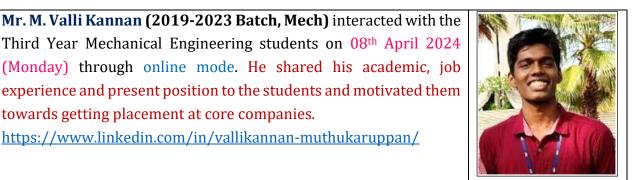


**Cherishing Alumni Relationship and Engagement** 

**Career Development Workshop by Alumni Association** 



## (Monday) through online mode. He shared his academic, job experience and present position to the students and motivated them towards getting placement at core companies. https://www.linkedin.com/in/vallikannan-muthukaruppan/

#### **Profile of the Alumni**

Mr. M Vallikannan graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering during the period 2019-2023, achieving a remarkable CGPA of 9.686. He currently serves as an Associate Engineer at Caterpillar Chennai, where his tenure commenced with a comprehensive probation period encompassing three rotations.

During his initial rotation, Mr. Vallikannan had the privilege to select a product for focused engagement, thereby gaining exposure to a diverse array of products within his team's purview. Motivated by a keen interest in drivetrain mechanisms, he was subsequently tasked with a pivotal assignment at the Tiruvallur - CIPL plant. This transformative three-month tenure provided him with immersive, hands-on experiences, empowering him to lead a project that yielded invaluable insights.

Experiencing first hand the profound impact of hands-on involvement, Mr. Vallikannan's perspective underwent a significant transformation, reinforcing the critical role of meticulous design in the product development lifecycle. His participation in the quiz competition organized by Caterpillar in 2022 further underscores his dedication and aptitude, culminating in a commendable fourth-place finish.



Memories of Mr. M. Valli Kannan @SSNCE

#### **Career Development Programme from SSN School of Management**

#### Program 1:

#### Unlocking Opportunities: Ms. Akshara Mukundhan Inspires with Strategies for Summer Internships

**Ms. Akshara Mukundhan**, Associate Product Manager at Elyxr AI and an alumna of the MBA 2021-2023 Batch, visited SSN School of Management on March 2, 2024, to deliver an insightful presentation on "Strategies for Maximizing Summer Internship Opportunities". The session began with a comprehensive overview of Ms. Mukundhan's academic and professional journey, highlighting significant milestones from her schooling to completing an MBA. Drawing from her impactful summer internship experience, she emphasized the importance of seizing opportunities and the profound impact of active contribution.



Ms. Mukundhan further elaborated on a transformative mock interview experience that ultimately led to a career opportunity, stressing the importance of aligning with personal interests when selecting companies.

Advising against settling for undesired roles, she shared experiences from interview rounds, emphasizing the invaluable learning gained throughout the process.

Making connections between internships and future job prospects, effective communication skills were underscored. Offering insights into her current role, Ms. Mukundhan recommended startups for a diverse range of experiences. In conclusion, she delivered a motivational message, encouraging students to proactively explore opportunities.

#### **Program 2:**

#### Charting Career Success: Mr. Winni Fred Guides MBA Students Through FMCG Sector Opportunities

During a recent session, the MBA students gained insights into navigating career paths in the FMCG sector from **Mr. Winni Fred**, Area Executive at ITC Limited and an alumnus of the MBA 2017-2019 Batch, who visited **SSN School of Management** on March 16, 2024.



The session commenced as Mr. Winni shared his personal insights, initiating a compelling discussion on opportunities within the FMCG sector.

Exploring various career pathways from internships to entry-level roles, he emphasized the industry's dynamism. Highlighting challenges faced by newcomers, Mr. Winni stressed the essential skill sets needed in the post-pandemic era, with fierce competition demanding resilience and adaptability. Concluding, he presented a plethora of opportunities awaiting students, illustrating the potential for growth and success. SSN- CARE Vol. 2, issue 10, April 2024 P a g e | 4 **Program 3:**Communicating with Impact: Harshini Haridoss Shares Strategies for Success in the Digital Age



**Ms. Harshini Haridoss**, Assistant Manager at Federal Bank Ltd., and an alumna of the MBA 2019-2021 Batch, visited **SSN School of Management** on March 23, 2024, to deliver a thoughtful presentation on '**Effective Communication in the Digital Age**'. Beginning the session, Ms. Harshini emphasized the importance of thoroughly reviewing job descriptions and effectively articulating one's qualifications. Furthermore, she highlighted key elements of communication, stressing the significance of tailoring information to the audience, refining presentation skills, and actively listening.

