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Cherishing Alumni Relationship and Engagement

Alumni in Orientation Programme

The three-day orientation program for the 23rd batch of SSN School of Management had interesting and informative sessions from Alumni of various batches. Below are the session highlights.

Mr.Ganesh DG, Vice President, Citi Bank, MBA -Batch of 2005 addressed the students connecting virtually on 19th September, 2022. He motivated students and suggested few action points to be focused such as multitasking mind-set, interactive approach, effective communication, and academic concept connect with business setting and entrepreneurship.

Ms. Scindia Balasingh, Head of Global Marketing, Vajiro, MBA -Batch of 2011 delivered a talk on the title "Your role in smashing Gender inequality in the modern workplace" on 19th September 2022. The session created awareness about gender disparity, and ways for enhancing gender equality at workplace. Session highlighted the inclusivity ideology and eliminating unconscious bias that exists among humans.

The Second day of orientation program on 20th September 2022 had an excellent Alumni panel which discussed on the topic "Are MBAs generalists or specialists?". Alumni Panel speakers covered the wider and deeper aspects of MBA, motivating students and shared their experience in SSN SoM. Students actively participated in the discussion, making the session more engaging.

Panel Speakers:

Ms. Akshaya Sona Sri, Analyst-Relations Lead, Zoho Corp, MBA -Batch of 2019

Ms. Jana Sankari, Senior Research Analyst, Venture Intelligence, MBA -Batch of 2020

Ms. Madhumita Murali, Lead -Campus Hiring, HCL Technologies, MBA -Batch of 2016

Ms. Thenkavi Elumalai, Business Analyst, HCL Technologies, MBA -Batch of 2017



Mr. Ravi Shankar S, Sales Director - Cloud+, Nordics, Cognizant, MBA -Batch of 2009 and Mr. Aswin Suresh, Senior Consultant, Adrenalin eSystems Ltd, MBA -Batch of 2012 along with Student Alumni Representatives of the MBA Batch 2021-23 on 20th September 2022 detailed about Alumni association's structure, achievements and activities carried out leveraging alumni engagement. Mr. Ravi detailed the importance of networking, to be outspoken and encouraged students to introspect to progressively focus on their core strength and develop cross functional working mind-set. He also addressed the questions related to strategies that are required to elevate oneself in the corporate ladder. The session was a total attention grabber inculcating the importance of alumni relationship management.



Mr.Vivek Venugopalan, Vice President, Yes Bank, MBA -Batch of 2005 connected virtually on 20th September, 2022. He delivered a talk covering types of communication, building competitive advantage over the available resources and insisted students to build a deep focus on their area of interest and adapt constantly with the system needs possessing positive internal energy.



Mock Interview by Alumni

Student-Alumni Committee of SSN School of Management, together with SSN Alumni Association, organised mock interviews in two slots for the batch 2021-23. Slot- 1 commenced on 10th September 2022 and Slot -2 commenced on 25th September, 2022. This Mock interview, primarily unmasks the placement readiness level of students and enables improved focus on the areas of improvement.

82 students have registered for the mock interviews. As of 8th September 2022, 47 students have completed their Mock interview leaving Slot-1 closed. Slot- 2 is expected to close by last week of October.

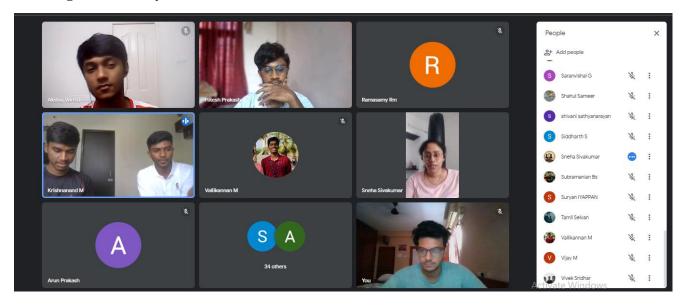
Events conducted by Alumni

EVENT 1:

On the 4th of September 2022, the Alumni association of the Mechanical department conducted an interactive session with our alumni regarding the placement process for Mckinsey & Co. The session was headed by our department alumnus: Sam Sherin, Sneha S and Krishnanand M (2018-2022 batch, Department of Mechanical Engineering) who are currently working in Mckinsey, Bangalore.

