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Cherishing Alumni Relationship and Engagement

Career Development Workshop by Alumni Association

Event 1:

SSN School of Management, in collaboration with the SSN Alumni Association, recently conducted mock interviews in two separate slots for the batch of 2022-2024. The first slot commenced on 30th September, while the second slot began on 7th October. A total of 35 students have registered for the initiative, with 13 students from finance, 2 from HR, 7 from a marketing, 11 from operations and 2 from sales.

These mock interviews play a crucial role in assessing the students' preparedness for placements and identifying areas where they can improve their skills. Moreover, they serve as a valuable opportunity for students to overcome mind blocks and alleviate fears associated with real interviews.

So far, 30 students have registered for the mock interviews. As of 30th September, 3 students have successfully completed their mock interviews, officially closing slot 1. The closure of slot 2 is expected to take place by 8th September.

Event 2:

SSN Alumni Association conducted the career development workshop on 9th, September 2023. In the event, Chemical Department students were allowed to choose between core company

technical interviews, IT company technical interviews, management company interviews, group discussion rounds and general HR interviews. For the technical round, **Mr. M. Danish John Paul (2015 – 2019 Batch, Department of Chemical Engineering)**, Process Engineers from McDermott has conducted a mock interview. After the

individual interviews, overall feedback was given to all the students, which was beneficial to them. A session for group discussion was conducted by **Miss. Shruthi Nagaraj (2015 – 2019 Batch, Department of Chemical Engineering)**, Product Marketing Specialist, Freshworks. The importance of the group discussion was informed to the students during discussion round. After GD she gave individual feedback to each student. Students interacted with the alumni and the session served as a valuable learning experience. The chemical core interview was highly beneficial

as it provided valuable experience to students who previously did not have the opportunity to participate in core interviews. It was a great learning experience for the students attending the mock interviews conducted by alumni from various industries including human resource, management, core technical and software.

Events conducted by Alumni

Event 1: Journey after SSN

Mr. Bharath Balaji (2006 – 2010 batch, Department of Biomedical Engineering), a down-to-earth individual, truly represents simplicity and authenticity. He pursued his Master's degree at the University of Michigan. After several years of professional experience in the US, he returned to India in 2016 and now serves as an educator at Pathashaala in Vallipuram, Tamil Nadu. During his recent address to third and final-year students, Mr. Balaji shared his personal journey,
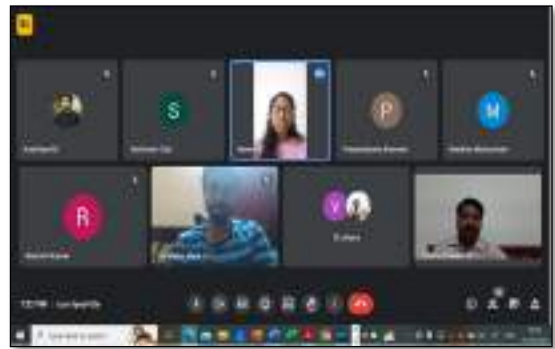

reflecting on the significant role SSN played in shaping his life. He also talked about the realities of life after college, sparking deep thinking among the students regarding their societal responsibilities. With a focus on practicality and wise decision-making, he shared valuable wisdom, urging students not to waste their time. Balaji also shed light on the projects he had undertaken, discussing the challenges he faced

