



Department of Economics KaCES-Economics Society (2021-2022)

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Events Organized By KaCES during 2021-22

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"CAREER CHARCHA"

In collaboration with the Alumni Committee, Kalindi College Convener - Dr. Seema Gupta Representative (Economics Department) - Ms. Pummy Yadav

Date : August 29, 2021; Sunday Platform : Google Meet

The very first session of the remarkable "CAREER CHARCHA" series was conducted on August 29, 2021. Several notable alumni who pursued their masters from diverse renowned colleges in varied fields of interest within Economics were invited to enlighten the students of The Economics Department of Kalindi College on subsequent careers and their respective experiences. The ten eloquent speakers that were courteously invited had studied at Delhi School of Economics (DSE), Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), Jamia Millia Islamia (JMI), Madras School of Economics (MSE), The Indian Statistical Institute (ISI), Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University (GGSIPU) and Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics (GIPE).

The lively session started modestly with a brief introduction by our hosts. The webinar commenced with a notable alumni, Akanksha Dua who pursued her masters from JMI, currently working as Assistant Director at Food Safety & Security Authority of India (FSSAI). She regaled the attendees with her own experiences in the college and her overall journey so far post her graduation from The University of Delhi. The speaker appropriately addressed various considerable doubts and queries that were put forward by the audience. The considerable doubts that were posed ranged from sheer confusions regarding college selections to complex ones like how to conduct yourself in professional settings, etc. The insights provided by her were informative, practical and connected the dots for all the queries and questions raised.

The next speaker was Chakshu Jain who gallantly did her masters from JNU and currently works as Lead Assistant Manager at EXL. Her inputs were equally informative and addressed various distinct sorts of queries. The other speakers that followed were Puja Uppal and Nikita Jain from MSE, both of whom now work at Infosys and Skoch Consultancy, respectively. They were patient in talking eloquently to the attendees and guided them well regarding prospects in the concerned fields.

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The other speakers invited on the esteemed panel were Diksha Guglani, Nandini Agarwal and Prachi Malakar from Delhi School of Economics. DSE is a premier school of choice for students of Economics, the valuable insights presented by them were valuable and pragmatic that would be of extreme help to the students as they progress in their career journeys.

The session came to an end with Prachi Joshi from ISI, currently working in Data Science & Analytics Group ICICI Bank; giving tips to students and motivating them on how to crack the entrance

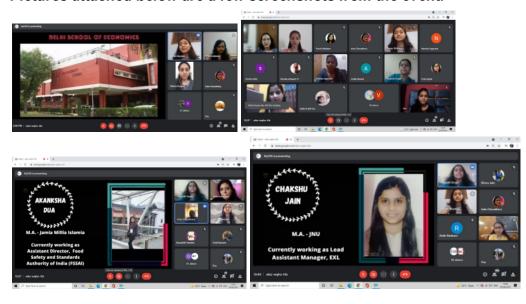
exam without taking coaching, through their self-confidence, time management, and boosting yourself up. Cheshta Wadhwa from GGSIPU, who currently works as a Consultant with the Ministry of Finance and Simran Behl from GIPE, Pune.

Taking everything into consideration, the memorable session was a successful one and delivered efficiently on its objectives while helping students attain clarity of thought and be more aware of the opportunities around and abound. It was received enthusiastically by the audience and the invaluable feedback was encouraging for KaCES.



Posters for the event

Pictures attached below are a few screenshots from the event.





"Research Paper Writing for Beginners"

Date : September 11, 2021; Sunday Platform : Google Meet

The Student Editorial Board of Kalindi Economics Society organized a session on 'Research Paper Writing for Beginners', on 11th September 2021, for the research enthusiasts of the college. Ms. Debanjali Dasgupta, a Ph.D. Scholar and Graduate Teaching Assistant at the University of Tennessee, USA, was the speaker for the session. Ms. Debanjali's dissertation titled "Sustainability Performance of the Indian Cement Industry" has been published in Clean Technologies and Environmental Policy and another paper is under review in an International Journal. The speaker enlightened the audience by giving valuable insights on the procedure of writing a good research paper and stressed the importance of a publication for admission to foreign universities. The session started by highlighting the importance of research writing. Ms. Dasgupta mentioned that one should seek proper guidance from their professors and should be clear about the topic and aim of his /her research & how the study adds to the current literature.