Since the placements for the 2022-2023 have started, Mckinsey & Co were one of the few the companies that came in the Super dream category (Package-12 LPA).

The participants were briefly introduced on the ways to tackle the interview processes and received an excellent overview on the ways to answer the case study, guesstimates and resume based questions. For the rest of the session, there was a Q&A session with the speakers to clarify the doubts of the session. The session was concluded by the speakers motivating the students to not lose hope and learn from this enriching interview experience.



EVENT 2:

On 17th September, an Alumni talk regarding Higher Studies was conducted by Department of Mechanical Engineering. We invited four alumni- **Gautam, Gundepudi Sashank**, **Akash Sundar (2018-22 Batch)** from US and **Mr.Diwakar (2014-18 batch)** from Netherlands .The event was conducted online via Gmeet at 7:30pm. The audience ranged from 2nd year to 4th year.

The event kickstarted with GV presenting a screen on 'What is GRE, TOEFL and IELTS?'. Just as the event began, the audience were very enthusiastic and fired questions at them. Mr. Gautam took over to explain 'How to prepare for GRE?', the materials to be used, resources, sites through which we can attempt mock tests were elaborated by Akash and Gautam. Parallelly Mr. Diwakar explained 'How to prepare for IELTS?'. Through this, the audience got a clear picture how to write exams for higher studies abroad.



Mr.GV made a systematic plan and explained the audience on how to apply for various Universities on their own. Mr.Gautam explained how to write SOPs and LOR. Mr. Akash stressed on the point that SOPs play a vital role in admission process. Mr. Diwakar added on to this by quoting SOPs, IELTS and GPA are the only requirements to get into European Universities.

Mr.Diwakar elaborately explained why he chose Netherlands, studies and job opportunities in Netherlands and the process he went through. He pointed out the fact that US will provide better return of investments whereas Netherlands is much safer and balanced work life can be experienced.

The event came to an end with one our alumni explaining about the various job opportunities out there. The meet was very useful for the audience and the second and third years got great insight regarding how to plan their schedule to prepare for applying to masters.

EVENT 3:

The Department of Information Technology, SSN College of Engineering, kick-started the Alumni Talk Series 2022 on 5th September 2022, by inviting one of the department's own alumni, Harini Murali (Batch 2016-2020, Department of Information Technology), Consultant Developer at Thoughtworks, and a gold medalist to stand for her excellent academic record, to guide students on all the necessary steps they ought to take to stand out amongst the crowd applying to internships/ placements at various companies. The event commenced at 10:30 am on 5th September 2022 at the Seminar Hall of the Department of IT, with an impressive strength of close to 90 students participating. Ms. Harini then dived into the topic, with a well-prepared, concise



presentation that kept the audience engaged for close to one and half hours. Towards the end of the

session, the audience were encouraged to pose their questions to Ms. Harini, who answered all their queries with enthusiasm. The event ended on a good note, with the Student Alumni Representatives reporting positive feedback from the students.

EVENT 4:

The speaker heading the second talk of the series was Mr. Jayaram Hariharakrishnan (Batch 2015-2019, Department of Information Technology), Account Manager at Proctor and Gamble, who was invited to discuss the prospects and scope management studies has in our country. Close to 40 people attended this event, conducted in the Seminar Hall of the Department of IT at 10.00 am on 10th September 2022. The students received wonderful insights on how they can proceed to shape their careers in management, both Indian and abroad. Many students got their doubts cleared in the question-



answer session held at the end. The Student Alumni Representatives received good feedback on the overall nature of the session.

EVENT 5:



The speaker heading the third and final talk of the series for the month was Mrs. Jayashree Ramamoorthy (Batch 2005 – 2009, Department of Information Technology), Associate Consultant (Merryweather Systems) who was invited to guide the students on the thrills and trials that Entrepreneurship brings to the table. Close to 70 students attended the talk held at the Seminar Hall, Department of Information Technology at 10 am on 13th September 2022. Armed with a crisp 22-slide presentation, Mrs. Jayashree coursed the students through an hour and a half's worth of tips, methodologies and her own experiences with managing her start-up company, The Good Life Eatery.

