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## SYMBIOSIS SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS



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## VISION

Promoting International understanding through quality education

## MISSION

- To inculcate spirit of 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam' (the world is one family)
- To contribute towards knowledge generation and dissemination
- To promote ethical and value-based learning
- To foster the spirit of national development
- To inculcate cross cultural sensitization
- To develop global competencies amongst students
- To nurture creativity and encourage entrepreneurship
- To enhance employability and contribute to human resource development
- To promote health and wellness amongst students, staff and community
- To instil sensitivity amongst the youth towards the community and environment
- To produce thought provoking leaders for the society

# About SSE

Symbiosis School of Economics (SSE) established in 2008, is an integral part of the Symbiosis International University, which has been recently re-accredited by NAAC with Grade 'A' and CGPA of 3.58 on a four-point scale. With more than four decades of contribution in the field of education, research, and development, Symbiosis has established itself as an undisputed brand imparting quality resources in the society. Symbiosis School of Economics seeks to develop intellectual discipline, critical thinking and analytical assessment ultimately resulting in rational thinking with knowledge of the current climate. It strives for an educational environment committed to excellence and academic freedom.

Symbiosis School of Economics offers graduate and postgraduate programs in economics. The course content is rigorous with a descriptive and investigative approach to connect students with all aspects of economic areas, focusing on micro, macro and global paradigms. Our endeavor is to develop intellectual and professional competencies among students who will be equipped with skills to include innovation and pragmatism into problem solving. The curricula prepare students for Research Methodology. With the evolving scope for creativity, originality and student initiatives, Symbiosis School of Economics provides a fulfilling journey of academic pursuits to its students.





# From the Director's Desk



Dear Recruiters,

It gives me immense pleasure to introduce to you the graduating M.Sc. Economics batch of 2022!

We began our journey with the Master's programme in 2011 with two specializations. Today we have four specializations and an alumni strength of more than 500. We at SSE are confident that we leave the Symbiosis stamp of quality education on all our students. This is an outcome of the efforts of our young, talented and dynamic faculty members who are the backbone of our institute.

The ever evolving and well structured curriculum which is explained with the help of innovative pedagogy, provides the students with an education that empowers them with knowledge, familiarizes them with analytical skills and encourages them to be creative, adaptable and result-oriented. The course is demanding and requires students to be disciplined while providing plenty of scope for creativity, originality and student initiatives. The students are also sensitized to different cultures as they are drawn from not only various parts of India but also the world.

We believe that our graduates will be pragmatic professionals, critical analysts, competent decision scientists and policymakers while also being sensitive human beings. They will most certainly be capable of providing an integrated framework to various economic, business and financial challenges facing the 21st century challenges with matching skill sets and capabilities.

It is my privilege to invite you for placements at Symbiosis School of Economics, Pune. We look forward to a mutually beneficial, and long-term collaborative relationship.

Warm Regards,

**Prof. Jyoti Chandiramani**

Director, Symbiosis School of Economics

## Program Highlights

At Symbiosis School of Economics, the integration of research, academics, relevant opportunities, extracurricular activities, skill development programs, as well as internationalization and enhanced engagement into the course creates a unique program that provides the students with the right skills. The well-designed course structure has an ever-evolving curriculum which includes continuous assessments in the form of term papers and reports. Specifically, the Research Methodology course teaches students the applications of various qualitative and quantitative research methods. Pedagogy of the program is diverse and includes classroom discussions, field visits, guest lectures, seminars, workshops, assignments, as well as internships.

### RESEARCH AT SSE



Centre for Academic Writing and Centre for Quantitative Learning and Applications support the faculty and student research at Symbiosis School of Economics. An annual journal: *Oeconomica Scriptis*, which is a compilation of outstanding academic writing, is published. Centre for Quantitative Learning and Applications facilitates advanced level data analysis and statistical software training for the students. Softwares such as SPSS, STATA, R and other statistical and econometric softwares are under our curriculum. Faculty research delves into various fields. Students are encouraged to assist the faculty for their own learning and research experience. Focal areas of research include:

- **Urban Development-** SSE looks forward to starting an Urban Development center with a focused approach towards urban issues, which provides the necessary leverage to implement strategic intervention, test its efficacy and re-orient it's future responses through outcome evaluation.
- **Sustainable Development-** The faculty researching in this particular area are exploring how innovation and technology play a pivotal role in sustainable development, as well as implications of linkage between FDI, International Trade, innovation and behavioral patterns of skillful human development.
- **Behavioral and Experimental Economics-** SSE have been working closely with corporate organizations to approach challenges in the HR and Marketing spaces using behavioral economics. This research in experimental economics is aimed towards examining how various aspects of identity and institution influence decision making by conducting experiments and applying econometric analysis.