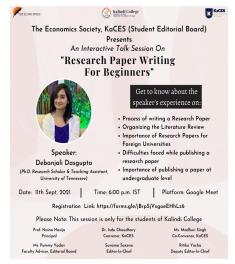
Furthermore, she accentuated the point that a researcher should select a topic that interests him/her and should have exhaustive knowledge about other research papers on that topic along with being well organized and structured about the process. Ms. Debanjali emphasized the importance of the correct structure of the research paper. She also introduced the audience to the importance of literature review by citing her own experience with the publications.

Ms. Dasgupta also mentioned a few last-minute tips for the audience which involved checking for citations, grammatical errors, steering clear of the fancy words, and inclusion of graphs and tables. She also gave instructions on how to prepare the graphs and tables on powerpoint to avoid any last-minute complications. Our speaker introduced the audience to software that can be used for drafting the research paper, namely 'Latex', used extensively in the USA, and also mentioned how guidelines are different for every journal, and non-adherence can lead to a rejection from the respective publication house.

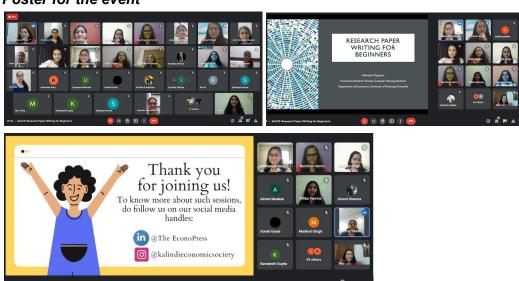
After the presentation was completed by Ms. Dasgupta, the house was open for questions from the audience, and needless to mention, the Q&A session attracted several intriguing questions from the audience, ranging from the choice of topics to

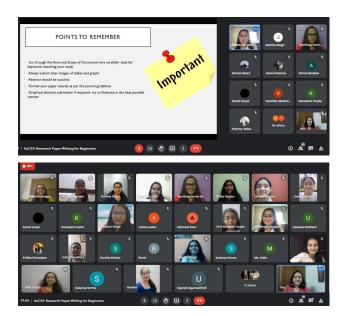
papers written in the group along with questions from students with a non-economical background.

The event turned out to be a huge success as students from various courses joined in and interacted with the speaker during the Q&A session wherein their questions were answered in a very coherent manner by the speaker. We received extremely good feedback from the audience mentioning that the event helped the students increase their knowledge regarding research paper writing as compared to their understanding of this topic prior to the session. The nature of the content offered by the speaker, Ms. Debanjali Dasgupta was impressive and very informative. The overall response suggested we conduct similar events in the future. Ms. Debanjali was delighted to share her experiences with us and the evening ended with the Faculty Advisor of the Editorial Board, KaCES, Ms.Pummy Yadav giving a vote of thanks to our guest speaker, followed by a virtual photography session.



Poster for the event





"WEBINAR on SHARE MARKET" Date: September 14, 2021; Tuesday

Platform: Zoom meeting

The webinar on "Share Markets" was organised by the Economics department of Kalindi college on September 14th, 2021. The purpose of the webinar was to make students understand the practical world and nitty-gritty of the share market. The session started with a brief introduction from our hosts and faculty. The notable speaker Mr. Venkata Sri Harsha, Founder of Shine Projects, modestly started the session with some of the real-life examples of the financial market. He regaled the attendees with his own experiences in the field in the USA and his overall journey leading a multitude of financial projects.

