

INSTITUTIONAL DISTINCTIVENESS

Since its inception in 1981, the college has provided tremendous thrust and priority to build a healthy student centric environment by following the policy of diversity, inclusion and integration. The vision of the college is to bring higher education closer to the people and make it accessible to the underprivileged sections of the society. As an institution of higher education, the college tries to keep the best interest of the last standing individual and endeavors to provide them a proper platform to avail the benefits of higher education. The mission is to steer the education it offers not only towards the pragmatic goal of employability, but also to mould the students into good citizens and to sensitize and orient them to the service of the community, in the quest for a better society and a prosperous nation.

In this context, as majority of the feeders of the college comes from vernacular schools, as a part of learner centric approach, the college imparts teaching-learning in vernacular medium i.e. Assamese language even to the Honors students. Although there is paucity of available study materials in vernacular medium yet the faculties compensates this constraint with their personal engagement and dedication. A distinctive feature of this institution is that it accommodates a significant number of students without considering their poor academic record at the entry level. With this category of underperformers admitted, the college pursues to convert them into good performers in different aspects i.e. both academic and co curricular.

The college follows a proactive financial aid policy for the poor students. It is noteworthy that almost 90% students of the college come from the BPL category and almost 40% are from religious minority communities. During the academic year 2021-22, the total enrolment in UG program was 1099, out of which 984 students were given free admission under BLP category. Out of the total enrolled students, 59 students were from ST category, 81 from SC category and 297 were from the OBC category. Another noteworthy fact about gender parity in student admission is that during 2021-22, the total girl students admitted were 692 which far exceeded the boys, and the girl students have also excelled in their academic and co curricular performances, which are good indicators of the success of the institution in its set goals and missions.

The college has always given thrust in engaging the students in community services and outreach programs through its NSS and NCC units, Extension Education Cell and Eco Club. During the last five years, the NSS volunteers have participated in many programs like National Youth Parliament, National Integration Camp, Surgical Strike Day, Swachchata Hi Seva door to door visit in adopted village, Special Camping, Bharat Yatra, International Yoga Day etc. The NSS unit has also celebrated various days like Shaheedi Diwas, World Environment Day, World AIDS Day, Republic Day, Gandhi Jayanti, National Youth Day, National Girl Child Day etc. and has organized Awareness programs on AIDS, Drug Abuse etc and has organized free health checkup camps.

The college has an active NCC unit that engages its cadets in various training programs as well as voluntary community service in the locality. Some of the activities organized by the NCC cadets are like observance of National Cancer Awareness Day, National Unity Day, Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav, World Bicycle Day, Road Safety Awareness Rally, NCC Day etc. They have also participated in National Basic Leadership Camps, International Yoga Day, Swaccha Bharat Abhiyan, Disaster Management Program, and Start up India program, March

Past and Parade in Republic Day and Independence Day etc. The NCC unit has also organized Free Medical camps in the college and in the locality. The Extension Education Cell and Eco Club have also been engaged in various community service programs with active participation of both faculties and students.

Pursuing its vision of support to the underprivileged section, the college has provided financial assistance from its own fund to several needy students, besides facilitating them with the benefits of free admission under the fee waiver scheme of the State Government, Merit Scholarship like Eshan Uday received from Central Govt. and scholarships and financial assistance for the reserved category students. The college Library also has Book Bank facility for the poor and needy students. Every year, the college librarian organizes special Library Orientation Programs for all the students to inculcate their reading habits. The faculties also lend their personal books to the needy students.

It is worthwhile to mention that the college has been able to maintain a satisfactory pass percentage with many students progressing to higher education. During the last five years, the average pass percentage of the college was 81.91% which is reasonably good considering the percentage of many students at entry level. The college has a strong Alumni base with many of them well placed in several professions and there exists a strong bond between them and their alma mater.