

ST. XAVIER'S INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION

RENDEZVOUS-A TÊTE-À-TÊTE WITH OUR ALUMNUS

An Initiative by Alumni Association of St. Xavier's Institute of Education

The alumni of any institution have an integral and inseparable connection to their alma mater. They are not just individuals who have graduated from an organization; rather they are people who have become personalities by virtue of their education at the institution and experience in the profession. The wealth of insights that the alumni possess is immense and this makes them torch bearers for the students of an institution.

Teacher preparation courses often seem to be divorced from ground realities of the profession. The gap between theory and the actual profession needs to be bridged, if future teachers are to be truly prepared to face the challenges of the profession. The alumni of the institute are today successful and contributing professionals, having faced the trials and tribulations of the profession with great courage and determination. Hence it was deemed worthwhile to tap this wealth of alumni resource and work collaboratively with them to make the teacher preparation program more meaningful and purposeful.

SALIENT FEATURES OF THE ACTIVITY:

- It is an interview/dialogue with an alumnus that would be conducted once a month.
- It is theme-based and focused. (The theme is announced to the alumnus as well as the students in advance)
- The time duration for each interview would be 30 - 45 minutes.
- Students would be put in teams of 5 to 6. Each team would be allotted an alumnus.
- Each team would be in charge of the following:
 - Preparing a letter of invitation and a thank you letter addressed to the alumnus
 - Designing a flyer for the program with a photograph of the alumnus for that month.
 - Sending the flyer to the Manager, Principal, Staff and students
 - Procuring the bio-data of the alumnus and preparing a ppt on the same.
 - Preparing the interview questions, in consultation with the staff coordinators` and the concerned alumnus.
 - Designing the introductory slide
 - Introducing the alumnus
 - Concluding with a vote of thanks and college anthem
 - Preparing a brief report with images and necessary details

OBJECTIVES OF THE ACTIVITY

- To explore the possibilities of making the alumni, productive partners with the institute in a collective goal to enhance and enrich the student life.
- To promote sharing of insights by the alumni that would prepare student teachers to face the challenges of the profession.
- To encourage greater involvement of the alumni with the institute in teacher formation
- To inspire student teachers to make the best of the B.Ed. program offered by the institute and equip themselves with the requisite skill-set for the profession
- To develop organizational skills among the student teachers.



OUTCOMES OF THE ACTIVITY

At the end of the academic year, by virtue of the program, the student teachers would be able to;

- Brace themselves to face the professional and pedagogical challenges of the teaching profession.
- Organize events collaboratively.
- Realize their role as the future alumni of the institute.
- Comprehend the paradigm shift in the field of education.

DETAILS OF THE INITIATIVES TAKEN FOR BENEFIT TO STUDENT

The program was planned, organized and conducted by teams of student teachers with the help and guidance of the Staff Alumni coordinators. So far, the program has been conducted in the months of July, August, September and October and it is still going strong as follows;

Sr. No.	Details of the Alumnus	Batch of the Alumnus	Day & Date	Theme
1.	Ms. Alethea Vaz; Assistant Lecturer and Course Coordinator, Forensic Science Program, St. Xavier's College	2017-2019	20 th July, 2021	Interpersonal Acumen in Teachers
2.	Br. Agnelo Benjamin; Principal, St. Edmund's Higher Secondary School, Shillong, Meghalaya	1996-1997	18 th August, 2021	Spiritual Connect between Teachers and Learners
3.	Mr. Pravin Vaz; Outreach Coordinator for Engineering and Computer Science at Victoria University, Wellington	2005-2006	18 th September, 2021	Teacher Inventiveness
4.	Ms. Sonali Gandhi; Headmistress, Jamnabai Narsee School	1997-1998	25 th October 2021	Making Education Relevant
5.	Ms. Pallavi Furia, Educational Consultant and Entrepreneur	1999-2000	30 th November, 2021	Education Beyond Teaching – World of Corporate in Education
6.	Dr. Pratibha Naithani, Head of the Department of Political Science, St. Xavier's College, Autonomous, Mumbai	1994-1995	16 th December 2021	Teacher – An Agent of Social Change