The lively session started by highlighting how stock and share markets and the curiosity around them has been on the rise. The speaker addressed a variety of questions, ranging from the very basic "What are stock markets?" to "Which ones are the top stocks and the industries from which they are made?". The insights provided by him were enlightening, practical and connected the dots for all the queries and questions raised by the audience. The speaker was appropriately patient in talking to the attendees and guided them well regarding financial fields and the stock markets.

He explained in depth the various stock market indices and the well-known BSE and NSE and how the company starts its stock market listing journey by initiating an IPO. Further, towards the session, he elucidated how the general public can act as investors and partake in a company's growth, how secondary market trading is carried out etcetera.

The event turned out to be a success and around 100 students were present. Students from various colleges also tuned in and did not hesitate to ask relevant queries and doubts. The session delivered well on its objectives while helping students attain clarity of thought and the feedback was equally positive and encouraging by the audience.

The event ended with the Convenor and Co-Convenor of Kalindi Economics Society, Dr. Indu Choudhary and Ms. Madhuri Singh, respectively giving a vote of thanks to the eminent guest speaker



Webinar - 'INTRODUCTION TO BIG DATA AND MACHINE LEARNING'

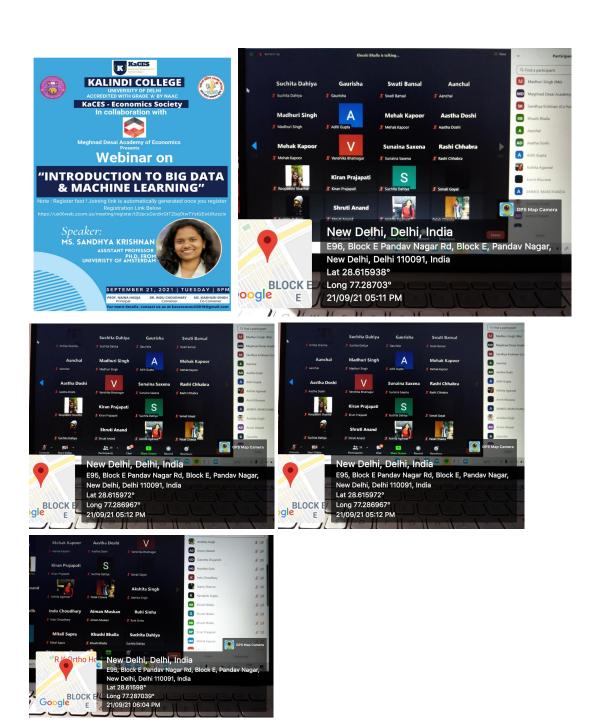
Date : September 21, 2021, Tuesday
Platform : Zoom

Kalindi College Economics Society, KaCES, organized a webinar on 'INTRODUCTION TO BIG DATA AND MACHINE LEARNING', on 21st September 2021 in collaboration with Meghnad Desai Academy for Economics, for the data enthusiasts of the college. The speaker for the session was Ms. Sandhya Krishnan, a Ph.D. Scholar at the University of Amsterdam and an Assistant professor. The speaker has completed her graduation in Economics from the University of Mumbai. Ms. Krishnan is providing courses in Applied Econometrics and Development Economics. Ms. Sandhya has published papers in journals such as the Economic and Political Weekly and with publishing houses such as Routledge.

The speaker enlightened the audience with the procedure of analysing big data sets, and stressed the importance of machine learning and data analytical tools in our lives.

The session started by highlighting the importance of big data sets and the use of maths in every discipline. Ms. Krishnan mentioned that one should seek proper access to basic tools and knowledge of predicting it. She also brought into our knowledge the fact how Amazon, Netflix and all the big brands keep a track of our activities with the help of data science. Stressing about the increase in digitalisation of data with technology and the use of data science in the Covid-19 scenario, she stressed the gravity of machine learning.

