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Principal's Desk

PUC to Degree Education.....

Higher education isn't just about earning a degree. If we step back and examine what a college experience entails, we can see that it is more than just attending classes and taking exams. In fact, higher education is about learning new ways of thinking and acquiring problem-solving skills. Students are asked to reason outside of their comfort zones. They are taught to engage in critical thinking as both an individual and as a member of a classroom. In many cases, students are required to stretch their imagination in both oral and written works often presented in front of their peers. In other words, a college education teaches students to think differently. Outside of earning a degree, a student will graduate with new and improved skills in critical thinking, analytics, written and oral communication, and group problem-solving. One of the more obvious benefits of a college education is the opportunity to study abroad.

Though not always compatible with every degree option, most schools with strong abroad programs are flexible in helping students pursue international study. We could dedicate a whole article to the benefits of studying abroad, but the most important takeaways are increased experience in global education, independence, language proficiency, and cross-cultural learning excursions that enhance classroom instruction. Study abroad range in duration from a few weeks in the summer to an entire year, and many institutions offer special pricing for their programs. In some cases, an institution will have an established programme abroad that allows students to study at the same price of tuition as in their home campus. It is rare to have that kind of opportunity outside of a college education.

Today's colleges and universities are investing a lot of time and energy into immersive and experiential learning opportunities. The future is hands-on! Students learn best when they have the outside experience to augment classroom instruction, and immersive and experiential learning takes students into real-world settings like practicums, hospitals, and internships. Within these professional environments, students can practice the theories they learn in the classroom. They are also given new responsibilities that, on a smaller scale, match the work environment they are interested in. Finally, students can use these experiences to test their interest in their passions. Sometimes, an internship or practicum is all that a student needs to realise they do or do not want to pursue their chosen field of study.

Best wishes to all the charming first-year students.

Dr B A Kumar Hegde, **Principal**





Superannuation of Prof Shanthiprakash

After a long & distinguished career of teaching & service for 36 years, Prof. Shanthiprakash, VicePrincipal, Former Registrar - Examinations, Associate Professor & Head, Dept of Statistics of the College attained superannuation on Monday, 31 July 2023. SDM Staff Association organised a farewell & felicitation programme on the day.

Dr Satheeshchandra S, Secretary of SDME Society, Dr B A Kumara Hegde, Principal of the College, Mr Pramod Kumar, Principal of SDM PU College and Mr Ganesh Nayak, Secretary of the Staff Association, shared the dias along with Prof. Shanthiprakash. Deans of various streams, Registrars, HoDs & Staff members of SDM – PUC, UG & PG were present. Former and present colleagues recollected their fond memories with Professor Dr Jayakumar Shetty, former Principal, Sri Ajoy Kombrabail & Dr Sampath Kumar B P, former Registrars, were also present.

Recollecting his academic and personal journey with the college, Prof. Shanthiprakash thanked everyone and delivered his retirement speech. As a token of appreciation, he handed over gifts to the cleaning and sanitary staff of the College on the occasion. The College & management place on record his distinguished service and, exemplary work ethic and contributions to the college's academic and administrative sections.

Promotion and Appointments



Prof S N Kakathkar, Head, Department of Physics, is appointed Vice Principal of the College.







Dr Shalip A P, Head, Department of Political Science, is appointed as the Registrar Administration of the College.



Dr Shridhara N Bhatta, Head, Department of Sanskrit, is appointed the Dean of Arts of the College.



Mr. Divakara Patwardhan, Promotion in the Office



Day Celebration

The NSS Unit celebrated "Kargil Vijay Diwas", in association with NCC Army and Naval Units, on 26 July 2023, as a token of tribute and to commemorate the sacrifices of our brave soldiers. Dr B A Kumara Hegde, Principal, SDM College (Autonomous), Ujire, addressed the gathering. Around 25 NSS volunteers participated in the programme.



Workshop

The Department of PG Studies in Statistics organised Two Day Workshop on the topic "SQL" on 14 and 15 July 2023 for the students of I MSc and II MSc Statistics. The resource persons for the workshop were Ms Ashakiran, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science, SDM College (Autonomous), Ujire and Mr Satheeshchandra P D, Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science, SDM College (Autonomous), Ujire. The resource persons spoke on the topics such as basic SQL, password checking, user backup, foreign key, and multiple queries. Around 40 students attended the workshop. Mr Pradeep K and Ms Shwetha Kumari, Assistant Professors, coordinated the workshop.