# Internationalization & Enhanced Engagement

The courses at Symbiosis School of Economics are benchmarked with the leading international universities. Students here receive immense exposure while participating in the semester exchange programmes with the most premium universities. This dimension of the courses prepares students for further studies at leading Indian and foreign universities and makes them globally employable.



Symbiosis School of Economics is actively engaged in building strong relationships with regional, national and international academic institutions as well as research organizations. We have collaborated with RIS, New Delhi; NABARD Mumbai, Bengaluru; Avantha foundation, Pune to name a few.





# Course Overview

The M.Sc. Economics program follows an interdisciplinary curriculum, which seeks to develop intellectual discipline, critical and analytical thinking among our students. A rigorous and relevant curriculum catering to the needs of the dynamic nature of the global market ensures overall growth of our students. With a batch of students from diverse academic backgrounds, the exposure to a broad set of ideas, innovations and iterations is guaranteed through their academic journey. Students are evaluated based on various assessments in the form of projects, term papers and research papers. They are also encouraged to write dissertations and aim for research publication. The course along with the knowledge ethic imbibed at Symbiosis School of Economics, prepares our students to take on the leadership roles in their preferred fields.

## FIRST YEAR

During the first year of the program the students are given an understanding about the basics of Economics, including the training in the application and quantitative based subjects like Mathematical Economics and Econometrics analysis. Our students garner a deeper level understanding of the issues related to the trade and economy overall. During the first year, a broader sense of understanding about the fundamentals of economics is introduced through subjects like Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, and Growth and Development. Along with the theoretical and quantitative packed subjects, we train them in the Research Methodologies through various courses, assignments and applications. Our rigorous framework involving the theoretical, quantitative, and practical understanding of the subjects makes our students a better fit in any field they choose to contribute towards in the future.

### SEMESTER 1

- Mathematical Economics
- Advanced Microeconomics I
- Advanced Macroeconomics I
- Advanced Econometrics I
- Research Methodology and Software Package I
- Public Economics

### SEMESTER 2

- Growth and Development
- Advanced Microeconomics II
- Advanced Macroeconomics II
- Advanced Econometrics II
- Research Methodology and Software Package II



## FINAL YEAR SPECIALIZATIONS

### M.Sc. ECONOMICS - INTERNATIONAL TRADE

This course deals with the theory and practice of International Trade and of trade-related policies. It focuses on analysing the gains from trade, the changing patterns of trade, the income distributional consequences of liberalizing foreign trade, the relationship between trade, investment, and economic growth, and the reasons for and consequences of trade policies. The course relies predominantly on a standard collection of international trade models to understand the motivations behind modern trade policies. Motives for countries or organizations to restrict or regulate international trade are analyzed and effects of such policies are studied. Although, the course emphasizes on the understanding of past and current events in the world economy, formal economic modelling is relied upon to help understand these events.

#### SEMESTER 3

- Pure Theory of Trade
- International Trade Policy
- Open Macroeconomics
- International Political Economy and Trade

#### SEMESTER 4

- Multinational Trade: Procedures and Laws
- International Organizations and Regional Cooperation in Trade
- International Capital Market and Finance
- Trade Finance

### M.Sc. ECONOMICS - DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

Development studies is a multidisciplinary subject that focuses on the evolution of nations from political, cultural, geographical, and socio-economic perspectives. It emerged as an academic discipline during the late part of the 20th century amid growing concerns over third world economies struggling to establish themselves in the postcolonial era. Development studies is about understanding the current political landscape by examining their origins, which then enables academics, politicians, and world charity organizations to make better plans for the future. The primary focus of developmental studies is to study the improvement in people's lives. It gives insight into developmental theory, understanding of the structural issues and questions of development.

#### SEMESTER 3

- Markets and Institutional Framework of Development
- Behavioral and Experimental Economics
- Urban Economic Development
- Development Experience

#### SEMESTER 4

- Theories and Models of Development and Distribution
- Rural Development
- Human Development
- Trade, Aid and Development



## M.Sc. ECONOMICS - URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Largely considered as a technical field of study involving construction and design of urban spaces, Urban Development takes into account the critical economic and socio-economic factors. The course is interdisciplinary in its approach and students are exposed to technically grounded subjects like Geographic Information System (GIS), importance of financial management and governance at Urban Local Bodies, energy, water and sanitation resources in the country and the need to curb urban poverty. Understanding the spread of land in urban areas and planning urban spaces appropriately is the key focus of the course.

