



CHRIST
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Teachings of **St Kuriakose Elias Chavara** (1805-1871)

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.

OUR LEADING LIGHT



JESUS CHRIST

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

OUR CORNERSTONE

OUR PATRON



ST. 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.

VISION

Excellence and Service

MISSION

CHRIST 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

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Dr Fr George Edayadiyil, CMI
Chancellor

I take great pride in penning this message on the occasion of the Golden Jubilee of CHRIST (Deemed to be University) and wish to recall the incredible journey that the institution has taken in the past five decades. From its humble beginnings as an establishment catering to the pre-university requirements of the students of Bengaluru, the college has grown over the years, offering a world-class platform to students aspiring to be graduates in a plethora of specialisations through rigorous training, industrial exposure and research. While the initial goal was to provide the best education to the local population, the institution did not take long to emerge as a noteworthy establishment in south India and within a few years, one of the country's premier institutions offering educational opportunities not just for Indians but students of other nationalities as well. We are proud of the contributions of our dedicated staff members- teaching and non-teaching, our students, alumni and well-wishers, who have all, in the last 50 years, changed the course of the Institution's history. True to the vision of our founding father, St.Kuriakose Elias Chavara, the CMI congregation has stood by their commitment to education and nation building and has been instrumental in making every milestone in the last five decades, relevant and significant. I thank my predecessors and every other CMI member who have been, directly or otherwise, associated with this temple of knowledge over the years, for their invaluable contributions and countless man-hours spent in polishing this gem of an Institution and making it what it is.

While we take pride in the state-of-the-art facilities provided on all our campuses, the memory of the modest inception of the Institution shall always remain with us as a constant reminder that our greatest asset is our staff and students and I am proud that we have always upheld our motto of "Excellence and Service". By calling to mind our successful journey so far, I also wish to remind you of the miles to go and heights to be conquered yet and I am sure the CHRIST family shall take the torch forward, with their heads held high and hearts ever strong.

I congratulate the Management, Staff and Students of CHRIST (Deemed to be University) on this auspicious occasion and thank God Almighty for His grace and blessings.



Col Dr Fr Thomas C Mathew
Vice Chancellor

“Destiny is not a matter of chance, it is a matter of choice; it is not a thing to be waited for, it is a thing to be achieved”. - William Jennings Bryan

It is a very momentous occasion for the CMI as the golden jubilee of CHRIST (Deemed to be University) evokes memories. As we review the history of 50 years, we have enough reason to thank God for all his blessings. It is an occasion to recall the marvellous journey from its very humble beginning on 15 July 1969 as an affiliated college, inaugurating the one year Pre University Programme with the vision of ‘Excellence and Service’ and four programmes, 379 students, 20 teaching and 8 non-teaching staff. This is also an opportunity to introspect and reflect on the achievements and laurels we have gained and to garner strength to meet the challenges and goals that lie ahead. The festivities planned are spread throughout the year which will make this year a memorable one in the history of CHRIST. Much has been achieved, but much more remains to be done. We need to continue the legacy of good work given to us by our pioneers with dedication and commitment. I salute the Fathers and Collaborators who have laboured for the development of this institution to meet the continuing need of offering quality education to the masses. Certainly this is not a celebration of the buildings but of people who made it come alive. Holding strong to the vision of Excellence and Service, this golden jubilee year is another step towards making our existence meaningful.

I seek the Almighty’s blessings on the Management, Staff and Students in their endeavours for the coming years.

Let’s take pride in how far we have come and have faith in how far we can go!

Best Wishes



Dr Anil Joseph Pinto
Registrar

We have seen many minds being shaped by CHRIST the Institution and many more innovative ideas shaping the Institution with the big and small steps that we took in the last 50 years. Ushering in the 50th year in 2018 therefore brings us great memories of the past and bright dreams for the future. The institution takes great pride in tracing the incredible journey that has chiselled out a promising future for all of us. It is intriguing at times to travel back in time to discover how the many apprehensions we have had were the seeds of the dreams realised today.

The dynamism and positivity of the people who entered the Institution and contributed their mite has been its strength. Upholding its core values, the institution has always kept the flames of the CHRISTITE spirit alive. Change has been the only catalyst that has brought success to the Institution. With change have come the initiative, dynamism, thirst for knowledge and the pursuit of excellence that was always the hallmark of CHRIST (Deemed to be University). We are steadily marching forward to embrace a new milieu of responsibilities and a shared vision of the CHRIST fraternity.

To quote Wilhelm Von Humboldt, “ Besides the pleasure derived from acquired knowledge, there lurks in the mind of man, and tinged with a shade of sadness, an unsatisfactory longing for something beyond the present, a striving towards regions yet unknown and unopened.” I believe that it is this longing for the unknown and the thirst for the unopened that motivates all of us “To strive, to seek and not to yield.” (Tennyson). The institution is moving towards another promising phase of growth and I urge the entire CHRIST fraternity to put their best foot forward and take the Institution to greater heights.



DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

The English Studies program has organised many events during the academic year 2017-18.

The first year CEP and PSEng students performed and participated in One Act Play festival, 'Masquerades' in the month of July, 2017. The exercise was a component of internal assessment for the paper British Literature. The English Studies students of second year BA organised an exhibition on American Literature in the month of August, 2017. The display stalls were based on the perceptive and learning gained from their classroom learning. The final year students of the elective paper, 'Introduction to English Language Teaching' organised a lecture demonstration for the MA students on language teaching tools and materials.

The Literati is the English Students' association. With three clubs and over 100 members, The Literati organised a plethora of activities in the academic year 2017-18. The Literati's flagship event *Jabberwocky*- the annual department festival, with the theme of 'Literary Generations' was organised in the month of August 2017. Events ranging from Slam poetry and Air-crash to Cosplay and art events, saw participation of more than

three colleges and over 200 students. The Literati was also proud to introduce *Young Literati*- the annual academic and non-academic essay writing competition.

As an organisation of, for and by the English students, the Literati planned workshops that would enhance its members' and students' literary skills. It organised a Poetry Workshop, led by renowned spoken word poet Mr. Daniel Sukumar, open to all students in the campus. It also conducted a workshop on Micro-Fiction by Mr. Sudeep Pagedar. The Literati also conducted a gamut of departmental and intra-association activities like Symphonia, film screenings, book talks and creative writing competitions.

The students of MA in English with Communication Studies also organised a large array of academic events with the formal inauguration of the Scholars' Forum, an all-inclusive knowledge sharing space. Numerous guest lectures were organized for the students, covering wide-ranging topics from an interdisciplinary perspective. An experiential learning tour to JanpathLoka (Karnataka Folk Art Museum) was arranged for second-year students to augment their learning of Folk art and

culture. Guided NET sessions were organized by the department to help the students. A series of 25 eclectic sessions was organized as part of Scholars' Forum for the odd semester and even semester together. Knowledge sharing sessions by eminent scholars and practitioners on literature, cinema, yoga, ayurveda, soft skills, theatre and fashion were organized together with student research presentations, extempore and other extra-curricular activities. The Forum provided the much needed space to explore and experiment with diverse fields. Many cultural events also found a special space in the academic calendar. Christmas potluck, Alumni meet, fellowship games and Jabberwocky brought the festive mood with much enthusiasm from the students.

MA students organized the one-day annual seminar, *Mélangeon* "Re-visiting the *Panchabhuta*: A Trope in Indian Literature(s) and Arts" on 8 February 2018. Dr N. Gopalakrishnan, Director, Indian Institute of Scientific Heritage delivered the keynote address while *Yuva Kala Bharathi* Dr Rekha Raju, Expert Panel Member – Mohiniyattam, Cultural Ministry, Government of India, addressed the gathering as Chief Guest. Eminent resource persons like Fr. Augustine Thottakara (Indian Philosophy), Mr. C. B. Ramkumar (Architecture and Sustainable living), Dr Krishnakumar (Ayurveda), Mr. Vasu Dixit (Music) and Ms. Aabha Hanjura (Sufi music) graced the occasion with their esteemed presence. Research presentations by students and scholars added to the nuanced reading of the idea of *Panchabhuta*.

The Department of English, CHRIST (Deemed to be) University, has been successfully running the MPhil in English Program since its inception. The year 2017 witnessed quite a few programs and workshops that were conducted for the students pursuing their Mphil with the department. A seminar course was conducted by Professor Don Adams, A Fulbright visiting professor from Florida State University, USA, in the month of January. The course was spread over a week and catered to the research interests of the students. This seminar course was followed by a workshop on APA. The two hour workshop included different components of APA, including

writing and formatting papers, citations, plagiarism and ethics in research writing. The scholars also got a scope to interact with the resource person and clarify their doubts. Following the APA workshop, a workshop on MLA was conducted on the 16th of March 2018. The aim of the workshop was to familiarize the scholars with the MLA rules and regulations. The session was interactive and the scholars benefitted immensely from the session.

The Department of English, CHRIST (Deemed to be University), in collaboration with the Regional Institute of English, South India, organized a two day national seminar on Macaulay to Globalization: Shifting Perspectives of English Classrooms in Indian Higher Education in the 21st Century on the 10 thru 11 of November, 2017. The seminar saw the presences of eminent resource people from the fields of English Language Education and Linguistics. There were two keynote addresses on the first day of the seminar. The first keynote address was delivered by Prof G.N. Devy followed by the second keynote address by Dr Amol Padwad. Dr Venkateshwaran, Ex Director, RIE; Dr Amritavalli, EFLU, Retd., Dr Rajendra Chenny, Kuvempu University, Dr Padmini Baruah, Guahatiniiversity and Dr Don Adams, Florida State University were other eminent personalities who were part of the various events of the seminar. One of the highlights of the seminar was a workshop conducted on exploratory action research by Dr Padmini Baruah. The paper presenters came from various parts of the country including Delhi and Goa. The issues and concerns discussed in the seminar helped to understand the various nuances of the position of English as a language in India.





DEPARTMENT OF MEDIA STUDIES

The Department of Media Studies initiated, around 40 C-Hive sessions aimed to bridge the academia industry gap were during the year 2017-18. Some of the key events for this year included national level seminar Media Meet on Big Data with S S Rajamouli as chief guest and as part of Utsav-a national level student film festival, Tinu Anand graced the event as chief guest. To encourage research culture among post graduate student of the department, students presented their research papers every Saturday in the presence of industry expert to validate and connect with the industry need. Eminent speakers from print, broadcast, photography, films, corporate communication



and advertising fields addressed the students and briefed them about various possibilities and added to their classroom learning. To facilitate more exposure to latest media buzz, students also participated in various fests organized by other institutions and won accolades for the department. Department also hosted speakers like Sadanand Menon, Paranajoy Guha Thakurta, Dr. Peter Schneller, and Sashi Kumar.

DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGES

A multilingual Poets' Meet was conducted on 10 July 2017 in the KE Auditorium, Block 4. Hindi, Kannada, Sanskrit, Tamil and **French** poems were composed and recited by budding student poets from 1 semester language classes. Exposé 2017, an exhibit of charts on French culture was organized on the occasion of the French national day. Fr. Jose CC, Director of Student Affairs inaugurated the stall. Dr Axel Beier, Director of Goethe Institut along with the Head of Languages, Goethe Institut and the Registrar, Dr Pinto visited the exposition.

Department of Languages conducted Bhasha Samvad, a panel discussion on paintings through a guest talk and a live demo by an in-house **French** student artist Shravan Kumar from 3 JPeng. On the 18 August 2017 the department held a meeting on the upcoming DELF Exams in the presence of Dr, Anil Pinto, the Registrar, Christ University, Mr. Emmanuel Samson, Cooperation Officer, French Institute and Laure, Course Director, Alliance Française, Bangalore.

The Faculty of the Department of Languages had taken up a 4 hour intensive training program on Intimate Interactive Theatre which is an emerging trend in the evolving world of theatre. On 22 November 2017, a Diploma award ceremony was held between for the first batch of French students from Christ who had passed their DELF A1. Organized by the Department of French, the ceremony saw the presence of Mr Emmanuel Samson, Attaché for Cooperation in French Language, French Institute in India, Embassy of France in India; Ms Laure

Hitier, Course Director, Alliance Française de Bangalore; Ms. Krusha Khakhar, Manager, Campus France, and Dr Anil Pinto, Registrar.

An international resource person from Canada, Dr. Brenda Beck delivered guest lectures on Folk Studies to the II year **French** students on 13 and 18 November 2017. On 11 January 2018, Bhasha Samvad, a panel discussion, was arranged for the 4sem BA/BSc and BCom language students respectively on Folk Art forms. The topics presented by the students Girish Karnad's play 'Thuglaq' and Hindi Theatre as a form of Art" provoked the discussions. Likewise on Monday 22 January 2018 between 9 and 10am & 3 and 4pm, the panel discussion was conducted for the 2 sem BCom/BBA and BA/BSc respectively on **Folk art forms of Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu (FRENCH STUDENTS)**. This academic event was conducted in KE Auditorium and in Campus View.

On 21 February 2018, the Department of Languages conducted Multi lingual Inter-collegiate Competitions named Bhasha Surabhi, to celebrate the occasion of Mathru Bhasha Diwas between 1.30 and 4.30pm. Each department conducted literary and cultural competitions in their respective languages in different venues within the Campus holding different titles namely Jagruti (Hindi), Inchara (Kannada), Susamskruti (Sanskrit), Indira Vizha (Tamil) and **Joie de Vivre (French)**. More than 10 different colleges participated in this Fest. Vagartha, multi lingual online magazine consisting Indian Languages and La Jeunesse, the online French Magazine **was** released in March 2018.



The undergraduate students learning Indian languages as their second language were trained by the experts from The Centre for Internet and Society, to write articles for Wikipedia. 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 and Access to Knowledge Programme organized an orientation programme for first year UG students.

Bhasha Parishat conducted two panel discussions on Folk art forms of India and Theatre in the month of January 2017. Hindi students took part in the cultural competitions during Bhasha Utsav organized by the Department of Languages on 9 September 2017. The students showcased the cultural diversity of India through various folk art forms.

The department also organized a workshop in October 2017 in frontier areas of languages, literature and curriculum updation. The department also conducted Jagruti - an inter-collegiate Literary and cultural competitions on 21 February 2018. Hindi students had also participated in the inter-collegiate Hindi competitions held at St. Joseph's College and CMR University and bagged many prizes.

The Department of Sanskrit was lively this academic year. Orientation for the first year students was conducted in the beginning of the semester. Under Basha Samwad, a guest lecture was conducted for all the courses by Ms. Shantha from Jyothi Nivas College and by Bidyut Bushan Jena for the second year B.A/B.Sc students in the odd semester. Students participating in Basha Samwad discussed about the morals, ethics and myths of their state. A music programme as a part of the syllabus was arranged by the Department of Performing Arts. In the



even semester, Department of Sanskrit arranged a guest lecture by Geetha Madhusudan, from Jain University on the topic "Multiple disciplinary approaches to Sanskrit Literature" on 14 February 2018. On 21 February 2018, an intercollegiate competition was organized and invitations were sent to several colleges. Students from many colleges attended and won prizes in the literary competitions. Mount Carmel College bagged most prizes in the competitions.

Following the schedule drafted by the Department of Languages, under the umbrella title Basha Surabhi, the Department of Tamil participated in the Bhasha Kavighoshti, (Multi-Lingual Poets' Meet) and presented poems in Tamil. The contribution of the students from department of Tamil was significant as they introduced all the folk artistes from Tamilnadu and explained the nuances of Naiyandi Melam and Koothu. Students also took active part in the Bhasha Samwad programme. Dr. Sunil Kumar from the Department of Performing Arts gave a demonstration come lecture on Indian music, which is a part of the curriculum under culture. On 15 November 2017 there was a guest lecture by Dr Brenda E F Beck from the Department of Anthropology, University of Toronto, Canada. Dr Beck gave a meaningful introduction

to folklore especially to Indian folklore and answered questions from the students regarding the career opportunities in the areas of language, culture, Anthropology and Folklore. On 21 February 2018 intercollegiate competitions were conducted during the annual festival Indira Vizha in which students from St. Joseph's College, Indian Institute of Psychology and Research and RBANM College, Bengaluru had taken part.



DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

The mission of the undergraduate program in Economics is to familiarize students with the economic aspects of modern society, to acquaint them with techniques for the analysis of contemporary economic problems, and to develop in them an ability to exercise judgment in evaluating public policy. With this motive the Department of Economics added another year of successful performance to its records in the academic year 2017-18. The inauguration of Economics Association- 'AMARTYA'- kick started with a wide range of student activities organized by the Department during this academic year. The inaugural lecture was delivered by well-known academician Prof Chiranjib Sen, enlightening the young minds. The Economics Association has pioneered a range of co-curricular and extracurricular activities ranging from EPHEMERIS, our quarterly newsletter that provides a platform for all students and patrons of economics to voice their opinion on issues of economic relevance to the 10th national level Young Economist Competition (YEC), which aims at promoting research at undergraduate level by inviting high quality research papers of undergraduate students from across the country which would be subjected to rigorous evaluation and scrutiny before selecting ten best papers for the final phase of presentation at CHRIST (Deemed to be University).

Through the Economics Association the department organized the National Economics Fest called ALTIUS in which large number of students from across the country has taken part in various competitions representing their institutions. It has acted as a good platform for the students to interact with their counterparts from diverse backgrounds. The department has also organized



a Faculty Development Programme (FDP) focusing on a relevant theme related to innovative teaching and pedagogy. The department also organized a panel discussion on Post Union Budget Analysis 2018-19 in which eminent academicians and economists shared their opinion.

The department conducted current affairs sessions, orientation programmes on placements and class activities for the students of all the programmes. Subject seminars and student panel discussions had been organized by the respective teachers for various programmes at the undergraduate and master's levels which were rich learning experiences for the students. The department also organized student panel discussion on Union Budget 2018 and Goods and Services Tax (GST).

A number of guest lectures and guest interactions were organized for all the programmes to give wider perspectives to the students on various topical issues. One of the mega events in this connection was the interaction with Dr Thomas Isaac, who well known economist and politician, currently the Finance Minister of Kerala on the topic 'Union Budget 2018-19: Implications for Indian economy'. Another major event was a special lecture on 'Cryptocurrency: Revisualizing the Indian Economy', delivered by Mr. Satish V J from Stealth Mode Startup Company.

The placements for the students of Master's and Bachelor's programmes have been commendable. Promotion to higher studies has also been extremely good. The curriculum for all the different programmes has been duly updated in order to keep pace with the new developments in and around. As part of the service learning initiatives, BA final year students were taken for a day's visit to different lakes of Bengaluru in order to create awareness about the issues related to water pollution, water conservation and protection of water bodies.



DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES AND HISTORY



The student association of the undergraduate program, Vrittanta, has held many activities ranging from National Level Fests to projects which involve interacting with underprivileged children and making a better study environment for them. The department has also successfully conducted its first ever intra-departmental Model United Nations. The student association also has 8 varied clubs which allow all the students to be a part of something apart from just academics which has helped them shape and mould their interests to a large extent. The different clubs like, Debate Society, Model United Nations Society, Music

Club, Dance Club, Quiz Club, Literary Club and Sports Club have engaged the students to grow in all the spheres possible.

The department's National Level Fest, Sangam 2017 was the highlight of the entire academic year. The fest enabled students from all over the country to be a part of a platform that made them think out of the box. The entire department was extremely enthusiastic and worked towards the best outcome of the fest with great zeal.

One of the greatest achievements of the department has been the leap forward of the Kayal Art Club which is at its peak of excellence and thrives to always be. The club initiated a project called the Janakiram Layout Revamp Project in collaboration with CSA, wherein the students succeeded in painting an entire school for the underprivileged. The students have mastered the art of time management and have also honed their leadership skills.

The department's main goal is to always achieve the maximum benefit for its students with the resources available. The students too, who are creative prove to be the best and make the most of the opportunities given to them.



DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY & SOCIAL WORK

The Department of Sociology & Social work aims to develop personal and professional competences through the integration of knowledge, practice and by providing the theoretical and empirical exposure to various social realities. Students are encouraged to engage in externally funded projects of the Department. Students received fellowships for research from MFF-NAPSWI, fellowships for internship, secured first position for the quiz conducted by Childline India, won best oral presentation award in the students & Researchers Category and best poster presentation category at an International symposium. Students have also participated in and presented papers at national conferences. Students also benefit from the student exchange programme with two international universities at Netherlands and Switzerland as well as one with Kyungpook National University, Daegu, South Korea. Students took part in Service learning program internship of Hong Kong University at L R Nagar and other organizations across the city.