Seminar

The Department of PG Studies and Research in Journalism and Mass Communication organised a special lecture on the topic "Radio Scripting and Narratives" for the students on 21 July 2023. The resource person was Ms B K Sumathi, Content Creator and Announcer, Akashavani, Bengaluru. The speaker explained the narratives and scripting techniques on the radio. She also demonstrated the techniques of voice



modulation. She shared her experiences with Akashavani too. Dr Hampesh K S, Associate Professor, presided over the seminar. Dr N K Padmanabha, Assistant Professor, coordinated the programme.

Guest Lecture

The Department of PG Studies in Statistics organised a guest lecture on "Introduction to Bayesian Theory and Philosophy" for I MSc and II MSc Statistics students on 21 and 22 June 2023. The resource person was Dr R N Rattihalli, Professor (Rtd.), Department of Statistics, Central University of Rajasthan, Rajasthan. Ms Supriya S P and Ms Shwetha Kumari, Assistant Professors, coordinated the programme.







Career Guidance Orientation Programmes

• The Department of PG Studies and Research in Psychology organised a career orientation programme on "Career Prospects in Psychology" for I MSc and II MSc Psychology students on 18 July 2023. The resource person was Mr Mithesh M, Senior Executive & Psychologist, Solis Health, Bangalore. The speaker spoke about jobs in various branches of psychology, job positions, salary package and how to tackle an interview. Ms Ashwini Shetty, Assistant Professor, coordinated the event. About 70 students attended the programme.



• The Department of PG Studies in Social Work, in collaboration with SDM PU College, Ujire, organised a programme on "Career Guidance – What Next after PU" for PU Arts students on 20 July 2023. Dr Athul S Semitha, Assistant Professor, Department of PG Studies in Social Work, SDM PG Centre, Ujire, was the resource person. The chief guest was Mr Pramod Kumar, Principal, SDM PU College, Ujire. Around 82 students attended the programme. Dr Ravishankar K R, Head, and eight I MSW students coordinated the programme.





Interaction Sessions

The Department of PG Studies and Research in Journalism and Mass Communication organised an Interaction Session with Mr Ranjith Nidagodu, Content Producer, Colors Kannada, for the students on 19 July 2023. The speaker said that communication and confidence skills would help to survive in the media field. As there is no formula for scripting, prepare your trend. Dr Hampesh K S, Associate Professor, coordinated the programme.



The Department of PG Studies and Research in Journalism and Mass Communication organised an Interaction Session with the members of Vijayavani Kannada Newspaper on 13 July 2023. Mr Surendra Vagle, Division Editor of Mangaluru Bureau, and Mr Mohan Das interacted with the students about the qualities of a journalist and other aspects of journalism. Dr Hampesh K S, Associate Professor, coordinated the programme.







Departmental Association Programmes

The Department of PG Studies and Research in Chemistry organised the 'Valedictory Programme of Academic Activities for the year 2022-23' under the banner CONCHEM, the departmental association, on 21 July 2023. The chief guests of the programme were Dr Ashok Kumar T, Principal, SDM Institute of Technology, Ujire, and Dr B Shivarama Holla, Former Head and Professor of the Department of PG Studies and Research in Chemistry, SDM College (Autonomous), Ujire. Dr Vishwanatha P, Dean of PG Studies and Head of the Department of PG Studies and Research in Chemistry, presided over the programme. The department felicitated Dr B Shivarama Holla in the programme. The prizes were distributed to the winners of various competitions held under the association for the academic year. Dr Nefisath P, Assistant Professor and Secretary of CONCHEM, coordinated the programme.