## M.Sc. ECONOMICS - FINANCE

Economics with financial knowledge provides a set of skills with an overall understanding of the market. Our students are equipped with the concepts and training that serve the financial world for the long term. With the solid foundation in core economics built in the first two semesters, this specialization provides the students with in-depth knowledge of the financial sphere. Students gain in depth knowledge of finance by learning about extensive courses in corporate finance, financial markets, risk, investments, financial modeling, and other applied courses. The specialization provides meticulous practical training that increases the adaptability of our students in the actual world.

### SEMESTER 3

- Urban Governance
- Urban Demography
- Urban Land Economics
- Urban Planning and Development
- GIS & Problem solving in
- Urban India Context
- Urban Finance

### SEMESTER 4

- Urban Poverty, Migration and Sustainable Livelihoods
- Urban Development Experiences
- Urban Mobility
- Urban Energy and Environment
- Urban Solid Waste Management
- Urban Water and Sanitation

### SEMESTER 3

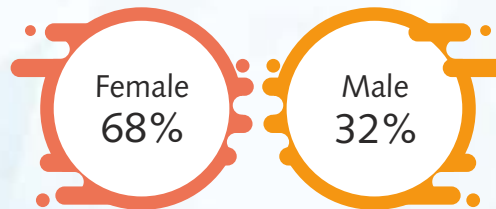
- Security Analysis and Portfolio Management
- Financial Economics
- Derivatives Markets
- Financial Modelling

### SEMESTER 4

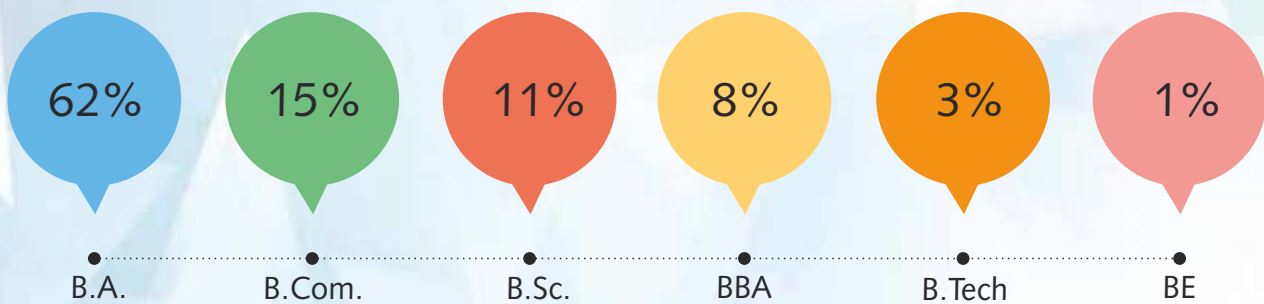
- International Capital Market and Finance
- Financial Risk Management
- Actuarial Economics
- Behavioral Finance
- Corporate Finance

# Batch Profile

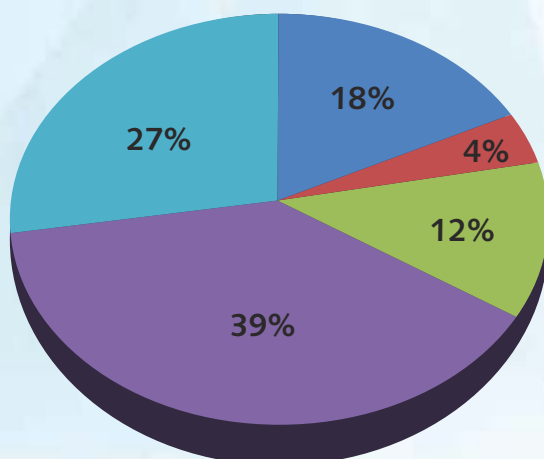
## Gender Diversity



## Educational Background



## Internship Experience



Students have completed their internships in the following fields:

