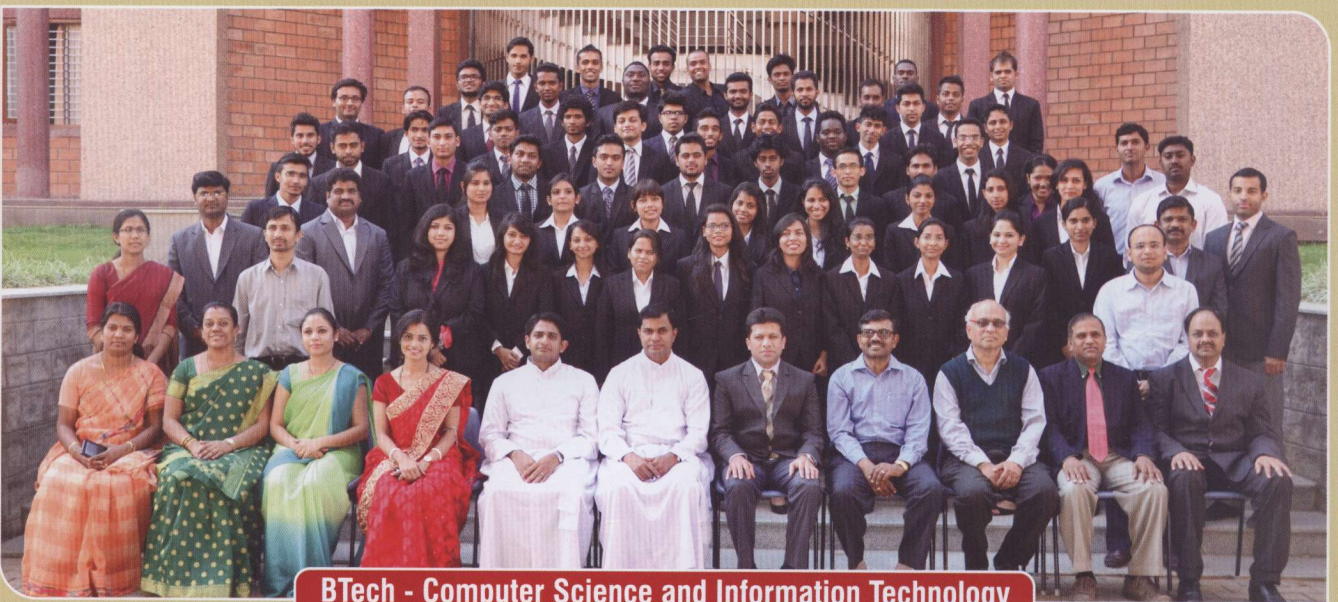
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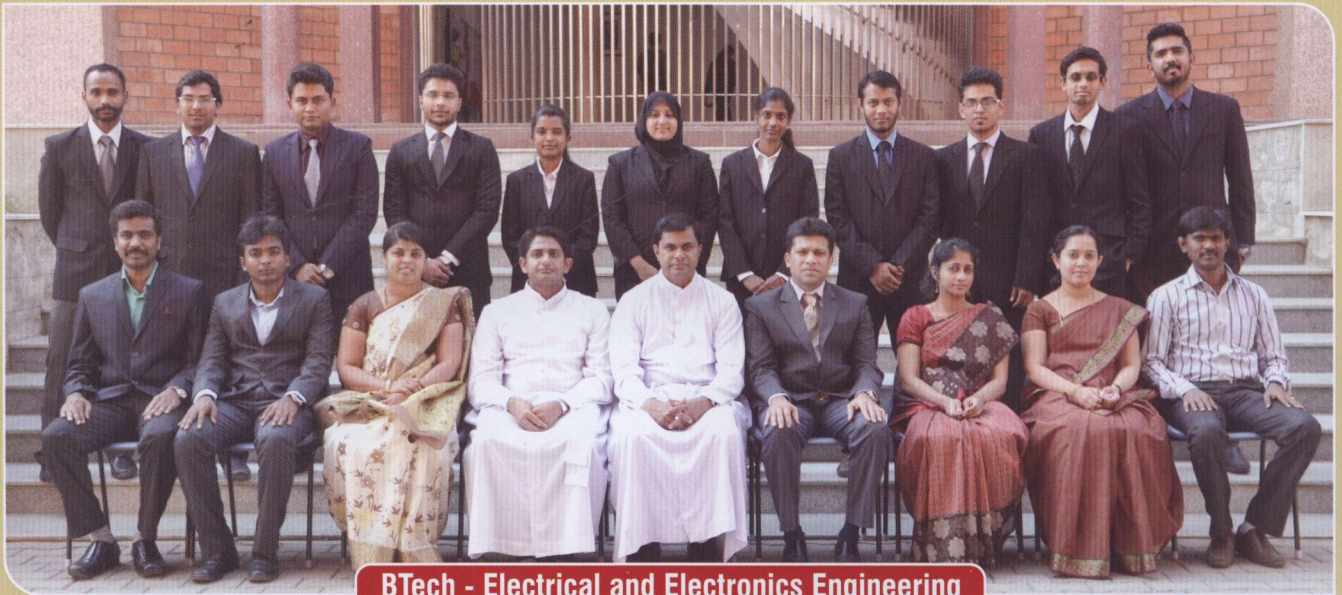
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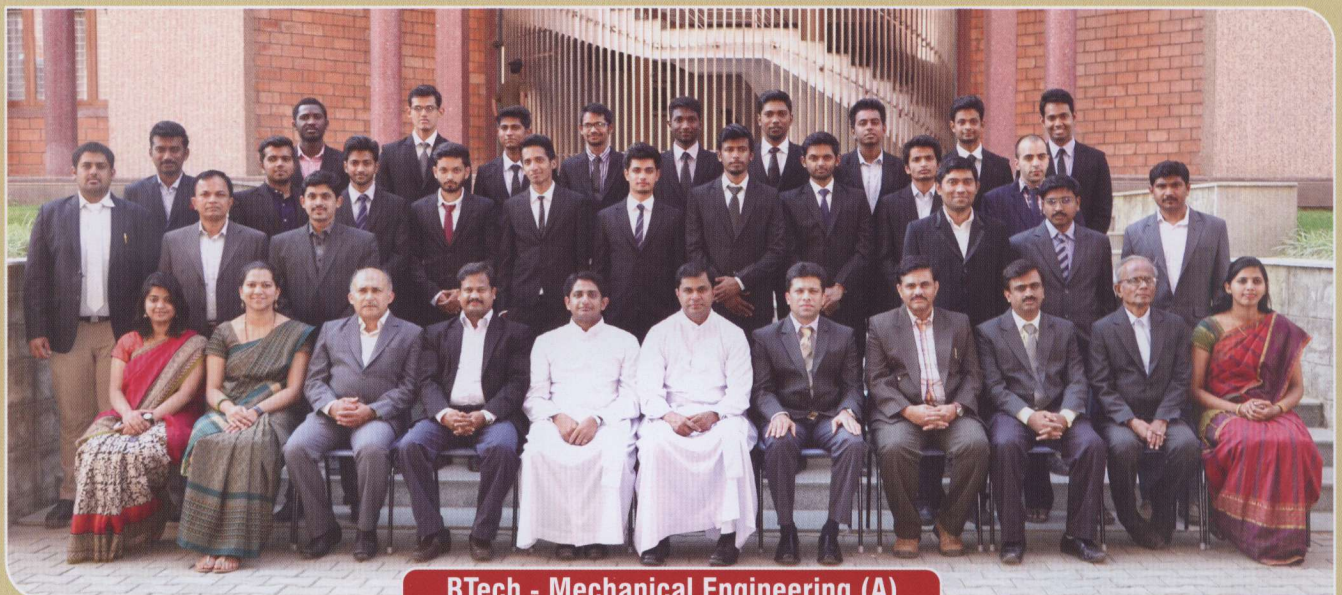