	Dr. Sandychris Inchiparamban, Lead Instructional Designer at Learning Mate Solutions Pvt. Ltd.	2012-2013	29 th January, 2022	Research for Making Education Dynamic.
8.	Mr. Amit Victor Rodrigues, Emirates School Establishment, Ministry of Education, United Arab Emirates	2013-2014	12 th March, 2022	Teaching in International Circuit
9.	Fr. Magi Murzello, Principal and Rector, St. Andrew's College, Senate Member, University of Mumbai	2001-2002	26 th April, 2022	Zero Out Carbon

IMPACT THAT THE ACTIVITY HAD ON THE BENEFICIARIES AND QUANTIFY THE IMPACTS

The Alumni Activity titled, 'RENDEZVOUS - A Tête-À-Tête with our Alumnus' was appreciated by the student teachers with almost above 90% agreement on the effectiveness of the following criteria;

- Planning and Organization of the Program
- Suitability of the theme
- Relevance of questions
- Insights obtained from the Program

Student teachers have expressed that there were significant takeaways from the Program that would hold them in good stead in their future career. They were inspired by the career advancement initiatives taken by the alumni and the work undertaken by them for their professional growth.

IMPACT ELSEWHERE

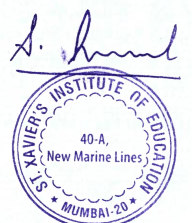
The Activity necessitates dynamic networking of the Institute with the alumni, in order to identify suitable personnel for conducting the sessions. Institutes can have a meaningful impact on their students by following the steps as given below;

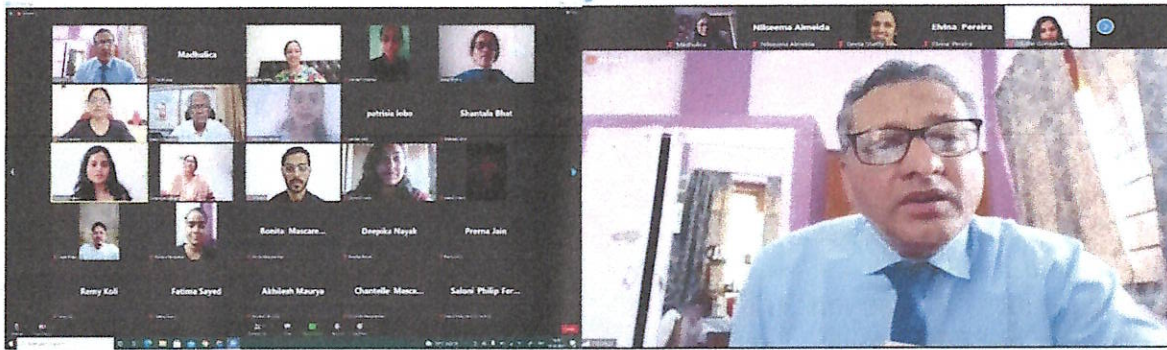
Done by staff coordinators

- Making student led teams.
- Identifying profession related themes for each month.
- Identifying Alumni for the themes.
- Scheduling the Activity per month.

Done by student led teams

- Preparing the Program schedule for each month.
- Designing and getting the approval for flyers
- Preparing questions suitable to the theme and sharing the same with the Alumnus resource person.
- Conducting the Activity using creative techniques
- Obtaining feedback
- Reporting.





The Alumni Association of
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THEME:

TEACHING IN INTERNATIONAL CIRCUIT



MR. AMY VICTOR ROMRIGUES
Alumnus speaker
B.Y.B.E.
Batch 2013-2014



After this session, what are the inputs that you have gained in order to gear yourself up for inventiveness? (Please enter as per your pedagogy)

English	Geog/Economics	History	Science	Mathematics
Online activities or games based on the various Grammar topics	Using digital tools to provide an enriching teaching experience!	Using tools that students use in their day to day lives in education	Use task based teaching	Quiver is really interesting, it can make things interesting. 3D is what kids seek especially. This online scenario learning with fun is always effective.
Using digital tools for enhancing the teaching-learning experience	The use of timeline will truly be helpful to introduce the chapter on urbanisation	Use of various online tools to make the learning more interactive and interesting	It's the best session so far I got to learn so many new things which I will surely use while teaching	The use of 3D models and interactive content will be helpful to introduce the concept of geometry.
English			Use of Augmented reality for teaching-learning	
Using virtual tools in				



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