

Additional Credit Program 2019-2020

The more that you read, the more things you will know, the more that you learn, the more places you'll go."— **Dr. Seuss**

Additional Credit Program is one of the ace programs run by our college since 2007. This certificate course invites interested and eligible students to earn extra credits by completing a three module program. The three modules include interdisciplinary lectures in certain compulsory areas and certain electives, a research project and several hours of social service to the community.

32 students successfully submitted their research projects of Module II this year. These were done by students enrolled in AY-2018-19. Several research studies conducted by ACP students were accepted for inclusion in "Avishkar", the University research convention this year. This was followed by a research Presentation competition at college level. The research presentation served two purposes, it not just recognized the efforts of each and every researcher, it also gave them a level ground on which to be compared and more importantly improved through and grow as researchers through both panel feedback as well as peer feedback.

A number of activities were conducted in addition to the above as is every year including inviting new enrollments for the year. An orientation for students was conducted to brief them as well as help them decide if they were willing to put in that extra bit for the completion of the course. Students enrolled in present academic year's Semester 3, were invited to propose research projects they were interested in doing in module II, and subsequently allotment of mentors, as per preference of student and expertise of teacher mentor was carried out so that projects could begin. Conduct of Module I (compulsory and electives) was to be conducted in April 2020. The COVID -19 Pandemic led to the postponement of the scheduled Module 1, which will now be conducted as soon as the College reopens.

The component of ACP that has the potential to turn the students around for good is module-III This year our students took up community projects related to Menstrual hygiene, cancer care for children, assisting specially abled children studying in Rochiram Thadani school to do science projects, and helped other NGO's like, Kotak education foundation & NASEOH. We hope to keep the cycle of fresh batches for ACP running despite all the odds.

Education is one of the most powerful things in life. It allows us to find the meaning behind everything and helps improve lives in a massive way.