The Department has collaborations with various government and non-government organisations in the country for collaborative research, publications, internship, student exchange, trainings and placement. The Department also coordinates the project activities of the Centre for Social Action (CSA) and Centre for Social Research & Policy. The Department has MoUs with national and International reputed institutions like NIAS, ISEC, SOCHARA, Times Foundation, Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS), Department of Women & Child Development, Labour Department, Education, BOSCH, India, IIT Delhi, HAN University, Netherlands, Zurich University of Applied Sciences & Arts, Switzerland,



Griffith University, Australia, VID specialized University, Norway and NORD University Norway. Externally funded projects of the Department are supported by in collaboration with Higher Education Council Government of Karnataka. United way Bangalore, Unnat Bharat Abhiyan - A government of India initiative coordinated by IIT. Delhi and International Federation of Catholic Universities (IFCU).

The following outreach programmes were conducted during the academic year:

Dream Without Limits, DREAMS, Traffic and Road safety Awareness among the School Students in Bangalore, Anti-Human Trafficking Mission (AHTM) - Raise awareness on human trafficking and be an agent of change in this society, Awareness about palliative care among youth, Helping in resource mobilisation and awareness on down syndrome in Divya Downs Development Trust (DDDT), Think Pink Bengaluru – Breast Cancer Awareness, Club MISHA (OPERATION SMILE), Basic elementary education to children of slum dwellers in Kothnur dinne, Karnataka, Working with the Intellectually Disabled Children, Important Days, Week & Month Commemoration, ASWAS- VOLUNTEERING PROGRAMME Dream Mentoring programme and various CSR activities with Industries.

“LEARNING by SERVICE” Photography Exhibition was organized for the students in association with FSL India Bengaluru on 29th June 2017. Bharat Yatra organized by Mr. Kailash Satyarthi, the Nobel Peace Prize winner of 2014 was hosted by the department in association with CSA on 16 September 2017. 4th National



Conference of Person Centered Approaches in India Organized in association with IPCAI on 11 November 2017. International Summit on “Child Rights : Education matters for Life” was organized in collaboration with World Vision India and James Cook University, Australia for two days from 4th to 5th December 2017

One day training program on Human Rights was organised by in collaboration with National Human Rights Commission, New Delhi on 11 December 2017. A guest talk on “Role of Social workers in realizing SDGs” by Datuk Dr Denison Jayasooria, Adjunct Professor (Social Development), College of Arts & Social Science, Northern University of Malaysia (UUM) was organized in association with Karnataka Association of Professional Social Workers (KAPSW) organised on 9 January 2018. TAFIT- 2017, Teacher Awards for Innovative teaching was organised on 29 January 2018 in Association with Times Foundation. 13 teachers from across the state were presented the award for the innovations they had brought in their teaching. There was a workshop on overcoming adversities through mentoring by Dr Davidson, Clinical Psychologist, UK in collaboration with Dream a Dream India NGO on 17 February.

Collaboration Meeting with Faculty Members from Family Science and Social Work, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, US was organised from 5-7, March 2018. Faculties included Elise Radina, PhD, CFLE, Professor and Chair, Family Science and Social Work, Miami University and Sharon Custor, Director FSW Field Education / Just Communities Liaison. The department observed International Women’s Day by organizing a talk by Ms. Virali Modi, the Disability Rights Activist from Mumbai on 7 March for the students of Sociology and Social work. The first ever student conference STUNA 2018 was organised in collaboration with the National Institute of Personnel Management (NIPM), organised on 9th March. The students of Social Ecology elective (V Semester BA) were part of a tree plantation drive organized by the Department of Life Science and the Christ University Alumni association on Saturday, 8 July 2017. The Annual Festival, Sambandh was organized on December 12, 2017. It brought together participants from all the Undergraduate and Postgraduate programs. The Department of Sociology and Social Work organized the “National Young Sociologists Competition 2017” on the 8th of December for all undergraduate students studying Sociology as one of their subjects any of the institutions in

India. This competition is aimed at encouraging the young generation to carry out small research projects on socially relevant subjects and issues to enhance their critical and analytical thinking. The Competition seeks to fulfil this aim by inviting the participants to write original papers on prescribed topics to participate in the paper presentation competition. The Conference on Contemporary Challenges to Indian State and Society was conceptualized as a collaborative exercise between Christ University and the National Institute of Advanced Studies, Bengaluru. Work on this Conference began in 2016 driven by a core team constituted by members from both institutions. The students of III Master of Social work Clinical and Community Practice as part of service learning celebrated Environment Day on 5 June 2017, in the University in collaboration with Center for Social Action (CSA). The theme for 2017 was “connecting people to nature”.

Street Play and Campaigning week was observed by the students in the campus from 4-14, July 2017 to spread awareness on ill effects of Substance abuse, water and electricity management, and waste management, ill effects of technology addiction, road safety, Healthy food habits and CSA volunteers. World Population Day 2017 with the theme “Family planning, empowerment of people and developing nations” was organized on 11 July 2017. The Key Speaker of the program was Mr. Karthik Ponnappa, Co-Founder, Smarter Dharma, Bengaluru. Students attended a talk on “Youth Ethical issues and their impact on society” by Clifford Jacob, CEO, Rescue Research and Training Charity Trust, Mysore, Karnataka on 7 December, 2017. The rural camp, 2017 was organized by the Department of Social Work, and Attapaadi Adivasi Development Initiative (AADI), a non-profit organization in Attapaadi advocating for the rights of tribal people, for the MSWCCP students and the rural camp of MSWHRDM students, was organized in VGKK, BR Hills at Mysore, during August 7 – 12, 2017



THEATRE-IN-EDUCATION



Starting with the training for new students of MBA – the 600+ participants ‘teamed with joy’ to play out the Indian Premier League (IPL) format of theatre spread across three weeks. With facilitators of TIE as coaches, 20+ performances were created and showcased across City Campus and Kengeri Campus. The Darpan Theatre Festival was organized in July 2017. Actors, dancers, musicians, stage managers and creative heads joined to make it a true reflection of the collaborative aesthetics of Christ University.

Orientation and need for drama training, tools of theatre, collaborative creation in Proscenium Theatre and Street Theatre were done as first part of The BED programme’s intervention. Showcasing performances to get first hand LIVE experience through thematic presentations were done as second part of the intervention. Documentation, personal Interview and grading for academic purposes was completed as the third part of the intervention.

Intimate Interactive Theatre (IIT) went through its Art Entrepreneurship incubation period during 2017-18. Facilitators and participants went through the Graduate Attribute of Decision Making and its varied dimensions. The standardized facilitator driven three hour module of 2017-18 was implemented in City Campus, Claret College and Ghaziabad campus during this incubation phase. The theatre students of Performing Arts continued the tradition of showcasing the aesthetics of theatre within and outside the campus. While their major performances by Theatre Lab (the theatre wing of Performing Arts) won the hearts and minds of the audience and judges

within the campus – the students continued to be the flag bearers of Christ University at various events. The final year theatre students secured the first position in the first edition of Deccan Theatre Youth Festival. The play *Draupadi* – then went on to get a standing ovation in Mumbai at the THESPO theatre festival. Second year theatre majors picked up the momentum to win the Best Play award with their play *Cyclist* at St Joseph’s Theatre Festival. Combining graduate attributes to the environmental theme of *Lorax* the second year theatre majors also won the Jyothi Nivas Theatre Festival with their play *Lorax Attributes*.

As part of the school outreach program the students of CHRIST were incorporated into this inter-school Miraculous Medal theatre festival. An evening of four plays was done by the students as part of this Christ School initiated festival. Street Theatre winners of Darpan Theatre Festival put up guest performances for this school festival.

Probably the only University to provide a credit based program of Playback Theatre for over a decade – the effort of this journey will reach one of its milestone during the Golden Jubilee year of CHRIST. The pioneering work of this program for Bangalore started in 1999 by Script Peoples Theatre is resulting in the first International Playback Theatre Conference being hosted at CHRIST during 2018-19.

Blossoms Theatre Festival – Art for the sake of art and art for the purpose of achieving objectives were two dimensions that were looked into during this Blossoms Theatre Festival. Deanery faculty members and student leaders exercised their managerial and creative skills



during the Blossoms Theatre Festival which were designed on the CHRIST Graduate Attributes

In Bloom – Baptizer is the crowning jewel for Christ to bring attention to the field of Theatre Arts. College, University and Amateur teams were identified and invited to showcase their performance along with the best of Deanery teams during this academic year. One salient feature of this edition of Baptizer was the use of tools of Interactive Theatre in a structured format to enable actor and judges interactions.

In an effort to raise the standard of University theatre performances and training - the campus was introduced to training by an international acting coach. Otto Huber

from Switzerland was invited to train students from across deaneries for the play Antigone. Identified theatre enthusiasts were given a basic orientation and provided 60+ hours of training.

A movement started to bring the focus to theatre on World Day of Theatre for Children and Young People (20th March) and World Theatre Day (27th March). 'Ad Hoc' team of Christ University held the 3:00 pm and 3:01 pm freeze with the theme 'Evolution' in front of Central Block – while other teams found their own space and theme across the city and country to promote the movement of Theatre Arts as per the dedicated date/s and allocated time of 60 seconds.

DEPARTMENT OF THEATRE STUDIES

The Department of Theatre Studies started in 2013 and successfully completed the fourth academic year of excellence. Apart from the regular academic activities the Department's prestigious events are Spotlight (Theatre fest) and the Annual Mega Play production.

An important programme for the 2017-18 academic year was the play performance 'Antony and Cleopatra' by the Department of Law, along with the students of Theatre Studies, which was given great reviews by the audience. The Mega production 'Queen of Sheba' was a good success.

Every year, the Department of Theatre Studies conducts the 'Spotlight Festival', where all three years of the department are able to showcase their talents. The first years put up an adaptation of the play 'The Bottom of the Lake' by Steven Stack, called *Eidolon*. The second years showcased their talent with their rendition of Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night* and Henrik Ibsen's *Hedda Gabler*. The final year students put up a riveting performance with *Elektra*, a Greek Tragedy and a Musical Classic, *The Wizard of Oz*.

The Department of Theatre studies, had some chief guests of renown for the performances that were put



up. Some of them include Prasad Bidapa and Kevin Oliver. The Department had a month long workshop by the faculty from Baylor University, Texas, USA. Baylor University has been connected to the department since 2014. The Department collaborated with the Baylor University Theatre Department and put up a show called 'East Meets West', which consisted of excerpts from plays, Musical performances and a Bollywood number by the Students of Baylor University.

This was a successful undertaking that some students of the Department of Theatre Studies and Performing Arts of CHRIST (Deemed to be University) were given an opportunity to visit Baylor University, Texas, USA. There, the CHRIST students embraced the host University culture and the students of Baylor were welcoming and supportive. The students experienced the rich Musical culture of America and modern theatre through practices and activities.

DEPARTMENT OF PERFORMING ARTS

The year 2017-18 has been a journey towards Internationalization. Students and faculty from the department travelled to Singapore to participate and learn with Apsara Dance Company - Singapore. This was followed by students of Baylor University from America coming to Christ campus to explore the possibilities of collaborative learning. To complete the journey of the academic year — students from Theatre studies and Performing Arts with their faculty visited Baylor University for an exchange program. All program culminated with performances in Singapore, Christ University and United States of America.

As a department running a structured program of Performing Arts, English Studies and Psychology - the syllabus is created to fulfill the requirements of the present and future opportunities. Collaborative approaches to dance, music, theatre, improvisation, entrepreneurship etc. are part of this unique undergraduate program.

With about 110 students in the department — there has been over 75 performances in 2017-18. Cultural events like Dance Day, Theatre Lab productions, Entrepreneurship related shows, Sports Day performances, music events etc. have become the basic



fabric of the aesthetic quotient at Christ. Over 10,000 students were directly affected with an increased level of Aesthetic experience in 2017-18, thanks to the efforts put in by the department with the support of the management and deaneries at Christ University. The performances and work of this department are slowly but surely changing the landscape of artistic quotient in the city of Bangalore — to enable the journey of being a cultural voice to the rest of the world.

Final year students of Performing Arts ventured into the real world of Entrepreneurship and showcased a collective performance to make the financial profit this year. II year students did three plays and participated in Miraculous Medal Theatre festival as part of their value added program in Proscenium Theatre. Winning the Deccan Theatre Festival, St Joseph's College Theatre Festival and Jyothi Nivas College Theatre festival and participating in National School of Drama's - *Olympiad* were the other highlights of the academic year.

Dance Day led by the Department of Performing Arts ensured that participation and performance was done across three campuses in Bangalore. Three dedicated annual music events for the University are done by the Department of Performing Arts to keep the campus alive musically! The three dimensional approach of Dance, Music and Theatre - for Internalization continues, as the department embraces the upcoming opportunities of artistic growth.



DEPARTMENT OF WESTERN MUSIC

The department of Music was established in 2016 with two majors of voice and piano. This is India's first ever triple major course with western classical music, psychology and English studies. All five faculty members within the department are of international origin.

The department regularly performs a music concert. Especially on the 23rd of September, 2017, it presented, "Dream... our dream is music".

The afternoon event featured numerous works by students. The event featured quality solo, duet and choral works such as: Prelude Op.28, No.4 by Frederick Chopin; Rondo alla Turca by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart; Tonight, Tonight from Leonard Bernstein's West Side Story. It was an inspiration to see the students performing at their maximum capability for all of us to witness.

On the 17th of March, 2018, the department presented the end of year concert, "Harmony", bringing



all the performers, teachers and audience together through their heavenly music performances.

The students of Music department visited South Korea between October 16 – 27, 2017 to participate in a master class and a music concert in association with Seoul Han Young University. This was indeed an enriching experience for the students.

The students also visited an old age home and performed for its residents in a memorable event that was warmly received.





DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY

The Department of Psychology introduced several initiatives in the academic year 2017 – 18 to further enhance academic standards, scholarship in education, create better learning environments, address community needs and contribute to the professional development of students and faculty.

The undergraduate research conference provided every final year undergraduate student an opportunity to showcase their research work in the form of scientific poster presentations.

Titled as project phoenix, the department enhanced its competency based curriculum by introducing learning management tools to grade and assess



competencies in all psychology programmes across the University.

Postgraduate research programmes moved from dissertations to publications providing students the additional competency of publishing in peer reviewed journals. Joint Faculty and student projects were initiated through labs and projects.

Relationships with international partners were enhanced with several research and academic projects with International universities. In collaboration with the University of Massachusetts, a scholarship for students contributing to community needs through practice and research was established.



SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

The year 2017-2018 was marked with eventful days filled with many learning experiences for everyone who is a part of School of Education.

'International Yoga Day' was celebrated on 21 June 2017 in Central Block for the mass Yoga demonstration by Dr Balachandran K; Associate Professor (Department of Computer Science and Engineering).

'Back to School' was an opportunity for students of the first year to showcase their talents. It was conducted on 24 June 2017. All the performances took everyone back to their school days.

"India PAPPET (Peer Alliance for Productive Professional Educational Training) 2017", an educational alliance and project between Australia and India under the initiative of the 'Australian Federal Government' in collaboration with La Trobe University (Australia), RMIT University (Australia) and CHRIST (Deemed to be University) respectively was initiated. The project commenced from the 12 June to 30 June 2017..

The Knowledge Center along with School of Education (SOE), marked the beginning of BOOKMARK 2017 on 13 July 2017. It was inaugurated by Prof Padmakumar M M, HoD (Department of Media Studies), Dr Anil Joseph Pinto; Registrar, Mr Sree Kumar Nair and Mr Shaiju M; Chief Librarians. Stalls were set up by well-known publishers and the students of SOE where they conducted literary games. A team of students went from class to class to orient the students of Undergraduate Courses about utilizing the facilities of the library.

Script People's theatre gave the students a chance to experience Theatre on 19 July 2017 during Darpan 2017. There were two Theatre performances and two street plays. Later on, in the academic year; Mr Sibbu, Mr Abu, Ms Maria, Ms Moulshree and Ms Anisha introduced to the students how to incorporate music in education, integrate games and dramatic freeze in the teaching-learning process.

In order to make the English pedagogy students understand the concept of phonetics, a workshop



was conducted on "Phonetics" by Aruna P and Prince Dhibash.

The National Level Panel Discussion on 'Next Generation Teacher and Teacher Educator – Competence and Competency' was held on 18 August 2017. The panelists were Prof. RC Patel from Centre for Advanced Studies in Education (CASE), Baroda, Prof. Nagendra from Banaras Hindu University, Prof. Vijay Kumar from Pondicherry University, Prof. Emeritus Sridhar from Mysore University, Mr Francis – Best Teacher Awardee from Navodaya Vidyalaya, Goa, Mr R S Patil – Indian President's National Teacher Award winner from Karnataka Rajya Vijnana Parishat, Mr Vikram Bhat (alumnus) and Director of 'Dream a Dream' (NGO) and Mr David Wohlever Sanchez, Duke University, UK.

David Raja K conducted an activity class on Yoga for the English pedagogy students during the first week of September. English students were taught to create tools to work on attention span, mastery over the body, concentration, self-knowledge and awareness of gestures of students.

A computer workshop to train the administrative trainees of Providence Convent on certain computer skills like creating an e-mail id, browsing the internet and using simple functions like 'cut', 'copy' and 'paste' was conducted on 9 September 2017. The instructors were Aruna P, Brigit Jose, Shwetha S Devraj and Samantha R Mendonca of 1 BEd.

The State Level workshop with the theme 'Digital Technology in Teaching and Learning' was organized

on 16 September 2017. Dr Krishnaraj P M, Professor of Ramaiah Institute of Technology was the keynote speaker. The 132 participants along with students of SOE learnt digital tools like Padlet, Adobe Spark, Magicpiktochart, Hot Potatoes and Duolingo from two resource persons; Mr Vinay M; Assistant Professor (Department of Computer Science) and Dr Beulah S; Associate Professor (Department of Science).

In Internship Phase 1, the First Semester MA and BEd students were deputed across nineteen schools in Bengaluru. The Schools were Christ School, Christ Academy, St Francis De Sales, St Francis School, Nazareth School, Aradhana Academy, Sarala Birla Academy, St. Patricks', Mary Immaculate, Holy Spirit, Carmel Academy, Carmel Convent, St Aloysius and St Joseph's Convent. In this two-week internship, the prospective teachers taught the subjects of their methodology to the students of Middle and High School. Prior to this internship, the pre-service teachers demonstrated lessons from their pedagogy and they were evaluated by the faculty.

The Service Learning is a part of the BEd and MAEd Curriculum. The first-year students were divided into various groups and assigned different topics such as Child and Drug Abuse, Women Empowerment and Juvenile Justice. These topics were presented to the children on 17 September 2018 in the activity centres which were situated in RR Nagar and Ambedkar Nagar. Through action songs and games, the students were educated on the three aforesaid topics.

The Community Living Camp (CLC) to Kolar was organized by the School of Education from 9 to 10 March 2018 for both the first year BEd and MAEd students. CLC is a part of Center for Social Action (CSA), CHRIST (Deemed to be University). The students got an opportunity to speak to the employees of the organization called Pragathi which works on Child-Focused Community Development (CFCD). The students were oriented about Pragathi by the employees on the levels from which they work, their functions and contribution to 22 villages that they are working on. Some initiatives are early childhood care, strengthening children's education, community health and hygiene, community-based organizations and livelihood promotion programs. The students went to four different villages – Muthakappali, Karangi, Chinthmakahalli and Nachahalli and interacted with the villagers

through motivational talks and street plays.

The Acapella group formed by Chin Kap Sian Muang and his peers in the second year BEd, took part in the Inter-Deanery Competition in CHRIST (Deemed to be University) and secured the second place in Blossoms held on 6 November 2017.

One of the most awaited and thrilling events in School of Education is 'Kalasaurabha' which was conducted from 17 November to 22 November 2017. First-year students competed in five teams namely Ubuntu, Melange, Enthusiastic Emoticons, Jaagir and Esperrers in events like turncoat, story writing, rangoli, cooking without fire, flower arrangement, wealth out of waste, origami and team theme. The winner and runner-up awards were bagged by Brigit Jose and Avni S Ved respectively.

