



H. A. College of Commerce
Internal Quality Assurance Cell
Best Practices 2021-22

BEST PRACTICES: 2021-22

Title of the Practice: Scholarships for students

Objectives:

- To achieve the vision of the institution of providing education for development.
- To establish an environment of nexus between the institution and its alumni.
- To provide the best chance to continue the studies.
- To create conviction among the students that financial support is within their reach.

Context:

Upon observing that certain students dropped out from third or fourth semester of the college, the reason being lack of finances, the institutions principal decided to establish contact with alumni of the college to provide financial aid to students while undertaking the education as well as for further studies upon graduation.

Thus, we could help the students by providing financial aid in the form of their fees, to continue with their education.

The fees of the grant-in-aid colleges are as it is very less, yet certain students coming from rural areas and families where no one had studied at any university, faced challenges with their finances.

At H. A. College we have an existing scholarship programme for studies abroad, sponsored by our alumnus, Mr. Chirag Patel, a NRI in USA. This scholarship programme could not be materialised due to the ongoing pandemic and government restrictions. Mr. Chirag Patel also has an NGO named 'Niswarth Children Foundation' and the college has an MOU with the same for providing scholarships to the students for pursuing higher studies.

Another alumnus Poorvi Dalal also came forward to pay the fees of eligible students.

The Practice:

- a. Primarily it is brought to the notice of all the students that such financial aid exists.
- b. The students with very weak economic background are urged to apply for the same.
- c. The college receives such many applications that it becomes challenging for the concerned committee to shortlist applicants for the scholarships.
- d. Among the received applications, the students are scanned based on their performances in the previous semester.
A final list is prepared, and it is communicated to the selected students, that their fees will be borne by the concerned donor.

Evidence of Success:

This has resulted in uninterrupted education of the students.

The main outcome is that the students from economically weaker backgrounds have a feeling of security with respect to their education.

In the year 2021-22, 32 students benefited from the Poorvi Dalal Scholarship. They were benefited by the scholarship which paid their fees for the college. In the year 2021-22 a total amount of 14,950 rupees were awarded as scholarship to the students for their college fees.

List of beneficiaries of Purvi Dalal Scholarship 2021-22

Sr. No.	Name of the Student	Semester	Roll. No.	Amount in Rupees
1	ANUJA YADAV	1	12	350
2	ANUJKUMAR PATEL	1	13	600
3	CHANDANI SHARMA	1	23	350
4	DEVANGI MAURYA	1	28	350
5	DIVYA CHAUHAN	1	33	350
6	DHRASHATI BHATT	1	36	350
7	HITESH DABHI	1	45	600
8	JANVI PADHIYAR	1	48	350
9	KATHAN PRAJAPATI	1	58	600
10	SEJAL PATIL	1	116	350
11	VIJAY PATEL	1	125	600
12	DHAVAL THAKOR	1	144	600
13	NAZARABANU PATHAN	1	154	350
14	ASHITI DONGA	1	241	350
15	DEVARSH BHAVSAR	1	274	600
16	DHARTI CHAUHAN	1	281	350
17	DHRUV DARJI	1	282	600
18	HARPAL KACCHHI	1	322	600
19	ISHA SHAH	1	356	350
20	JIGAR MAHESHWARI	1	383	600
21	KAUSHIK KATRODIYA	1	402	600
22	KHUSHI MORE	1	415	350
23	KISHAN PANCHAL	1	422	600
24	MOKSH LEUVA	1	464	600
25	PRIYA PATEL	1	516	350
26	SNEHA SONI	1	595	350
27	VANISKH RAIYANI	1	622	600

28	VIDHI JOGDIYA	1	628	350
29	VIJAY PARMAR	1	629	600
30	VIVEK ZEZARIYA	1	644	600
31	KRIPASHA SONI	1	425	350
32	NIDHI AGRAWAL	1	475	350
				TOTAL = 14950/-

The Niswarth Children Foundation paid the scholarship of total 10 students for their higher studies. The following students benefited with the scholarship during the academic year 2021-22 by Niswarth foundation to pursue higher education. They were awarded a scholarship of 9,26,500 Rupees

Sr. No.	Name of the student	Scholarship amount in Rupees
1.	Varsha Tiwari	1,11,000
2.	Saloni Shah	69,500
3.	Manali Mali	1,13,000
4.	Kshitij Mahecha	1,25,000
5.	Yushi Jain	1,13,000
6.	Khushali Gohel	71,000
7.	Mahi Prajapati	20,000
8.	Urja Bagaria	1,15,000
9.	Anjali Ghodasara	70,000
10.	Kishika Punjabi	1,18,000

Another outcome of this scholarship programme is that it has been helpful to establish the strong attitude of giving back to its alma matter, among the alumni.