The discussion then delved into verbal communication skills such as influencing, negotiating, and presenting, with subsequent exploration of strategies for improvement. Notably, special attention was given to the value of mock interviews. Additionally, she shared insights on demonstrating communication prowess to recruiters, focusing on the STAR (Situation, Task, Action, Result) method, and provided a personal example for illustration. Wrapping up, the session concluded with her imparting some personal tips.

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## Events conducted by Alumni

#### Event 1: Online Lecture Series by Alumni on 'Industry Participation in Curriculum (IPIC)'



A week-long online lecture series focused on NoSQL databases organized by Dr. R. Kanchana, Dr. P. Mirunalini and Dr. N. Sujaudeen **of Department of CSE** from March 20 – 26, 2024. The lectures, conducted by Mr. V. Sasikumar, Senior Software Engineer from Walmart, Bengaluru, and Alumni of M.E. CSE, 2014- 2016 Batch aimed to equip participants with a comprehensive understanding of NoSQL databases and their practical applications.

Day 1 of the lecture series offered a comprehensive introduction to NoSQL databases, with a spotlight on Redis. Participants gained insights into the advantages of NoSQL,

including schema flexibility and horizontal scalability, essential for modern software applications. Student were informed about CAP theorem's significance, navigating the trade-offs between consistency, availability, and partition tolerance. The session delved into Redis, emphasizing its lightning-fast performance and cache memory management system, showcasing its efficiency gains in handling large volumes of unstructured data.

The sessions on Day 2 and Day 3 of the lecture series focused on MongoDB, emphasizing its document-based architecture, flexibility in handling semi-structured and unstructured data, and integration with web development. Participants engaged in hands-on demonstrations using Docker, gaining practical experience in deploying MongoDB instances and performing CRUD operations. Mr. Sasikumar guided participants through advanced MongoDB operations and introduced Redis as a caching intermediary to optimize query performance. Students observed the efficiency gains achieved through Redis caching and learned best practices for integrating Redis with MongoDB.

Day 4 of the lecture series focused on graph NoSQL databases, specifically Neo4j, highlighting their unique data model based on nodes, relationships, and properties. Students understood the significance of graph databases in efficiently modelling and querying complex relationships between data entities, addressing limitations of traditional relational databases. Through hands-on activities with Neo4j, participants learned to set up and configure graph databases, and draw logical conclusions from interconnected data sets. Mr. Sasikumar's guidance empowered participants to appreciate the capabilities of graph databases in addressing complex data challenges.

The final day marked the final exploration of NoSQL databases, focusing on Cassandra as a tabular NoSQL database. Mr. Sasikumar introduced Cassandra, emphasizing its high availability, scalability, and fault tolerance, making it suitable for distributed clusters handling large data volumes. Students engaged in hands-on activities to perform basic operations in Cassandra using CQL, highlighting its similarities to SQL and ease of adoption. They gained proficiency in working with Cassandra on various test cases, understanding real-world strategies for leveraging it in

production environments. He facilitated a comparison between Cassandra and traditional SQL databases, enabling learners to appreciate Cassandra's strengths for specific use cases.

In conclusion, the lecture series facilitated by Mr. Sasikumar proved to be highly beneficial, equipping participants with valuable insights and practical skills in NoSQL database management. The industry perspective provided by Mr. Sasikumar, enhanced the overall learning experience and prepared participants to effectively leverage NoSQL databases in their professional endeavours.

**Event 2: Alumni Talk on 'The Backbone of Recovery: Rehabilitative Devices in Public Healthcare'** 



Empowering Public Healthcare: The Vital Role of Rehabilitative Devices – An invited talk by Mr. Jagadesh Kumar Dhayalan @ BME Dept.

As part of the **ICBSII 24 pre-conference workshop** organized by the **Department of Biomedical Engineering**, **Mr. Jagadesh Kumar Dhayalan**, an alumnus of SSN (2007-2011 Batch) and a proponent of Clinical Engineering, imparted his expertise on "**The Backbone of Recovery: Rehabilitative Devices in Public Healthcare**" on **March 18, 2024.** He emphasized the pivotal role of rehabilitative devices in delivering accessible and high-quality care, particularly within public healthcare systems.