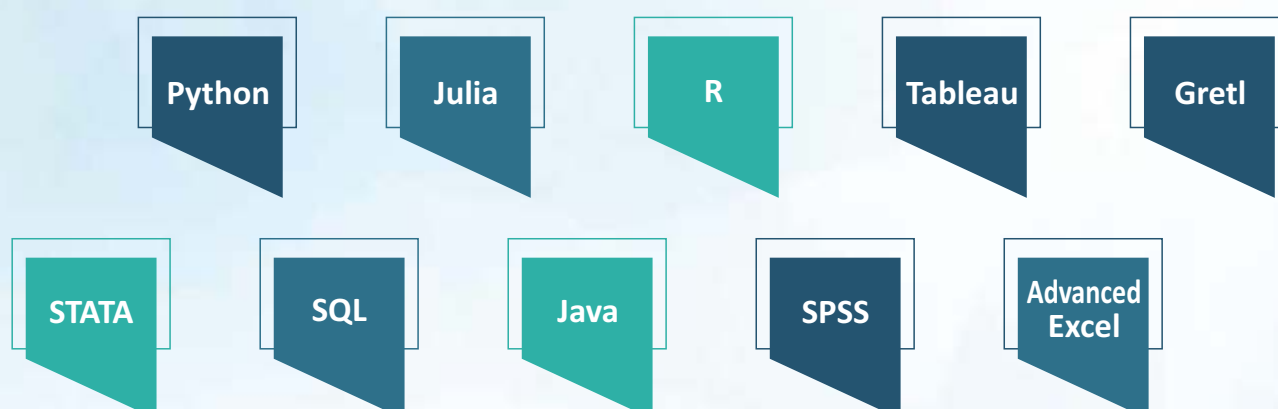
- Academic Institutions & Think Tanks
- Analytics
- Market Research
- Development Sector
- Banking & Finance

## Internship

<b>Analytics</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Global Data</li><li>• Souliate Consultancy</li><li>• Microsave Consulting</li></ul>
<b>Market Research</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• GD Research Center</li><li>• Biddano</li><li>• Global Market Estimates</li><li>• GLG New York</li><li>• The Expert Insight</li></ul>
<b>Banking &amp; Finance</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• RBI</li><li>• Hedge Equities</li><li>• Neophyte Consulting Services</li><li>• Glesecke and Devrient</li><li>• Polymath Advisors</li></ul>
<b>Development Sector</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• IICSR</li><li>• India Migrations Now</li><li>• Public Affairs Center</li><li>• India Welfare Trust</li><li>• City Speaks</li><li>• Nanjil Anand Foundation</li><li>• Shining Tomorrow Foundation</li></ul>
<b>Academic Institutions &amp; Think Tanks</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Azim Premji University</li><li>• FICCI</li><li>• Centre for Socio Economic &amp; Environmental Studies</li><li>• SSE</li><li>• UNESCO Jamshedpur</li><li>• IIM A</li><li>• UNFCCC</li><li>• NISER</li></ul>

## Skills

Students are equipped from beginner's level to advanced in the following software





# Placement Cell

## INTERNSHIPS

### ANALYTICS

1. Global Data
2. Souliate Consultancy
3. Microsave Consulting
4. Tata Steel

### MARKET RESEARCH

1. GD Research Center
2. Global Market Estimates
3. The Expert Insight
4. GLG New York
5. Biddano
6. Indian Oil Corporation

### BANKING & FINANCE

1. RBI
2. Cholamandalam Investment & Finance
3. EY
4. Hedge Equities
5. NSE
6. Mustang Wealth Mgmt. & Consulting LLP
7. Neophyte Consulting Services
8. Giesecke and Devrient
9. Polymath Advisors
10. Canara Bank
11. HDFC Bank
12. ICICI Bank
13. ICICI Lombard
14. Equitas Small Finance Bank
15. Axis Bank

### DEVELOPMENT SECTOR

1. Public Affairs Centre
2. City Speaks
3. IICSR
4. India Migration Now
5. India Welfare Trust
6. Nanjil Anand Foundation
7. Shining Tomorrow Foundation
8. India Policy Foundation
9. Peninsula Foundation

### ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS AND THINK TANKS

1. IIT Bombay
2. IIM Ahmedabad
3. FICCI
4. Centre for Socio-Economic & Environ. Studies
5. NITI Aayog
6. NISER
7. UNFCCC
8. UNESCO Jamshedpur
9. IIFT
10. Azim Premji University
11. Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics
12. National Institute of Urban Affairs
13. RIS
14. IIHS
15. Retailer Association of India (RAI)