and the strategies he used to overcome them. His thought-provoking insights left a lasting impact on the students, inspiring them to think deeply about their own paths ahead.
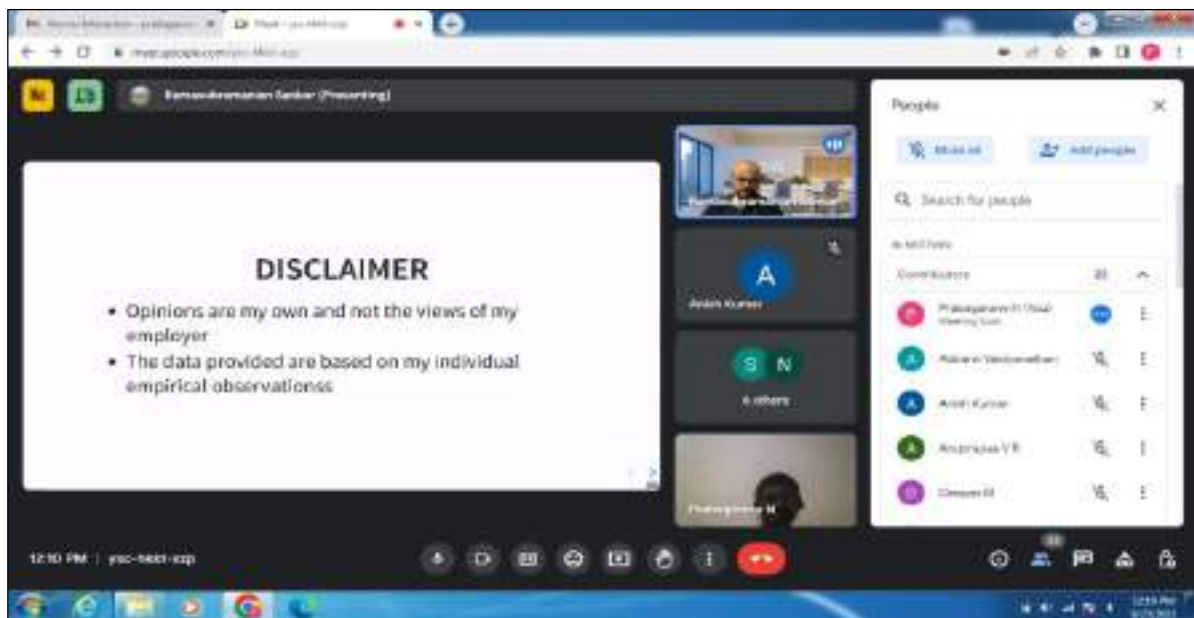
Event 2: Alumni Interaction

Ms. Yamini Balaji (2019 - 2023 batch, Department of Chemical Engineering), Graduate Engineering Trainee – Proposal and Estimation Department, L&T Energy Hydrocarbon, interacted with the current final year chemical engineering students on 16th September 28, 2023. The discussion focusses on current industry challenges, emerging technologies, interview preparation and career prospects. This engagement not only facilitates knowledge exchange but also helps the students to gain a deeper understanding of real-world applications in their field of study.

Event 3: Talk on Artificial Intelligence: Hype vs. Reality

Ramasubramanian Sankar (2000-2004 batch, Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering), delivered a talk on " Artificial Intelligence: Hype vs. Reality," on 23-09-2023 to II and III-year ECE students. Ramasubramanian Sankar graduated has 20 years of experience in various roles in the IT industry. He is Head of Engineering/Distinguished Engineer at Peerislands Inc (https://www.peerislands.io/).

Event 4: Data is NOW and the realm of analytics is the change

Mr. Ramakrishnan, Engagement manager from SR Insights, hosted the session on the significance of data analytics in today's world. The speaker opened with the statement that "Data is the new oil" and delved deeper into the pivotal role of statistics in the realm of data analytics. By illustrating various examples in every quadrant of analytics, the speaker shared a unique perspective on what it takes to be an analyst, stressing on the need to "Learn, unlearn, and relearn." **Ms. Aiswarya Rai (MBA 2019-21)** coordinated the event.

He also highlighted the distinctions between business analysts and data analysts and emphasized on key skills such as proficiency in statistics, visualizing data frame tools and trends of AI & Decision support systems for rapid career growth. He concluded his lecture with an inspiring quote by Charles Darwin: "It is not the strongest of the species that survives, nor the most intelligent; it is the one most adaptable to change."

Event 5: Talk on "IEEEXtreme – Tips and Tricks"

The event kicked off with our esteemed alumnus and former IEEEXtreme champion, **Aadhitya B Kailash (2018 -2022 batch, Department of Information Technology)**, taking the stage.

With a palpable enthusiasm, Aadhitya shared invaluable insights and expert tips for tackling the upcoming IEEEXtreme 17.0 challenge, scheduled for October 28th. Engaging the eager audience of more than 60 participants, he delved into the intricacies of the 24-hour global challenge. As he navigated through his own experiences and success stories, the audience was captivated, gaining a deep understanding of what it takes to excel in the world of competitive programming. Aadhitya's generous sharing of wisdom left participants well-prepared and inspired for the impending competition. The event concluded with a sincere Vote of Thanks, expressing gratitude to all those involved and leaving the participants echoing the resounding success of the talk. The event was organized by IEEE CS - Student Branch.