#### **Event 3: Alumni Talk on 'Trends in the automotive hardware industry'.**

**Mr. Kaarthic Vadivel**, Senior Staff Engineer at Tesla and an alumnus of the 2005-2009 batch, visited the **Department of ECE** to interact with the students on the topic 'Trends in the automotive hardware industry'.



Industry Insight: Tesla Senior Staff Engineer Mr. Kaarthic Vadivel Engages ECE Students on Automotive Hardware Trends

#### Event 4: Guest Lecture on 'Enhancing Professional Communication Through Storytelling'

Mr. Ayyappan Ramachandran (2012-2016 Batch, Chemical), founder and managing director of the fast-growing startup "Tellable" delivered guest lecture titled "Enhancing Professional Communication Through Storytelling" on March 15, 2024. The event was initiated by placecomm member of the 2024 batch, Mr. Shriram, who introduced the guest lecturer. Mr. Ayyappan's experience managing external communications at Zifo helped him to start Tellable in January 2020.



Crafting Narratives: Ayyappan Ramachandran Shares Storytelling Secrets at Tellable's Lecture

Tellable is a creative agency that helps individuals and organizations communicate better using storytelling. As an alumnus of the 2016 batch, He reflected on his past days as a story-maker and how his pastime laid the foundations of Tellable. He provided insights on how to weave personal experiences into a valuable story to present in an interview and discussed the different elements necessary to make a story relatable and professional. The lecture captivated the audience, sparking an interactive exchange of questions and answers that continued even after the lecture ended. The event was attended by the Head of the Department, Dr. K. Sathish Kumar, faculty members and III-year Chemical Engineering students. Mr. Sudarsan, placecomm member of the 2025 batch, ended the event by giving a vote of thanks.

#### Event 5: Guest Lecture on 'Introduction to Loss Prevention Engineering in Oil & Gas Sector'

**Ms. Shyamala B**, an esteemed alumna of **Chemical Engineering Department** from the **2018 batch**, currently serving as an HSE Engineer at **McDermott International Limited**, delivered a guest lecture titled "**Introduction to Loss Prevention Engineering in Oil & Gas Sector**" on March 28, 2024. The lecture aimed to provide insight into the critical domain of loss prevention engineering and its significance within the oil and gas sector.



Ms. Shyamala B, Chemical Department alumna, enlightens students on Loss Prevention Engineering in Oil & Gas during a captivating guest lecture

**Ms. Shyamala** elucidated the fundamental concepts of loss prevention engineering, emphasizing its pivotal role in ensuring operational safety and mitigating potential hazards within the oil and gas industry. She provided an overview of the current scenario in the oil and gas sector, shedding light on the diverse job roles available in this domain. Through her insights, students gained a comprehensive understanding of the various opportunities and career paths within the industry. Ms. **Shyamala** delved into the roles and responsibilities of Engineering, Procurement, and Construction (EPC) companies within the oil and gas sector and explained how these entities contribute to the overall functioning and development of projects in the industry.

This guest lecture on "Introduction to Loss Prevention Engineering in Oil & Gas Sector" proved to be immensely informative and insightful for the II-year Chemical Engineering students. Her expertise and practical experience enriched their understanding of crucial concepts and career prospects within the oil and gas industry. The Department of Chemical Engineering extends its sincere gratitude to **Ms. Shyamala** for her invaluable contribution to our academic endeavours and look forward to more such enriching interactions in the future.

# **Event 6: Invited Talk** on 'Empowering Higher Education: Customizing Large Language Models for Student and Faculty Success'

**Dr. K.B. Sundhara Kumar**, an esteemed alumna of **IT Department** from the **2013 batch** and currently serving as Assistant Professor in the Department of Computer Science and Engineering at Shiv Nadar University (SNU) Chennai delivered an invited talk titled "Empowering Higher Education: Customizing Large Language Models for Student and Faculty Success" on March **13**, **2024**.

The talk was part of the 6-Day Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on "Exploring Next Generation Smart Solutions (ENGSS 2024)", organized by the Department of IT during March 11-16, 2024.