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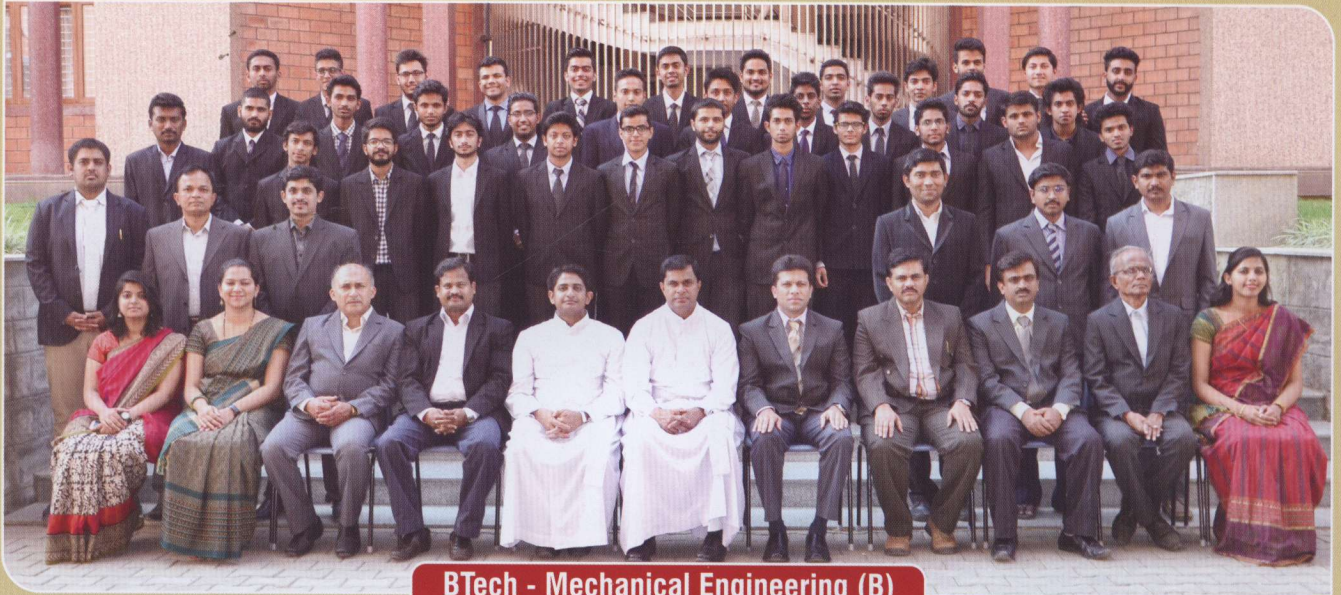
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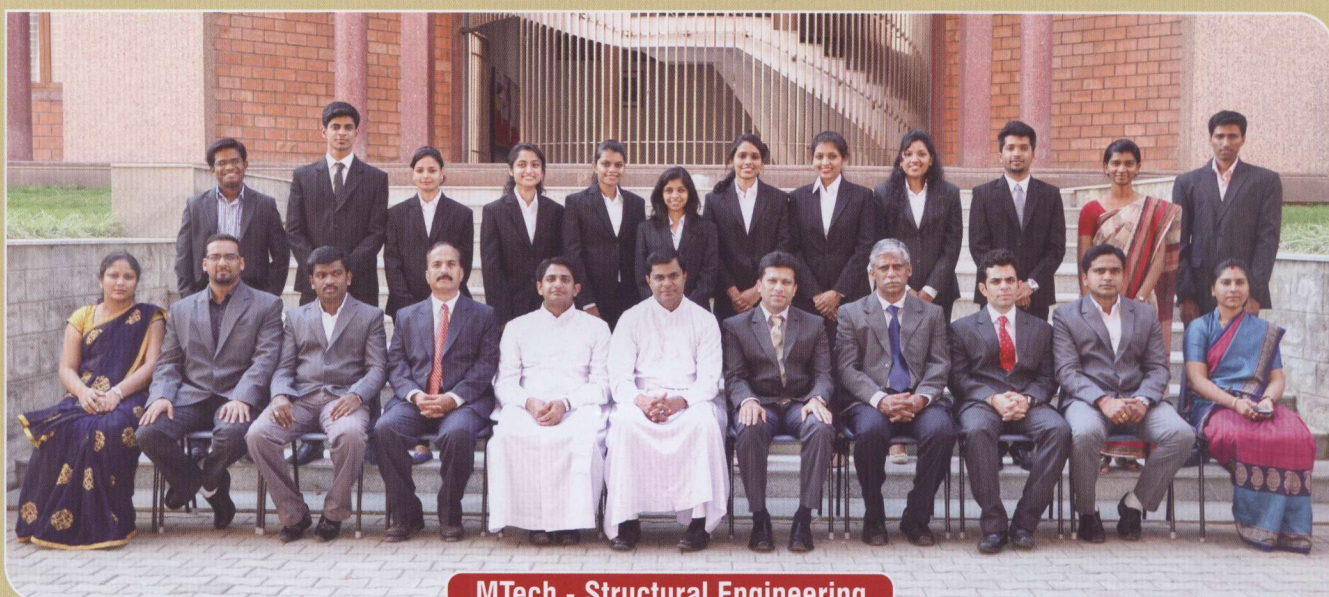