Budding entrepreneurs grilled Mrs. Jayashree with queries about her establishment, which were all answered satisfactorily. Positive feedback was reported to the Student Alumni Representatives.

Feedback from students:

On behalf of the Students, Department of Information Technology, SSN College of Engineering, we, the Student Alumni Representatives, thank Dr. Vasuki P and Dr. Sasirekha S for giving us the opportunity to interact with our seniors and enrich and equip ourselves for the benefit of our careers. We express our gratitude to the Department of Information Technology for facilitating the seminars, and overseeing the smooth conduction of these events.

EVENT 6:

II year and III year **Bio Medical Engineering students** interacted with **2021 Batch Alumni** doing their higher studies abroad, through online mode on 10.09.22 ,9.00 am to 10.00 am at BME Seminar Hall organized by Dr. J. Vijay. Students interacted with them and clarified their queries about the opportunities and fellowships for higher studies abroad. Nine alumni from different Universities participated in the meet.



EVENT 7:



Abhishek Krishnan of 2017-2021 batch, Department of Chemical **Engineering** (currently pursuing Environmental Engineering Stanford University, California, USA) interacted with final year students who are all aspiring to study Masters abroad on Friday, 16th September 2022. He scored a whopping of 338/340 in the GRE exam, and that afternoon he provided the students an opportunity to learn how to work towards excellence. The students were made aware of the fact that as

far as the GRE was concerned, practice and a thorough understanding is what it demands. With a Q&A session, students learnt more about his experience in managing studies, student culture and networking at Stanford university.

EVENT 8:

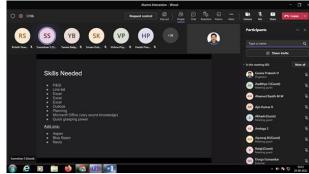
Alumni association of Chemical Engineering department organized a webinar titled "Preparation Strategies and Career Prospects in Wood on 24.09.2022 to familiarise the final year and third year students about the recruitment process followed by Wood Plc, a leading engineering, procurement and construction firm. This session was handled by Mr. S. Surendran (2017-2021 batch, Department of Chemical Engineering) who got placed in Wood plc.

Chemical Engineering Department alumni coordinator Dr. D. Gnana Prakash, introduced the alumnus to our students. The session started with "safety time" which is a common feature across all major chemical engineering companies. Safety related to car driving was explained by our speaker to inculcate safety in each and every moment as a practice.

Mr.S. Surendran gave insights about Wood Plc. and his experience with its recruitment process. He shared the main concepts and knowledge expected from a Chemical Engineer and stressed students to start preparing for GATE so that even if it doesn't help in getting admit to Master's/PSU's it will serve as a strong foundation to attain basic concepts in Chemical Engineering. The session was then left open for questions from students who were mostly 4^{th} years appearing for the wood plc. recruit process and 3^{rd} year students who wanted to gain insights.

Following active participation from the audience, Mr. S. Surendran informed the students about his <u>willingness to aid in the final year project as a guide</u> and gave his contact info to the students for future use. The session was ended by Dr. D. Gnana Prakash by thanking Mr. Surendran for taking time out of his hectic schedule and sharing insights with the students.





EVENT 9:

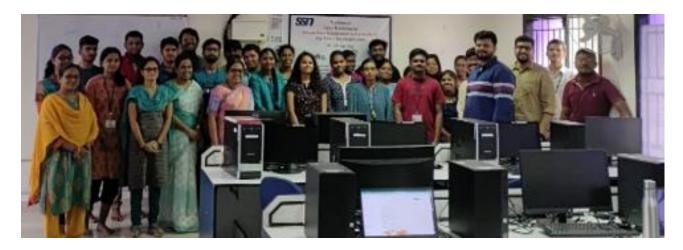


Mr. Prem Karthik Manoharan (PG- 2017 Batch, Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering), Manager – Batteries, Greenfuel Energy Solutions Pvt Ltd · Full-time and his team from M/S. Qmax Ion Pvt Ltd had an interaction session with third, final year EEE & second year M.E PED students on 14-9-2022 at the EEE department seminar hall. This interaction was mainly to provide an insight into the internship opportunities at Qmax. Qmax ion's main focus is on Li Ion batteries, battery modelling and battery packs for EVs.