#### Empowering Education: Dr. K.B. Sundhara Kumar Inspires with Talk on Large Language Models

Attendees, including faculty and research scholars, gained invaluable insights into leveraging advanced language models to enhance teaching methodologies and accelerate research endeavours, thereby fostering innovation and efficiency in academic pursuits. SSN- CARE Vol. 2, issue 10, April 2024 P a g e | 10

#### Event 7: Alumni organized 'XR Day'



**Mr. Paul Jabez Talakayala** (2019-2023 Batch, IT), Product Designer, BeeboxStudios, organized '**XR Day**' on **March 13, 2024** as part of the TechGrad School 2024 -Engineers in SDGs organized by the IT department

Alumni Visits and Interactions

### Alumni Visits and Interactions from the EEE Department

#### From Hackathon Triumph to Patent Success, A Journey of Innovation



Mr. Santhoosh Aravind S, (2017-2021 Batch, EEE), Bosch Global Software Technologies, Vehicle Motion & Autonomous Vehicle division is in interaction with Dr. V. Rajini, HoD, EEE. He along with Mr. Sai Prashanth B and Mr. Praveen SB from EEE Department have got a patent granted for their project "Cuffless Non-Invasive Blood Pressure Monitor". This project was mentored by Dr.Suganthi.L of BME.



Their journey began during the Smart India Hackathon 2019, Hardware Edition, where they developed a solution for the problem statement presented by GE Healthcare.

Their solution earned them **the 2<sup>nd</sup> prize** in the competition, laying the foundation for their subsequent endeavours.

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Building on his success, **Mr. Santhoosh Aravind** showcased his project at the IIT Bombay TechFest, where his solution impressed the audience and secured the 3rd prize.

Continuing to refine his solution, **Mr. Santhoosh Aravind** diligently iterated upon the prototype, leading to the filing of the patent on April 16, 2021. Throughout his journey, he extends heartfelt gratitude to SSN College for unwavering support at every stage. The guidance and assistance proved instrumental in nurturing the project and facilitating the patent filing process. He remains committed to supporting initiatives fostering the growth of ideas within the college community.



TechFest Triumph: Innovator Impresses, Secures 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize @IIT Bombay

#### Alumni Visits and Interactions from the ECE Department



**Ms. Sumitra**, an alumna from the 2010-2012 M.E. C.S. batch of **ECE department**, currently a postdoctoral researcher at IIT Madras, visited and interacted with faculty members.

#### Alumni Visits and Interactions from the Biomedical Engineering Department

**Ms. Leena Sri R**, an esteemed alumna representing HTIC, and **Ms. Lavanya M**, a distinguished alumna affiliated with HCL, both graduates of the **Department of Biomedical Engineering** (2018-2022 Batch), recently graced the department with their presence to engage with 3rd-year students. Their visit proved to be an enriching experience as they generously shared profound insights garnered from their respective industry tenures, aimed at guiding students towards promising career trajectories.



During the session, Ms. Lavanya meticulously explored the realm of medical device design and strategic marketing, underscoring critical aspects such as material selection, product longevity augmentation, and regulatory compliance.

Her discourse provided invaluable perspectives on navigating the intricate landscape of healthcare product development.

Alumni Industry Insights: Navigating Biomedical Engineering Careers: A Visit by Ms. Leena Sri R, and Ms. Lavanya M @BME Dept.

In parallel, **Ms. Leena Sri** illuminated the audience on the indispensable role of Image Processing in the domains of endovascular and cardiovascular implantation. Encouraging students to embark on mini projects addressing prevalent healthcare challenges with cost-effective solutions, she underscored the significance of leveraging programming languages like C++, Java, and Python.

These languages, she emphasized, serve as indispensable tools for biomedical engineers in crafting AI models and software essential for tackling real-time issues in imaging and signal processing.

The interactive dialogue fostered during this session not only bestowed students with invaluable knowledge but also kindled a renewed sense of motivation for their forthcoming professional journeys.

#### Alumni Visits and Interactions from the Mechanical Department



Mr. Gopi Pugal (2017-2021 Batch) visited the Mechanical Department to share his work experience and insights on professional growth. He currently serves as an NPD Engineer at MK Fasteners, Bengaluru.

Alumni Spotlight: Mr. Gopi Pugal Inspires with Career Journey and Insights at Mechanical Department Visit

#### Alumni Visits and Interactions from the Civil Department

**Mr. Vaishnav** and **Mr. Naveen Prasath**, alumni of the **2019-2023 Batch**, visited the campus and the **Civil Engineering Department** on **March 14**, **2024**. During their visit, **Mr. Naveen Prasath** shared his work experience at **TCS**, where he was selected through campus placement. Meanwhile, **Mr. Vaishnav** currently serves as a Lead Project Engineer at **Modulus Housing**, a company dedicated to the fast-paced construction of low-cost homes using precast panel-based technology.