The 'Radio Namaste Project 2017' Part-2, commenced from 11 November to 27 November 2017 in the serene city of Lausanne (Canton of Vaud), Switzerland. The project was in continuation to the Part-1 project which was successfully held and completed in CHRIST (Deemed to be University) in the month of October 2017. Ten Indian delegates (Pre-Service teachers & final year students of B.Ed. and M.A Education) of School of Education and ten Swiss delegates representing Haute École pédagogique (HEP) Vaud, Switzerland were a part of this prestigious educational research project. All the students were divided into different groups and there were discussions done on the physical and psychological aspects of child safety and security in schools, extra-curricular activities in schools, Formation of teachers, School Curriculum and Girl Child Education. During the course of the project, the students got to work with certain technical tools, like 'Audacity' to edit the interviews and jingles. The two weeks of this program was culturally and intellectually enriching to the students who were a part of this.



Students from Azim Premji University visited the campus on 24 January 2018 to get to know about the curriculum followed in SOE. They were oriented by 20 students about the best practices and syllabi of SOE and they were also taken on a campus tour.

The 68th Alumni Meet was held on 26 January 2018. Each of the twenty alumni introduced themselves, their family and career. They spoke about their most memorable moments in SOE. A games session was conducted for the alumni by the student volunteers followed by a cultural program and their feedback was sought thereafter.

A National Seminar on the theme 'Emerging Trends and Innovations in Teacher Education' was conducted on 19 February 2018. The keynote speaker was Dr Gururaj Karajagi; Chairman; Academy of Creative Thinking, Dr Anil Pinto; Registrar; CHRIST (Deemed to be University) who spoke about the importance of good teachers in students' lives. The 46 presenters including students spoke about various perspectives related to the theme. The sessions were presided by Dr Srikantaswamy, Dr Surekha Chukkali, Dr Hemalatha K, Dr Aneesh Kumar and Dr Kennedy Andrew Thomas. This seminar brought about fruitful discussions across many dimensions of teacher education, the upcoming trends and innovations in this field.

BITS Pilani Hyderabad conducted its regional level literary fest called 'Verba Maximus' in our campus on 20 January 2018. Under 25; a youth organization conducted an open mic event for poetry titled on 18 February 2018, and Brigit Jose took part in both the events and was recognized for her spoken word poetry recital titled 'The last time'.

The students of History and Biology along with a few other students visited Mysore on 11 February 2018. They were accompanied by two of our faculty members, Dr Sumita Rao and Dr Pramod Kumar.



The Annual Sports Meet was conducted on 24 February 2018 in the Kengeri campus. Among many students who competed in 50m, 100m, 200m, 400m, long jump, 4 x 50m relay, shot put, sack race, three-legged race and tug of war; Sudha D and Marian Vivek B emerged as individual champions. The flag of Black Jaguars team was adjudged the best among other flags and the overall trophy went to Grey Rhinos. The Men's Volleyball team who won the third place in the University Level Championships were recognized; and Fr Lijo Thomas; Counsellor (Department of Psychology) gave away the prizes to the winners.

The Valedictory ceremony was held on 22 March 2018. The graduating batch of students took their oath during this solemn ceremony and this was followed by a cultural program put together by the students of first-year.

Thematic Assemblies were conducted by students in order to promote value-based education among them and help them experience the practical aspect of planning and executing assemblies in schools. Themes like Appreciating Life, Patriotism and Responsibility, Good or Evil, Kannada Rajyotsava, Spring- A new beginning, Adolescence Education, Youth Day, Love, Women's Day were wonderfully depicted and spoken about.

There were six guest lectures conducted on various topics by stalwarts of different fields. Effective Communication in Classroom Teaching/Learning was conducted by Dr Sweta Mukherjee; Assistant Professor (Department of English). IB Unit Planning was conducted by Anthony Lizzy from CHRIST, PU Residential College). Mr Cebush, Alumna and Former Mr Karnataka conducted a session on 'Self Defence for Women'. Dr Mike Zirkler from Zurich University of Applied Sciences introduced a new concept called 'Education 4.0'. Prof Dr R S Ganesh Bhat; Principal (MES Teacher Education) displayed how everyday items can be used as teaching aids. Dr Sreehari R; Assistant Professor (Department of Psychology) spoke about 'Teacher as a Guide'.

This academic year, 12 schools namely T.I.M.E Institute, Greenwood High School, The Indian Public School (T.I.P.S), Oakridge International School, Dubai Scholar School, The Legacy School, The Amber Valley School, Shanthi Niketan Indian School, Academy for Creative Teaching, St Francis School, New Horizon School and Christ School (I.C.S.E and State) came to SOE for recruitment of eligible final year students.

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS AND ELECTRONICS

The Department of Physics and Electronics strives to set a benchmark in quality higher education with an emphasis on learning through research. The learning environment allow students to develop and use core research skills, enabling them to have an impact beyond their academics. The Department signed an MOU with NAL and installed a 900 W Wind Turbine+500 W Solar Hybrid System in our campus in association with CSIR-NAL.



Activities of the association and clubs for the year 2017-18 were inaugurated with special guest lecture on Gravitational Waves by Dr. Tarun Deep Saini, Professor, IISc. The annual intercollegiate fest 'Eureka' was conducted on 27 September 2017. The astronomy club organized various astronomy related programs. Dr. Manoj Purvakanra from TIFR, Mumbai gave a talk on 'From molecular clouds to planetary systems: the story of star formation' on 8 September 2017. Dr. Gordon K. Squires from California Institute of Technology gave a talk on 'Astronomy & looking forward to TMT' on 6 November 2017. Faculty members Paul K T & Blesson Mathew along with research students conducted a workshop on Astronomical Spectroscopy at CMS College Kottayam during August 26-27. The Electronics club of the department organized a PCB fabrication design course in association with Sky-Fi Lab systems during July 7-8. Other activities organized by the Electronics club include workshop on Sensor guided Robotics, awareness campaign on "E-waste and hazards of Mobile Phone radiation", Electronics project exhibition and talk on Ham radio etc. A national level workshop on 'Multi-wavelength observations using Astrosat' was organized by the department during December 16-18. The workshop was sponsored by IUCAA, Pune.

Faculty members Dr. S. B. Gudennavar and Dr. Bubbly S. G. participated and presented research papers in the International Conference on Radiations and Applications

held at University for Sciences and Technology Houari Boumediene, Algiers, Algeria. Dr. Gudennavar also delivered a talk on 'Road map of X-ray astronomy and the way ahead to understand the X-ray binaries' at the Centre for Astronomy, Astrophysics and Geophysics (CRAAG) Observatory, Bouzaréah, Algiers, Algeria on 22 November 2017. He was awarded International Travel Grant by DST, Government of India for attending and chairing one of the scientific sessions in the conference. Dr. Paul K T was awarded a research grant of 7.35 lakhs by Science and Engineering Research Board (SERB), Govt. of India.

Research students and few faculty members participated in the meeting of the Astronomical Society of India during February 2018 held at Hyderabad and presented papers. Paul K T was invited to present a paper during the 2017 Asia-Pacific Regional IAU meeting at Taiwan in July 2017. Department organized a poster presentation competition for MSc students along with science exhibition. Faculty members along with research students came up with 15 Scopus indexed publications during the current academic year. Article by Dr. B Manoj, Ashlin M Raj, and Dr. George Thomas C titled "Tunable direct band gap photoluminescent organic semiconducting nanoparticles from lignite" has been published in Scientific Reports and Nature publications. A village exposure trip for II MSc students was arranged on 14 February 2018 to Govt high school, Badamakanahalli near Bethamangala.

DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY

The Department of Chemistry began its events for the academic year with Dr. Umapathy from JNCASR inaugurating the Chemistry Association on 28 June 2017. An intercollegiate science fest 'Chemoz' was organised by the department in the month of August 2017 to inculcate scientific temper, event management skills and social interaction skills among its students. Interclass fest 'SPIRIT' was arranged for the UG students of Chemistry on 27 January 2018.

The students were actively involved in contributing articles pertaining to Chemistry which culminated in the release of their newsletter 'Chemmunique' which was released on 21 August 2017. The Department of Chemistry, organized a two-day workshop on 'Chemistry in Health Care and Material Sciences' on 9-10 August 2017 sponsored by Aten Porous Life Sciences and a one day seminar on 'Current Trends in Material Science and Applications' on 21 February 2018.

Poster Presentation day was organised on 7 September 2017 in which all the previous year's student projects were presented, which encouraged the current students towards research.

The department also organised Entrepreneurship Awareness Camp for the final year BSc and MSc students in association with National Science and



Technology Entrepreneurship Development Board, Department of Science and Technology, New Delhi; Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India, Ahmedabad.

Students participated in various science fests and conferences and had won laurels for the department. Interclass Science Deanery cricket match was arranged by the Department of Chemistry which gave them opportunity to interact with other students of the deanery.

The department also encourages community-based activities among its students. The PG students participated in a community service programme at an orphanage called NEST on Mysore Road on 17 February 2018. They were also involved in helping the students of Jeevodaya Orphanage, Madiwala in their academics on a regular basis.

Campus recruitment was organised for the post graduate students with reputed firms like Aten Porus Ltd. Bengaluru, Anthem Biosciences, Bengaluru, Syngene International and Micro Labs.



DEPARTMENT OF LIFE SCIENCES

The Life Sciences Association inauguration was held on 5 July 2017 in the KE Auditorium, Block IV, Main Campus, CHRIST. The event was graced by the presence of Dr Nirupa Bareja, Head of Operations, Vicus Therapeutics, a US based Biotech Company. The department, in association with Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council (BIRAC) and Centre for Cellular and Molecular Platform (C-CAMP) had conducted a workshop to strengthen and empower Biotechnology entrepreneur on 28 July 2017.

The students of Green Army led by Dr P U Antony (faculty) had actively taken part in the celebrations of National Moth Week, 2017. This was another citizen science initiative, through which a large amount of data on diversity, range, habitat and other behavioural aspects of moths can be retrieved. The Biodiversity marathon initiative was also taken up by this body in collaboration with Krushnamegh Kunte, a researcher at National Centre for Biological Sciences (NCBS), Bangalore and his team.

The Association had organized a guest lecture on “Career opportunities in clinical research” for the post graduate students of the Department of Life Sciences on the 10th of November. Another guest lecture was organised on 29 November 2017 which focussed on helping the students find a clearer course of action after their graduation.

The blessing and inauguration of the new labs for MSc Biotechnology, MSc Zoology and MSc Botany and also the research labs for Plant Tissue Culture and Phytochemistry and a few other research labs newly constructed in the third floor of Block was done by the Vice Chancellor of Christ University, Fr Dr Thomas C Mathew on December 4, 2017. He stressed on the importance of research in the development of different domains of Science and urged the students to make best use of the available facilities. The prominent guests present for the function included Dr Rajan Gurukul, former Vice-Chancellor of Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam, India and Dr Sreesh Srinivasa, Vice President of Biocon Ltd, Bangalore.

The department of Life Sciences, Christ University organized a guest lecture in association with KAAS (Karnataka Association of Advancement of Science) on



13 December 2017. The resource person was Dr Thais Russomano, Faculty, Department of Life Science and Medicine, King's College, London and Director of Innova Space

The Life Science Association, CHRIST, had organized an Alumni Panel Discussion on “Arena of Higher Studies in Life Sciences” on January 5, 2018. The panel members were all alumni of CHRIST Life Science department currently doing research in reputed Universities in India and abroad.

‘Butterflies of Christ University’, the third book by the Green Army student forum was officially released on 11 January 2018. The chief guest of the day was Dr. Krishnamegh Kunte, Reader, NCBS. An awareness campaign was conducted by the students of second semester BCZ on 16 February 2018 under the guidance of Prof. Xavier Vincent, Professor, Dept of Life sciences.

An International Conference on Women in Science Research and Innovation was organised in association with the Consulate General of Israel to South India on June 20 and 21.

On March 7 and 8, 2018, the Department successfully organised the Science Academies' Lecture Workshop on ‘Shock Waves and Medical Applications’, in collaboration with the three Science Academies - Indian Academy of Sciences, Bangalore, Indian National Science Academy, New Delhi and the National Academy of Sciences, Allahabad.



DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

The Mathematics Association of CHRIST activities began with orientation program to first year BSc(EMS) and MSc(Mathematics) students by Ms Jaicy George – Trainer soft skill/Life skill. A series of guest lectures were arranged throughout the year on various topics covering academics, research and career development. Prominent among many eminent personalities who visited the department are Dr Paul Hong, Professor Information Operation and Technology Management, College of Business and Innovation University of Toledo, Toledo Fulbright-Nehru Senior Scholar, Dr Andrew Rees, Reader in Fluid Mechanics, Department of Mechanical Engineering University of Bath USA, and Renowned Graph theorist Dr. E. Sampath Kumar, University of Mysore.

The department was instrumental in conducting three fests: CONVERGENCE 2017 – an intercollegiate fest, AAROHAN 2017 - an intercollegiate PG Mathematics fest and SEQUENCE 2017 - an intra class Mathematics fest.

Postgraduate workshop titled “Advanced Topics in Mathematics” was organized in association with Karnataka Science and Technology Academy(KSTA) during 13-14 November 2017. “National Mathematics day” was celebrated on 22 December 2017 by organizing Mathematics Exhibition and screening a film “*A Man who knew Infinity*”. Lecture workshop in collaboration with three Science Academies’ for selected undergraduate students selected from ten colleges in Bengaluru city, was



organized on “Fundamentals of mathematical Analysis” during 27-28 February 2018. To promote the use of Free and Open source software and to acquaint with latest programming language, the department in collaboration with IIT-Bombay organized three day workshop on “Basics of Programming in Python” during 3-6 March 2018. NET coaching, Information Literacy course through CART, Peer education through CAPS, Social responsibility week and village exposure through CSA were also organized.

Undergraduate Mathematics students won Overall trophy in the intercollegiate Mathematics fest “Abacus” at St Joseph’s College (Autonomous). Mathematics project exhibition was conducted for second year BSc students and selected teams participated in Science exhibition conducted by Science deanery. Mathematics Students also won prizes in various fests conducted by other prestigious institutions in Bangalore. In Journal club 80 presentations on various research articles were done by PG students. Faculty members actively participated in National/ International conferences as resource person, presented papers and department published 39 research articles in journals of repute.



DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS

The Department of Statistics organized an industry visit on the occasion of the National Statistics Day, on 29 June 2017. Students and faculty members of the department visited the National Sample Survey Organization (NSSO) and participated and won several events organized by them.

The Department organized annual-intra college festival 'Inference' on 23 August 2017. Around 120 students attended from different colleges of Bangalore. A guest lecture delivered by Prof. Tinku Thomas, Professor, Dept. of Biostatistics, St. Johns Medical College, Bangalore on "Statistics in Biomedical Research" helped the students to explore the statistics in Medical Sciences. Students participated in several events like quizzes, student presentations, Data marathon etc.

Prof. Sanjit Ray, HOD, SQC&OR Division, Indian Statistical Institute, Bangalore visited the department and interacted with faculty members and students on 8 July 2018 and delivered a lecture on "Applications of Linear Regression Models in Industry".

Prof. Karthik Sankarnarayanan, Professor, Operations Management, Faculty of Business and Information technology, University of Ontario Institute of Technology, Canada, visited the department on 6 December 2017 and interacted with faculty on research activities and delivered a lecture on "Opportunities in Statistics connecting with Universities in Canada".



Mr. Sandeep Patil, (Life Actuary –US), CEO & Co-Founder, NaviRisk and Predint, visited the department and interacted with faculty members on 27 February 2018 and delivered a lecture on "Getting Ready for Challenging Business focus". Around 120 students participated in this lecture.

Dr. Rajasekhar K, Head, Analytics Solutions & POCs at Wipro Ltd, Bangalore visited the department and interacted with faculty members on 10 August 2017 and delivered a lecture on "The Role of Data Scientists in Industry".

Apart from this, faculty members attended national and international conferences and presented their research papers. Dr. Subramanyam T visited Department of Statistics, SV University and interacted with the faculty members and students on research activities and delivered a lecture on "The Role of Statistics in Industry" on 27 Dec, 2017. As a result of this, he published one collaborative research publications with this department.

Department arranged an industry connected skill enhancement course on "Statistics for Data Analysis using SAS Programming" in collaboration with Quotient Solutions. Dr. Radaiah K, Lead Analyst trained around 30 students from CMS/EMS and Actuarial Science.

DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE



The Department of Computer Science of CHRIST, takes great pride in being able to keep pace with the highly disruptive and dynamic domain of Information Technology. The students of the Department are carefully selected to match with the right aptitude and enthusiasm to always stay ahead of the learning curve. These students are young professionals with a positive outlook and nurturing a passionate dream to reshape our nation's destiny through IT. The training disseminated here aims to prepare these young minds for the challenging opportunities ahead. The curriculum structured by the Department is a healthy mix of academics, industry interaction, industry events and holistic education designed to foster and nurture the talent and potential of these students.

This academic year, keeping in line with the trend of the business/industry, we saw a growing interest in Cryptocurrency and associated blockchain technologies, as well as IoT. The Department has organized several Seminars and Training programs on IoT to provide deeper insights into the growing domain. Other than these primary technological fields, the Research Cluster Colloquium saw a lot of activities this year. There were numerous informative sessions and seminars spanning multiple fields of technology ranging from Data Science through Machine learning to IoT.

This year the Department also added as a new focus area, viz - women in technology by setting up a new cell called WRIT (Women in Research and Information Technology). One of the highlights of this cell was the Women's Day program organized by Fedora.

This year's project exhibition festivals Softex and X-eBIT were received with tremendous positive acclaim due to good number of exceptional projects. The majority of the projects were hardware/model-based, raising more curious eyes than usual.

The two intra-departmental festivals, Revelations and Techleons were yet another success stories, showcasing the immense potential of the students in varying technical and non-technical fields.

The two national level IT Fests, Interface and Gateways were much larger in scale this time, with 32 colleges and 280 students attending the latter. Both of these fests provided great exposure of the external world, which is a prerequisite for excelling in this dynamic IT industry. These fests also provided an excellent opportunity for the students of the Department to showcase their ideas and talents – academic as well as extra-curricular ensuring holistic development of the students.

The year 2018, saw another remarkable achievement for the Computer Science Dept. in the form of organising the "International Conference on Sustainable Advanced Computing, (ICSAC 2018)". ICSAC 2018 had invited papers from across the globe in areas of Artificial Intelligence, Internet-of-Things, Robotics, Network Security, DNA computing etc., all of which are highly relevant and aligned to the major developments across the Industry spectrum. The papers presented in ICSAC 2018 as well as the eminent speakers of the International event addressed the theme of the conference from various dimensions and thus showcased a birds eye view of the challenges and trends in sustainable computing.

Be it a technical activity like "Labyrinth", a non-technical activity like "Journal Club", or simply a cultural activity like "Battle of the Bands", the Department's talented students are second to none in giving their best performances. These wide array of activities and myriad opportunities that the Department provides, apart from the excellence in academics, grooms the students to be industry-ready, ethically perfect and full of joie de vivre; ready to take on the world.

FACULTY OF ENGINEERING

Electrical Engineers Technical Association EETA, the Department student activity club was inaugurated on 14 July 2017. Dr Keshav, consultant, Ministry of Electronics and Information technology, inaugurated the student association and delivered a lecture series on “e-Waste and its recycling process”. Various activities like Quiz and JAM were conducted to enhance the student’s communication and interpersonal skills.

A Seminar on Industrial Process and Automation was conducted for the selected students from the departments of EEE, MECH, ECE and Automobile. The seminar was arranged under the umbrella of EETA & MAC (students associations of EEE and MECH).

Industrial expert Mr. Venugopal, a veteran in Automation engaged the seminar participants. During the seminar, students were exposed to demo of live projects in Arjun Battle Tank, Barrel manufacturing unit (Middle-Eastern countries) etc. He also explained about SCADA VFD. Students were given hands-on experience on PLC, Pneumatics, and Hydraulics. Mr. Arun who is the site engineer from Venjay Institute of Automation explained the various components used in automation

As part of the initiative from the Department of Electrical & Electronics Engineering a technical talk and an interactive session was held with Mr. Vineeth V, Research Scholar, Department of Electrical Engineering, IIT-Kanpur, to facilitate a platform for knowledge sharing. The session included a detailed talk on ‘Synchro Phasors’ followed by interactive session. A workshop on dissection of Matlab was conducted by Mr Venkatswamy R, faculty of the department for the students on 10 August 2017.

