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Editor's Note

Welcome, readers! This is where our campus spirit shines—filled with stories and insights. Let's embark on this journey!



June 2024 Highlights: New Beginnings and Vibrant Celebrations at SCIT

Welcome to the June 2024 edition of Atharva, featuring insightful articles on various interesting topics and highlighting events.

Dr. Dhanya Pramod (Director SCIT) officially welcomed SCIT MBA Batch 2024-26 students on June 3, 2024, during the induction program (Deeksharambh)! The journey started for the future techno-managers with the insights needed for their academic journey ahead. Students received a comprehensive academic orientation on the extensive academic structure and the array of resources and facilities available to them.

Moving on to the Induction Ceremony held on 12th June. The ceremony was a noteworthy event, creating an optimistic outlook for the journey ahead! We were privileged to host Mr. Aniket Bhosle, a Partner at EY and a SCIT alumnus, as our chief guest. Mr. Bhosle gave an inspiring speech, highlighting the significance of learning beyond the curriculum for MBA students, particularly those in techno-management programs.

On 18th June, SCIT hosted an exciting outdoor management session at Suryashibir as part of Deeksharambh which was coordinated by the Department of Sports, Recreation and Wellness at Symbiosis International (Deemed University). The students engaged in various activities promoting teamwork, leadership, and personal development. The pleasing setting of Suryashibir added to the enriching experience through which students acquired valuable insights and skills that will benefit them in both their academic and professional paths.

We concluded June with a lively cultural event, Samarambh, dedicated to showcasing the impressive performances of our new students. The event was a wonderful mix of music, dance, drama, and more, showcasing the varied talents and creativity of the new students. The students' energy and enthusiasm were truly captivating, making Samarambh a memorable event for everyone.

-Priyajeet Ghosh.



Thoughtful Encounters

Words have the power to ignite minds, spark creativity, and unite communities. Welcome to the world of ideas, where we share stories that matter.

Kickstarting the Journey: A Warm Welcome to SCIT MBA Batch 2024-26!

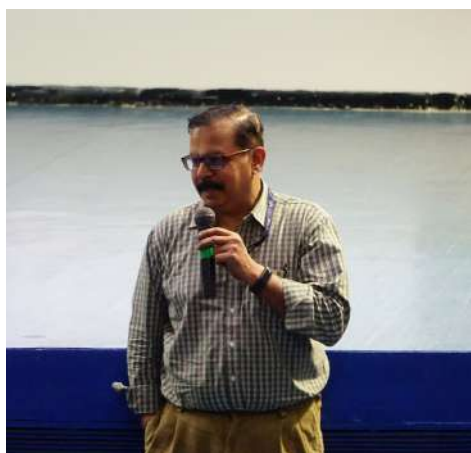
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An insightful academic orientation was conducted by Dr. Kanchan Patil (Deputy Director, SCIT) to lay out the path to academic excellence. Following that, their exam orientation equipped our future leaders with essential strategies and tips to confidently conquer their assessments.





Dr. Mugdha Kulkarni introduced students to the extensive resources in the SCIT library, highlighting its importance for academic and research excellence. Followed by Dr. Vidyavati Ramteke orienting the students about the computer lab facilities and essential software tools vital for their coursework, the WI-FI facility at SCIT, security & privacy concerns, and lab etiquette.

The new batch was introduced to the esteemed faculty and administrative staff members, the backbone of SCIT, by Director Mam. Further campus administrator Col. Mishra delivered an inspiring speech, emphasizing leadership, discipline, and SIC's core values, motivating students to strive for excellence and a happy stay at home away from home. The batch started their transformative journey of learning, growth, and success!

- Dr. Kanchan Patil.