EVENT 10:



The 3 -day workshop on Stream Data Management and Analytics in Big Data - Big Stream 2022 was organized by Department of Computer Science and Engineering during 8-10 Sep 2022 on a virtual platform. The workshop targets the UG, PG students, research scholars of CSE/IT and Industry professionals.



The guests invited for the workshop were Mr. Sasikumar Venkatesh (2016 passed out – PG, Department of Computer Science and Engineering), Senior Software Engineer, Walmart, Bangalore, and Mr. Sriganesh Venkataraman, Senior Staff Engineer, Walmart, Banglaore. There were totally 30 participants, mostly UG students from CSE & IT departments.

EVENT 11:

An offline workshop on Vue JS was conducted by Dr. B. Prabavathy, Dr. V. S. Felix Enigo and Dr. S. Saraswathi during 13th September 2022. The resource persons from Predio are as follows:

- Arvind Muthuraman, Senior Technical Manager (2016 passed out, Department of Computer Science and Engineering)
- Kokila, Lead Engineer
- Govind, Software Engineer
- Damini, Software Engineer
- Mohan, Software Engineer



The team started the session by asking basic questions about the fundamentals of web development and made sure that everyone in the hall has a basic understanding of how web applications work before jumping into the session. Later, the team conducted a fun CSS game for the participants where they had to guess the correct CSS code for the prompted web design.

Then the team introduced VueJS to the participants and explained them the importance of creating components by leveraging the power of VueJS. This was followed by a hands-on tutorial on how to create a component and use it in the web page. They used an example of a simple e-commerce website to work with it. After that, they explained how to retrieve data from an API and use it in the application. They also explained the various life-cycle processes in the VueJS with examples. Finally, they hosted a quiz contest and wrapped up the session.

EVENT 12:

Narenthiran A (Alumnus, Department of Civil Engineering), conducted a Chit Chat session for the students of Civil Engineering.

Alumni as Judges for Project Competition

The 6th edition of VIVID, a competitive, National level project presentation event was organized by the **Department of Information Technology** on the 30th of September 2022. With over 120 students and a variety of jury members, the event was a great success and a huge learning experience for all.

There were total of 12 jury members among whom 6 were our college alumni Mr. Arunachalam G (2014), Mr. Jayaprakash J (2015), Ms. Chandini.S (2016), Mr. Muthupalaniyappan Muthuraman (2018), Mr. Logesh S (2015), and Mr. Sai Vignesh (2018).

Students from various colleges participated in this competition to showcase their Hardware or Software projects or ideologies. A total of 4 tracks/halls were allotted for this competition and were conducted simultaneously.

Projects on domains like IOT, AI, ML, Blockchain, Data Analytics, Cyber Security were depicted in the competition. All the editions of VIVID were much appreciated by the staff and students of the institution.



Alumni Visits and Interactions



Aswin Raghav Batch 2015, Department of Bio-Medical Engineering working in Deloitte USA, Newyork as an Analytics Engineer visited the department and interacted with the faculty members for possible collaborations. He was also happy to invite the faculty members for his marriage with Divyalakshmi, Columbia University, Newyork Batch 2015.

Dr.T.T. Mirnalinee Prof and Head/CSE, Dr.Venkata Vara Prasad Prof/CSE Dr.N.Sujaudeen AP/CSE interacted with Dr. Karthik Ramesh, Vice President International Markets | Head Transformation and Innovation Emids, Health Care Industry and Alumni of 2002 to initiate the process of MoU to carry out collaborative research work in multidisciplinary areas on 27-09-2022. To start with, a Hackathon will be jointly conducted for the students of SSN in the month of October.