Alumni Visits and Interactions

SSN Innovation Day was organised on 06.09.2023. The alumnus of the respective departments visited the projects exhibited. The details are as follows:

EEE department students exhibited their innovative projects to the team of industry experts and guests. This included our alumni **Dr. V. Vasan Prabhu, (2006-2008 batch, M.E Power electronics and Drives)**, Academic Manager EV Tech lead, Great Learning of and **Mr. Kamalesh (2014-2016 batch, M.E Power electronics and Drives**), Specialist Tata Elxsi limited. They interacted with the students and provided suggestions for enhancing the project.

Mr. S. Nithyaganesh (2014 – 2018 Batch, Department of Chemical Engineering), Process Engineer, Petrofac Limited, was one of the industrial panel members to evaluate the Chemical Department student projects on SSN innovation day held on 6th September 2023.

Mr. Vishakan Subramanian (2018-2022 batch, Department of Computer Science and Engineering), Software Development Engineer, Workato.

Mr. Vignesh B (2018-2022 batch, Department of Computer Science and Engineering), Software Developer, Nielsen IQ.

Mr. Sreyas (2018-2022 batch, Department of Computer Science and Engineering), Software Developer, Chargebee.

Mr. Sriram (2018-2022 batch, Department of Computer Science and Engineering), SDE, Samsung.

Mr. Srivathsan (2018-2022 batch, Department of Computer Science and Engineering), Software Engineer, Nielsen IQ.

Mr. Harishankar G (2010-2014 batch, Department of Computer Science and Engineering), Lead - NLP Research @ Zoho Corporation.

Mr. Ramkumar (2004-2008 batch, Department of Information Technology), Sr. Software Development Engineer, Amazon

Mr. Madana Gopala Krishnan (2009-2011 batch, Department of Information Technology), Assistant Vice President, Barclays Global Service Center Private Limited

Mr. Rakesh V (2012-2016 batch, Department of Information Technology), Development Engineer, Comcast

Mr. Srinivasan R (2012-2016 batch, Department of Information Technology), Software Engineer, Alation.

Internal Hackathon SIH 2023 was held on 23.09.2023 and the alumnus of the different department were invited to act as Jury members. The details are as follows:

Mrs. Vaishnavi Vignesh Raja (2007 – 2011 batch, Department of Chemical Engineering), Director of Operations & Strategy, EQuad Engineering Services, was one of the external panel members to select the top 35 teams to submit the ideas for SIH Internal Hackathon at institutional level, held on 23 September 2023 hosted by SSN.

Mr. Prathysush (2018-2022 batch, Department of Computer Science and Engineering), SDE, Navis.

Mr. Sudarshan R **(2018-2022 batch, Department of Computer Science and Engineering),** SDE, Navis.

Mr. Dhaksinamoorthy (2017-2021 batch, Department of Computer Science and Engineering), SDE, Sahaj.

Dr. K. B. Sundharakumar (2009-2013 batch, Department of Information Technology), Assistant Professor, Shiv Nadar University, Chennai (Alumni: 2009-2013 Batch).

Mr. S. Sai Vignesh (2014-2018 batch, Department of Information Technology), Senior Software Engineer, M2P Fintech, Chennai (Alumni: 2014-2018 Batch).

Mr. S. Ramkumar (2014-2018 batch, Department of Information Technology), Development Project Lead, Codoid Innovations Private Limited, Chennai.

Ms. N. Natchammai (2014-2018 batch, Department of Information Technology), Development, Senior Product Engineer, Temenos, Chennai.

Mrs. A. Monishia (2006-2010 batch, Department of Biomedical Engineering), Assistant Engineer, TamilNadu Medical Service Corporation, Chengalpattu Medical College and Hospital & A. A. M Cancer Hospital.

Ms. Jevitha S (2016-2018 batch, M.E Medical Electronics, Department of Biomedical Engineering), Senior Regulatory Specialist, HCL, Chennai.