Problems Encountered:

H.A. College of Commerce being a grant-in-aid college has number of students aspiring for the said scholarship. The students seeking education in this college are from a humble background and require financial assistance. The admissions are strictly on merit and the college is always the most preferred one by the meritorious students. Especially those who aim to seek education in a govt. grant in aid institution offering the undergraduate teaching with a very less fees. The Niswarth Scholarship Committee finds it difficult to choose the students on basis of their merit due to the number of applications for the same. The college strictly follows the norms which are declared for the selection of the students for this scholarship. They are selected based on merit as well as the proof of income provided by the family of the students applying for the same.

Best Practice 2: Year 20-21

- **Title of the Practice: Organising Expert Guest Lectures**

Objective:

- **To be in unison with the vision and the mission of the college to have holistic development of the students**
- **To provide the students with apt exposure to subjects other than their syllabus.**
- **To ensure that the students get an opportunity to learn from experts who the students would not have been able to approach by themselves.**
- **Organising guest lectures also helps in ensuring personal interaction between the students and the experts, resulting in opportunities for networking as well.**

Context:

Ours being a commerce college, all the subjects related to commerce are taught in the syllabus but subjects like environmental awareness, spiritualism, self-defence, gender sensitization, social work, and importance of various languages, are not part of the main curriculum. Thus, to ensure that students receive a well-rounded education, and information regarding these important subjects, it becomes the college's duty to organise guest lectures conducted by experts on these above-mentioned relevant topics. This also results in imbibing spirit of nationalism and pride for the Nation.

The Practice:

The college has established different societies, for e.g., the H. A. Gandhian Society; the Cultural Committee "Antarnad"; NSS, which are vibrant and active student associations of the college; the women's development cell; the placement cell; the study circle; and NCC.

Various expert lectures are organised under the auspices of these bodies. These lectures are open for not only the members of the society, but the rest of the student body as well.

In addition to these, it is ensured that there is an awareness programme organised relating to widely discussed issues like cancer, AIDS, and old age for sensitising the students along with gender sensitization programs.

The list of the guest lectures organised during the year 2021-22 is attached herewith.

Evidence of success:

The students could tap their area of interest, while listening to the experts and get to understand what area should be availed by them upon graduation. As a result of one such lecture, students came forward to voluntarily work for social outreach programmes and the college was able to organise a visit to the municipality run school in the vicinity of the college.

The NSS students who organised a one-week camp at a nearby village, Visalpur visited the same village to continue their social work. They organised rallies in the village to create awareness about literacy, save the girl child and addiction.

Many students felt motivated to prepare and appear for the civil services examinations after interacting with a few guest lecturers.

The fact that these lectures organised by these societies are open for all is conducive to interest generation among the entire student body, and not only the members of these societies.

No difficulty is faced while organising these lectures because it has become an accepted and adopted pattern at our institution. **List of guests' lectures organised during the academic year 2021-22**

Sr. no.	Date	Name of the Speaker	Event
1	21-6-21	Ms. Niyati Mistri	International Day of Yoga
2	17-7-21	Prin. Dr. Rishikesh Mehta	World Day of International Justice
3	27-7-21	Dr. Rajendra Khimani, VC, Gujarat Vidhyapith	Gandhi's Perspective on Environment
4	6-8-21	Dr. Subhash Bhrahmbhatt, Provost, Sheyarth University	Day 1 Azaadi ka Amrut Mohotsav
5	9-8-21	Dr. B.H. Joshi, Provost, GLS University	Day 2 Azaadi ka Amrut Mohotsav
6	10-8-21	Dr. J.J. Vora, VC, Hemchandra Acharya North Gujarat University	Day 4 Azaadi ka Amrut Mohotsav
7	11-8-21	Dr. Navin Sheth, VC, GTU	Day 5 Azaadi ka Amrut Mohotsav
8	11-8-21	Dr. Nitin Pethani, VC, Saurashtra University, Rajkot	Day 5 Azaadi ka Amrut Mohotsav
9	14-8-21	Shree Haribhai Desai, Known Historian	Day 8 Azaadi ka Amrut Mohotsav
10	26-8-21	Dr. N.P. Verma, NSS Program Coordinator, Gujarat University	NSS Orientation Program