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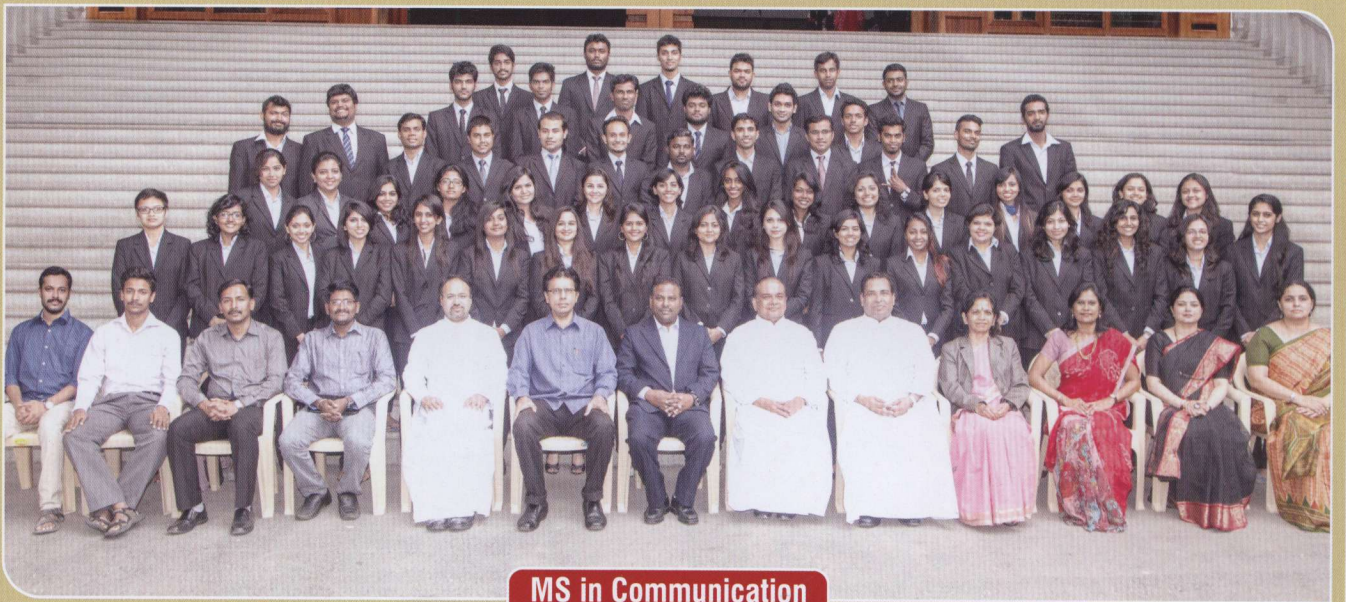
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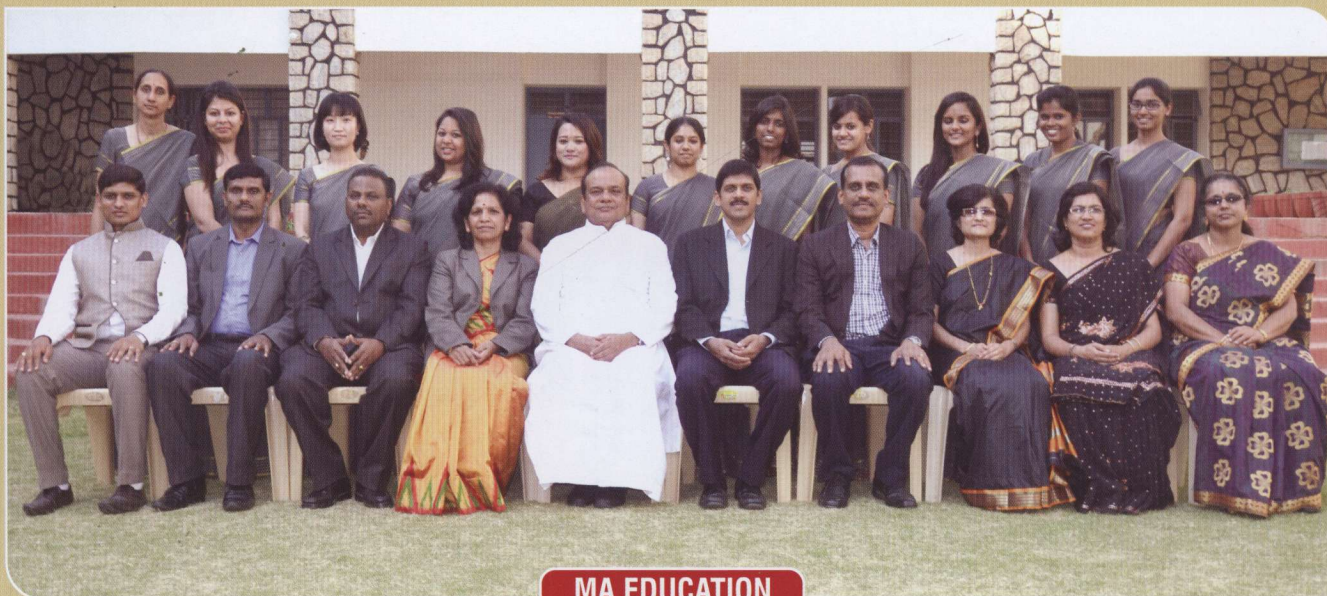