In his role, Mr. Vaishnav oversees both on-site operations and officebased activities. He expresses great satisfaction in joining a company that offers extensive exposure in the construction field. The Department of Civil Engineering extends its best wishes to them for their future endeavours.



#### Alumni Visits and Interactions from the IT Department

The following alumni participated as the **Panel Jury members** in **VIVID 8.0 – the National Level Project Competition** conducted by the **Department of IT** during **March 26-27, 2024**, and engaged in interactions with the faculty members of the IT department.



Mr. Venkkatesan R, Co-founder, TenderCuts (B.Tech IT2003-2007 Batch) visited on March 26, 2024.

Mr. Mohan Kumar R, Engineering Leader, Altimetrik (B.Tech IT 2003-2007 Batch) visited on March 27, 2024.





Mr. Hari G, Senior Manager, Deloitte.com (B.Tech IT 2003-2007 Batch) visited on March 27, 2024.



Mr. Aravind V Vaideesh, Senior Application Developer, Thoughtworks (B.Tech IT Batch 2011-2015) visited on March 27, 2024.



Mr. Mohan Kumar R and Mr. Hari G, alumni of the 2003-2007 Batch in IT, engaged in discussions with Dr. I. Joe Louis Paul and Dr. P. Vasuki, Alumni Coordinators of the IT Department, during their visit on March 27, 2024.

#### Alumni Visits and Interactions from the CSE Department

#### **Alumni Industry Experts Review M.E Projects**

**Ms. Geetha Manjusha** (2009-2011 M.E. CSE Batch), Data Science Manager at PayPal acted as an **industry expert** and reviewed M.E Project work on **March 5, 2024**.



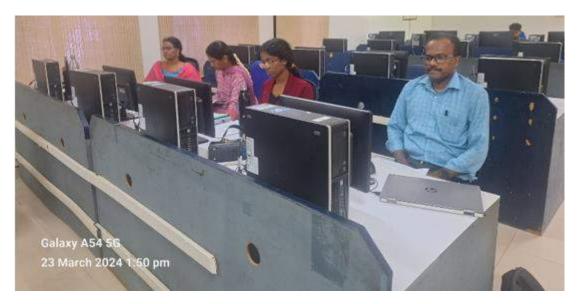
Industry Insights: Ms. Geetha Manjusha Reviewed M.E. CSE Projects

#### **Alumni Industry Experts Review B.E Projects**

The second final year project review was conducted on March 23, 2024. Four industry alumni experts were invited to evaluate the projects alongside the project review panel.

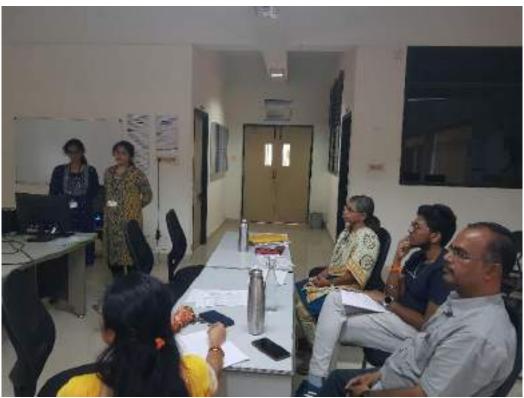
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**Ms. Kalaivani** (2016-2020 B.E. CSE Batch), a Software Engineer at Google, assessed 18 project batches in the field of computer vision. She suggested making some projects open source and prioritizing technology-oriented projects alongside research-oriented ones.



Panel 1: Ms. Kalaivani and Experts Reviewed UG Projects

**Mr. B. Logesh** (2016-2020 CSE Batch), a Solution Consultant at Sahaj Software Solutions, evaluated 17 project batches focusing on blockchain, cybersecurity, and image processing. He recommended deploying the project work in real-world applications.



Panel 2: Mr. B. Logesh and Experts Reviewed UG Projects SSN- CARE Vol. 2, issue 10, April 2024

**Ms. Sudha Parimala** (2015-2019 CSE Batch), a Team Leader at Tarides, assessed 18 project batches focusing on natural language processing, speech processing, and multimodal data processing. She provided feedback on areas for improvement and offered suggestions on refining their results.