Other Visits

Mr. A. Logan (2016–2020 batch, Department of Chemical Engineering) working as Engineer in Fractal Analytics Pvt. Ltd., visited the department on 12th September 2023.

Sidharath K Shah (2018-2022 batch, Department of Civil Engineering) had Chit Chat Session on Mock Interview for On Campus Placements, September 09, 2023. He is currently working in Latent view.

Ms. Srivarsha E (2019-2023 batch, Department of Computer Science and Engineering), Software Engineer, Paypal, visited our campus on 01.09.2023 and interacted with our faculty.

Mr. Harish Balaji (2017-2021 batch, Department of Computer Science and Engineering), Senior Software Engineer, Paypal, visited our campus on 01.09.2023 and interacted with our faculty.

Mr. Karthik R (2018-2022 batch, Department of Computer Science and Engineering), CSE Alumni 2022, visited our campus on 06.09.2023 and interacted with our faculty.

Mr. Thamizh Nambi (2015-2019 batch, Department of Computer Science and Engineering), Software Engineer, Amazon, visited our campus on 08.09.2023 and interacted with our faculty.

Mr. Logesh Dinakaran (2015-2019 batch, Department of Computer Science and Engineering),, Software Engineer, Swell Commerce, visited our campus on 09.09.2023 and interacted with our faculty and also participated in the Mock placement drive for 2025 Batch.

Mr. Daniel CV (2012-2014 batch, M.E, Department of Computer Science and Engineering), Lead Engineer, Tejas Networks, visited our campus on 19.09.2023 and interacted with our faculty and for the placement drive for 2024 Batch.

Ms. Janani B (2015-2019 batch, Department of Computer Science and Engineering),, Senior ETL Developer, Barclays, , CSE Alumni 2019, visited our campus on 20.09.2023 and interacted with our faculty.

Mr. Sai Chitti Subramanyam (2017-2021 batch, Department of Computer Science and Engineering), Application Developer, Citibank, visited our campus on 21.09.2023 and interacted with our faculty.

Ms. M. Gayathri (2018-2022 batch, Department of Computer Science and Engineering),, Data Engineer, Fidelity Investments, visited our campus on 22.09.2023 and interacted with our faculty.

Mr. Gohhulnath T (2018-2022 batch, Department of Computer Science and Engineering), SDE, Chargebee, visited our campus on 22.09.2023 and interacted with our faculty.

Mr. Moniesh B (2019-2023 batch, Department of Computer Science and Engineering), SDE, Paypal, visited our campus on 23.09.2023 and interacted with our faculty.

Mr. T.R. Venkat Narayanan (2017-2021 batch, Department of Computer Science and Engineering), SDE, Togai, CSE Alumni 2021, visited our campus on 23.09.2023 and interacted with our faculty.

The following alumni of department of Information Technology were invited to act as the external hurry member for the **"Grooming Session"** to sharpen the skills and refine the ideas/solutions of 54 registered teams from the IT department, participating in the **Internal Hackathon - SIH 2023 on September 19, 2023.**

- **Dr. K. B. Sundharakumar (2009-2013 batch, Department of Information Technology)**, Assistant Professor, Shiv Nadar University, Chennai (Alumni: 2009-2013 Batch).

- **Mr. S. Sai Vignesh (2014-2018 batch, Department of Information Technology)**, Senior Software Engineer, M2P Fintech, Chennai (Alumni: 2014-2018 Batch).

- **Mr. S. Ramkumar (2014-2018 batch, Department of Information Technology)**, Development Project Lead, Codoid Innovations Private Limited, Chennai.

- **Ms. Akshaya Venkatesan (2017-2021 batch, Department of Information Technology)**, Software Engineer, Amazon.

- **Ms. Anitha Selvan (2017-2021 batch, Department of Information Technology)**, Software Engineer, PayPal.

Write up 1:

Prasanna Bharati R (2011 – 2015 batch, Department of Biomedical Engineering)

SSN has opened the doors for a wide range of opportunities for me. Soon after finishing college, I landed at a job at Freshworks via campus placements. Having worked as a Solution Engineer and Manager of Social Impact, I also had the privilege of being a part of the Young India Fellowship at Ashoka University, Haryana. I am now headed to IIM Bangalore to pursue my MBA. Recently, I visited college with my spouse (also an SSNite) and was welcomed with the same familiar smiles by the faculty members.