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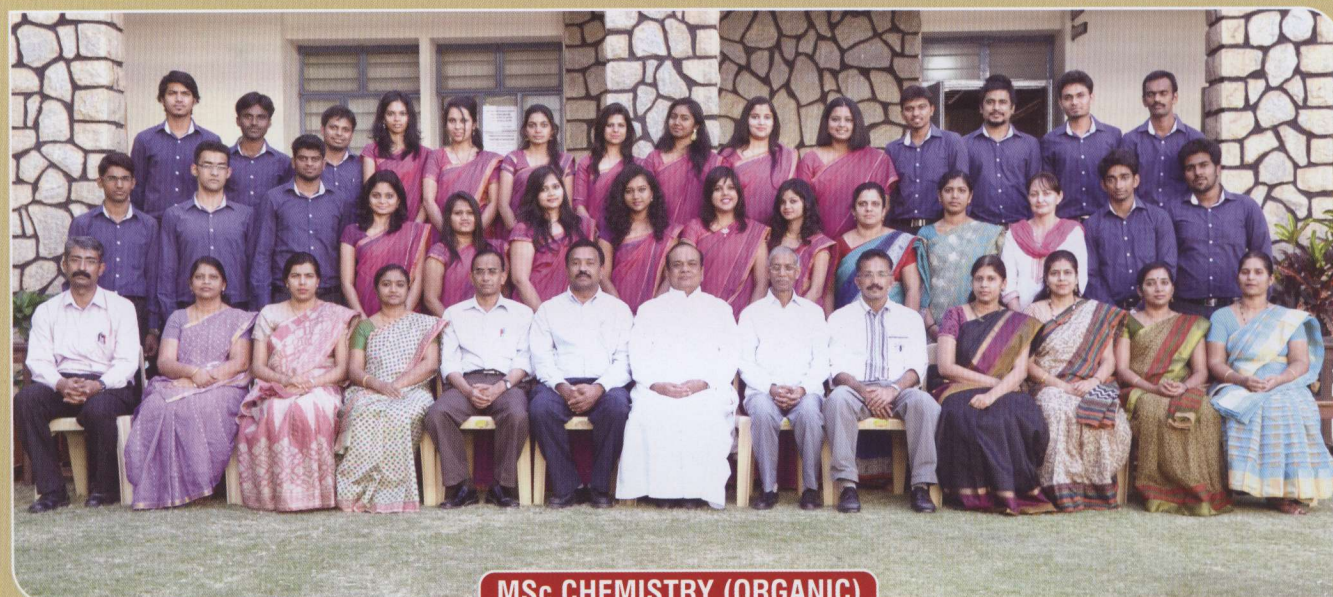
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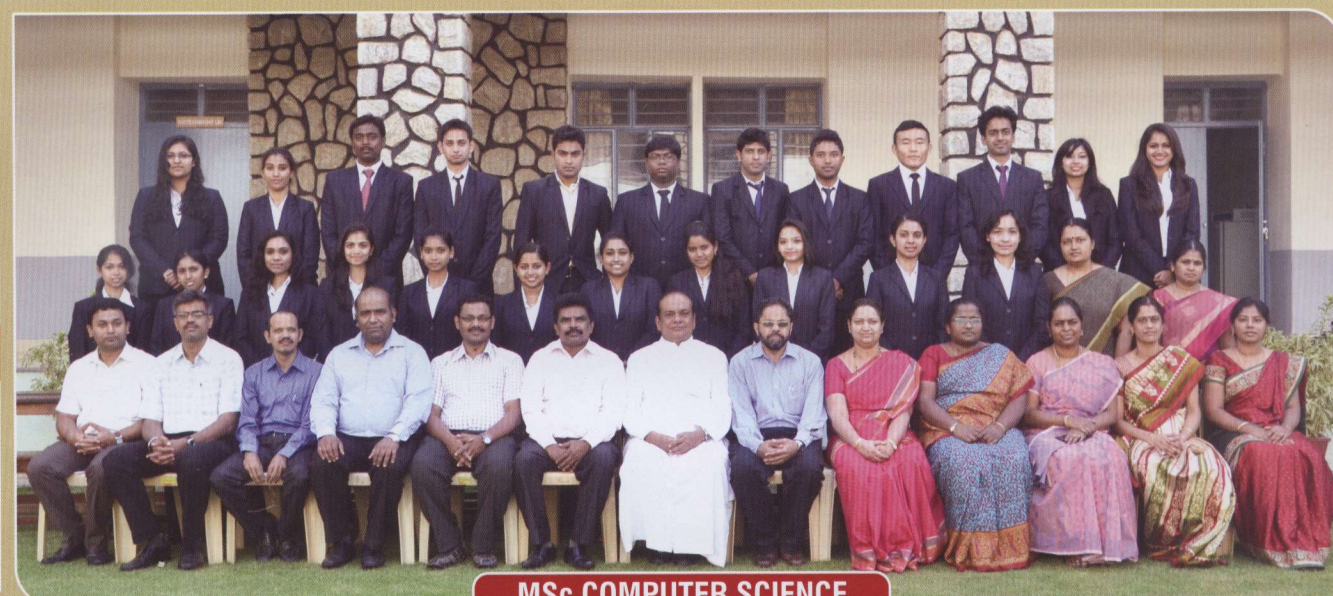
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