Deeksharambh-Welcoming the 2024-26 Cohort: A New Chapter Begins at SCIT



June 12, 2024, marked an exciting beginning for the newest members of our academic community as the induction program for the 2024-26 cohort officially commenced. The event commenced with a warm and engaging welcome speech by Dr. Dhanya Pramod Director, SCIT. Renowned for her captivating storytelling, Dr. Dhanya welcomed the students to SCIT and prepared them for the journey ahead. She shared profound insights into the complexities of today's world, offering practical advice on navigating the challenges and seizing the opportunities that lie ahead.

Dr. Raman , Vice Chancellor at Symbiosis International (Deemed University), transitioned smoothly into his presentation, introducing himself and sharing his journey in the professional world. He talked about his own enthusiasm for his work, which immediately connected with the audience, and his orientation session seems to have left a significant impact on the students, emphasizing the importance of education, values, and personal development. The talk highlighted several key points like how reading opens doors to opportunities, enhances critical thinking, and contributes to personal growth. By sharing real-life examples of his students, Dr. Raman illustrated how education has positively impacted their lives. These examples likely inspired the students by showing them that education can lead to tangible achievements and personal growth.

Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar, Principal Director of the Symbiosis Society and Pro Chancellor of Symbiosis International University (Deemed University), highlighted the transformative power of education in her address. She presented education as a means to develop individuals' minds and shape them into better citizens, emphasizing its role in fostering academic knowledge, critical thinking, problem-solving skills, and a broader perspective on societal issues.

Dr. Yeravdekar stressed the importance of maintaining consistent enthusiasm and actively participating in all class activities. She shattered the misconception that one's field of study is the sole determinant of success, emphasizing instead that it is skills that truly matter.

The day's chief guest was Mr. Aniket Bhosle, Partner at Ernst & Young (EY) and a proud alumnus of our institution. He began by sharing his career journey and trajectory, offering the audience an inspiring overview of his professional path.

Addressing the students, Mr. Bhosle provided enlightening insights into their upcoming journey and the realities of the industry. Reflecting on his college days at SCIT, he enriched his speech with personal anecdotes and experiences, making his message relatable and engaging. He also introduced the students to cutting-edge technologies such as AI, cybersecurity, big data, and other recent advancements. Emphasizing a strategic approach to success, he advocated for continual improvement and a passionate pursuit of learning. The session was both insightful and motivational, offering students a wealth of knowledge to guide their academic and career aspirations.

The session concluded with a vote of thanks and an inspiring note by Dr. Kanchan Patil, Deputy Director at SCIT. She highlighted the importance of self-confidence, emphasizing how it empowers individuals to believe in themselves, take risks, and step out of their comfort zones. Dr. Patil encouraged the students to face challenges with a positive attitude and a smile.

-Gaurav Baviskar.



Archives from the Past

UNLOCKING WELL-BEING 1.0: Building Resilience and Adapting to the New Normal – Webinar



Symbiosis Centre for Emotional Well Being organized a webinar on 20th June, 2020 for the students of SIC Hinjewadi Campus. The focus was on the wellness approach, to break down all the unique challenges this lockdown brings to us and creative suggestions to overcome them. The webinar stressed on the various factors required to maintain a healthy body and mind. Given, the current pandemic, it is quite important to maintain a healthy body and mind.

Various factors which are important to keep us healthy were discussed by Dr. Girija Mahale who is a consultant psychiatrist and heads the Symbiosis Centre for Emotional Wellbeing and her team of experts. Sleep is one of the important factors which is quite essential to help our body recover from stress. It is important that we get 7 to 8 hours of sleep every day to keep our body healthy. Avoiding the glare from digital devices at night is essential to allow our body to sleep quickly, since the blue light from digital devices affects our sleep cycle. A balanced diet is essential to keep our body healthy. Proteins play a significant role towards this end. Yoga and Exercise is also quite necessary to maintain our health and fitness. Balanced diet, exercise, yoga and a good sleep cycle are essential to building strong immunity. Stress management in today's world is of the essence. Meditation plays a crucial role to manage stress. Also talking with our friends and family is important to de-stress ourselves. One can avoid watching too much of news and social media posts related to the pandemic to reduce our stress .