## PAST RECRUITERS

### ANALYTICS

1. SG Analytics
2. ACIES Consulting
3. AC Nielsen
4. Bristlecone
5. OSG Analytics
6. ZS Associate
7. Zocdoc
8. Vodafone
9. Zipdial
10. Galytix
11. Grofers
12. Integreon

### MARKET RESEARCH

1. AIFI
2. Global Market Estimates
3. Cuts International
4. Markets and Markets
5. Stantec Research
6. CMIE
7. The Economist
8. CTIER
9. Marketnomix
10. IMRB International
11. ValueNotes

### BANKING & FINANCE

1. Citi
2. Morgan Stanley
3. Kingfish Group
4. TresVista
5. D.E. Shaw
6. Deloitte
7. EY
8. Financial Technologies
9. Capital Line
10. SSP Ltd
11. CapitalAim

### DEVELOPMENT SECTOR

1. Public Affairs Centre
2. India Migration Now
3. IIHS
4. J-Pal
5. RIS
6. Haqdarshak
7. Hyderabad Urban Lab

### ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS AND THINK TANKS

1. IIM A
2. ISEC
3. SIU
4. TISS
5. IIT B
6. Retailer Association of India (RAI)
7. Quality Council of India (QCI)
8. NIPFP
9. IRMA
10. IIHS
11. Ministry of Finance
12. RIS

# Clubs Overview and Extracurricular Activities

## CLUBS

- **InSync Dance Club:** At Insync, we believe that inspiring and creating a collaborative community is the true essence of being synced to one of the finest art forms, which is dance.
- **Streetlights Club:** The Streetlights club aspires to encourage the young audience into creativity, curiosity and compassion with strong team playing skills.
- **Arthniti Club:** All activities of Arthniti revolve around the idea of 'learning from our peers', which is why all articles submitted by students for a blog run by SSE are reviewed and edited by students themselves.
- **Epilogue Club:** Epilogue provides a platform to students where they can share anything and everything, it can be stories, poetry or art. The club believes in collective and collaborative efforts.
- **TEDx Club:** TEDx gives a platform for not just stories of celebrated figures but also to cherish and learn from experiences in life.
- **Stock Market Club:** The stock market club helps in understanding core financial concepts and applying it to the stock market.
- **Entrepreneurship Cell:** The Entrepreneurship Cell is a catalyst for ideas to shape into businesses.
- **Samarpan:** Samarpan helps create a community which helps in promoting social change and development. The club believes in collaboration and giving.
- **Investors Club:** Investors club shares informative resources to gain broader knowledge on investing and financial markets.
- **Photography Club:** The club believes in capturing moments where all stands still and that frame of time remains.

## GUEST LECTURES

- Symbiotic Relationship Between Trade and Environment: Dr. Amarjit Singh Bhullar
- Why It Cannot Be Business As Usual With China: Mr. Gautam Bambawale
- NAFINDEX: Measure Of Financial Inclusion Index Based On NABARD (NAFIS) Data: Dr. N.J.S Satysai And Dr. Ashutosh Kumar
- Emerging International Agribusiness Trade Environment: Prof. Chandrashekhar Ranade
- Monetary Policy Formulation with emphasis on recent scenarios: Dr. Ashima Goyal, Member Of MPC Committee At RBI



## MAJOR EVENTS

### ■ The Big Bull Fest

An online entrepreneurial fest conducted in 3 stages, where individuals as well as teams of upto 3 members registered themselves for the event. 22 teams across the country participated in this entrepreneurial event. The teams presented to the panel of judges, Prof. Rakhi Shah and Mr. Shariq Nisar, their final pitch of the business proposal.



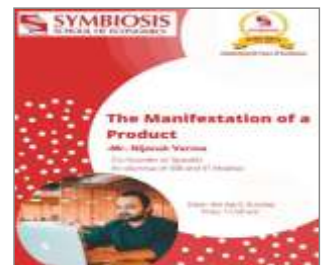
### ■ Elefant in the Room

An online interactive session with Ms. Aparna Gopan, Gender Rights Professional was conducted. Ms. Aparna is the founder of "Elefant in the Room", a provocative movement which runs theme-based campaigns against taboos like sex education and FGM among others, across various developing countries within Asia, Latin America and Africa.



### ■ The Manifestation of a Product

The E-Cell collaborated with Athenasquare, a start-up which aims to alleviate the problem of information asymmetry and looks up to provide assistance to professionals to grab better opportunities. Mr. Nijansh Verma, co-founder of SpeakIn, addressed the audience about how one can transform an idea into an actual product.