The event turned out to be a huge success as around 100 students from various colleges joined in and did not hesitate to ask questions which were answered in a very coherent manner by the speaker. We received good feedback, mentioning that the event helped the students increase their knowledge regarding data analysis as compared to their understanding of this topic before the session. The nature of the content offered by the speaker, Ms. Krishnan was remarkable and enlightening. The evening ended with the Convener of Kalindi College Economics Society, Dr. Indu Choudhary and Ms. Madhuri Singh giving a vote of thanks for our guest speaker.



FINANCIAL LITERACY WEBINAR

In collaboration with the Be.Artsy
Speaker – Ms. Shikha Mittal
Event Coordinator – Ms. Ayushi Gupta (Alumna, Kalindi College)

Date – September 21, 2021; Monday
Platform – Zoom

Kalindi College Economics Society, KaCES organized 'FINANCIAL LITERACY SESSION' on 21st September 2021 for the finance enthusiasts of the college. The speaker for the session was Ms. Shikha Mittal, founder and director of Be.Artsy and financial awareness partner. She is currently helping students and entrepreneurs to become financially independent. In addition, she has been featured in Forbes India Woman Trailblazers list 2019.

The speaker started the session with an open question asking the difference between wants, needs and desires and interacted with the audience in full swing. The zealous participants interacted with the speaker enthusiastically.

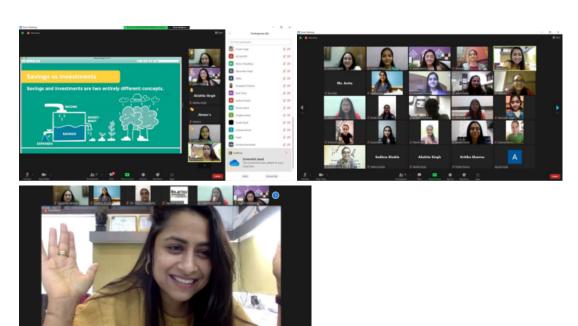
The session started by highlighting the importance and effective use of various financial skills, including personal finances management, budgeting and investing. How income can be invested and how you can earn returns in future. She highlighted that financial literacy is the substructure of relationship with money and requires a lifetime voyage of learning. She made us notice that the earlier we begin to realise, the better off we will be because education is the key to success when it comes to funds.

The event turned out to be a huge success as students from various colleges joined in and did not hesitate to ask questions which were answered in a very coherent manner by the speaker. We received a good amount of feedback mentioning that the event helped the students increase their financial knowledge. The nature of the content offered by the speaker, Ms Shikha, was impressive and very informative. The evening ended with the Convener, and Co-convener of Kalindi College Economics Society, Dr. Indu Choudhary and Ms. Madhuri Singh giving a vote of thanks to our guest speaker.



Poster for the event

Pictures attached below are a few screenshots of the event.



Report on "<u>DEMYSTIFYING GRE</u>" Session Date: October 31, 2021; Sunday Platform: Google Meet

Kalindi College Economics Society, KaCES, organized an interactive session on 'DeMystifying GRE' on 31st October 2021, for all those who plan on pursuing higher studies from abroad. The speakers for the session were college alumni.

Ms. Medha Malviya, batch of 2009, is now an employee at Ecofitt Corp. as an Office Administrator. Ms. Medha has done Masters in Resource and Environmental Management from Dalhousie University, Canada.

Another speaker was Ms. Ashima Munjal, batch of 2018, currently working as a Data Scientist at Fractal Analytics. She went to Stevens Institute of Technology, New York, USA pursuing Master's in Business Intelligence and Analytics. She briefed us about the GRE procedures, benefits of a strong SOP, and internship certificates and reference letters.

Another speaker was Meghna Aggarwal, batch of 2021, who will be pursuing MSc in Development Economics and Policy Making, erelong, from the University of Manchester, England.