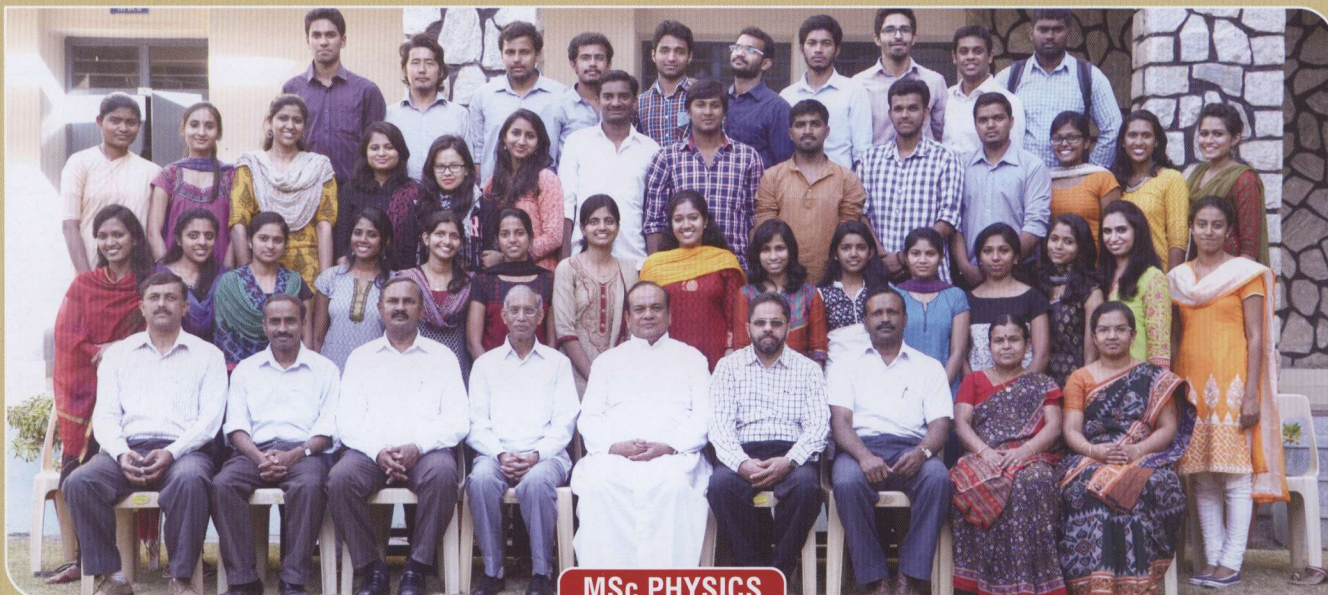
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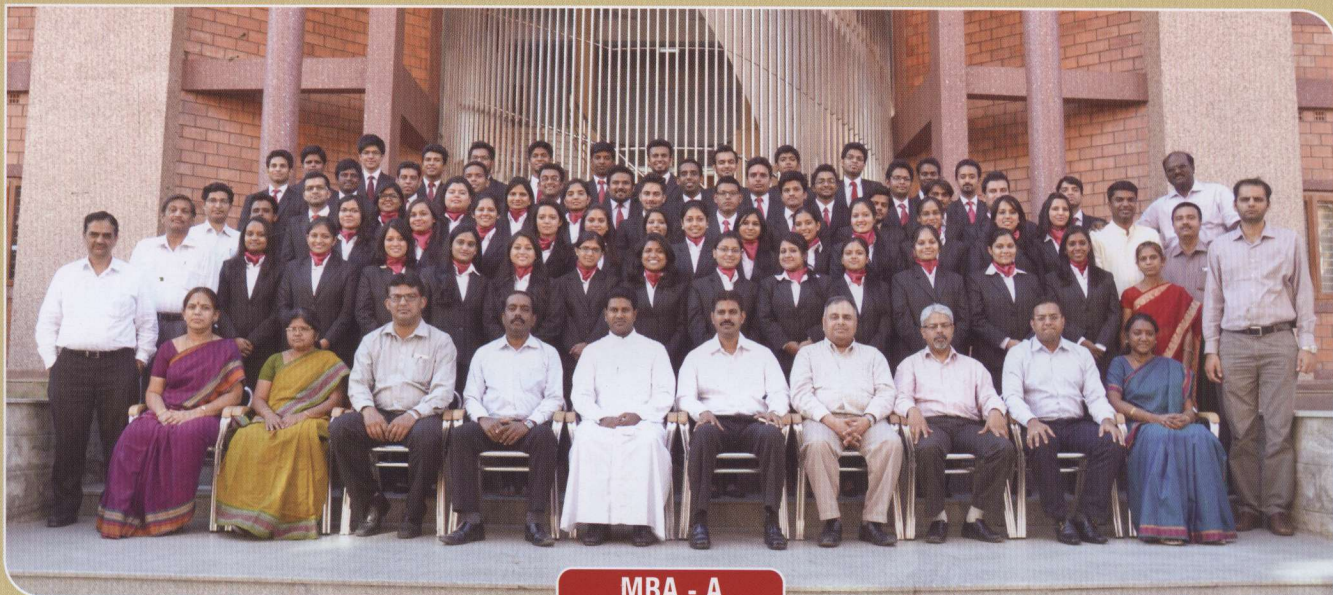
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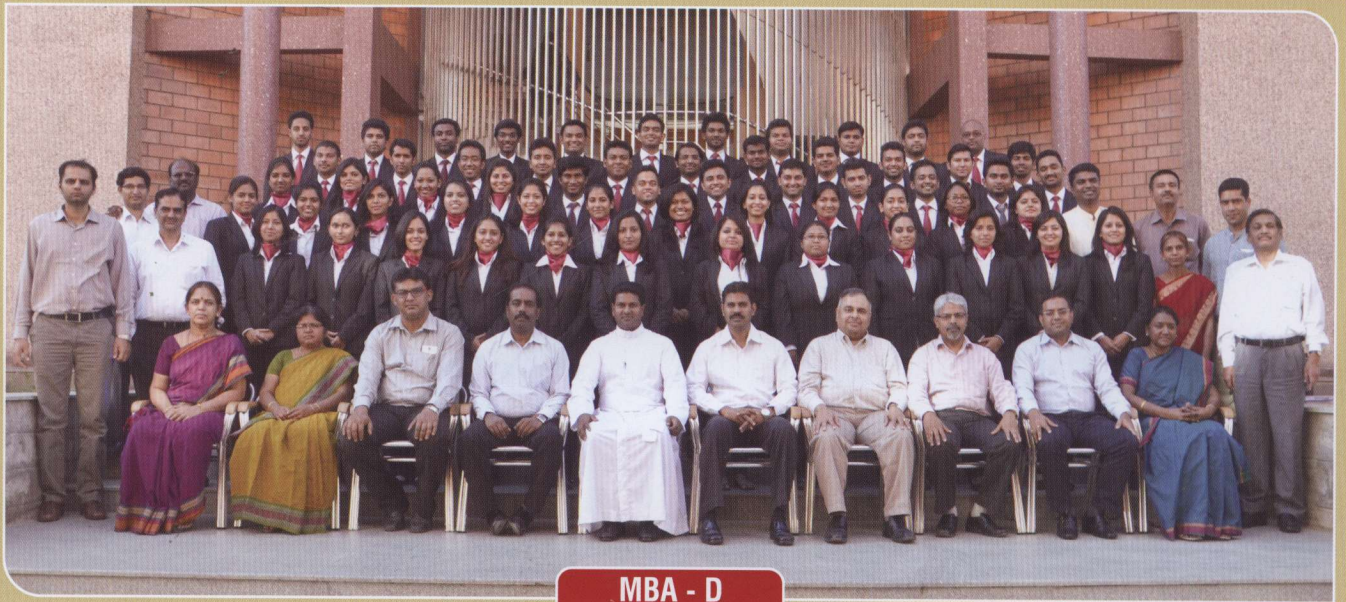