Dr.T.T. Mirnalinee Prof and Head/CSE and AP/CSE Dr.N.Sujaudeen interacted with Rajendrakumar, senior engineering manager, Cognizant Technology Solutions, Alumni, 2002 ECE Department on the curriculum for potential contribution to deliver certain courses in industrial aspects on 26-09-2022. He has agreed to deliver Guest Lecture / Workshops on the current trends in the industry.

Arvind Muthuraman (2016 batch, Department of Computer Science and Engineering), Senior Tech Manager President, visited the campus on 13/9/22 for a workshop.

Mohanasundar (2021 batch, Department of Computer Science and Engineering), Hamding Team, visited the campus on 19/9/22 and interacted with the faculty.

Nimish S (2021 batch, Department of Computer Science and Engineering), Founding Engineer Developer, Aiorand, visited the campus on 19/9/22 and interacted with the faculty.

Nakul Krishnan (2021 batch, Department of Computer Science and Engineering), Business Analytics Consultant, Thoroyond Associaty, visited the campus on 19/9/22 and interacted with the faculty.

- B. Vignesh Software Engineer (2022 batch, Department of Computer Science and Engineering), Nidson IQ. visited the campus on 21/9/22 and interacted with the faculty.
- P. Saiseena, Parsea India Privaielimted (2021 batch, Department of Computer Science and Engineering), visited the campus on 22/9/22 and interacted with the faculty.
- **V. Sarasman S (2022 batch, Department of Computer Science and Engineering),** Software Developer, Gain Credit, visited the campus on 23/9/22 and interacted with the faculty.

Anirudh Selvam (2017-2021, Department of Mechanical Engineering), visited the campus and interacted with the faculty members on September 13, 2022.

Arivazhagan (2014-2018, Department of Mechanical Engineering) visited the campus with his family on September 12, 2022.

B. Navin Kishore (2013 Batch), of Department of Chemical Engineering visited the campus on 30.09.2022.

Alumni Write Up

Aishwariya A (Alumna, Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering, 2021 batch)

Currently pursuing Post Graduate Diploma in Management (PGDM) in Great Lakes Institute of Management, Chennai, after working with Accenture for 11 months as Application Development Associate in AWS stream right after graduation from SSN.

I visited the campus on September 22, 2022, nearly a year and a half after graduating with so much curiosity as to find how the campus is like now with a whole new set of students. I felt extremely proud saying that I am alumni as I entered the campus through the security. Walked for a few minutes around the campus reminiscing about every place which had tons of memories with lots of people throughout my time here. Then as I entered my department, I saw a lot of professors, met them in person, in labs, in their cabin and felt so much gratitude when they could all remember me.

And then I visited Dr.S.Sakthivel Murugan sir in "Underwater Acoustic Research Lab". It was one of the most engaging conversations I've had with sir regarding career and work-life balance. Sir has been always inspiring from my UG days, where I gained a lot of self confidence and belief in myself throughout my placement process, which helped me land in an amazing job as a fresher. Sir encouraged me to continue being strong through all the barriers life has to offer and to live as a complete human with so much discipline in the way we live our life. It was an honour in my life to sit and have an effective conversation with sir to have picked up his wisdom for a few minutes and that gave a lot of insights on living life with positive thoughts and genuine opinions.

SSN has taught me lots of life lessons to me, as an individual, who knew nothing about people and society straight from school. Today I could talk to people from different ethnicities and work with people across countries through the knowledge and experience I gained from my college, my peers and last but not the

least my respected professors. I will never miss any opportunity to be on the campus anytime and to be a part of this institution which stands for excellence in any form.



Alumni Facilitating Placements

Alumnus Naren Writes on training offered to SPURS scholars

- We had 11 students attending the internship from SPURS.
- 2 got placed in OPTUM and 6 were selected for Mr. Cooper final leadership interview.
- All six SSN SPURS students who attended the Leadership round were offered both full time internship (Jan June 2023) and full time offer (from July 1st).



Thanks to the never ending support from Naren....VeA

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