She was keen on highlighting a lot of technicalities that an individual might encounter going forward with their GRE preparations. She was keen on answering quite a lot of wide-ranging queries from an equally curious audience. She briefed regarding the format of the paper and how much time one can devote for the same, quoting her own experiences and preparatory tips. She highlighted a lot of facts from myths and explained how a calm demeanor rather than an anxious one can help individuals score decent scores. She reiterated how an SOP forms an important part of applying to universities abroad and how a good SOP can help you safely secure a seat in your desired College/University.

She explained which colleges she applied to abroad and in England specifically that aligned more with the kind of master's degree she wanted to pursue. It helped the audience understand how the process goes about from narrowing down the kind of degree or knowledge one might want to go for to choose the specific colleges or universities to the financial aspects of it all.

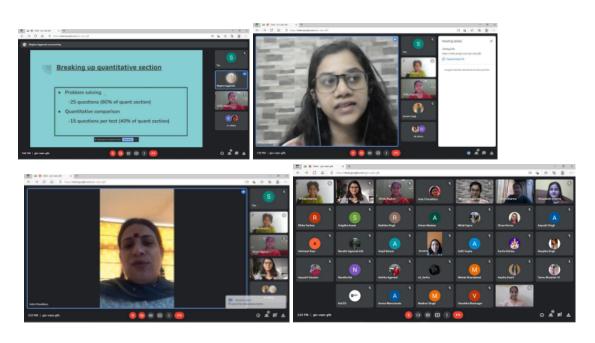
Miss Ashima continued the session forward by separating facts from myths and calmed the audience's nerves in a way through her own experiences at Stevens Institute of technology. She highlighted how her first semester there involved a lot of practical experiences, networking with all sorts of individuals and professionals and how professors encourage a diverse crowd of students coming from different countries.

She iterated how visa procedures in The USA can be cumbersome but how at the same time one needs to be proactive and not really let the technical aspects involved tire you. Financial advice formed a core part of her talk too. In that, she highlighted how varied scholarships can come really useful in securing education at universities abroad and how one needs to be mindful of their financial decisions too while going forward in this direction.

All in all, the speakers guided the audience very well and were open to any further correspondence regarding any doubts or queries unanswered. The session delivered well on its objectives and helped the audience get a wider perspective on not only the different paths alumni have taken but also of how varied opportunities are around and abound.



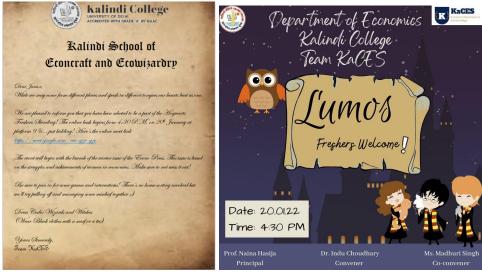
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"LUMOS"-Freshers Welcome Date: January 20, 2022; Thursday Platform: Google Meet

Link: https://meet.google.com/reu-ojzv-gze

The event flagged off with the unveiling of the Newsletter of the Editorial Board of the Economics Department. The newsletter's theme, the work that went into curating it and discussions around some topics followed. The event then moved forward with the fresher's welcome. KaCES organized a fun filled and an amazing welcome to our new buds and future economists who have just entered the college. To celebrate the magic and joy of beginnings Kalindi college economics society organised fresher's 2022 themed 'LUMOS' where all the potter heads showcased their talents followed by laughable and joyous games. This event came to an end with a memorable clip of our college that brought us a trip down to our memory lane.



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ARTHASAAR'22 Date: April 22, 2022; Friday Venue: Seminar Room

The annual fest of the Economics department of Kalindi College, Arthasaar,2022 started off on a fantastic note on 22-04-2022. The planning and décor involved was well-managed. A range of competitions were planned. To accommodate the crowd, a variety of food and gaming kiosks were organised with the aid of sponsors as well. All of the activities and competitions were meticulously and timely orchestrated by the staff and members of the KaCES society. The initial anxieties about the order of events dissipated as soon as the teachers and the Guest of honour, Dr Debarpita Roy started the event on a positive note with the lighting of the lamp. She was felicitated with an eco-friendly token of honour, a plant.