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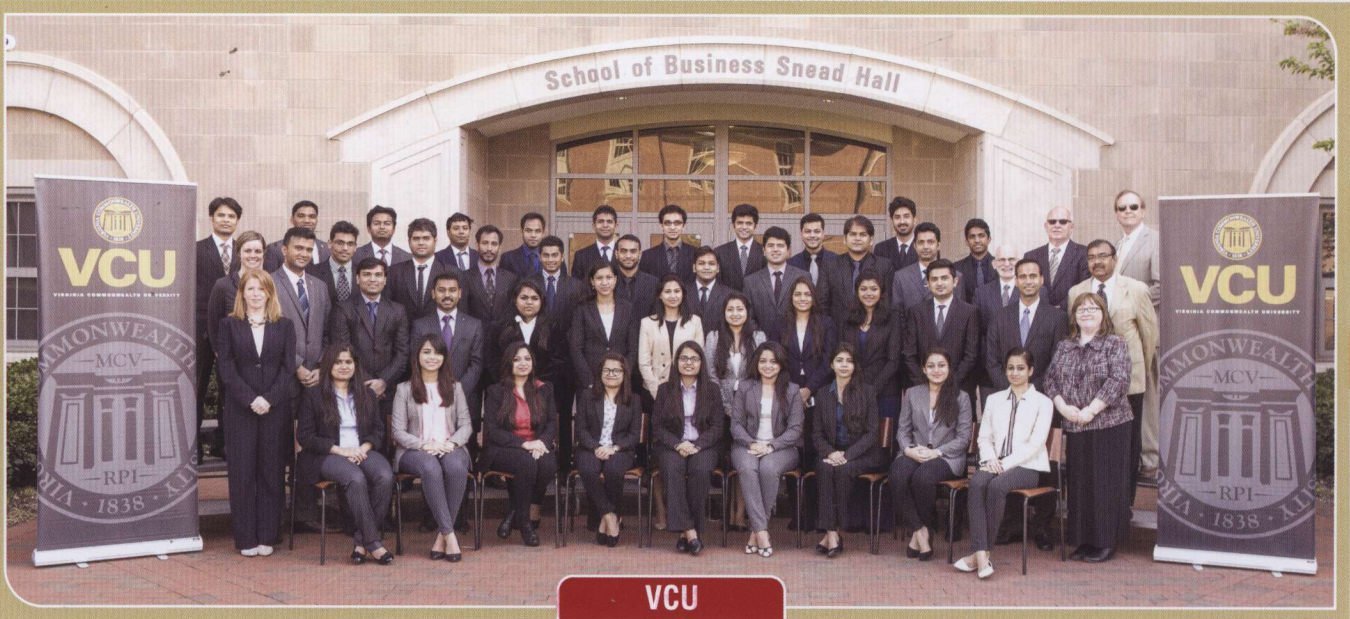
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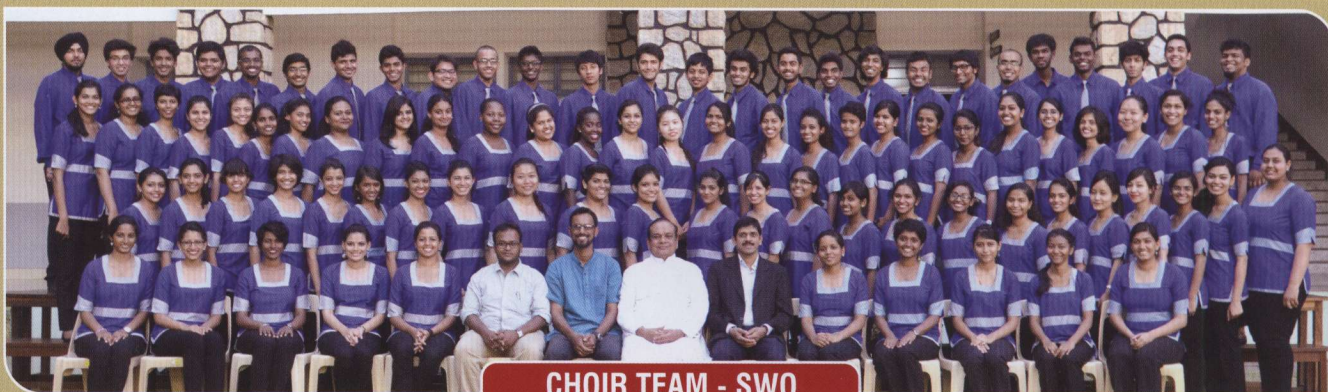