Department of Electrical & Electronics Engineering in association with IEEE Power & Energy

Society hosted the IEEE PES Student Congress 2017 at the Faculty of Engineering on 5 September 2017. It was one of the flagship events of IEEE PES Bangalore Chapter. The event was attended by 73 participants from various Universities and Engineering Colleges. The theme chosen for the Student congress 2017 was “Innovations in Power and Energy Sector”.

Department of Civil Engineering organized many activities in the academic year which included various site visits, guest talks, survey camp, workshops and so on. In the month of July, the Civil Engineering students’ association, CACE, was inaugurated. This was followed by two guest talks. The first was by Mr. Ajith (Project Head, UNDP, Pondicherry) on ‘Sustainability and Opportunities’. The second talk was by Mr. M N Ramesh (Director, Toltec Construction Pvt.) on ‘Proud to become a civil engineer’. In the same month another guest talk was delivered to the students by Dr. Priyanka (Research Associate, IISc.) on urbanization and water quality issues. In the last week of July, a site visit was organized for both UG and PG students to the IL&FS Concrete Casting Yard and construction site of BG Shirke Construction Technology Private Limited in Bangalore.

In the month of August, Mr. Gopi Prasad (IDES-Idea consulting Pvt. Ltd.) gave a guest-talk on Urban Planning. In the same month workshops were conducted for the students on Bridge design, Transportation



Engineering and Construction Project Management. In the last week of August Mr. Sanky Prasad (Synergy Pvt. Ltd.), a well known philanthropist on Project Management was invited for a guest talk. In the month of January an industrial site visit to the 'Weinerberger' brick manufacturing facility in Kunigal, was organized. In the month of February a guest talk was given by Mr. C.R. Parthasarathy (Founder, Chairman and MD of Sarathy Geotech and Engineering Pvt. Ltd.), an elected National Executive Member of Indian Geotechnical Society (IGS) for 2016-18 on site investigation. On 22nd and 23rd of February, a two day National Workshop was organized on Reliability concepts in Civil Engineering and structural stability. On 27th and 28th February a two day hands-on workshop was conducted on Quantity surveying, Bridge design and CYPE.

The highlights of the academic year 2017-18 for the Department of Computer Science and Engineering would be the MOU signed with the Kyungpook National University (KNU), South Korea through which students with good academic scores were offered an opportunity to get a dual degree from both the Universities.

Another exciting event was, setting up a new lab within the department on IOT through CDAC (Centre for Development of Advanced Computing), India, in order to sustain an edge to students for deploying projects as part of their curriculum.

By becoming an Institutional Member of Oracle Academy the students have been able to avail various resources and tools to advance their knowledge, develop value added skills and Innovate. As a part of Oracle Academy, various certification courses have been offered by the department. A good number of students have also successfully completed certificate courses CCNA Routing and Switching, NDG Linux Essentials, CLA: Programming Essentials in C through the CISCO Academy.

Various workshops were conducted for both the students and the faculty members on trending areas like Design Thinking, Agile Scrum, Hadoop 2.3 & Big data, Cyber Forensics and Crime Investigation to name a few.



NCCOCE'18, the National Conference on Challenges and Opportunity conducted by the department was a huge success. Our students had excelled and brought laurels in various competitions.

Mechanical And Automobile Association of Christites (MAAC), the student body and SAE College Chapter were inaugurated on 6 June 2017. The ever-enthusiastic MAAC had organized various events which includes Certificate course on CATIA (20 July 2017), Two days' workshop on Robowar (14th -15th September 2017), Two days' workshop on IOT (5th -6th January 2018), Three days' workshop on FEA (23rd, 24th & 29th January 2018), One day workshop on GRE (10th February 2018), Workshop on Vehicle Design and Development (27th February to 1st March 2018). Under SAE club, Team ZEUS Racing and Team ZELUS Racing participated in eBAJA and mBAJA events and bagged two prizes, 7th lightest eBAJA vehicle and 13th position in Final endurance race by winning 1.5 lakhs cash prize.

The Department also organized a National Conference on Mechanical Engineering & Emerging Technology (NCMEET) on 23rd and 24th February 2018. A total of 12 guest lectures and more than 5 industry visits were organized in the current year. A MoU was signed with Mercedes Benz Research and Development India Pvt. Ltd. on 11 August 2017 in establishing a Daimler Truck Tear Down Facility at the Faculty of Engineering. Dr Parvati Ramaswamy of the faculty was sanctioned with a DST funded project worth 43 lakhs. The students of the department won quite a number of prizes in the various intercollegiate events held in and around Bengaluru.

SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE

The School of Architecture CHRIST, approved by the Council of Architecture New Delhi, was conceived in the year 2017-18. It offers a five-year Bachelor's Degree Program in Architecture aspiring to make a compelling presence in the field of Architectural education. The year saw efforts to reaffirm the aspiration through creative innovation and experimentation in design thinking, design teaching and design learning. The efforts have been strengthened by; one, the teaching pedagogy of 'Experiential learning in Architecture'; two, the outreach and a close working relationship with the existing ecosystem of the University; and three the introduction of 'Studio on wheels' the travel programs. The collaborative work with the Centre for social action (CSA CHRIST) has initiated a new dimension of innovation, working with Paper and Architecture. It has prepared students to be socially and environmentally responsible and to work collaboratively in multi-disciplinary teams within the building industry. The concentrating efforts to advance the infrastructural facilities in the Art and Carpentry workshop, Climatology Lab and the Computer Lab have offered active and experiential learning realms to work with varied materials and media. The Studio on Wheels 17-18 has covered documentation of Melukote and Padmanabhapuram Palace. The School has conducted various special



lectures and hands on workshops with invited experts to enhance the experiential learning process. The Curriculum development workshop with the Board of Studies experts, Prof Neelkant Chhaya, Former Dean of Faculty of Architecture, CEPT University; Ar. Prem Chandavarkar, Managing partner of CnT Architects, has rendered an added value to the curriculum, The school is currently occupied with expanding the policy of inclusiveness and encouraging more involvement of diversity among students, developing an Art Centre as a creative realm to School of Architecture and new multi-disciplinary collaborations.





SCHOOL OF LAW

This year marked the Decennial celebrations at School of Law. The weeklong celebrations saw participation of teams from all over India. The event was inaugurated on 11 September 2017. The Chief Guest for the ceremony was Mr. Ramalinga Reddy, Hon'ble Home Minister, Government of Karnataka and the Guests of Honour were Hon'ble Justice Mr. P. Vishwanatha Shetty, Lokayukta, Karnataka State, (Former Judge, High Court of Karnataka), Mr. D. L. N. Rao, Senior Advocate, High Court of Karnataka, Maj. Gen. VPS Bhakuni, VSM, Commandant and the ceremony was presided over by Dr Fr Thomas C. Mathew, Vice Chancellor, CHRIST.

The 8th National Moot Court Competition 2017, a flagship programme of School of Law, CHRIST was held from 15th to 17th September, 2017. The Chief Guest of the event was Mr. Madhukar Deshpande. Over 55 teams from all over India participated in the event.

Apart from this, the first National Legislation Drafting Competition, Client Counselling and Mediation Ranking Rounds, National Conference on Bar, Bench and the Constitution of India, Seminar on 'The New World Order: How Major World Leaders are Impacting International Relations', the Model United Nations and a host of guest lectures were among the other major events held as a part of the decennial celebrations. Our students benefited from interactions with the members of the academia and legal

luminaries sharing their experience and advice with our students.

Coaching classes was introduced this year for all the interested final year students for All India Bar Examinations, Judicial Services Examinations and Placement Training. ACR workshop was conducted with CAMP. Our students took initiative for the spread human rights and gender justice values and conducted events with the help of Nudge Foundation. Legal Aid and Awareness Camps were organised at Hiredoddavadi, Tumkur, from 8-10 December 2017, Nallahalli village, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramnagara District from 23-25th Feb 2018, Yaliyuru village, Kunigal Taluk, Tumkur District from 16-18th Feb 2018, Attihalli village, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramnagara District from 09-11th March 2018, Gungeerlahalli Village, Chikkaballapur District from 02-04th Feb 2018 and at Yalachagere village, Koratagere Taluk, Tumkur District from 15-17 December 2017.

The students brought laurels to the institution by winning many national events in debating, Moot Court Competitions, Sports, Cultural events and publishing papers in Journals.



INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT

Institute of Management's mission is to develop a community of socially responsible, creative and enterprising leaders to operate in a knowledge-based, globalized and dynamic world. The institute is dedicated to the motto of excellence and service. Through pursuit of academic excellence and service through creative and empathetic involvement, the institute strives to transform the society.

At the Institute, every student goes through a wide spectrum of experiences that includes the Organization Structure Training (OST), Outbound Training (OBT), Book Review Competition, Summer Internships, Current Affairs & Weekly Presentations and Dissertation. In addition students are expected and actively encouraged to participate in various co-curricular and extra-curricular events. All this combined impel the students to become confident, socially responsible, creative and enterprising leaders.

International faculty exchange program through ERASMUS+:

Institute of Management, Christ University and Manchester Metropolitan University, UK have been awarded the prestigious Erasmus+ award for Faculty Mobility Programme. The award which is a European Union Program, supports partnering institutions to have a faculty exchange program to develop faculty and share knowledge and experience. Institute of Management

signed an MOU with Manchester Metropolitan University for mobilizing 16 faculty members (8 faculty from each University will visit the partner university) for the faculty exchange program. Under this arrangement, two faculty from Manchester Metropolitan University, UK visited the Institute for a week and conducted sessions for students during November 2017.

Visits by foreign universities

The Institute sees regular visits by faculty and academic administrators from reputed foreign universities for exploring opportunities for enhanced collaboration.

During the year the following people visited the Institute:

- Prof. Timothy B. Palmer, Professor of Strategic Management, Director, Center for Sustainable Business Practices, Haworth College of Business, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, visited on July 22-29, 2017 for vetting the MBA Curriculum, of the dual Degree Program with WMU.
- Frank J. Franzak, PhD. Department of Marketing, School of Business, from Virginia Commonwealth University. In addition to holding discussions Dr. Franzak took Marketing Management session for students of Section V (VCU) of 2016-18 Batch.
- (1) Prof. Charles Savage (2) Prof. Frauke, Hofmann-Weberbauer (3) Prof. Reinhard Koether (4)

Prof. Michael Mubig — all from the University Of Applied Sciences (FHWS), Wurzburg-Schweinfurt, Germany on various dates between October 2 to November 25, 2017.

- Prof. Uwe Sponholz of Munich University, Germany between October 18-22, 2017.

Workshop / Sessions by Institute of Management for international faculty and students:

- Training program on Sustainability & Social Justice in



India: The Institute in association with Office of International Affairs conducted a 7 day program (December 10-16, 2017) on **Sustainability and Social Justice in India** for participants from Haworth College of Business, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, USA. In total 22 participants – 18 students and 4 faculty attended the program.

- **Training program on Blockchain & Cryptocurrency:** The Institute in association with Office of International Affairs conducted a TWO WEEK (February 19 – March 5, 2018) program on **Blockchain & Cryptocurrency** for 26 participants – 23 students and 3 faculty members from University of Applied Sciences Wurzburg-Schweinfurt (FHWS), Germany.
- **Training program on Sustainability Initiatives in India:** The Institute in association with Office of International Affairs conducted a ONE WEEK program (February 5-10, 2018) on **Sustainability Initiatives in India** for 24 participants – 22 students and 2 faculty members from University of Paris – Dauphine, France.
- Dr. Bikramaditya Ghosh visited Vives University College, Kortrijk, West Flanders, Belgium between November 20-24, 2017 to conduct a session on Currency Predictor Model in MS-Excel Tool pack.
- A Training Program was organized by Institute of Management along with Department of Psychology Program theme: **Exploring India: Human Development in Cross Cultural Context between January 14 - 23, 2018. The participants for the session included 2 faculty and 21 students from St. Olaf College, USA.**

Indo-German Dialogue – Young Innovators

- **Institute of Management** partnered with the **German House for Research and Innovation (DWIH)**, New Delhi and **Technical University Munich (TUM)** organized the Indo-German Dialogue: Young Innovators on Wednesday 15th Nov, 2017. The event was one of only three of such events organized in India – at IIT Delhi, IIT Mumbai and CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Bangalore. During the session groups of young researchers, leaders and entrepreneurs from

Germany and India presented their award winning and impactful work.

Sessions by International faculty for students of Institute of Management

During the year several international faculty visited Institute of Management and conducted session for the students:

- Dr Dane Anderton and Prof. David Taylor from Manchester Metropolitan University, UK conducted a workshop on **“The Ideas Creativity and Entrepreneurship”** for Institute of Management students on **22-Nov-2017**.
- Prof. Jens Mueller, Associate Professor, School of Management, Marketing and Strategy Waikato Management School University of Waikato took a Marketing management session on September 5, 2017.
- Dr Arun Elias, Associate Dean, International & Accreditation in Victoria Business School took a session on Lean Operations & Systems on September 5, 2017.
- Ms. Leah Bamberger, Director of Sustainability, City of Providence, RI, USA conducted a session on Sustainability on September 15, 2017.
- Dr. Mel Bull, Principal Lecturer and MBA Director, Sheffield Business School, Sheffield Hallam University, UK conducted a session on ‘Communication in contemporary organizations : the use of storytelling in business’ on February 7, 2018 for HR students of 2017-2019 batch.
- Mrs. Sally Rumbles, Director of HR Programmes and Curriculum AND Principal Lecturer, University of Portsmouth, UK took a session on ‘Global Talent Management planning’ on February 21, 2018 for HR students of 2017-2019 batch.

International Collaboration Research Project

Institute of Management in collaboration with Department of Psychology, CHRIST and School of Applied Psychologie, Zurich University of Applied Sciences (ZHAW), Switzerland is currently engaged in an international collaboration project on ‘Jugaad Leadership’. The project is funded by School of Applied Psychologie, Zurich University of Applied Sciences (ZHAW), Switzerland.

Placement Cell

The placement program is a very important factor in any MBA program. The Placement Cell at the Institute strives towards give the students a good start in their professional career. During the year over 150 organizations visited the Institute (from different sector namely IT, BFSI, Consulting, FMCG, Healthcare, Automobile, Real estate, Hospitality etc).

For this year the highest offer stands at 15 lakhs and the average salary is 6.3 lakhs. Nearly 70% of the companies who visited this year have recruited from the Institute in the past. That the companies return year after year to the campus for acquiring fresh talent is a reflection of the quality of the students. Around 25% organizations that are visiting the campus this year are doing so for the first time, reflecting the growing reputation of the Institute as a grooming ground for talented managers.

Leadership Summit

Institute of Management hosted a one day 'Leadership Summit' event on Thursday November 23rd, 2017 at Main campus. The 'Leadership Summit' one day conclave brought together business leaders at CXO level to engage and inspire the students and the faculty. It was a platform for people who played a critical role in shaping their organizations come under one roof and share their experiences with the students and faculty.

Introduction of Open Elective Courses

The Institute started the new initiative of offering Open Elective Courses (optional courses) to the students. The objective of the initiative is to enhance the professional competencies and skills of the students. The credits obtained through these courses will be reflected in the student's transcripts. During the year several courses such as Behaviour Finance, Advanced Lean Management, Export Import Management were offered to the students.

Training, MDP and Consultancy

Faculty of Institute of Management regularly conduct MDPs and FDPs for the corporate executives and faculty of other institutions of higher education. During the year the following training, MDP and consultancy activities were conducted by the Institute:

TYKOONZ –

One Year Program for entrepreneurs

The institute in collaboration with Salahkar conducted a ONE YEAR program branded TYKOONZ for entrepreneurs of small and medium enterprises. Around 30 participants went through this program which started in April 2017 and continued through the year.

Communication & Presentation Skills training for KEMS

The faculty from the institute conducted a one day Communications & Presentations skills training program for the executives of KEM Forgings. The program was attended by 24 executives of the company.

Training program on Banking Industry – A Fundamental Analysis

A one day training program was conducted for Axis Bank employees. The training was conducted for two batches of participant on 19 & 20 Feb, 2018. In total 57 participants attended the program.

Training program on Sustainability & Social Justice in India

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SAP Train the Trainer Workshops

The Institute was requested by New Horizon Engineering College to conduct a 6-days Train the Trainer Workshop on SAP. The sessions were conducted on June 16-17, July 4-5 and July 17-18, 2017 June 2017 at New Horizon Engineering College.

MDP on Business Decision Making using R

The MDP was conducted on Dec 7-8, 2017. The objective of the program was to enhance the skills of the participants in using R for data analysis. The program was attended by 14 participants from industry and academia.

MDP on Marketing Insights for Sales and Business Development Professionals.

The MDP was conducted on January 12-13, 2018. The sessions were conducted by faculty from the Institute's marketing specialization in collaboration with expert practitioners from the industry. The MDP saw 15 participants from various industries such as Software Services, Education Business, Fire and Technology Startups.



MDP on Legal Aspects for Managers

The MDP was conducted on November 10-11, 2017. The program saw participants from reputed corporates such as Toyota, Wep Solutions, etc. The program was highly appreciated by all participants.

MDP on Neural Network Application for sell side Credit and Fraud Analysis

The MDP was conducted on February 2-3, 2018. The program aimed at application of Neural Network - a cutting-edge machine learning tool. The learning outcome of the program was - Credit related decision system in various sectors; Fraud analytics in Banking and non-banking scenarios and Predictive analytics for select asset classes. 3 participants from the Industry and 7 academicians attended the program.

COGNOSCO 2017 – National Conference On Case Studies

The Institute organizes a national conference on case studies – COGNOSCO. This year was the 6th edition of the conference. The two day event held on September 21-22, 2017, included a Faculty Development Program (FDP) on Case Study Writing. 18 cases were presented during the conference that included an interesting mix of domain areas and themes.

HIGHLIGHTS OF MAJOR EVENTS

Chryzellenz 2017

Chryzellenz, the eighth edition of the annual National Level Management Fest organized by Institute

of Management, Kengeri Campus is a two-day event (17th & 18th Nov 2017) in which masterminds from 100+ B-schools competed to ace and shine as ultimate champions. The best of the minds from B-schools across the country compete in the event to prove their mettle. The fest is renowned for its challenging and creative events that spans across a gamut of contemporary management topics, best-in-class hospitality, exciting prizes and unlimited fun. The theme for this year's event was "Pinnacle" - scale new heights... The overall trophy for the event was won by XIME, Bangalore.

Pioneer 2017

Pioneer Entrepreneurship cell (E-cell) of Institute of Management, Christ University, conducted the PIONEER 2017. The curtain raiser event was held on September 27, 2017. The objective of the event is to provide students an opportunity to gain some insight into the excitement and challenges of entrepreneurial ventures. The events included – address by eminent personalities from the Industry and successful entrepreneurs. This was followed by a panel discussion on the topic 'Society shapes media or society feeds media'.

The main and final event of Pioneer 2017 was held on January 19, 2018. Awards were given away in three different categories – Best Business Achiever - Mr. Darshan S, Managing Director, East Shine Group, Best Women Entrepreneur - Ms. Shruti Ravi, CEO, Teal Door Café and Best Social Entrepreneur - Mr. Prashant kumar Sahoo, CEO, Exabit Systems Pvt. Ltd. In addition, cash prizes were awarded for the winners of EMPRESSARIO - a national level entrepreneurial contest involving multiple

online and offline rounds and PROGETTISTA - an Intra-institutional entrepreneurial contest.

Manthan

Manthan an Inter deanery and Inter campus event of the Institute of Management, is a Business Plan Competition to identify potential entrepreneurs who are given an opportunity to launch their ideas into viable commercial ventures. Manthan 2017 consisted of four grueling rounds wherein 5 business abstracts were screened from 87 entries received from various campuses.

Connaissance 2018

Connaissance is an endeavor by the Institute of Management, Kengeri Campus to provoke the thought process of creative B-School students from all over India, towards providing meaningful solutions to burning issues around the globe, with a special focus on India.

