



CAMPUSCOPE

COMPETITIVE DEBATING



The Debating Society of the University organised a workshop on the benefits and nuances of Competitive Debating. The speaker at the event was Mr. Pranav Kumar from Houston, Texas, USA, who has many years of experience in Debating in the Texas School Debate leagues and has been a serial debate champion, including being the winner of 2 consecutive Houston City Urban Debate League championships. The students learnt a lot of useful skills under his guidance and also engaged in a Q&A that was very beneficial to all.

GLOBAL OUTSOURCING DESTINATIONS



The Department of Management - MBA-IB organised a webinar on 11 November 2020 for the students of MBA-IB on Microsoft teams. The speaker for the session was Ms. Swati Dubish Solutions Leader, Banking & Financial Service, Hexaware Technologies, New Jersey. The topic of the lecture was 'Indian MNCs: Global Outsourcing Destinations for Digital Solutions'.

ENRICHMENT LECTURES

The Department of English organised the twelfth virtual enrichment lecture on 21 November 2020. Dr. Neela Sarkar, Associate Professor at New Alipore College, affiliated to the University of Calcutta, was invited to speak on the topic "Gender and Sexuality in Popular Indian Culture". Dr. Sarkar began her lecture with a concise introduction to the terms 'sexuality' and 'gender', and went on to talking about how expectations regarding them affect people.



On 14 December 2020, the Department of English organized a virtual enrichment lecture for its UG and PG students with Dr. Anita Ghai, a Disability Rights activist and Professor in the School of Human Studies at Ambedkar Univ., Delhi, on 'Disability in Bollywood'. She talked at length about how the 'differently abled' are perceived by the society as 'lacking' something and are thus repeatedly sent external messages that convey the same. From here, she went on to discuss how disability is portrayed in Bollywood films beginning with cult classics such as Mother India and Dosti. The speaker also focused on the importance of the motto "Nothing for us without us", thus emphasizing the need for both inclusivity and interdependence.

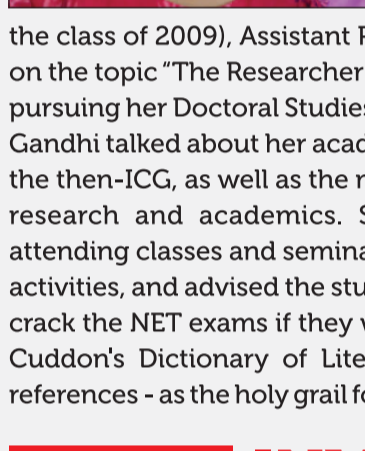


SECRETS TO REVERSING DISEASE & BUILDING IMMUNITY

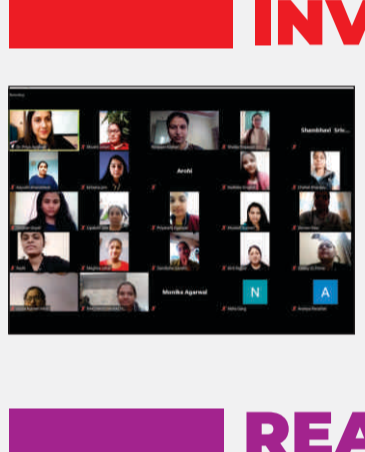
IIS (Deemed to be University), Jaipur, in collaboration with Rotary Clubs- Jaipur Roundtown, Marugandha, Sanskar, Gurukul, Sankalp, Marudhara and Vidyasthali, organized a session on Secrets to Reversing Disease and Building Immunity on 22 November 2020. The speaker of the session is famous Nutri-genomics & Disease Reversal Expert Mr. Karan Kakkad. Conducted on the Zoom platform, the session provided various insights into the world of food, and the speaker explain how the food we eat is itself the most effective medicine for the body. It was an engaging and informative session for all attendees.



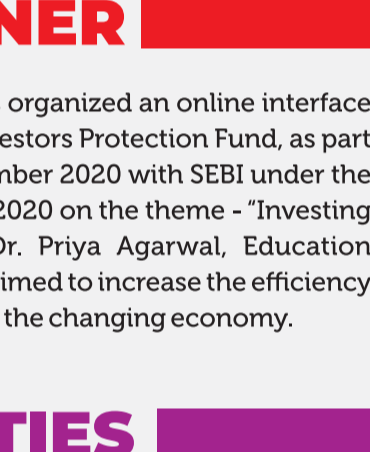
ALUMNA-INTERACTION SESSIONS



The Department of English at the IIS University organized the seventh in the series of virtual Alumna-Interaction on November 23, 2020. Ms. Isha Bajpai from the batch of 2011 was the invited speaker. Ms Bajpai is currently pursuing a career in the field of print journalism. She completed her higher education from the Indian Institute of Journalism & New Media, Bangalore. The topic of her talk was "Journalism as a Career" and, through her eight year experience in this field, gave her views on the present scenario of journalism, the process of news-making and how studying literature equipped her with the tools to excel in this chosen area of work.