**Panel 3: Ms. Sudha Parimala and Experts Reviewed UG Projects Ms. Aarthi Ravishankar** (2000-2004 CSE Batch), Delivery Manager in Corporate Social Responsibility at Tata Consultancy Services, evaluated 17 project batches focusing on data analytics, big data, and augmented reality/virtual reality. She emphasized the importance of design thinking before implementing project work.



Panel 4: Ms. Aarthi Ravishankar and Experts Reviewed UG Projects

Mr. R. Seshan, Lead Engineer at Qualcomm and an alumnus of the 2011-2015 CSE Batch, served as a panel jury member for evaluating projects submitted for the event "ENCENDER - A Project Expo," organized by the Department of CSE on March 22, 2024. SSN- CARE Vol. 2, issue 10, April 2024 P a g e | 18



Alumnus Perspective: Mr. R. Seshan Judges Projects at ENCENDER - A Project Expo

**Mr. V. Vrishin Vigneshwar**, Software Development Engineer, Motorq (2018-2022 CSE Batch), visited the campus on March 25, 2024 and interacted with our faculty.



**Tech Insights: Mr. V. Vrishin Vigneshwar Engages with Faculty at Campus Visit Mr. Amogh Gupta,** Software Engineer-IBM (2017-2021 CSE Batch) visited the campus for Project Exlog on March 22, 2024 and interacted with our faculty.



Industry Insight: Mr. Amogh Gupta Engages Faculty at Project Exlog Visit SSN- CARE Vol. 2, issue 10, April 2024 P a g

## Alumni write up

#### Write up 1:

## Mr. Sripaul Chidambaram Asokan (Department of IT, 2005-2009 Batch) Senior Software Engineer, Netflix

San Jose, California, United States



Hailing from the modest town of Sattur, I credit a significant portion of my personal and professional triumphs to my enlightening journey at SSN. The transformative four-year stint at SSN served as a fertile ground for unearthing various facets of my persona, igniting my passion for technology, refining my interpersonal skills, and fostering relationships of a lifetime.

One of the very early pivotal moments during my time at SSN was being awarded merit scholarships. This recognition not only boosted my confidence but also filled my parents with immense pride. It served as a testament to my academic dedication and laid a robust foundation for my future pursuits.

What set the faculty at SSN apart was their approachability and friendliness. They created an atmosphere where honesty and openness were valued, completely reshaping the concept of an educator-student relationship.



An Honourable Encounter - SSN Instincts Cultural Committee privileged to meet Dr. Shiv Nadar in 2009. Truly a memorable day of enlightenment and inspiration. SSN- CARE Vol. 2, issue 10, April 2024 P a g e | 21 They were mentors who guided us, appreciated our curiosity, and encouraged us to challenge our own limits. The profound impact of their guidance has not been confined to my academic life alone; it has shaped my professional and personal values as well.

At SSN, I had the rewarding opportunity to coordinate numerous events, including academic symposiums, cultural programs, and a notable anti-smoking campaign that earned a place in the Limca Book of World Records. These experiences honed my administrative and presentation skills. Simultaneously, serving as a compere for various events enhanced my communication abilities and leadership acumen. More importantly, it fostered cross-departmental relationships and underscored the significance of diverse ideas and perspectives.



Taking part in the history-making Anti-Smoking Campaign of 2009, proudly recognized in the Limca Book of World Records - 2010. An unforgettable journey of activism and organization.

Also, living in the hostel provided a unique dimension to my college life. It was a melting pot of diverse cultures, ideas, and personalities. The bonds forged in the shared spaces of our hostel rooms have blossomed into lifelong friendships. In addition to the camaraderie, the hostel life also instilled in me essential skills of self-management, resourcefulness, and resilience, which I believe have been instrumental in shaping my character and professional conduct.

Of all the enriching experiences and opportunities at SSN, the embodiment of freedom coupled with responsibility was truly transformative. This culture encouraged a spirit of autonomy and instilled in me a sense of self-direction. It taught me the delicate balance between freedom and accountability.