The theme of CONNAISSANCE 2018 was "Sustainable Business Practices in a Dynamic Environment". The event held on February 23, 2018 attracted 110 research paper submissions from various states such as Kerala, Tamilnadu, UP, Karnataka and many others. The papers were presented in parallel across six panels that included functional specializations such as HR, finance, marketing, operations. The papers covered varied topics on sustainability such as 'Eco-impact of plastic bags and customer perceptions, Job Hopping, Block chain in Supply chain management, Market basket mapping etc.' The winners and runners up for the Best paper award were encouraged with a cash prize of INR 10,000 and INR 5,000 respectively.

CANTATA 2018

The 2018 sporting calendar of Institute of Management, Christ University ended with the sporting extravaganza – CANTATA, a day of togetherness celebrated at Kengeri Campus where both students and faculty got an opportunity to engage in various sporting activities. The day saw several events - 100m, 400m races, 400m relay, short put and long jump. And later half of the day saw events like Fun-Quiz, Tug of war, Minefield, Blindfolded. It was day of sporting and good fun for both the faculty and students.

Corporate Interface

At Institute of Management, students & faculty members get opportunity to learn from the various

industry leaders for sharing thoughts on different areas of management. This year the Institute saw more than 20 corporate interface session addressed by very eminent and CEO / CXO level speakers engage with the students. The speakers included Mr. R. C. Agrawal, Statutory Auditor, Dena Bank who spoke on Goods and Services Tax (GST), Mr. Sivakarthikeyan Velayutham, CEO, Happy Mongo, who spoke on Touch & feel Virtual and Augmented Reality, His Excellency, Haikwang Lee on the Present and Future of Korea-India Relationship.

Interrogante 2018

Interrogante' the flagship event of The Quest Club at the Institute of Management, Christ (Deemed to be University) is an annual Corporate Business Quiz open to all corporates and colleges. Interrogante 2018 was the seventh edition of the quiz. A total of 39 teams registered for the event. The winners of the event were Mr. Naveen Kumar and Jayakantha of TCS with a prize money of Rs. 60,000. The Runners up and Second Runners up were Novartis (Viraj, Abhishek) and Capgemini (Sethu and Rabi Saha), with a prize money of Rs. 40,000 and Rs. 20,000. Rs. 20,000 respectively.

Environment Day

On 5 June, 2017, the students of Lean Operations & Systems (LOS) specialization observed the World Environment Day with the theme of "Let us not protect Environment, let us Create a WORLD where the Environment does not NEED Protection". The event helped to raise awareness among the student community on emerging environmental issues.

Traffic Awareness Week

As a part of the Traffic Awareness Week between 25-28 September, 2017, a Street Play was organized by the institute to promote traffic awareness.

Looking to the future:

MBA in Business Analytics

Business Analytics is throwing up exciting career opportunities. Keeping in line with the market demand for graduates with deep knowledge of Business Analytics, the Institute has developed a 2 year full time program in Business Analytics. The new specialization will be launched starting June 2018.



DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

During the academic year 2017-18—the Department of Commerce organized a good number of workshops, guest lectures, international conference, social outreach programs, panel discussions, field visits etc.

The department has a vibrant Commerce Association (CUCA) that conducts intra and inter-class activities throughout the year. Prayas — the most prestigious inter-collegiate commerce fest was hosted by the department on 30 and 31 August 2017. Mr Seemant Kumar Singh- Additional Commissioner of Police (East), Bangalore was the Chief Guest for the event.

A Panel Discussion was organized for M.Com students on the theme of ‘Driver and Drivers of Financial Inclusion in India’ on 27 September 2017. Dr. Charan Singh (full time visiting faculty IIMB and former RBI Chair Professor) was the panellist in the discussion. Along with him, Mr. Anshul Sharan Head —Strategy & Planning Grameen Koota and T.Y. Prabhu, Chairman and Managing Director of Oriental Bank of Commerce, New Delhi.

Start-up Master Class was hosted by the department on 9 December 2017, in collaboration with IIT Kanpur, IIT Kharagpur and IIM Bangalore to encourage entrepreneurial skills among budding entrepreneurs and students.

The department formally initiated the GST Advisory and Compliance Cell with four faculty members and 20 students. Various activities of the cell were organised during the year in collaboration with Central Tax GST and Bengaluru GST Zone

- File and Smile — income tax return filing kiosk
- GST awareness program for final year students
- GST Outreach workshop for traders. (180 participants)
- FDP on GST for faculty of other colleges. (57 participants)

The Department organized International Conference for the second time on the theme of ‘Sustaining a Competitive Edge in Changing Global Scenario- Challenges, Practices and Innovation’ on 6 -7 Feb 2018. The Conference was organized in collaboration with Institute of Management Accountants U.S.A.

Samshodhan- Research based Seminar was organized by the P.G. Students of Department of Commerce. 250 students from the department and from other colleges benefited from the Seminar.

Industry-Academia interface was organized in the form of Corpus Conclave, wherein many industry representatives from different MNCs participated. The Oratory Club ‘Suyukti’ initiated a new series of talks by Alumni members titled as ‘Ex@Tedx’.

Faculty and students were engaged in various outreach programmes during 2017-18.

- Spandan- Snehagram Project was organized to offer skill development programs for HIV positive students in Krishnagiri.
- Fest conducted in Kodlipet First Degree College by Commerce students, and their team participated in Prayas 2017
- ‘Gnana Samanvaya’ programme — Organised skill development activities at GFGC, Koppa

DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT STUDIES

The Department of Management Studies had an action packed academic year 2017 – 18. The year started with the Inauguration of the Christ University Management Association and Fresher's Day Celebrations.

Student leaders in the Department – identified through a rigorous selection process – were taken for a two day Leadership Retreat at the Kengeri Campus where they were engaged in many team building activities that were aimed at forging a team with high synergy that would take the Department to greater heights. Our students conquered more than 20 Overall Championships in various Inter-Collegiate Fests and Competitions. This was also the core team that was entrusted with the challenge of hosting our flagship events Esprit and Arthayudh as well as various other competitions (Vistas, Thrive and Zest) that engage our entire student community in learning the challenges in management through different scenarios.

Entrepreneurial ambitions of students are carefully nurtured in the Department through various initiatives of the E-Cell. Ranging from invited talks, panel discussions and B-Plan competitions, the E-Cell of the Department strives to provide budding entrepreneurs a support network. Anvaya – the Department's CSA wing has also had an eventful year with multiple activities aimed at building communities by directing student efforts at serving different underprivileged sects.



Offering specializations like Finance, Marketing and HR, the BBA programme distinguishes itself by engaging final year students in discipline specific clubs – Leverage, Niche and Melange - that build on skills that make our graduates industry-ready. Case discussions, industry visits and guest lectures supplement the curriculum by bridging the gap between theory and reality. Advanced learners in the Department are also involved as student trainers in the unique Skill Enhancement initiative of the Department that focuses on imparting industry relevant skill sets to the students. The Conference on Emerging Trends in Business is an annual platform provided by the Department to researchers around the world to share their research insights.



DEPARTMENT OF HOTEL MANAGEMENT



In the 2016- 17, academic year, many eminent industrial experts and professionals, academicians and alumni visited the department for various academic activities. There were more than 30 guest lectures and interactions and around 20 workshops were conducted by industry experts. Industrial and Academic visits were organized for students and faculty members at regional and international level. Two culinary trips to Tamil Nadu were conducted by SWAD. Local eateries, food processing units, farms and engaging in local community cooking were some of the activities of the trip. It created a learning experience for the culinary students on the various culinary factors of the state. Two students participated in an exchange programme with NHTV Breda University of Applied Sciences, Netherlands. The department conducted several programmes and activities including the 23rd annual culinary competition and hotel abilities test, during the current academic year. The annual culinary competition and hotel ability test was renamed

as “Odyssey” from the 2017-18 academic year onwards. There were 14 institutions that participated in Odyssey. The other activities were, to name a few, Experiential Learning Restaurant (ELR), International housekeeping colloquium, mind curry (quiz), AROME, activities of SWAD and PARIVAR were organized by the department. Students also participated in over 13 Inter-University competitions and fests across India.

As part of teaching-learning and student progression practice, the department of hotel management commenced a new activity on 24 August 2017, titled the “Masterclass”, which is a culinary demonstration conducted by final year culinary students for an audience of 100 members across the University and from outside. This activity operated by the specialization students, helps mould them into confident professionals and build their culinary knowledge and communication, while they step into the world of hospitality. The department of hotel management is proud to have come up with the initiative of the “Masterclass” and seeks to flourish, aiding in the contouring of young culinary professionals in the years to come. Regular interaction with alumni were organised during the academic year. Alumni chapter meetings and discussions were organised by the chapter alumni president Mr Vishal Nagpal, to support the activities of the department. The department also have facilitated internship and placements opportunities for students. The department formulated the strategic plan for the next five years with the theme “High Touch”, based on the concept by Daniel Pink.



DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES



The Department of Professional Studies (DPS) had an enriching and productive year with a blend of academic and extracurricular activities and achievers in CA, CS, Insurance, CIMA, and ACCA. 200 students of the department published 91 research papers in collaboration with faculty members under the research

forum 'Anusandhan'. The department also secured the first position in the University level cultural fest, Blossoms and 3 overall first positions in Business Fests. The department also nurtures the talent in sports through the annual sports festival PROATHLON.

AIKYA 2018 was organized by the department

— a joint event to commemorate the progress made by the university, and the department particularly, towards their commitments under the Gnana Samanvaya initiative of the Karnataka Government. On this occasion the department also felicitated the academic, co-



curricular, and extra-curricular achievements of the students of the department. **INSIGHT** is an introductory Business fest organized by the second year students exclusively for all the first year students of the Department. It gives the participants a taste of all the areas in a business fest. The second level is **Incognito** which provides a platform for first and second year students, under the guidance of their seniors. **COGNITO** is the flagship event of DPS. A Corporate Business Fest of the highest caliber attracts colleges from all over the country. This year's theme was Consortium with more than 20 participating colleges from across the nation. St. Joseph's College for Commerce, Bangalore emerged as the winners for Cognito Consortium 2017.

SAMYUKT is the department's initiative towards showcasing the research and co curricular activities of the students and also providing a platform for interacting with professional bodies and industry members. This year dignitaries from ACCA, Grant Thornton and EY shared their corporate expertise with the students. **INVESTA INQUEST**: A symposium on Entrepreneurship and brand leveraging along with GST

was organized with talks by various industry experts. **FutureMUN 2018**, a Model United Nations Simulation was a successful three day conference organized with the prime goal of introducing students to the world of diplomacy, negotiation and decision making and provide a platform to discuss and deliberate on global issues and concerns and come up with solutions.

INC.LINE was an event that brought together investors and start-ups in the EdTech Industry and allowed them to interact, network and pitch on one extensive platform. In addition to that, various speakers imparted their valuable knowledge and more than 30 deans from all over the country participated.

The department encourages the literary acumen of the students through PROFUSE, the annual collectanea. In addition, the department also inaugurated the bi-annual newsletter PRATIBIMB showcasing the various events of the department. **Outreach Programmes** like Sahyog, Genesys, Spandan, Gnana Samanvaya and Enactus witnessed the departments' endeavours recognising social responsibility.





SCHOOL OF BUSINESS STUDIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

School of Business Studies and Social Sciences, CHRIST (Deemed to be University) Bannerghatta Road (CU-BGR) Campus was established in 2016 as a unique body of interdisciplinary academic pursuit with a focus to enable students to branch out into the realms of varied disciplines so as to receive the best of blended learning, while primarily concentrating on the roots of the main discipline under study. For this purpose, all the programmes offered in CU-BGR Campus, under the Clusters of Business Studies and Social Sciences are clubbed together under the umbrella of a single Deanery. The programmes offered in the Campus include BSc Psychology (Honours), BA Economics (Honours), BA Journalism (Honours), BA English (Honours), BA (English, Political Science, History), BA (Media Studies, Economics, Political Science), BBA (Finance and International Business), BBA (Honours), BBA (Tourism and Travel Management), MBA (Tourism Management) and MA English with Cultural Studies.

CU-BGR Campus is spread over 2.4 acres, 7 kilometres from the Main Campus and includes all infrastructure that supports learning and growth, as the University believes

in offering its students a holistic education and wishes to nurture their tender minds by offering them with the best of facilities. With facilities catering to the needs of all the programmes, the CU-BGR Campus Library is a commendable space provided to students to enable them to broaden their horizons. The Library spread across two floors, has a huge array of more than 10,000 books, more than 50 Computer Terminals to facilitate access to the digital world, and two Symposium Rooms for presentations and discussions. In addition to the Library, the whole Campus is also wi-fi enabled along with two fully-equipped Computer Labs. The Main Auditorium in the Campus is equipped with state of the art acoustics and sound facilities and offers a seating capacity of 1700. To organize various programmes of academic and cocurricular interests, the Campus is also supported with a Seminar Hall with a seating capacity of 120 and a Mini Auditorium with a seating capacity of 250. The Campus also houses a technologically competent Media Lab and a Psychology Lab to cater to the learning needs of students from the respective disciplines. CU-BGR Campus also hosts a Boys' Hostel named Christ Hall. With a capacity to accommodate 258 students, the Hostel also has 22 fully-furnished Guest Rooms, to host visiting faculty members and other guests of the University. With a two-leveled parking space, the Campus can accommodate close to

2500 two-wheelers and 300 four-wheelers, with round the clock security.

The number of food outlets in the CU-BGR Campus are numerous, the most notable being the Indian Coffee House Cafeteria on the ground floor that caters to the diverse student body with North and South Indian Cuisine, and other refreshments. Nandini Parlor, Café Coffee Day and Tasteon Foods are three other food exits where students can grab a quite bite. The Fitness Center in the Campus is well equipped with a plethora of gym equipment, and students can be seen actively using the Badminton and Basketball Courts, and Table Tennis Boards after college hours. Students of CU-BGR Campus are also continuously motivated to participate in all Sports Tournaments in Basketball, Cricket, Football, Tennis and Athletics in the Main Campus and in other inter-collegiate and inter-university tournaments around the country, where they have won numerous championships and competitions.

Our University always believes in not just providing a space for students to discover and hone their various talents, but also interact with their talented peers to instigate new and creative collaborations. And hence, CU-BGR Campus has kept alive and more, the 'festing' culture, and through the various ingenious fests, offers cultural platforms to the students to thrive and flourish. The Christ University Business Studies and Social Sciences Association (CUBSA) that functions under the aegis of CU-BGR Campus is instrumental to a great extent in encouraging and promoting students to explore and showcase their talents, get into the culture of knowledge application, and hone their skills by managing them through co-curricular and extra-curricular activities. This year CUBSA successfully flagged off *Querencia*, the National-Level, Multidisciplinary, Mega Fest of CU-BGR Campus. Entailing a diversity that is one of a kind and a vision that is far more sighted than any other event witnessed in the world of festing, *Querencia* celebrated the reality of collaboration in competition thereby moving towards bridging disciplines from across colleges and universities in the country. Through *Querencia*, CUBSA was able to offer a common

arena to individuals from across disciplines to gather together and exhibit their talents. The Campus came alive with a plethora of discipline-specific fests, be it *Arthotsav* of Economics Studies, *Gobblefunk* of English Studies, *Raabta* of Media Studies, *Aaroha* of Psychology Studies, and *Dialogue* of History and Political Science, from within the sphere of Social Sciences. From the stable of Management Studies came *Genesis*, *Inferno*, and *Novice*, while Tourism Studies redesigned *Alta Vista*, *Ontrack*, *Jharokha* and *Exodus*. All these fests acknowledged interdisciplinary participations and collaborations among students from within all campuses of the University and from around the country, allowing for multiple perspectives and approaches to the competitive arenas with discipline-specific twists. Under the guidance of CUBSA, students from CU-BGR Campus also participated successfully in more than 30 national and international level fests and events, winning overall championships in most.

Student Publications, *Travelogue* and *Frequent Flyer* from Tourism Studies, *Pulse* and *Envision* from Management Studies, and *Litscape* and *Paracosm* from English Studies also found place in the Libraries of Universities, Colleges and Institutions, and on the Reading Tables of prominent Corporate Houses across the country and abroad.

CU-BGR Campus has a strong Entrepreneurship Cell that believes in promoting a spirit of innovation and enterprise among the students. The Cell kindles the passion for entrepreneurship and ideas and brings together students from both Business Studies and Social Sciences by offering them a platform to present their enterprising business ideas. The Cell also conducts



Certificate Programmes in collaboration with prominent organisations like KE Global to give students a different perspective on how to shape their business thoughts and further enable them in an all-round development. Fests, like *Bob the Builder*, a bid and build competition and the Marketing fest, *Marketon* offered good opportunities for students to come up with different business plans and get a hands-on real-life experience in the business-world. This year, the Cell organized the first edition of *The Speakers' Conclave*, a flagship event that focused on offering a platform to pioneer speakers from different walks of life to share the stories of their journeys. The event served as a perfect opportunity for the speakers to disseminate their knowledge, ideas and learnings in life. Few of the notable names who addressed the students of the Campus on the platform were Mr Deepak Shinde, Mr B N Dayananda, Dr Aneesh Vidyashankar and Dr N Jayasankaran Natesa Aiyar.

Furthermore, aside from fests, CU-BGR Campus also saw students from the various programmes gathering together not just to participate, but also to cheer on their cohorts for a variety of multicultural events. Of these, *Darpan* was organized as the first deanery-level talent-hunt event for the students in the Campus. Organized by the Student Welfare Office (SWO) of the Campus, *Darpan* was an "ice-breaker" especially for the First-Year Students by exposing them to the University culture of not just nurturing but also celebrating talent. *Darpan* was followed in a similar vein by *Blossoms*, the inter-deanery fest that fostered strong bonds of camaraderie within the Campus, considering how the entirety of School of Business Studies and Social Sciences was in competition

against the other deaneries in the national-level, inter-university fest, *In-bloom*. Dancers from CU-BGR Campus, in large numbers also made their presence felt in the University Dance Day, *Nritta – A Journey of Movements* with adrenaline pumping performances. *Nritta* was for the first time, also staged in a packed CU-BGR Campus Main Auditorium in March, 2018.

SWO in the CU-BGR Campus remains a strong body of more than 300 student volunteers that helps organise all the University level programmes and events. SWO also coordinates the students' participation in the University Cultural Team, the University and Campus Choir, and *Natyarpana*, the University Dance Team. From the time of the establishment of CU-BGR Campus, SWO has organized numerous events in the Campus, most notably the Academic Year Inauguration Programmes, *Ethnic Day* and *Bhasha Utsav*, the *Colours Week* in the month of August, *Darpan* and *Blossoms*, and the Convocation Day, every year. Christites of the Bannerghatta Road Campus also remained integral participants in all the major events and activities that were organized in the Main Campus and Kengeri Campus of the University, with the support of SWO.

Centre for Social Action (CSA) is the University's very own NGO and social activist organisation managed entirely by students. The CSA Wing in CU-BGR Campus aims to increase awareness on social issues like waste segregation, child labour, women empowerment and safety. Street plays are organized from time to time in and outside the Campus on socially relevant themes



and the Activity Centre identifies areas to be adopted by CSA to teach and educate children in the lesser developed parts of the city and to also provide opportunities for their growth. CSA also documents the events and brings to light many social issues through photographs and articles. The Association also organizes Blood Donation Camps, Photo Walks and Rural Exposure Camps to offer students more real-life experiences. *Tattva – The Social Responsibility Week Celebrations* organized by CSA on the theme of Natural Resource Management, became more than just a platform for creative contributions and competitions, by instigating students to evaluate their contributions to the society and understand that true victory lies in the emancipation of the society.