The eighth Alumna-Interaction session was organized virtually on 8 December 2020. Ms. Kanika Gandhi (from the class of 2009), Assistant Professor at Shaheed Bhagat Singh College, Delhi, spoke on the topic "The Researcher-Teacher." Ms. Gandhi is an academician and researcher, pursuing her Doctoral studies in South Asian Women's Autobiographical Writings. Ms. Gandhi talked about her academic and professional journey, crediting her teachers at the then-ICG, as well as the mentors she met Jamia Millia Islamia, for her passion for research and academics. She acknowledged the fruitfulness of compulsorily attending classes and seminars, organizing events and taking part in extra-curricular activities, and advised the students against rushing to pursue M.Phil./ Ph.D. but to first crack the NET exams if they wish to take up teaching as a career. She also suggested Cuddon's Dictionary of Literary Terms & Literary Theory - among several other references - as the holy grail for further studies in English Literature.



READERS' CLUB ACTIVITIES

The Department of English of the IIS University organized a virtual Readers' Club Activity on 25 November 2020. It was a discussion on the Academy award-winning South Korean movie Parasite. The discussion covered several aspects of the social satire such as class distinctions and greed, interpretations of various symbols, and the myth of meritocracy. Themes such as capitalism and colonialism were also explored while discussing the surprisingly great impact made by an eastern, South Korean movie on the western culture.

A Readers' Club Activity was organized by the Department of English on 23 December 2020. The topic for the activity was "How do some of the best creative minds think?" It explored the lessons imparted by some popular and literary minds, using the trailers of MasterClass, a streaming platform where the world's best writers train the aspiring writers. The trailers screened in the class included the literary authors such as Salman Rushdie, Margaret Atwood, Neil Gaiman, and Joyce Carol Oates, as well as popular authors like Judy Blume, Dan Brown, R.L. Stine, and David Sedaris. The discussion ranged from poetry, drama, prose and fiction, and language to wider concepts such as culture, ethnicity, creative expression and techniques of writing across genres.



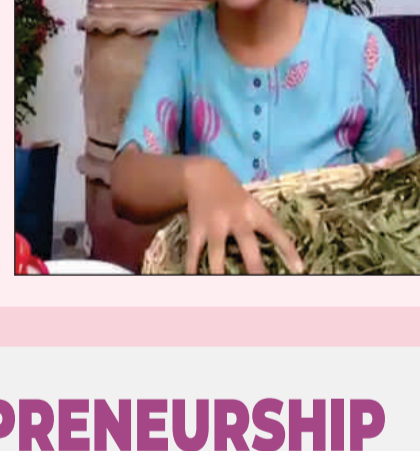
INTERNATIONAL WEBINAR ON SCIENTIFIC WRITING

IIS (deemed to be University) in collaboration with the Association of Chemistry Teachers (ACT), organised a two-day International Webinar on Scientific Writing on 27 – 28 November 2020, as part of a Series to foster research-based skills amongst faculty members, researchers and students. The event witnessed a registration strength of 1200 participants from all academic backgrounds, including eminent scientists, professors, scholars as well as the faculty members and students of our University.

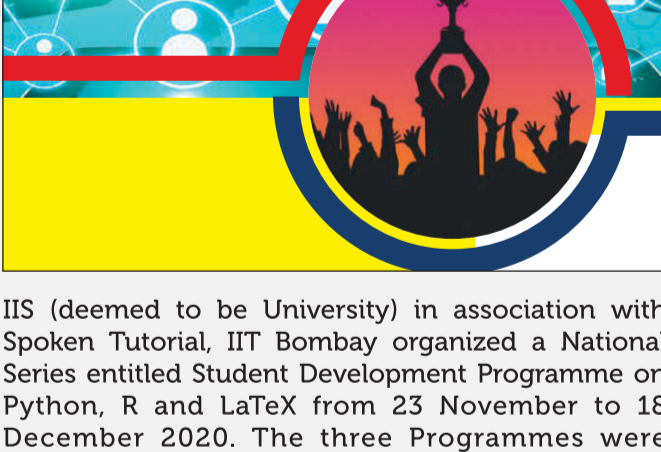


COMPOSTING AT HOME

In a bid to make students and villagers aware of waste segregation and waste management and to be able to take appropriate measure to rectify issues related to waste disposal a guest lecture on "Composting at Home- from Garbage to Garden" was organised on 9 December 2020 by the Waste Management Committee under Social Entrepreneurship, Swachhta and Rural Engagement (SES REC). A total of 70 villagers and students attended the session. The resource person for the lecture was Dr. Kanika Jindal, who is the Co-Founder and Director of Impressions Preschool, Jaipur. She talked about treating the waste being generated from our homes such as fruits and vegetables and workplaces and using them to create manure for the plants. She further demonstrated the scientific way of preparing compost at home and how the type of material used, the location of the compost pile, the amount of moisture applied and frequency of turning effects the quality of compost. Do's and Don'ts for preparation of good quality of compost were discussed in detail.