As I stepped into the professional realm, the values imbibed at SSN enabled me to challenge stereotypes and chart my own path. I was able to leverage the freedom and responsibility ethos to drive innovation, maximizing results and making significant contributions to the organizations I worked with. This culture of freedom at SSN has also fostered in me a leadership approach that values autonomy and empowerment. Rather than micromanaging, I learned to trust and empower my teams, igniting their potential to take initiatives. This "fire-at-will" approach, as opposed to controlling every aspect, has often led to exceptional results, reflecting the profound impact of my formative years at SSN.

I hold a profound appreciation for the opportunities that SSN afforded me, and frequently reflect on those transformative days with great regard!

Write up 2: Mr. Pranav Krishna R (Department of BME, 2017-2021 Batch) Associate Consultant, Universal Consulting India



I'm **Pranav Krishna R**, a proud alumnus of SSN's **Biomedical Engineering program**, where I graduated in 2021 with the honor of securing the top position at Anna University.

This academic feat was further **recognized with the prestigious Gold medal**, bestowed upon me by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi.



Crowning Achievement: Receiving the Gold Medal from PM SSN- CARE Vol. 2, issue 10, April 2024

Following my undergraduate success, I embarked on a journey to pursue a Master's Degree in Biomedical Engineering from Johns Hopkins University, USA.



Currently, I am contributing my skills and knowledge as part of the team at Universal Consulting Pvt. Limited (UC), a respected Indian strategy consulting firm based in Mumbai, with a focus on Life Sciences, including Biotech, Healthcare, and Medtech, among other industries.



Recently, I was honored with two trophies for my outstanding performance and consistent support in ensuring the timely completion of challenging assignments for our clients within the healthcare and pharmaceutical sectors. Engaged in various projects, I have leveraged my technical background to gain in-depth insights into product intricacies.

Through interviews with stakeholders ranging from surgeons to distributors and sales personnel, I have cultivated a comprehensive understanding of the industries, enabling the development of robust launch strategies for products in the Indian market. In acknowledgment of my contributions, I was felicitated during UC's 30th-year Annual Day event in Mumbai on 15th March 2024. My journey from SSN to achieving milestones in the corporate world stands as a testament to the transformative power of education and unwavering dedication. I hope my story inspires aspiring engineers and underscores the profound impact of commitment and learning.

#### Write up 3:

#### Mr. Akash Premkumar (Department of EEE, 2019-2023 Batch) Current Occupation - Solution Specialist, Everstage, Chennai



As I reflect on my academic journey over the past four years, I am overwhelmed with gratitude for the incredible opportunity SSN has bestowed upon me by granting me admission to pursue the B.E. (EEE) program. This journey has been nothing short of transformative, and I owe a debt of gratitude to SSN for being the cornerstone of my educational pursuits. Throughout my tenure at SSN, the scholarship has been an indispensable lifeline, alleviating financial pressures and allowing me to fully immerse myself in my studies and various extracurricular activities.

The financial assistance provided by the merit scholarship has been instrumental in enabling me to

focus on my academic pursuits without the constant worry of financial constraints. It has enabled me to invest my time and energy into exploring my academic interests, participating in research projects, and engaging in community service initiatives. Beyond the financial relief, the scholarship has been a powerful motivator, encouraging me to continuously strive for excellence in every aspect of my academic journey.

Moreover, the scholarship support has opened doors to countless opportunities, allowing me to participate in seminars, workshops, and conferences that have broadened my horizons and enriched my learning experience. It has also facilitated access to valuable resources, including academic materials and technology, that have been instrumental in my academic success as I had a chance to be an IEEE Member for all 4 years.

As I embark on the next chapter of my journey, I am **profoundly grateful to SSN for investing in my education and for believing in my potential**. The skills and knowledge I acquired during my time at SSN have been instrumental in preparing me for this role.

SSN's comprehensive curriculum, coupled with the guidance and mentorship of the faculty members, equipped me with the technical expertise and problem-solving abilities necessary to thrive in a dynamic and challenging environment like Everstage. From honing my analytical skills to fostering my ability to collaborate effectively within teams, SSN provided me with a well-rounded education that has been invaluable in my professional pursuits.

I am confident that the foundation laid by SSN has not only prepared me to excel as a Solutions Specialist at Everstage, but has also empowered me to adapt to the ever-evolving demands of the industry.

With deep gratitude to SSN, I am poised for success, reminded by the **words of Albert Einstein**: 'Education is not the learning of facts, but the training of the mind to think'.

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