School of Business Studies and Social Sciences also organized numerous workshops and guest lectures in the Campus. The *Scholar-in-Residence Programme* introduced Mr Sadanand Menon, a Member of several Apex Advisory Boards in India and an Adjunct Faculty Member with the Asian College of Journalism and IIT-Madras, to the students and Faculty Members of the Campus. His discourses encompassed the various ideas of Cultural Nationalism, Manufacturing Consent, Manufacturing Dissent: Reading Cultural Activism in Contemporary Times, and True Journalism. CU-BGR Campus in association with Funky Rainbow: The Traveling Children's Workshop organized *The Story Studio* – Masterclass in Writing and Storytelling for Children, a two-day Masterclass to equip participants with the essential tools to help create and narrate compelling stories for young audiences. While, Dr Vivek Dhareshwar organized a two-day Workshop for the students of MA English with Cultural Studies, Mr Mohammad Younus organized a two-day Soft Skills Training Programme for the students of MBA (Tourism Management). The Speaker Series on India's Economy Rewired, a unique endeavour by the Discipline of Economics of CU-BGR Campus had Shri. Feroze Varun Gandhi, Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha) addressing the Campus on the Economic Development of the Nation. In addition to the lieu of esteemed and noted



personalities, from across Academic, Business and other spheres of life who visited the Campus in the year gone by, the visit of Shri Rana Daggubati, Actor and Producer, and Padmasri Sabu Cyril, renowned Film Production Designer definitely sent the Campus into a frenzy.

Many Clubs and Associations also perform in CU-BGR Campus. Most notable among them being Wordsmiths - the Writers' Club; Spin Shot - the Photography Club; Orpheus Productions - the Proscenium Theatre; Noisy Corridor - the Indian Dance Team; CU-BGR Campus Choir; DEBSOC - the Debating Society and the Sports Club that also offers Certificate Programmes, to name a few. The Association of Christian Christites (ACC) organizes regular prayer meetings and monthly mass in the Santhome Parish Church Chapel, adjacent to the Campus. While Centre for Concept Design (CCD), Centre for Academic and Professional Support (CAPS) and Centre for Advanced Research and Training (CART) support the advanced learning needs of students in the Campus, the Mentoring and Counselling Services (MACS) and Peer Education also support student well-being and professional growth. In addition to all the Clubs and Associations, frequent Industry Interface Sessions, Book Talks and Alumni Interactions are organized for students and faculty members, alike. Weekly Holistic Education Sessions also support in inculcating strong moral, personal, interpersonal and societal values in the students. The Skill Development Sessions on all Thursdays, the regular Industry Visits for all Classes across Disciplines, the Outbound Training Programmes and the Study Tours have all made noteworthy contributions to make the year gone by memorable for students and all members of CU-BGR Campus.

CENTRE FOR ADVANCED RESEARCH AND TRAINING (CART)

In the academic year 2017-2018, Centre for Advanced Research and Training, a wing of Innovation Centre, CHRIST (Deemed to be University) offered several programs to support research of faculties and students of CHRIST. Through some of the programs CART could extend its supports to research aspirants outside CHRIST as well.

In the odd semester of 2017-2018, CART offered six open elective courses for students. These included Excel, R, IOT, SPSS, Python and a course on information literacy. CART also offered certificate course for School of Law and for the Department of Mathematic. CART also got the golden opportunity to train a group of four professors from Aquinas College of Higher Studies, Sri Lanka. A summer workshop on data analysis was also organized by CART.

Incorporating feedbacks on CART courses, from the even semester CART initiated a new course titled "Research data analysis using different softwares". The main focus of this workshop was to equip facilitators with different concepts in course on information literacy which they have to teach participants who attend their software classes. CART also conducted a three day workshop in November 2017 for PG students of the Department of Psychology.

CART has successfully completed two sessions on training Christ Junior College faculties on plagiarism and referencing styles on 29 July 2017. In the academic year 2017-2018, CART conducted training on three different



softwares for the MPhil students of the Humanities and Social Sciences as well as the Commerce and Management Deanery. One of the new initiatives taken by CART in even semester was the modular training program exclusively offered for faculties of CHRIST. CART successfully completed two modular training programs per course. Participants who cleared the practical exam were given a certificate as well.

Another major initiative taken up in this academic year is the publication internship for UG and PG students. The objective of this program was to develop a research interest in students and to help them learn the techniques of coming up with a good research paper which can be published in reputed journals. CART also offered research support for twenty one faculties in different areas of research. This include writing Ph.D. thesis, using different software's for analyzing results, publication work, MRP project support, monograph support, practicing different software's etc.



CENTRE FOR CONCEPT DESIGN

Centre for Concept Design (CCD) and the Green View Studio, was commissioned to make digital video courses and support faculty members with digital teaching methodology. Training sessions were conducted at Green View Studio for new faculty across departments. A total of 100 plus faculty were trained on how to prepare digital video sessions. They were given hands-on experience too.

Promotional videos were made for Deanery of Humanities and Social Sciences, BGR auditorium, 'Antony and Cleopatra,' a play by the School of Law, CJC MUN, Counselling department of CJC and IB Career Counselling. A video on academic integrity, as well as 'Chavarul,' a video presentation on St. Chavara by the students of CJC were made by the studio. An advertorial for Christ College, Mysuru, was done in the Green View Studio.

The Studio was instrumental in making more than 100 video lecture sessions in the academic year 2017-18 by faculty from various departments. CAPS, the Centre for Academic and Professional Support, made use of the studio by bringing out e-modules. The studio ventured out and went beyond the four walls, making videos of practical experiments by the Faculty of Engineering, Kengeri.

Media students were given an opportunity to make use of the facility and more than 15 interviews were recorded as part of their CNEWS assignment. Workshops on camera, lighting, video making etc. were conducted for students of MAMCS, MSW, MBA HRM and CIM Ghaziabad.

The Studio also covered events such as Magnificat and Sound Curry, and also extended its support of photography for few major events and also for magazine and website.



CENTRE FOR COUNSELLING AND HEALTH SERVICES



Orientation Counselling

The Centre for Counselling and Health Services (CCHS) conducted the Orientation Counselling for the new batch of students of all the various streams.

Students were welcomed into their new environment and were gently reminded of the expected decorum and the methodology of the grading system. The basic rules and regulations with respect to class timings, the required attendance, expected code of conduct, dress code, methods of evaluation, the system of allotment of marks, the concept of CIA (Continuous Internal Assessment) and the number of points they carry, etc were all explained in detail.

Students were urged to feel free to seek the help of their counsellors for both academic and personal support, with an assurance of confidentiality. The assigned counsellor to each of the streams was introduced briefly, along with details of her location on campus. Students were encouraged to allow their parents to be actively involved in their growth in the university.

They were also given a brief introduction to the various other student support services and other activities that they could be involved in.

Help Desks

The Centre for Counselling and Health Services, along with the Student Welfare Office, set up Help Desks at

the different buildings on campus, in order to usher in new students and provide them with any assistance.

Psycho-Education Classes

Psycho-education classes were conducted in both odd and even semesters for all first year students by their respective batch counsellors. Interactive, informal sessions were conducted

on the topics of addictions, managing relationships, reproductive health, group dynamics in the classroom, personal safety, etc.

Peer Education Programme 2017-'18

The Peer Education Programme 2017-'18 was conducted for 4 batches of students. Trained Peer Educators then delivered formal and informal sessions in their own classes on the topics like relationships, reproductive health, substance abuse, personal safety etc. finally completing their course as Peer Educators. The 5th edition of the annual Peer Treasure magazine was released at the end of the academic year.

Meeting with the Student Council was held on 18 August 2017 in the Conference Room, Central Block in order to discuss matters of concern raised by the Student Council.

Community Outreach Program

Dr Urmi Shelley and Ms Manjula participated in the Community Outreach Program organized by BGR campus, Christ University. The programme included topics like student discipline, handling emotional outbursts and dealing with anxiety.

Deanery Meetings with CCHS

The CCHS organized deanery-wise meetings, each of them chaired by the Director, Student Affairs in the

Conference room of Central Block (12 noon to 1:30 pm) between 19th August to 30th August. During these meetings class teachers, co-ordinators and HOD together with the respective batch counsellors discussed relevant issues pertaining to students, including discussions on help for students with special needs.

Parent-Faculty Meeting

The CCHS organised the biannual parent-faculty meeting on 23 September 2017 at 3:30 pm in Block 4, BHM restaurant. The meeting was attended by about 100 parents of students from all three campuses. During

the meeting, challenges and plans for the coming Golden Jubilee year were discussed.

Attendance Condonation Meeting was held on 28 September 2017 from 2:30 pm – 5:30 pm at the Conference Room, Central Block.

Health Awareness Initiatives by the Health Centre

Awareness programmes were conducted to all the final year students on Women's Health and Substance abuse & Addictions during month of November & December 2017.

CENTRE FOR PUBLICATIONS

The Centre for Publications publishes books, journals and conference proceedings that are specialized in academic subjects to communicate the development in respective fields through latest hypotheses and research results to the academic community. One of the key functions of the Centre is to develop a system that facilitates the sharing of knowledge and expand research networks.

The Centre is dedicated to the global dissemination of information that enables academicians to acquire, enlarge, promote, and dispense knowledge by scholarly and professional resources throughout the world. The six international journals published by the Centre under various disciplines maintain high standards of quality and content with Editorial Boards comprised of scholars from across the globe.

The Centre also publishes various documents pertaining to the functioning of the University such as the university annual report, the annual report of publication, research and academic outreach of faculty, student and staff handbooks, academic planner, lab manuals, workbooks and orientation handbooks for the students. The research work done by the faculty members through Centre for Research Projects like working papers, monographs and major research projects have also been



published by the Centre of Publications in the form of 98 books (with ISBN).

Kannada Sangha, another wing of the University publications, has published 346 books in Kannada. For the past 46 years, Kannada Sangha has been known to publish Kannada books in all literary forms like poetry, short story, essay, novel and critical writing. The Sangha has published many novels from the literature of Bengali, Oriya, Malayalam, Tamil, Marathi, Hindi and English in Kannada. The Sangha has been conducting competitions in poetry writing for 36 years and short story writing for nine years for College and University students across the state and outside the state of Karnataka to encourage budding talent. Every year these literary works are published in the form of books. In 2017-18, the Sangha has published three books on short story and poetry.

CENTRE FOR DIGITAL INNOVATION [CDI]



In the academic year 2017-2018 the Centre for Digital Innovation [CDI], a wing of Innovation Centre, has seen new heights by signing MoUs for research in Information Technology (IT) with different companies such as WIZnet, Danuon etc, enabling the students to participate in international innovation contests and offering courses and internships on cutting edge technologies. Under the guidance of CDI, our students have won prizes worth 11000 USD in total. More than

200 students got trained on Internet of Things (IoT) by experts from Republic of Korea in two phases. The internship programme had participants from our University as well as Korean universities working on R&D projects and it helped them in gaining industry expertise.

The ERP team added many features to the CHRIST KnowledgePro (KP) such as online bank account

creation for newly admitted students, online payment of fees for selected students, user interface changes, support of internal audit and staff appraisal, etc. Simultaneously, CDI began work on the new ERP system which will support administration, research and teaching / learning of next generation university.





CENTRE FOR SOCIAL ACTION (CSA)

CHRIST (Deemed to be University), since its inception 1969, has strived for using 'education as a tool for development'. This concept has and will continue to contribute to the institute's growth to greater heights. CSA, which began in 1999, is the centre that is spearheading this mission to its fullest.

CSA has been promoting volunteerism and enabling students to develop as socially responsible citizens by involving them in social development initiatives both in campuses and marginalized communities. It envisions that every student will be aware, sensitive and empathetic and contributing to sustainable changes in the society.

Apart from student programmes, child-centered and integrated development initiatives in urban, rural and tribal areas and waste management efforts, this year witnessed new activities. They include:

Rural Exposure Camps/Visits: Being a strategically important programme, this is conducted as an attempt to make social responsibility a culture among all students in the University by exposing them to the socio-economic and cultural situations of the rural communities and students are involved in the socio-economic development of these marginalized areas.

During the year, 39 rural visits for students, CSA volunteers and faculty and members of international institutes were conducted in places like Hoskote, Srinivasapura and urban slums. Around 2200 students and faculty participated in these visits. The international institutions were VID University, Zurich University, Han University, Bodo University and University Studies Abroad Consortium (USAC). Some of these students interned in CSA.

Campus Based Activities: CSA volunteers conducted a discussion on "Patriot or a Global Citizen: Which way is the right way"?, Sustainability Week and Social Responsibility Week. Through the discussions and events, the students deliberated on issues of hunger, climate change, sustainability, exclusiveness, health and environmental degradation. Events like talks, workshops and poetry marked the occasions and several non-governmental organizations contributed to their learning. The students internalized social responsibility values as a result.

Through **Prayatna** programme, CSA volunteers, set up stalls on a monthly basis in the campus. Products from the rural areas and the handmade recycled paper products produced by the campus based and poor

women run production unit are displayed and sold. The income generated is given to the farmers and the producers. This way the institute is assisting the farmers and producers in accessing a direct market for their produce. Besides, their incomes don't land in the hands of the middle men.

BRIDGE Programme: A collaboration effort with Bosch India Foundation, the BRIDGE (Bosch's Response to India's Development and Growth through Employability Enhancement) Programme is aimed at ensuring the employability of unprivileged school dropout youth between the ages of 18 and 25 who are not in education, employment or training (youth in the NEET category). The BRIDGE centre is in the main campus and during this year, 85 youngsters from Bangalore's slums were trained. 75 students have been placed in jobs with salaries ranging from Rs 9000 to Rs. 13000 per month.

Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA) Project: This is a Central Government project which began in August 2017. It aims at linking together higher education institutions and rural areas to develop the rural areas holistically with the help of the knowledge and skills of higher education institutions and the rural communities. CSA volunteers and CU students were involved in the six project villages in Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore Rural



District. They conducted village and household surveys, entered the data obtained, consolidated the findings and supported in developing the village development plans. They conducted skits, theme based songs and dances, tableaux and street theatre about smokeless chullahs (stoves), need for establishing women's cooperative banks, importance of education and need for environmental protection.

Launch of New Socio-Economic Development Projects: After systematic surveys and design of socio-economic development projects, two projects, supported by Bishops Conference of Italy (BCI) were launched in Ghaziabad and Janakiram Layout slum in Bangalore. The projects are designed to develop the children and their communities through education, promotion of community based organizations and livelihood programmes.

CENTRE FOR SUSTAINABLE EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT

The centre associates with academicians, research scholars, alumni, voluntary organizations, corporate and government departments interested in developing sustainability model towards education. Activities during the year are: Channelizing the educational scholarship/fee

concession within the University to create a sustainability model and providing support to the Alumni Association in website updating, events, scholarship, engagement and data base management of alumni.



CENTRE FOR ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL SUPPORT (CAPS)

Centre for Academic and Professional Support has a vision to be a benchmark in the global academic circles, in providing professional and academic based solutions to CHRIST (Deemed to be University) audience and the society. To achieve the same CAPS has set a mission to provide a shared platform for the entire university to exchange knowledge and experience, in order to harness expertise in the academic as well as professional spheres.

To ensure rigor in the approach and to maintain standards on par with the global benchmarks, CAPS takes a systemic approach to planning and operations. As a part of this, CAPS facilitates the Biannual Review in November and Annual Review in March.

Objective

- To review the progress of the targets set for 2017-18.
- To study the trends in demand and supply of services in the year 2017-18 and draw implications for the offerings in 2018-19.



- Understand the challenges faced in the optimal functioning during 2017-18 and formulate strategies to overcome them in 2018-19.
- Goal setting and work allotment for 2018-19.

Timeline

| Date(s) | Process |
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| March 22, 2018 | Draft 1 of Annual Report to be sent to the Executive Committee |
| March 23 – 29, 2018 | Discussion and Review of the Annual Report with the Executive Committee |
| April 15, 2018 | Draft 2 of Annual Report to be sent to the Executive Committee |
| April 27, 2018 | Submission of the final report by the Executive Committee |
| April 30, 2018 | The release of the CAPS Annual Report |

Summary

- 276 one-on-one assistance sessions were conducted.
- 250+ clients participated in 31 events on specialized client need based training.
- 132 classroom peer training sessions were conducted with more than 8500 participants.
- 106 events were organised with 800+ participants.
- 69 sessions on assessments were conducted with more than 200 participants.
- 23 sessions on online writing assistance were organised with more than 650 participants.

CENTRE FOR RESEARCH (PhD)

PhD Admission 2016 - 2017

The admission procedure commenced in the month of August 2017 and 80 scholars selected for admission for the academic year 2017-2018. Number of students admitted in different disciplines are as follows; Chemistry – 1, Commerce - 4, Computer Science - 3, Economics – 3, Education – 6, Engineering – 6, English – 3, International Studies – 1, Law – 5, Management – 13, Mathematics – 5, Media Studies – 3, Physics – 4, Psychology – 16, Social Work – 6 and Tourism - 1

Coursework

A six months coursework classes started in the month of December 2017 and will be completed in the month of May, 2018. The coursework is being conducted as Phase I, Phase – II and Phase – III and at the end of the Phase III, the Centre will conduct an end semester examination will be conducted in May 2018.

PhD Defense Completed

9 scholars have successfully completed PhD defense and they will be awarded PhD degree during the convocation to



be held in May 2018. 16 scholars have submitted their PhD theses and they are awaiting final defense.

Review meeting and Proposal Presentation

The Centre for Research completed review meeting for the 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015 batch PhD Scholars and verified their progress in research. The 2016 batch PhD scholars have completed their PhD Proposal Presentation and issued Coursework Completion Certificates.



STUDENT COUNCIL



OFFICE OF INFORMATION PROCESSING AND MANAGEMENT

Information Processing and Management (IPM) maintains the electronic data of various programmes offered at the University. Attendance Monitoring for the students and staff is the main function of this office. An attendance application has been made available for the faculty who use the app to record student's attendance online as per the class time table. The attendance recording will be reflecting at the same time in the student's login and can be monitored and verified by the students and parents also. IPM coordinating with other administrative offices like Office of Admissions, Office of Accounts and Office of Examinations. IPM started its activities for the Academic year 2017-18 in the month of

April, 2017 by defining the Curriculum and updating the course details. After the updation of the curriculum and course the course structure is available to students and faculties. The syllabus and course plan will be available in the student login well in advance before starting the classes. Time table for all the classes were ready by May30, 2017 and will be available for the student's login in detail. This is done with the intention of helping the students to plan their studies and other activities without any conflicts.

All the First year students admitted in the academic year 2017-18 were assigned with new register number which will be used for all the communication and records



in the university. Register Numbers are allotted to all students by the first day of their classes. Class room allotments for each section are also managed by IPM office. University ID card for all students are issued on the first day of the class and distributed in their respective class rooms. Staff ID cards are provided directly from the IPM Office. Staff and Students also receive a Smart Card for their money transactions in the university. This card also can be used as a Debit card. It is processed by Office of IPM through SIB in the university campus and will be distributed to students in their respective class rooms and Staff's from the IPM office.

All User id and passwords for students such as student login, email id, library, My course etc. were issued to the students in their respective class rooms with timely cooperation from IT services. Office of IPM sends shortage of attendance letter to the parents 3 times in a semester and this will help the parents to monitor their wards and helps them in contacting the Counsellors and Class teachers if required. As per the University regulations, a student would

require 85% of attendance to appear for the end semester examinations. Office of IPM is taking care of the distribution of University Diary, Calendar and Handbook in all the three campuses. University Diary for students and staff were distributed on January 3rd, the Founders day and the hand book and calendar were distributed on the 1st week of June after the commencement of the classes.

The Office administers and monitors the publishing of End semester Examination Hall tickets and dues forms clearance for all the UG & PG Students. Students can download clearance form through their student's login. If any dues exist, they can be submitted and cleared at the respective offices. Office of IPM will clear all the dues after verification of the clearance form with in the same day itself. Odd semester End semester hall ticket was released on 28-9-2016 and Even semester hall ticket was released on 22-3-2017. The co-ordination work for the annual convocation was in vigour with the office of examinations, followed by the promotion process for the next Academic year 2017-18.

OFFICE OF EXAMINATION

Office of Examinations continued its efforts to supplement the academic process of the university through a fair and transparent evaluation system. In order to bring more rigour to the internal assessment, the Office introduced the system of formative feedback through evaluation rubrics set by the faculty members and made it accessible to the students through their student login. The Office also constituted team of experts to train the faculty members on developing quality assignments with specific learning objectives and outcomes that align with course objectives, programme outcome and graduate attributes of the institution. Experts were also involved in reviewing the assignments of each department and giving feedback for improvement to the faculty. This will be a continuous process by the office which will strengthen the assessment system in the University. The Board of Management has approved the proposal of Office of Examinations to bring more autonomy to the faculty members in the assessment process by increasing the mark distribution for internal assessment and delinking some of the processes from the Office. A team of 7 faculty members led by the Controller of Examinations visited Virginia Commonwealth University to understand various methods and practices employed there to bring more autonomy to the faculty in the assessment process. Based on the learnings of the visit it has been decided to introduce decentralized process of evaluation in Institute of Management and Masters Programmes of Department of Psychology from the academic year 2018-19.