Staff Publication

- Dr Sanmathi Kumar, Head, Department of History, published a research paper titled "The Antiquity of Libraries in Ancient and Medieval Karnataka" in the UGC Care Listed Journal, History Research Journal Ithihasa Samshodhana Patrikha, Issue No. 30, No. 3, July 2023, ISSN No: 0976-5425, UGC-CARE List Group 1 Journal Peer Reviewed and Refereed Journal, Impact Factor: 5.23, published by Marathwada Itihasa Parishad, Aurangabad, Maharashtra, Pg. No. 88-93, on 19 July 2023.
- Dr Shashiprabha, Assistant Professor, Department of PG Studies and Research in Chemistry, published a research paper titled "A Comprehensive Review on the Therapeutic Applications and Synthetic Approaches of Buparvaquone" in Mapana Journal of Sciences, UGC CARE list journal, 2023, Vol.22(2), 143-170.
- Dr Mahesh Kumar Shetty H, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, published a research paper titled "Transforming Rural India through Women Empowerment: A Study on the Empowerment Initiatives of SKDRDP" in the journal 'Shodha', UGC CARE approved, ISSN: 2249-0396 (July 2023), Volume - 13, No.1.
- Dr Hampesh K S, Associate Professor, Department of PG Studies and Research in Journalism and Mass Communication, published a research article titled "Dr Narendra Rai Derlara Barahagalalli Parisara Pragne" in a UGC Care Listed Journal 'Shikshana Soudha', Volume 13, Issue 01, 15-20.
 ISSN: 2249 - 2429.
- Dr Hampesh K S, Associate Professor, and Mr Guruprasad T S, Research Scholar, Department of PG Studies and Research in Journalism and Mass Communication, jointly published a research article titled "Influence of Digital Payment through Smart Phone on Marketing: A Study on Mangalore Fishermen Community" in a UGC Care Listed Journal, 'Journal of Asiatic Society of Mumbai', Volume 97, Issue 07, 50-57. ISSN: 0972 0766.
- Dr Maheshbabu N, Assistant Professor, Department of PG Studies and Research in Psychology, and Ms Gahlot D Pooja, jointly published a research paper titled "Loneliness as a Risk Factor for Frailty and Mental Health Issues in Older Adults Living in Old Age Homes: A Qualitative Study", in the 'Indian Journal of Health and Wellbeing', Vol. 14, No. 2, ISSN: 2321 3698.

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Staff Achievements

Conference on 'Environmental Concern in Global Perspective' and presented a paper titled "Hindi Sahitya me Paryaavaran Cinthan" organised by Shivaji Arts and Commerce College, Karwar, on 8 July 2023.

- Dr Sanmathi Kumar, Head, Department of History, presented a research paper titled "Deductive and Inductive Approaches to Qualitative Research" in the Multidisciplinary National Seminar on 'Collecting and Analyzing Data in Relevance of Deductive and Inductive Approaches (CADRDI 2023)' on 24 and 25 July 2023 organised by Rosary College of Commerce & Arts, Navelim, Salcete, Goa, Affiliated to Goa University, in association with TOUCAN Research and Development, Bangalore.
- Dr Sowmya B P, Assistant Professor, Department of PG Studies and Research in Chemistry, participated in the "UGC sponsored Refresher Course in Chemistry" organised by the Human Resource & Development Centre, Bharathiar University, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, from July 5 to 18, 2023, and obtained A+ grade.
- Dr Naveen Kumar, Associate Professor, Department of PG Studies and Research in Chemistry, inaugurated the "Spatika" Association of the Chemistry Department, SDM PU College, Ujire, and delivered a talk on "Key to Success" on 27 July 2023.
- Dr Mahesh Kumar Shetty H, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, inaugurated the NSS Activities for the Academic Year 2023-24 organised by Vani College, Belthangady, on 27 July 2023.
- Ms Ashwini Shetty, Assistant Professor, Department of PG Studies and Research in Psychology, delivered a resource talk on "Addressing the Adolescence Issues" organised by St Francis English Medium School and PU College, Kokkada, on 22 July 2023.





Staff Participation

- Dr Mallikarjuna N, Assistant Professor, Department of Hindi, attended a One Day National Level Conference on "Hindi aur Bhartiya Sahitya" organised by the Department of Hindi, Kolkata University and Coal India, Kolkata, on 9 May 2023.
- Dr Mallikarjuna N, Assistant Professor, Department of Hindi, attended a State Level Workshop on "Research Design: Article Writing and Publication - Way Forward" organised by the Research and Development Cell, SDM College (Autonomous), Ujire, on 3 June 2023.
- Ms Swathi B, Assistant Professor, Department of PG Studies in Social Work, attended a National Level Seminar on "Empowering the Invisible Workforce: Issues and Challenges of Unorganised Labour" organised by the Department of PG Studies and Research in Journalism, in collaboration with the Department of PG Studies and Research in Social work, Kuvempu University, Shankaraghatta, on 27 and 28 July 2023.

Student Achievements

Twenty-one M.Com and M.Com IBM students have participated in a State Level Paper Presentation competition, 'Anveshana 2023', held at Government First Grade College, Belthangady, on 15 July 2023. Pratheekha P N and Padmni of I M.Com (IBM) got first place for



the research paper titled "Social Media Marketing and Influencer Marketing in Digital Age – A Comparative Study", and Nayana Shree M N and Shilpa Kumari M R of I M.Com got second place for the research paper titled "A Study on Youth Attitudes towards Entrepreneurship with Reference to Dakshina Kannada District". Winners won Rs. 3,000 cash, and runners won Rs. 2,000 cash prizes.