11	2-9-21	Dr. Vadibhai Patel	Ahmedabad's Contribution in Freedom Fight
12	17-9-21	Dr. Atul Gandhi, Senior Anaesthetist	Importance of Organ Donation
13	24-9-21	Dr. D.V. Desai, Dean Arts Faculty, Gujarat University	Celebration of NSS Day
14	30-9-21	Shri P.K. Laheri, Retd. IAS officer	Shri Aurobindo Ghosh's 150 th Birth Anniversary
15	3-10-21	Shri. Sudarshan Gadhavi	Motivational talk: Jindagi ek jivavani kala
16	5-10-21	Dr. Subhash Brambha Provost, Sheyarth University	H. A. Gandhian Society program: Gandhi mari najare
17	13-10-21	Shri. Divya Sukt Prabhuji. ISKCON, Ahmedabad	Motivational talk: Pillars of leadership
18	14-10-21	Shri. Kuber Dindor, Minister of state , Higher and technical education,Gujarat	Honoring and felicitation of achievers of the college.
19	1-12-21	Dr. Nayana Vekariya	International aids awareness day.
20	3-12-21	Mr. Shubham Maloo, CA	Day 1-Five-day lecture series: Finance and accounting in commerce.
21	4-12-21	Mr. Chirayu Maloo, CA and CS	Day 2- Five day lecture series: Time Management.
22	8-12-21	Mr. Rituraj Verma, CA	Day 3- Five days lecture series: The road to success in Business.
23	9-10-21	Mr. Prashant Suganth, Head, Carrier launcher	Day 4- Five-day lecture series: Significance of powerful and robust vocabulary.

24	10-12-21	Prof. Rohan Garg, Certified Counsellor	Day 5- Five day lecture series: Interview techniques
25	14-12-21	Prof. Harsal Arolkar, Faculty at PGDCA- GLS university	Future of artificial intelligence.
26	24-12-21	Ms. Jyotsna Gupte, Vice president, PANACHE Academy	Opportunities in aviation and hospitality Industry.
27	28-12-21	Shri. Yogesh Parekh, Chief librarian, Gujarat University	Role of Libraries in today's digital world.
28	31-01-22	Dr. Rushikesh Mehta	Intellectual Property Rights.
29	02-22-22	Dr. Minal rawal, Principal, Govt. Law College, Rajkot	Women empowerment and laws.
30	04-02-22	Dr. Neeta Thakre, Renowned Gyanaecologist, Ahmd	Importance of health and personal hygiene.
31	11-02-22	Dr. Mahesh Jivani, Rajkot	Extensive use of technology in teaching and learning.
32	15-02-22	Shri. Jitendra Raval	Financial Literacy.
33	19-02-22	Mr. Niranjana Mohite, Regional head, BFSI vertical of NIIT	Career opportunities in BFSI sector
34	21-02-22	Dr. Star Payal Iyer, Principal, R. H. Patel College of Arts and Commerce	Celebration of MATRUBHASHA diwas.
35	22-02-22	Shri. Manibhai Patel, Author	Talk on Sardar Vallabhbhai Pater and his early childhood period.
36	08-03-22	Dr. Jagadish Choudhari, Principal, Sardar	Inauguration of H.A. Sardar Patel Vihar Manch.

		Vallabhbhai Arts College.	
37	08-03-22	Dr. Geetanjali Rampal, Faculty, SMPIC- GLS University	Talk on ‘ KNOW YOURSELF’: Celebration of International Women’s Day.
38	21-03-22	Dr. Prashant BORKAR, Academic head, Mastersoft.	Accreditation and its Importance in HEI’s
39	24-03-22	Mr. Brijesh Shah, Aumnus and Consultant in Securities	Securing Your Finicial future.
40	25-03-22	Ms. Vishwaveda Joshi, York University, Canada	Webinar : Role of anthropology in the changing world.
41	01-04-22	Hon. Jagadishbhai Vishwakarma, Minister of industries	Annual day of the College
42	07-04-22	Dr. Atul Gandhi, Renowned Anaesthesiologist	Celebration of world health day.

Problem encountered:

Despite the restrictions imposed due to the pandemic, we fulfilled our vision and mission to have speakers from all over the nation and at international level for our students’ guidance. The best part of the lifting up of the restrictions resulted in our college being able to invite guests/experts on the campus. The academic year 2021-22 had a remarkable event’s celebration titled ‘AZADI KA AMRUT MAHOTSAV’. We organised a series of lectures on that theme and our students could have an opportunity to get to know our history of freedom struggle and the contribution of the freedom fighters in acquiring freedom for the nation. The practice of having lectures/ talks on subjects of the syllabus and for personal development was a success. Students got the benefit of the knowledge of the guest speakers and their experiences in their fields. We could help our students to connect with speakers of repute and academicians/ experts of the subject. The main problem the institution encountered was to accommodate more students in the seminar hall as

number of them expressed desire to attend but we had to follow all the protocols as per the guidelines of the Dept. of higher education, Govt. of Gujarat.

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