From the academic year 2017-18, Office of Examination was entrusted with the responsibility of supporting the departments to develop the course structure of each programme for the academic year based on the the guidelines of the University. Changes were made in the ERP of the University to streamline the syllabus and course plan entry and timely submission of various reports by the faculty.



Internal assessments by the faculty members, Mid semester and End semester examinations were conducted for all programmes and marks were published to the students as per the academic calendar. Results of both odd and even semesters were published within 15 working days after the last examination in each semester. In addition to the regular examinations supplementary examinations were also held as per the calendar.

In the academic year 2017 -18 out of 4298 undergraduate students 3939 are graduating with a success percentage of 91.64%. In the Masters programmes out of 1801 students 1733 are graduating with success percentage of 96.22%.

Convocations for 2017-18 will be held on 19 May 2018 for School of Business Studies and Social sciences, 20 May 2018 for Faculty of Engineering, 25 May 2018 for Deanery of Science and Deanery of Humanities and Social Sciences, 26 May Deanery of Commerce and Management, School of Education and Masters in Social Work, 27 May 2018 for Institute of Management, School of Law, Department of Professional Studies, Interdisciplinary Masters Programme and various PhD Programmes. Prof Japhet, Vice Chancellor Bangalore Central University, Prof Souvik Bhattacharyya Vice Chancellor BITS Pilani, Prof Anil Bhoulmik, Former Director IIT Patna, Dr M S Subhas, Vice Chancellor VSU University Bellari and Lt Gen Vikas Gupta, Commandant, Army Service Corps Centre will grace the occasion on the respective days of Convocation as Chief Guests .

OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

International Office organized various Academic Training Programs for faculty and students from USA, Russia, Germany, Switzerland and France. Around 100 faculty and students attended the programs from various Universities for duration of around 10-15 days. 68 students from University Studies Abroad Consortium (USAC) - USA came for study abroad programs.



As a part of student exchange program, 7 students visited from IESEG School of Management (France), University of Burgundy (France) and University of Applied Sciences Wurzburg- Schweinfurt (Germany). International Office sent 13 students to Baldwin Wallace University (USA), IESEG School of Management (France), Sciences

Po (France) and NHTV University of Applied Sciences (Netherlands).

A group of 10 students went to USA, UK and France for Credit Transfer program. 2 Students went to Lille Catholic University (France) for the European Summer Program. 3 students visited USA as part of Disney Cultural Exchange program.



OFFICE OF STUDENT WELFARE (SWO)

This 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 300+ volunteers from across the campus who helped in organizing various events such as Convocation, Inaugurations, Darpan, Patriotic Song competition, Teachers Day Celebrations, Sports Day, Magnificat, Blossoms, National and International Conferences, In-Bloom, National Quiz Championship, Farewell Day, Grand Christmas Show, Sound Curry, Dance Day, Gratitude Day, etc. We had a two day orientation program for the volunteers and the Cultural Team at the Kengeri campus to train them to be more effective team players.

The cultural team visited different colleges across the country and competed in various cultural fests. A few memorable visits out of the many were BITS Goa by the BGR Campus and Kengeri Campus, IIT Chennai by the Main Campus, NIT Trichy, Rajagiri Kerala, St. Josephs, Mount Carmel College, New Horizon, IIMB, CMS, Sindhi, Jain University etc. The Cultural team also performed at Lavasa Campus and Pune City and got huge applause from the public.

The CHRIST University Quiz Association (CUQA) organized weekly and monthly quizzes for the students to enrich their quizzing abilities. CUQA for the fifth 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 s also participated in various quizzes across the nation and has won many competitions. CUQA also organized an All Girls Quiz to encourage girls' participation in the quizzing scene.

CHRIST Choir with over 130 students which is the biggest choir in the city organized Magnificat in the Main, Kengeri and BGR Campuses in which around 25 choirs across the country participated to sing the glory of the Lord. The University Choir also performed in Kodaikanal International School, CMC Vellore and various other places in the city.

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 also organized University Dance Day "Nritta" with 350+ dancers from all three campuses sharing the stage to present a wonderful dance performance.

Overall it has been a great year for the SWO with a huge success of events like Darpan with over 5000 students participating, In-Bloom with over 60 Colleges/ Universities across the nation participating and National Level Quiz Championship with over 150 Teams participating and making it one of the biggest quiz fests in the country.



LIBRARY AND INFORMATION CENTRE

Knowledge Centre

| Library Resources | | | | | |
|-------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|--|----------|---|
| Books | Books added | Circulation of books per month | Electronic Databases (e-books, e-journals) | Journals | Library users Per month (Gate Statistics) |
| 2,55,962 | 9062 | 11,201 | 1,55,000 | 621 | 17,832 |

| Library - Resources | | | |
|--|--------------------------|--|---|
| Total number of computers for general access | Internet bandwidth speed | Content management system for e-learning | Participation in resource sharing networks/ consortia |
| 90 | 111 6MB | Moodle EPRINTS | INFLIBNET DELNET |

Library

The library is renamed as Knowledge Centre to turn it into a knowledge and 'happening' hub. Several initiatives have been taken to attract and sensitise the students and faculty to use library resources optimally such as Bookmark—Annual Book Exhibition, and Discussion Rooms in the Knowledge Centre, Book Talk, library research-based CIA, compulsory library hours for MPhil and PhD scholars, online resources, and Braille text. The University has well-equipped libraries with a built-up area of 5781 Sq.m. Library Advisory Committee manages the procurement of library resources based on the needs of faculty and students. The library has 2,95,760 catalogued items, 621 print journals and magazines, 19 online databases, and 4,485 question papers online. The



library is automated. The diverse collections with the update of general collections and subject specific reference work in the library cater to the needs of students. Well-qualified librarians and able support staff manage the library.

The library uses OPAC software namely KOHA. There are 90 computers for general access with 4 Gbps of Internet bandwidth speed and an institutional repository (repository.christuniversity.in). Moodle-a, content management system, is used for e-learning. The library has resource sharing networks/consortia with DELNET, British Council Library, IIM-B Library and ISEC.

The library has installed anti-theft devices, Biometric Access Gates for its day-to-day activities. The library procured Jaws software and Braille books for the use of visually challenged and dyslexic students.

2017 -2018

For the year 2017 -2018, the monthly average number of walk-ins is **17,832** per month, issue of books is **11,201**

and returning of books is **9,285** per month. The ratio of library books to students enrolled is 14: 1. The **9,062** books added during the year 2017-2018. Around **621** journals and **95** magazines were renewed during the year. The library also subscribed to ebooks from Oxford University Press, World Scientific, Bloomsbury, Elsevier, Springer etc. during the year 2017 – 2018. The average monthly login to OPAC (KOHA) is per month is 82000 The average downloads of e-resources is **2,50,000** downloads per year. The library organised training programmes on Information Literacy and library orientation for its students and faculty. A workshop was held in association with ProQuest for the library community on 21 September 2018. Around 25 librarians from various Institutes in Bangalore participated in this half-a-day event. The library had visitors from other Universities for research work. Monthly BookTalks and the annual book exhibition BookMark were conducted during the year 2017- 2018.

CENTRE FOR EDUCATION BEYOND CURRICULUM



Centre for Education Beyond Curriculum (CEDBEC), an Initiative of (IQAC) CHRIST [Deemed to be University], initiated and conducted several national workshops, seminars and conferences in the academic year 2017-18. The programmes ranged from quality initiatives

for school administrators and practitioners to several collaborative programmes with external agencies like United Board for Christian Higher Education and Xavier Board. Specific programmes for several institutions as part of faculty development were also organized.

| Pprogramme | Date/year | Duration | No. of Institutions | No. of participants | Resource People |
|--|-------------------------------|----------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| Xavier Board Meeting | 4 March 2017 | 1 day | -- | 28 | |
| Patenting and Intellectual Property Rights | 14 March 2017 | 1 day | 1 | 17 | 4 |
| Workshop Story Based learning (Internal Programme) | 17 – 18 March 2017 | 2 days | 1 | 26 | 4 |
| Leadership Seminar for Darshan College, Kengeri | 19 March 2017 | 1 day | 1 | 28 | 4 |
| Workshop on Filing Patens and IPR | 27 -28 March 2017 | 2 days | 1 | 44 | 3 |
| Leadership Seminar Apostolic Carmel Sisters | 25 – 27 April 2017 | 3days | 1 | 121 | 4 |
| National Seminar Strategic Innovation in Higher Education | 10 – 12 May 2017 | 3 days | 17 | 45 | 13 |
| Leadership Seminar Silver Hills Public School | 22 – 23 May 2017 | 2 days | 1 | 64 | 6 |
| Leadership Seminar for Christ School Trivandrum | 26–27 May 2017 | 2 days | 1 | 60 | 7 |
| A Three-day seminar on National Conference on the Idea of a National University | 26–28 July 2017 | 3 days | 29 | 75 | 17 |
| Orientation Programme for Christ CMI Central School, Anjugramam, Kanyakumari | 23 – 25 August 2017 | 3 days | 1 | 15 | 6 |
| Mary Matha Vice Province, Bellampalli Department of Education & Media of Communication Education Meeting, Christ University Bangalore | 30 August - 02 September 2017 | 3 days | 1 | 60 | 6 |
| Faculty Development Programme P.K.R. Arts College For Women, Gobichettipalayam, Tamil Nadu | 16 – 18 November 2017 | 3 days | 1 | 20 | 10 |
| National Seminar on Setting Technological Standards Strategy for Higher Education | 1-2 February 2018 | 2 days | 26 | 64 | 18 |
| Round table Discourse on The Present Context Of Higher Education Impacting Universities And Colleges: Preparing For High Quality Initiatives | 15 – 17 March 2018 | 3 days | | | 14 |

OFFICE OF IT SERVICES

IT Services Department at Christ University endeavors to provide effective and prompt service so as to achieve total satisfaction to all members in the university. As a team, IT initiated the implementation of operation standards in all its tasks to upgrade the Service quality. Processes and objectives have been defined to optimize its operations. Documentation and analysis methods have been initiated by the team for continued Service improvement.

IT Department - Roles and Services

IT Infrastructure

IT Infrastructure is well designed to handle student and staff strength. Usage of IT services like knowledge pro(KP), Learning management systems (Moodle), Digital learning sessions and other IT related activities are extensive due to which infrastructure upgrade is done to handle the load efficiently. New higher end Servers are in place and Internet bandwidth has been doubled for effective usage. To support the staff and students, IT Services Support system has been implemented focusing and supporting the effective use of all the services and infrastructure.

IT Support

The Team offers Hardware/ Software/Network support to all users in Christ University by carrying out various activities at the appropriate time. It has also initiated the implementation of various processes to meet the requirement of quality system support and

maintenance. Network security enhancement is enforced by implementing Network access privileges only to the staff and students. Support Request handling tool has been implemented to automate the Infrastructure support requests from staff and students. This is to track and make sure that all requests are handled in time by the IT Infrastructure Support staff. A new feature has been incorporated in Knowledge Pro for staff and students to register issues related to all the Services provided by the University. This is tracked and coordinated by IT department to make sure that requests are effectively addressed within 24 hours. Escalation matrix is implemented up to the top level of the management to enhance the efficiency of the support system. A dedicated team is handling and monitoring IT Support requests.

Website Management

Christ university website has been redesigned to improve aesthetic appeal and the interface. Website's content management is monitored by a dedicated team who coordinate with various departments to update latest contents like News and events, details about academic programs, faculty members, syllabus, and evaluation systems. IT Service team also maintains dedicated pages for exam alerts and support services.

Social Media Content management

Regular updates on Social media platforms like Facebook, YouTube, Twitter, Flickr, blogs etc are



carried out by IT team on daily basis to facilitate Public reach of the university.

ERP – Knowledge pro

ERP is enhanced with new features facilitating online solutions for the academic needs of the staff, students and parents. New features and tools are added in KP as per request from various departments in consultation with the management. A dedicated team is in the campus for the development and monitoring of our ERP software. KP training and implementation is handled and monitored by IT team.

Digital Training Team

Digital learning training team is a part of IT Services department with the responsibility to assist and train staff and faculty in IT related activities. The team also trains faculty members to prepare and implement Online Certification courses using Moodle – The Learning Management System. Training materials are prepared by the team for Moodle and useful Digital tools which are being distributed.

Services offered and monitored by IT Team:

- Mobile applications
- Learning Management System (Moodle)
- Interactive Voice response System (IVRS)- For attendance, exam results and admission status
- Intranet Databank – for students to download eBook, articles and study materials.
- Online Databases - For students to access books, articles, journals and research publications.
- Repository – This Service assist students in their exam preparation by providing questions banks for the previous years
- E-journals - This service provides members of the university access to e-journals for research, self-learning and preparations for assignments and presentations.
- Library Services – Provides online library catalogue to search books, new book arrival details, Online renewal/reservations, SMS and email alerts for all transaction.
- Email services for staff and students. Personal mail IDs will be provided to staff and students. Group mail ID is available class wise to enhance effective communication.

- Departmental events and online tests for placements are supported and assisted by the IT team
- Live broadcasting of major events conducted in main auditorium is facilitated by IT team.

IT Infrastructure Management and Support - Enhancements of the year

A. Security assessment and performance Audit of IT Infrastructure has been carried out. Based on which following are the Server and Network Security Accomplishments

1. Implemented Gateway Server – To facilitate single entry point for all access to IT infrastructure.
2. Virtualization of Servers – To secure servers and for the better disastrous recovery process.
3. Server hardening and Scanning. – Identified security gaps in the Server installation and the gaps fixed
4. Backup & Disaster Recovery - Implementation of this solution has helped in alleviating any failure to services
5. Active Directory Server - To enhance data security and unauthorized access to desktops.

B. High Availability Focus of IT Services

Internet Bandwidth Upgrade - Main Campus 200Mbps upgraded to 410 Mbps; Kengeri Campus 1044 Mbps upgraded to 1224 Mbps; BGR Campus - 85 Mbps

High availability of Servers – This is implemented through Virtual Server technology and backup plans

Firewall High Availability – One more Firewall device has been added to support High Availability of Services and to enforce Security policies of the network

Power Backup - Multiple power backup sources have been implemented to the Server and network infrastructure

C. Network Infrastructure Upgrade for Performance

To manage the user load and to enhance the network performance, network components has been upgraded across the campus. Network backbone Cables has been upgraded with new Optical Fiber cables. Centralized management and monitoring tools are in place to manage the network. Single LAN topology of the network has been changed to Virtual LAN topology to enhance the network performance.

D. Campus Wi-Fi

WIFI Converge area in the campus has been enhanced by installing more Wi-Fi devices.

Wi-Fi Instant access facility has been implemented to avoid the delay for the guests and groups to use our internet facility

E. Office of Online Training and Examination

Dedicated online test and placement lab with capacity of 95 workstations is made functional. This lab is

exclusively used for online exams, training and placements of the campus.

F. CCTV Surveillance

IT Services assisted Security department to enhance the CCTV coverage across the campus. Backup plan for the footage is planned in consultation with Security in charge. Control room is setup for CCTV monitoring and Data backup.

ASSOCIATION OF CHRISTIAN CHRISTITES

Association of Christian Christites (ACC) organizes various events all throughout the academic year. ACC began its year with the **Annual Inaugural Mass** which was held at Dharamaram Chapel and was celebrated by the Vice Chancellor along with the Director of ACC and all the priests of the CHRIST management. An **orientation** was also organized for all the first year students of CHRIST. This year ACC saw an overwhelming response to all four of its wings - **Dance, Music, Audio-Visual** and **Volunteer**.

A two-day camp - **Leadership Training Programme** was conducted during the weekend. The camp concluded with the Core Team of the academic session 2017-18 taking up their roles and responsibilities.

ACC won **EXALT** – the Gospel fest conducted by Bishop Cotton Women's Christian College (BCWCC) and **first runner up at Exodus**, conducted by St. Joseph's College. **Crossroads - From Chaos to Clarity**, the annual UG Retreat was organized over the weekend. **Dr. Vipin Roldant** along with the Jesus Youth band - **Vox Christi** together joined the ACC team to spread

the message of understanding oneself from the very perspective of a young adult in the University. The Annual PG Retreat - **Ignite** was conducted for the post-graduate students on a Sunday led by **Fr. Emil** along with the **Jesus Youth Music Ministry of Bengaluru**.

ACC organized the **annual Christmas program** and the **annual Christmas Mass** in the month of December. On 6 January 2018 ACC made history by organizing CHRIST's first ever **Gospel fest - JEHOSHUA** which saw participation from several colleges. As Valentine's Day special, students of ACC went to the **home for leprosy patients and the destitute in Summanahalli** where they spent the whole day sharing the joy and love they have. The events for the year came to an end with the annual Thanksgiving Mass organized at the Dharamaram Chapel.



NATIONAL CADET CORPS [NCC]

The National Cadet Corps, 2/9 Coy of CHRIST (Deemed to be University), embarked on a successful journey this year, comprising of innumerable learning opportunities, enthralling challenges and glorious achievements.

The year began with SGT Manasa S, JUO Swathi Shetty and JUO Vishal Y J winning the Gold, Silver, and Bronze respectively at the Thal Sainik Camp held in New Delhi. The other cadets who accompanied them were SGT Shilpa Ramaswamy, SGT Mandira shree and CSM Sourabh B.K.

SGT Rishab Jain, SGT Pratheek, SGT Saahil Raaj, SGT Akanksha Shetty and JUO Abhilasha Chawda represented the contingent at the Republic day Camp held in New Delhi. The ultimate goal of the cadets is to serve the nation by being part of the Indian Army, or Navy or Air Force. Being a soldier is more than courage, it's about sacrificing yourself for something greater. Owing to this understanding of a soldier SUO Adithya S, CPL Joel James and CPL Dilsher Singh Randhawa have made NCC yet again proud by joining the Indian army.

The driving force behind the undeterred interest and involvement of the cadets is the adventure activities like trekking, mountain summits and camps. Our cadets were part of various camps held this year like Advance Leadership Camp in Assam, Basic Leadership Camp in



Mysore, Special National Integration Camp in Andaman and Nicobar and Lakswadeep Islands, National Integration Camp in Mysore, Silchar and Moodabidri. They were also part of the Trek to Nilgiris and Tirupathi.

The active participation and contributions of the cadets were appreciated by awarding the Deputy Director General's Commendations to ten of our cadets by the directorate.

The NCC also takes up activities as part of their responsibility towards the society. To name a few, Social Awareness Programmes on Swachh Bharath, No Tobacco, Virtual Water and Autism were organized. A 10 km run was also held to create awareness on Mental Health. Cadets also initiated Career Counseling on being a part of the Indian Army.





DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The year began with a team selection tryouts for all the team games and followed by the Pedagogic League conducted on 4 July 2017.

In the month of August, there was an Annual Inter-Collegiate, Sports Festival CHRI-SPO FEST.

Christ became the winners of Basketball (M), Football (W), Throw-ball (M&W) & Tennis (M). The students also became Runners Up in Volleyball (M), Volleyball (W), Football (M), Tennis (W) & Handball (M).

On 29 October 2017 Christ hosted a South Zone Inter University Basketball Men Championship, wherein 69 teams participated. The inaugural ceremony was held in the presence of Dr Fr Thomas C Mathew, Vice Chancellor, Dr Anil J Pinto, Registrar, Shri R Rajan, an international basketball player and the Guest of Honor Shri M Shyam Sundar. The final league matches were conducted on 3 November 2017 followed by closing ceremony presided by Dr Fr George Edayadil, Chancellor and Dr Fr Abraham V M, Pro Vice Chancellor of the university.

The department conducts various coaching camps for events and encourages students to participate in zonal as well as all-India level. The Annual Athletic Meet was held on 8 December 2017, at the University Ground and B PRAMILA AIYAPPA, Olympian

inaugurated the tournament.

INTERNATIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Christ University Cricket Team

- Christ University Cricket Team won the SUKPIT UKM,BANGI 2018 cup at MALAYSIA.
- NAVEEN JOSEPH of I BCOM won the Gold medal in Volleyball ISC World Games which held at NEPAL
- JOYCE.J & SUSHMITHA S bagged Gold medal in the WORLD THROWBALL CHAMPIONSHIP held at MALAYSIA, also DEEKSHITA S M, ARUNDATHI S V & MADHUMATHI S V bagged Silver medal as well.
- JOYCE.J & SUSHMITHA S won the INDO-NEPAL THROWBALL TEST SERIES at NEPAL where as DEEKSHITA S M, ARUNDATHI S V came runners up.



- JOYCE.J ,SUSHMITHA S & PAVITHRA T NAIR became winners in the INTERNATIONAL INDEPENDENT THROWBALL CHAMPIONSHIP which held at MALAYSIA, where as DEEKSHITA S M & ARUNDATHI S V came runners up.

NATIONAL LEVEL ACHIEVEMENTS

- CHAITRA & CHINMAYI B G secured Bronze medal in the 19th YOUTH NATIONAL TENNIS VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIP which held at BHUVANESHWAR, ORRISA.

Department had organized games competition for the staff during the month of November and December 2017. Scholarships were given to 52 students through the department for excelling in both academics and sports.

Department also awarded certificate course for 57 students who represented University at inter collegiate and inter university championships.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR

| Events | Name of the Tournaments | Results |
|----------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Basketball (M) | Chri-Spo | Winners |
| | St Johns | Runners Up |
| | Yenepoya Cup | Winners |
| | Rajagiri Cup | Winners |
| | VIE | Second Runners Up |
| | Malleshwaram Cup | Second Runners Up |
| | Ramaiah Inter Collegiate Cup | Winners |
| | Sphygmus | Winners |
| Football (W) | Chri-Spo | Winners |
| | Spiel | Winners |
| | Vaspo-Mop Cup | 3 rd Place |
| | Khel | Winners |
| | Sphygmus | Winners |
| Football (M) | Khel | Winners |
| | Chri-Spo | Runners Up |
| | Sphygmus | Runners Up |
| Throwball (W) | Chri-Spo | Winners |
| | St Johns | Winners |

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|----------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Throwball (W) | Bnmit | Winners |
| | Khel | Runners Up |
| | St Annes (Annite Cup) | Winners |
| Volleyball (M) | Chri-Spo | Runners Up |
| | VIE | 4 th Place |
| Volleyball (W) | Chri-Spo | Runners Up |
| Table Tennis (M & W) | Ramaiah Inter Collegiate Cup | Winners |
| | Spiel(M&W) | Runners Up |
| | St Johns (M & W) | Runners Up |
| | VIE (W) | Runners Up |
| Tennis (M) | Chri-Spo | Winners |
| | Spiel | Winners |
| | Vie | Second Runners Up |
| Handball (M) | District Handball Championship | Winners |
| | Chri-Spo | Runners Up |
| Handball (W) | District Handball Championship | Winners |
| | Dasra Tournament | Runners Up |
| | Star Shooters Handball Cup | Winners |

Mr. Mayur D Bhanu was conferred with the EKALAVYA AWARD from the Government of Karnataka in recognition of his outstanding achievement in shooting.

A prestigious award, best sportsman and best sportswoman was given to the outgoing students during the valedictory function. This was awarded to KARAN JOSHUVA (II MBA) (best sportsman) and AISHWARYA VIJAYAKUMAR (III BCOM) (best sportswoman) by Fr. JOBY XAVIER (CFO).



CHRIST ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



CHRIST (Deemed to be University) Alumni Association represents the voice of all graduated Christites of the University and committed to enhance the growth of the University by providing a wide range of resources and opportunities. Major activities conducted during the year

are Fun Fiesta, Medical Camp, Social Responsibility project like tree plantation, visit and contribution to old age home, ASVAS, Desire Society, Alumni Scholarship, Annual Family Day and Batch Reunion.



INTERVIEW



INTERVIEW WITH DR IVEN JOSE

Associate Dean, Faculty of Engineering, Kengeri Campus.

Dr Iven Jose has successfully driven the Faculty of Engineering to National and International renown. He is a recipient of many awards and patents and in this interview, he discloses his working philosophy and vision for life, work and success.

Q What motivated you to get into the field of teaching after completing your PhD in Engineering from IIT?

The whole process of teaching and learning is what I consider very dear to me, primarily I hold my academics and my experience in the industrial field, but at some point of time, I realised that more than doing monotonous jobs it would be more helpful to society, if I contributed in the areas of teaching, learning and research and especially research. So, the journey began from IIT Bombay, after I completed my PhD, I became an employee in one of the premiere private organisation called BITS Pilani. I served there for almost 4 years and thereafter joined CHRIST, because faculty of Engineering was at the inception stage and they had a vision which was similar to my concept which was something different and that's where I thought the entire time and effort that I have put in studying and coming to this level can directly culminate in, an area where I can give my services to the society.

Q How was your teaching experience in Melbourne?

I was selected under the scholarship for United Board, the University was kind enough in recommending my name and I got the selection from the Board and this was a period of 1 year for the academic year 2016-2017, for which I was there at Boston College for almost 1 month. During my stay at Boston there were sessions which were conducted at GLI (Global leadership institute), sessions held in Harvard University and at several premiere organisations around Boston. As part of this programme there is a requirement that they provide placement in one of the Asia – Pacific areas and I was selected at Melbourne University, during my stay there for 2 months in Melbourne University I was teaching there. That's the 2 months' time frame that I spend at the Melbourne University.

Q *What kind of subjects did you deal with, at Melbourne University?*

It was more to do with the signal processing and signal and systems, these are the areas I have specialised in and those were the areas I was asked to associate with the department in delivering the classes and laboratory sessions.

Q *You have put across this concept of 'future academic exchange and collaborative research', can you elaborate on that?*

This is more to do with the research conducted at the UG and PG levels and synergising between the Universities in India and abroad. The paradigm is shifting, the conventional way of teaching, learning and research confining themselves to four walls or restricted to research articles being published in journals has changed. We must come out to state that universities should be more focused on researches which are locally identified and then incubate and implement those research ideas for social upliftment. In this regard we have instituted a cell called engineering service assisted integrated learning. This is the area that we are looking forward to, for young talents go out into the society, look out for the areas where we need to interface, bring those problems back to the university, create a component of innovation, there is only a thin line between service learning concept and service assisted integrity concept. This is one of the initiatives that we have done and I think this will take us a long way through in terms of identifying UG and PG research and this will be the next level transformation and I call it, the new generation pedagogy for research and development

Q *How do you think it worked out in the Indian Scenario?*

In India quite often you have students being pressured by their peers and parents to take up professional courses like engineering, medicine, architectures etc. but they never give due consideration to the candidate. What is she/he interested in? What we do at Faculty of Engineering is that we run a 3 weeks course- it's a kind of an 'experience engineering' programme- and some students who have gone through it, they have identified that engineering is not their forte and have even moved out. So, it's kind of a realisation that we give to them, that in this field it is more important to know your area without

any peer pressure, that you have the freedom to go ahead and pursue what you really intend to do.

Q *Was this concept successful in Melbourne?*

Yes, very much successful back in Melbourne. While this concept was being conceived out there, I wanted to bring this concept to the Indian scenario to see if this could be implemented. But, there are cultural differences between Australia and India, we need to bridge this. In the Indian scenario the peer and parental pressures for a student is tremendous, we need to look at how it can be subdued, if there is a way we could bring it up and tell them. To me, it was more important to know the background and bring the parents into the loop. The only way, while they are in Engineering and in these 4 years, you can make a difference, is in the way they learn. By moving out of being bookish, have some real time projects given to them where they become a part and parcel of executives and they realise that it is not just big packets that they would earn in the form of salary, but that, there is a contribution required of them back to society, If this realisation gets in, then, we will achieve what we want to in the realm of education.

Q *Talking about your work in the field of research and the books published, we find that it mostly focuses on breast cancer, what made you do a detailed study in this field?*

The journey began when I was working in Siemens. I hail from Goa; therefore I was working with Siemens Goa. I was put along with 2 other members on a project, to be completed in 8 months flat. My task as a programmer was to come out with an image processing tool. We completed the project in 8 months successfully. I was however after this, not much interested and thought the work to be monotonous. I moved out of it into the research field when I got admitted to IIT Powai, there when the projects rolled out, I was still looking forward to the area that I should start working towards, and by the second year I was given an opportunity to work in the area of imaging which was fairly a broad area. That is where we were given the opportunity to hunt for problems in society, look at understanding major causes of breast cancer and see whether there are people who are deprived of early detection support and tools which were rare in the Indian market. When we looked at the statistics, we saw that no early detection of breast cancer numbers

was available and in the near future by 2020- 2025, this could be one of the major diseases in the Indian as well as the Asia Pacific population. There were no tools which identified breast cancer at its inception or early stage. We were successful in devising a dye, a contrast agent and we worked in a different area altogether which doesn't exist at the moment in the market. In the market we have imagers called MRI (magnetic resonance imaging), CT scan (computer tomography) and mammograms; these do not cater for any cysts or any cancerous lesions which are found at the infancy stage. Our study was looking at the infancy level even before the cellular level. The contrasting agent that we identified during the course of our study was linked functionally with a receptor called estrogen receptor and we were successful in synthesising, characterising, and bringing them to a level that worked in the living cell. The progress and development of our study and work went so well, that by the time we came up with the entire module, it got international acceptance and we filed a patent both in India as well as the US. While the US is under review, India just got published. Our aim down the line is to ensure that this tool becomes prominent among the crowd, and women who are susceptible, should detect this at the very infancy stage of the condition and take necessary steps to completely eliminate the cancer cells from their body.

Q *How do you think one can provide the awareness amongst the crowd about this illness even if the product is being launched in the market?*

We focus on generating awareness among people who aren't that well-read, that is where we concentrate more-on the PHCs (primary healthcare centres). We intend to make some field visits to see whether general awareness could be spread, what are the common diseases that are identified, how important is it for them to understand the whole routine check-up etc., this is the plan. We plan to generate awareness through medical camps. What we have done is not directly linked to this project, yet we have adopted one village which is very close to our campus close to Bidadi and our intentions are to provide health check up to 70 households and to ensure the primary tests and results from ECG, BP, sugar, could be given to them in the form of a record to generate awareness on how their health should be improved. Otherwise in the hospitals, 20 -30 % elite crowd are well read, they know the significance of routine health check-ups and would take preventive measures to ensure that no fatality takes place.

Q *You received an award for the outstanding young faculty award by Microsoft India for your research work, how did that come along?*

Yes, I was conferred with the young scientist award back in 2008 that was when I was in BITS, Pilani. This was a contribution that was recognised by Microsoft India, and they awarded me with the young scientist award. I was one among the 25 people who were selected to give a presentation on the nuances in the medical field and I was called to give a presentation at the Bangalore office of Microsoft India in front of the jury.

Q *You recently received an award for your concepts in the field of engineering, kindly share your experience.*

This was a company called Roches Company. It is a young innovation scientist company and it is more into CIO (certification for innovation officer). They are a New York based company; they look out for distinguished engineers. The award I received was for the work that was implemented at the Faculty of Engineering and contribution not only in just engineering alone but also in the multidisciplinary areas that we work in.

Q *What will be your message for the future generation?*

There are several youngsters who are looking at jobs in India and abroad and looking out for big fat salaries. I wouldn't say that one should not go after it, yes: money is important for everybody. There are many responsibilities also that these youngsters have in terms of contributing back to the society. One thing they should realise is that, if they have been working or studying in institutions like CHRIST, they are fortunate for service becomes part of their academic DNA. But there are several less fortunate people who could not get into institutions, it becomes their duty to go down to them and help them out in bringing up their life station and giving a better opportunity for them to perform well in their life, in whichever areas they wish to prosper in. I also feel that there should be people coming back to India promoting such institutions and start-ups, thereby our own students and our own fraternity will grow and literally help India grow much beyond our expectations. If we do that, the next 10-15 years is going to see our rise and no one can beat us. This is my vision for young India.

Interviewed by
Aishwarya Mohanan, MAMCS 2017



CONVOCATION

The CHRIST (Deemed to be University) Convocation for the class of 2017 was held between 21-28 May 2017. This year the convocations were held for six days from 04:30-07:30pm at the University Auditorium. Graduating students from across the varied deaneries of the University were honoured with degrees. The five day convocation were presided over by Dr Fr George Edayadiyil, Chancellor, and Christ University and addressed by Dr Fr Thomas C Mathew, Vice Chancellor, CHRIST (Deemed to be University). All the Deans, Heads of Department, Coordinators, Faculty and members of the staff attended the programme. Mr Jugnu Uberoi, President of the Alumni Association felicitated the graduating students on all the five days.

Sunday 21 May 2017, the students from the Faculty of Engineering were awarded their respective degrees; the Chief Guest of the day was Dr A S Kiran Kumar, Chairman, Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO), Bengaluru.

While Wednesday 24 May 2017, the students from the



Deanery of Science and Humanities and Social Sciences (Education, Theology and Philosophy) were awarded their respective degrees, the Chief Guest of the Day was Prof. Ashok Mishra, Chairman BoG, IIT Roorke and former Director, IIT Mumbai, NASI Honorary Scientist, Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru.

Day 3 Thursday 25 May 2017, the students from the Humanities and Social Sciences were awarded their respective degrees, the Chief Guest of the day was Prof. Furqan Qamar, Secretary General, Association of Indian Universities.

On day 4, Friday 26 May 2017, students from the Deanery of Commerce and Management were awarded their respective degrees, the Chief Guest of the day was, the Chief Guest of the day was Mr D R Karthikeyan, IPS, Former Director, Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI).

On Sunday 27 May 2017, the students from the Institute of Management, School of Education and PhD Scholar were awarded their respective degrees; the Chief Guest of the day was Dr Noel Tagoe, Executive Director, Association of International Certified Professional Accountants.

CHRIST (Deemed to be University) RANK HOLDERS 2018

UG - PG COMMERCE & MANAGEMENT



UG - PG DEANERY OF SCIENCES



UG - PG SCHOOL OF BUSINESS STUDIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES



UG - PG FACULTY OF ENGINEERING



UG - PG DEANERY OF HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES



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CGPA - 3.85



MERILYN SUNNY
Bachelor of Arts
(BEP)
CGPA - 3.54



SARAH LOURDES PAIS
Bachelor of Science
(BES)
CGPA - 3.89



NYMISHA YADATI
Bachelor of Arts
(BEP)
CGPA - 3.77



ABHINAVA REDDY MOORAKA
Bachelor of Arts
(LPEP)
CGPA - 3.85



DEEPSHIKA LUMA
Bachelor of Arts
(PEP)
CGPA - 3.62



APOORVA BHAVAKUMAR
Bachelor of Arts
(PBEP)
CGPA - 3.4



EKASMITA ESHA NAREISH
Bachelor of Arts
(PBEP)
CGPA - 3.8



SUKIRTI PANT
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(TBP)
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CGPA - 3.78



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Master of Arts
(Education)
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MARIA JOSEPH
Master of Arts
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Master of Arts
(English with Communication Studies)
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Master of Science in Psychology
(Counseling)
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CGPA - 3.55



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Human Resources
Development & Management
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Master of Arts
(Counseling & Spirituality)
CGPA - 3.93



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Master of Arts
(Philosophy)
CGPA - 3.8



STEPHY JOSEPH
Master of Arts
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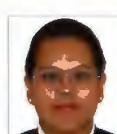
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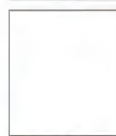
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◆ NOTE ◆

- ◆ Ranks are based on CPGA
- ◆ All the Rank Holders will be receiving the Rank Certificates on the day of Convocation.

Congratulations



BASHA UTSAV & ETHNIC DAY

With its regional, national and international approach, CHRIST (Deemed to be University) occupies a unique place among all the higher educational institutions in India. Here, rigorous academic and professional training go hand in hand with healthy and meaningful living. A globally known centre for excellence with students teachers, staff from all corners of India and abroad. The University gives a new dimension to cultural pluralism. Rising above parochial tendencies of religion, caste, creed or language, our achievements can be attributed to our professionalism and commitment.



With the intension of sustaining this spirit formally and informally, the Department of Languages takes pride in

showcasing the rich Indian cultural heritage; its dynamism and vibrancy, and its power to unique people. This is the spirit behind Bhasha Utsav that is celebrated during the month of September of every year. Beginning with an ethnic procession led by Vice Chancellor and the faculty followed by representations from the different countries and states, the day was filled with folk performances by students and professional folk artists which saw Christites outfitted in all their ethnicity oscillating to the sound of music.





RECTOR'S DAY AND CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS



CHRIST (Deemed to be University) has a tradition where the entire community of teaching and non-teaching Christites come together to celebrate an evening of bonhomie and camaraderie. This academic year, the celebrations were held on Wednesday, December 20 2018. This celebration brought the community together to offer gratitude to our Rector and Chancellor, Dr Fr George Edayadiyil, for his guidance and leadership and provided an opportunity to celebrate Christmas and mark the festive season.

This year too, to celebrate the spirit of Love, Fellowship and Togetherness during the Christmas season, the organizing committee had planned several fun-filled activities such as the ever popular Dance face off, and the group cultural event. There were eight team clusters representing the various deaneries and campuses of CHRIST (Deemed to be University). The teams drawn

from Administration, Bannerghatta Campus, Commerce, CUFE, Humanities and Social Sciences, Management and IMCU, School of Law and Sciences competed for the coveted prizes.

The Faculty of Engineering secured the first place while the Deanery of Humanities and Social Sciences bagged the second place and the third place went to the BGR campus. A total sum of Rs 50,000 was awarded to the winning teams thanks to the generosity of the Alumni Association of CHRIST (Deemed to be University) headed by Mr. Jugnu Uberoi. The evening came to an end with the customary exchange of gifts and a sumptuous dinner which marked the beginning of the festive season and brought great cheer and fellowship.



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Afterword

Imagine an exquisitely carved 50 inches of Ivory tusk. The polished lustre of each scrimshaw layered up to the crown of the curve like moonlight. To the beholder it tells stories like the Keatsian vase, stories of you and me and everybody else. The stories of aspirations and frustrations, of starting points, breaking points and end points, of tears of sadness, cheers of joy and sighs of limbo gloom, of battles fought and won and peace restored and harmony sustained. This is CHRIST in its glorious, Golden Jubilee year- the fifty years of productive and meaningful existence in Indian Higher education.

Every year, our team of editors, designers, photographers, and correspondents, generate creative content and work hard to report on events in and around the Institution. The final publication reflects and encompasses the diversity inherent in the academic and extra-curricular spaces in CHRIST. One of the most interesting things about CHRIST is the broad diversity of its brain power. At one end of the campus we have the vibrant Department of Physics and brilliant researchers probing the origins of the universe and on the other end the Department of Music deciphering the musical notes of the cosmos and in between the play of many disciplines and epistemes. If epistemic violence is what drives a scholar on a quest to seek answers, CHRIST scholars have it in plenty. That is perhaps the success mantra of the Institution.

CHRIST (Deemed to be University), May your tribe increase!

As always a big shout out to all the Departments, Centres and Offices who stood by us to make CHRISTITE 2018 a reality.

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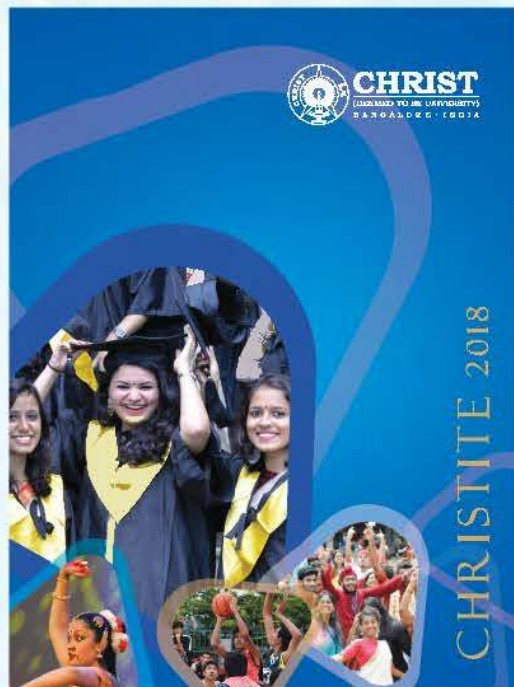
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