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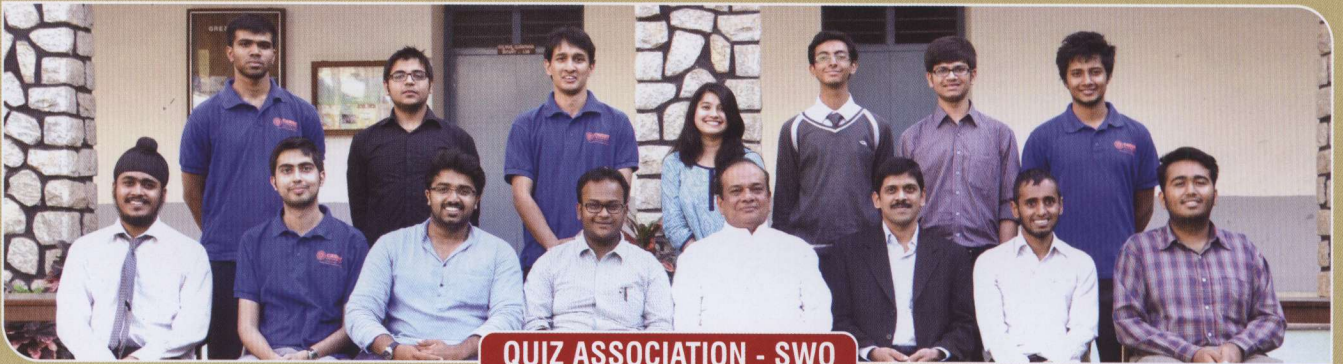
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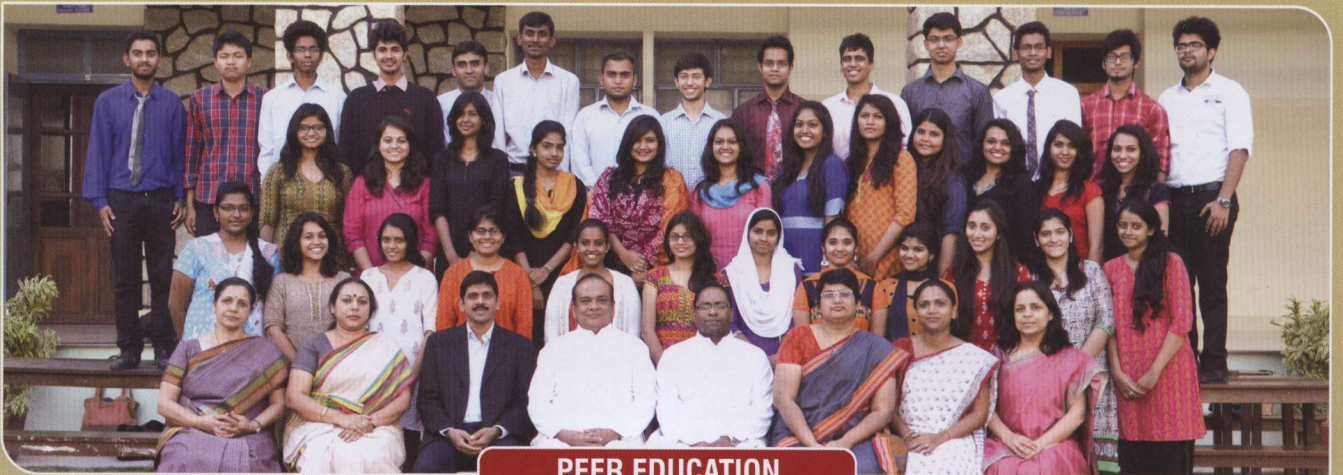
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Afterword