Dr Debarpita Roy, an alumnus of the esteemed Delhi School of Economics and the guest of honour of the event graced the occasion by starting off the ceremony with a lecture on the subject "Cities and municipalities". The lecture was delivered in a simple, understandable and concise manner. Ms. Debarpita used presentations to convey her subject of study better and encouraged students and faculty to feel free to ask a variety of questions., if any. A fruitful discussion ensued having students and professors interacting with her and getting a deeper understanding of the issue.

Post the lecture, the competitions were flagged off. In total, four competitions were organised in different parts of the college premises namely: Clash of minds, Eyes to analyse, Story sketches and Nitishastra. Clash of Minds was a quiz competition involving a range of questions testing the quick IQ of the participants. Eyes to Analyse was a data decoding

competition in which competitors had to understand data by arranging it in bar charts and graphs to convey the meaning. Story sketches was a creative competition in which contestants were challenged to create comics that were not only quick witted but also tickled the funny bone on economic subjects. Finally, Nitishastra was a policy-making competition for aspiring policymakers that required them to develop policy models based on case studies provided.

The quiz competition had 5 participants for the round 1 clearing which two would qualify for the round 2. The faculty coordinator of this competition was Mrs. Anita. The participants were: Maitreyi Agrawal (Kalindi College), Garima Gurjar (Daulat Ram College), Aditi Gupta (Kalindi College), Lavisha Bageja (Hansraj College). While the round 2 qualifiers/position holders were (1) Maitreyi Agrawal (Kalindi College) and (2) Garima Gurjar (Daulat Ram College).

For the Data Analysis Competition there were 7 registered participants while only 2 turned up for the event namely: Sneha Sharma (Kalindi College), Suhani Sharma (Jamia Hamdard University). First position was secured by Sneha Sharma and second by Suhani Sharma. The faculty coordinator of the event was Mr. Suresh. The judges for the event were Ms Akanksha Dua, alumni of Kalindi College, currently working as an Assistant Director at the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India and Mr. Rohit Kumar-Assistant Professor at Kalindi College.

The story sketches competition Story sketches- the comic strip competition registered a total of 12 from different colleges of DU as well as outside such as Daulat ram College, IITM, Kalindi College, Maitreyi College, Vivekanand College and Sri Aurobindo College namely: Aiman muskan, Kritika Sharma, Aayushi Gautam, Aditi, Annurati Chidambaram, Aayushi Verma, Jaya Yadav, Varchasvi Gupta, Isha Sharma, Vanshika Shrivastava, Nidhi jhankar, Vaibhav kathuria. The winners were 1st position- Kritika Sharma from Kalindi college, 2nd position- **Aayushi Verma from Vivekanand college**. The Judge for the competition was Ms. Cheshtha Wadhwa, alumna of Kalindi college, did her post-graduation from Guru Gobind Indraprastha University and is currently working as a consultant at the Ministry of Finance.

The policy making competition had 13 registered participants and 4 presented during the event. The teams were: Team 1: Muskan, Nidhi Rawat (Kalindi College), Team 2: **Pramod Chandra (PGDAV Evening)**, Team 3: **Nikita Taneja (Hindu College**), Team 4: Aiman Muskan, Sunaina Saxena (Kalindi College). The Judge for the competition was Ms. Neha Chouhan, IES Officer (Batch 2014), currently working at the Ministry of Finance. The position holders were: 1st Winner: Aiman Muskan, Sunaina Saxena, Kalindi College and 2nd Position: Nikita Taneja, Hindu College.

The events came to a magnificent conclusion with the participants being presented with the prizes and certificates. Photograph session followed with the faculty, guests, alumni and the society members happily interacting. The event concluded on a successful and positive note.

















The academic session 2021-22 concluded with the closing ceremony on 25th April, 2022 with intra departmental Just A Minute Competition and Group Discussion.