Write up 2:

Mr. Balakumar S S (2016 – 2020 batch, Department of Mechanical Engineering)

From the time of my B.E I was keenly interested in manufacturing and production. Currently I am pursuing my master's degree in systems Engineering for Manufacturing at Otto von Guericke University, Magdeburg, Germany. Key courses in my master's degree includes Systems Engineering, Material Handling Systems, Mechatronic Systems, Industry 4.0, Factory Automation, Supply Networks & Collaborative Management, Engineering Design, Additive Manufacturing, Material Selection and Mechanics of Materials.

During my college days I also worked on many hands-on projects which includes Preparation of Titanium Metal Matrix Composite reinforced with SiC particles and Experimental investigation of Drilling of Ti MMC and Design and Fabrication of Heat Pipes with Grooves as a part of my IFP (Internally funded project). I also worked as an engineering trainee at wheels India limited and an internship trainee at Larsen and Toubro. These helped sharpen my practical knowledge and industry working. Apart from these I enjoyed events at College like the Invente and Instincts. I would like to thank all my professors for their constant support and motivation which has pushed me till date to keep exploration the domain of manufacturing. Thank you, SSN, for giving me the best college experience ever filled with fun, joy and learning. Wishing my juniors all the very best!!!

Nominations for Distinguished Alumni Award - Invited

We are very pleased to inform you that nominations are open for **"The Distinguished Alumnus Award 2024**" of SSN Institutions.

We request you to nominate our alumni who have significantly contributed to her/his professional domain in the corporate world, academics, government, entrepreneurship, NGO or anyone who has made phenomenal contributions toward fulfilling the mission of SSN by any means including philanthropic support.

Please find the brief about The Distinguished Alumnus Award 2024

SSN Institutions (SSN), founded by Mr. Shiv Nadar, Founder Chairman of HCL Technologies has been ranked among the top engineering colleges in the country within two decades of its inception. SSN prides itself on the 360-degree development of its students which enables its graduates to shine across various fields.

A large number of bright and capable alumni have distinguished themselves by means of their extraordinary achievements in their chosen professions and by their contributions to society at large.

In order to recognize and felicitate some of these inspiring achievers and contributors who have made their alma mater proud, SSN has instituted the Distinguished Alumnus Award as an annual event from 2017.

ELIGIBILITY FOR THE AWARD

Any alumnus of SSN across institutions can be nominated for the award either by self or by other stakeholders of SSN.

PROSPECTIVE AWARDEES

The awardee alumnus shall be one who has significantly contributed to her/his professional domain in the corporate world, academics, government, entrepreneurship, NGO or has made a phenomenal contribution toward fulfilling the mission of SSN by any means including philanthropic support.

HOW TO NOMINATE

- Nominations for the awards shall be invited from various stakeholders including alumni and faculty of SSN.
- Nomination is a simple online process and is expected to take only a few minutes of time by clicking the online link. It involves providing some basic information and uploading a CV of the nominee that highlights all her/his achievements that may make her/him a deserving recipient of the award.
- The person nominating must, therefore, first prepare this document for uploading that amply showcases the achievements of the alumnus with relevant details before starting the nomination process by clicking on the link.

TIMELINE

- The nomination process closes on **10th November 2023 at 5 pm IST**. Alumni can nominate themselves or any other alumni.

If you have any queries, please contact SSN Alumni Office at +91-44– 2746-9700 Ext 424 or email to <u>alumniofficer@ssn.edu.in</u>

AWARDEE SELECTION PROCESS

The nominations received will be processed by the Alumni Office of SSN and then an empowered committee comprising eminent representatives from the stakeholders of SSN would finalize the name of the awardee.

THE AWARD

- The award includes a citation and a specially designed iconic sculpture embodying the passion and pride of being an SSNite.
- The award will be handed over during the annual SSN alumni get-together **Tribute on 6th January 2024.**
- The award has to be taken by the recipient in person– it will neither be given nor announced in absentia.

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