This year was special to us Christites. This year witnessed the canonization of our patron St. Kuriakose Elias Chavara. It was also special to all those laughter and tears, hard work and fun, hits and misses that make up the college experiences of those passing out. It is another page turned by the great chronicler- Time. This year the theme of the magazine **Christite 2015** was representation. Every Department, Office and Centre reported how they have all represented Christ University in their own unique way. **Christite** will strive to be a chronicler of history as always.

The Magazine Committee would like to express heartfelt gratitude to the deans, heads of the department and all the faculty and students of the department of Media and Communication Studies especially for the unstinting support you provided us in collecting and editing the first drafts. We hope you will continue to support us further.

To all those who supported us and that is all of you Dear Readers, a big thank you.

Here is hoping that we chronicle greater and bigger things in the future

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Children, you are God's investment in
the hands of your parents.

Trust your mother, God will hear your mother's
request like the baby's request.

Laziness fosters evil habits.

Good friends will make you good.

Regular reading of good books and
meditating on it will illumine the mind.

Your attire and sanctity ought to
be according to your age.

Your profession must be according
to your knowledge and age.

Do not be the cause for your parents
to shed tears on account of you.

The humble man is the greatest among men.

You belong to God and you should be given back to God

Pursue the path of truth and justice

Keeping bad books is like hiding fire in hay.



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