In the final phase of the discussion, the experts said that it is important to adapt to the new normal by adopting healthy and safe practices which can help us to an extent to overcome our fear and stress due to pandemic.

Insights Unlocked: ISACA Knowledge Session

ISACA Student Group of SCIT organised a Knowledge session on 4th August, 2018. Mr. Pushkar Dhole, Mr. Annaaand Deshpande, Mr. Prasad Wadwekar and Mr. Praveen from ISACA Pune Chapter had gathered to address the crowd. The senior batch of ISACA Student Group introduced the speakers to the students and gave a brief explanation on what to expect from the session.

Mr. Pushkar Dhole started the session with a beautiful example of how dangerous it was to share an individual's name and phone number in this changing world. He explained as to how important a person's identity was and how it is getting misused by certain people to gain access to private information. He then went on to highlight about what ISACA does and what it offers to its members. He spoke about IT Audit and Assurance, IT Security, Risk and Compliance and Government professionals who work closely with ISACA to share the knowledge they have gained by working in their respective industries.

Mr. Dhole highlighted about the certifications offered by ISACA: CISA, CISM, CRISC and CGEIT. He said that it was not necessary to possess an IT background to do these certifications but a desire to learn would be the driving factor to do these. He mentioned how auditors today are looking at both the application and business logic while performing audits at companies. He also explained about the COBIT framework which was developed by ISACA to maintain a standard across the world. He spoke about the thin line of difference between CISA and CISM and how Risk Management has become the "ask" and "need" of the industry today.

The next speaker was Mr. Deshapande who spoke about the growing need for data classification. He highlighted as to how data had become the crux of any and every industry today and why it was essential to classify the same to grow business. He explained how security cannot be implemented at each and every corner in a premise as it would in turn make the whole process costly for the company and this simple need has given rise to the growing importance of classifying data to put it to better use. The importance of Information Governance lifecycle was highlighted to make the audience understand how the top management needs to decide what data should be classified in which manner and also to calculate the retention period of the same.

The takeaway from the session was the importance of being a student no matter how old we grow. This way the spirit of learning would still be alive in every person and this would enable them to explore unexplored paths and keep themselves updated with the various trends in the industry.



Star Alumni

We are delighted to present this edition's star alumnus, Upamanyu Mukherjee. He completed his Bachelor of Technology in Computer Science from Techno India University. Following his undergraduate studies, he pursued MBA in Data Science and Data Analytics at SCIT, graduating with the 2020-22 batch.

During his time at SCIT, Upamanyu interned at Payatu as a Data Science Intern and completed a Summer Internship at Outlook Publishing. Following his internships, he was placed at Morgan Stanley as an analyst.

His forte includes data analytics, SQL, Python (programming language), Extract Transform and Load (ETL), etc. In 2023, Upamanyu further expanded his expertise by becoming Microsoft Certified in Azure Fundamentals. He has successfully climbed the corporate ladder at Morgan Stanley since then.

SCIT is proud to recognize Upamanyu Mukherjee as an outstanding alumnus. His motivation and achievements continue to elevate the reputation of SCIT.



Upamanyu Mukherjee

Batch 2020-22

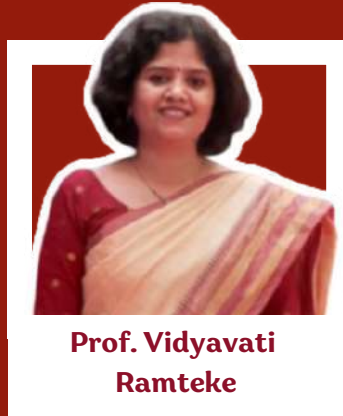
Name: Upamanyu Mukherjee

Summer Internship: Summer Intern at Outlook Publishing

Upamanyu interned at Outlook Publishing, where he gained valuable experience in data analytics. His prior internship at Payatu as a Data Science Intern laid a strong foundation for his career.

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