### ■ AAVAAZ

A fundraising initiative by the students of SSE. The collected fund amount through live events and competitions was used for the betterment of those who are affected by COVID 19 through UPAY- an NGO working on the field for the affected.



## ANNUAL EVENTS

- **Flagship Event EOTY:** SSE organizes its annual flagship competition named Economist of the Year. This is a platform offered to students across the country to showcase their skills in a stimulating array of events. With each passing year the competition gets stiffer, testing students on several attributes such as analytical abilities, critical thinking, research aptitude, and general knowledge.

### ■ Suresh Tendulkar Memorial Lectures:

This is a lecture series hosted by SSE, over the years attracting distinguished economists who have elucidated on the various paradigms of poverty - a relevant theme given the late Professor Tendulkar's



extensive work in that field. The prominent speaker of the session, Dr. Kaushik Basu, gave a talk on "The Indian Drama: Thirty Years of Economic Reform and What Lies Ahead". Dr. Basu is a Chief Economist with the World Bank, presently the Carl Marks Professor of International Studies and Economics at Cornell University. He served as the Chief Economic Adviser to the Government of India. He has received honorary doctorates from several institutes and universities, including IIT Bombay, Fordham University, New York and the University of Bath, U.K. He is published widely in the areas of Development Economics, Industrial Organization, Game Theory and Welfare Economics. In May 2008 he was awarded one of India's highest civilian awards, the Padma Bhushan.



## Why Recruit Us?

- **Future Leaders and Thinkers** - Our students are well equipped with the knowledge and skills to take on the challenges of the work field. The curriculum focusing on research and practical learning methods prepares our students to be research oriented. Our students are associated with many think-tanks including the European Horizon. In-house club activities headed by the student body are heavily engaging and the participation instills confidence in the abilities of students. Mix of students with extremely diversified socio-cultural backgrounds trains them for a global career workspace and trains them to work in a cohesive environment.
- **Pedagogy at SSE** - With rigorous curriculum, we believe in offering the opportunity to learn keeping the cohesion of varied ideas and interests in mind. Students undergo rigorous training in the core quantitative subjects especially, Mathematical Economics and Econometrics, along with emphasis on the learning in conjunction with Macroeconomics and Microeconomics at the general level which makes our students a better fit to apply their knowledge to any key decision. Our students go under rigorous assessments and evaluation components at every level thereby ensuring trained minds to perform well across all disciplines effectively and efficiently. The students are offered guidance from our well trained, qualified, and published faculties who are also actively involved in the process of research and publication.
- **Adaptive capacity to New Normal** - With the hybrid form of education and training becoming more relevant owing to the pandemic situation, our students have embraced the change in the existing paradigm enthusiastically. They are now well equipped to work in the frame of new normal and are well prepared to take on the challenges of the future. Taking advantage of various on-line learning platforms like Coursera and DataCamp, along with the on-line classes, they are constantly upgrading their skills and are adept to work remotely in various areas.
- **Internships and Training program** - Mandatory requirement for internships allows our students to get experienced in the working environment according to their interests. The internships are awarded from the leading companies and organizations coming from various fields including the PSUs and coveted research-oriented institutes. This ensures that the students are industry ready. Also various workshops such as Python Programming workshop, NSE training webinar, CV writing and reviewing, Mock Interviews for Practice sessions, Grooming Business Etiquette sessions, Business Communication Skill development other than that Aptitude Test Solving Sessions. This all has helped students to have an all-round development for being industry ready.
- **Skills Acquired**- With varied number of academic courses we also have focused on additional skill set development of students by organising workshops, engaging them in group activities for building their Communication skills, Data Interpretation and Analysis skills, Data Visualization, Research writing, Academic writing, Presentation skills as well as Logical and Critical thinking skills.

## Alumni

ALUMNI	BATCH	PROFILE
Devika Mehrotra	2018-2020	Analyst at Citigroup
Samridhi Pandey	2018-2020	Program Coordinator at PAC
Mohana Tarafdar	2016-2018	Research Executive at Nielsen
Pritha Chatterjee	2015-2017	Associate at PwC
Sparsh Chhabra	2015-2017	Economist at Centrum India
Sebin B Nidhiri	2013-2015	M.Phil - Delhi School of Economics
Arun Devendra Sudi	2013-2015	Senior Analyst at Crisil
Srejita Nandy	2013-2015	Deputy Manager at Exim Bank

# Placement Team

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