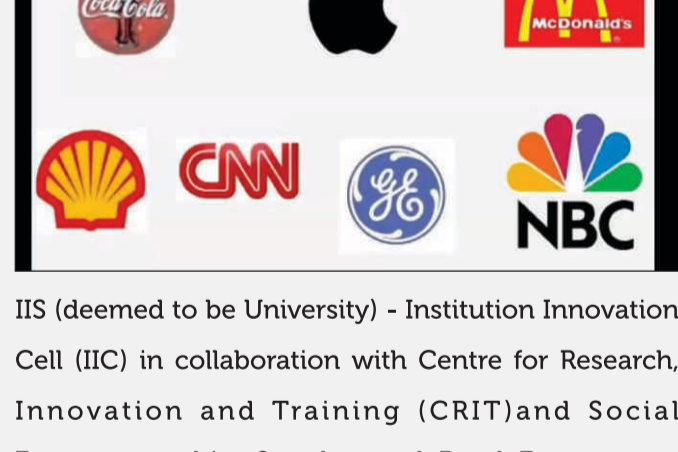
STUDENT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME



IIS (deemed to be University) in association with Spoken Tutorial, IIT Bombay organized a National Series entitled Student Development Programme on Python, R and LaTeX from 23 November to 18 December 2020. The three Programmes were conducted over a period of 10, 10 and 7 days respectively, witnessing participation by over 300 students. Each programme was introduced with an orientation session and included the following topics:

- Python Programming
- R Programming Language
- LaTeX Programming

ENTREPRENEURSHIP & INNOVATION AS CAREER-OPPORTUNITY

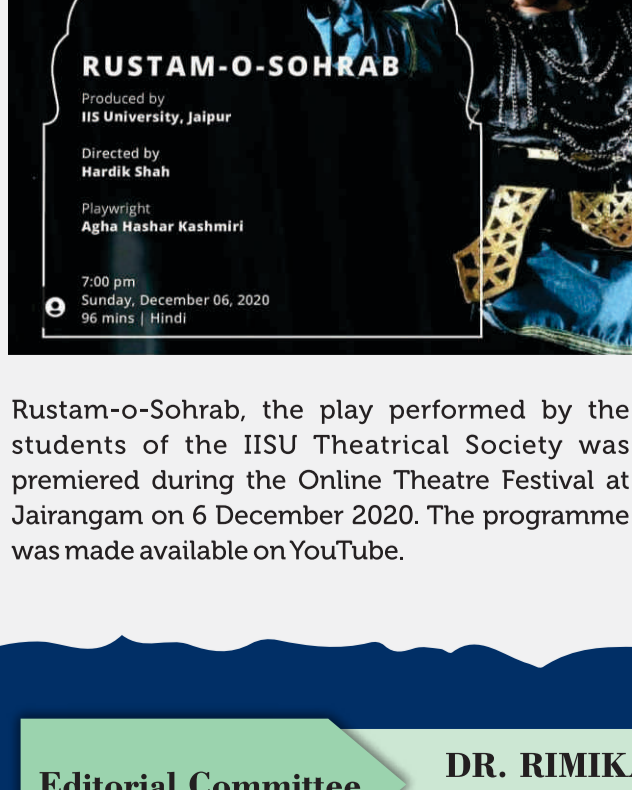


IIS (deemed to be University) - Institution Innovation Cell (IIC) in collaboration with Centre for Research, Innovation and Training (CRIT) and Social Entrepreneurship, Swachta and Rural Engagement Cell (SES REC) is organized an online Workshop titled "Entrepreneurship and Innovation as Career Opportunity" on 10 December 2020 exclusively for students, faculties & Entrepreneurs.

DOCUMENTARY-SCREENING

The documentary 'The Secret' was screened in 3 interactive sessions for the students of MBA - IB, IIIrd Sem from 14 - 16 December 2020. In this ground-breaking documentary film, leading scientists, authors, doctors, and philosophers reveal the great Secret that transformed the lives of all those who live it. They disclose 'The Secret' to everything – joy, health, money, relationships, love, happiness; everything a person desires. The documentary explains, the Universal law that governs all lives, and offers the knowledge of how to live – intentionally and effortlessly – a joyful life filled with peace, love, well-being, and abundance. Students were asked to learn The Secret, to know how they can have, be, or do anything they want.

THEATRICAL SOCIETY'S PLAY AT JAIRANGAM



Rustam-o-Sohrab, the play performed by the students of the IISU Theatrical Society was premiered during the Online Theatre Festival at Jairangam on 6 December 2020. The programme was made available on YouTube.

SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP



IISU Incubation Centre in coordination with the Startup Cell of the University organised a series of 4 online sessions starting 19 December 2020. The theme focused on 'Social Entrepreneurship'. The speaker at the event was Ms. Saloni Sancheti, Founder, Baansuli.

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