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## Message from the Director, DSU Alumni Council



Prof. Visveswar Mavathur, Professor of Practice, DSU

As promised, we are back on time with the second volume of **AlmaSphere**, the quarterly newsletter published by DSU Alumni Council for all our stakeholders. This is your source for all updates and knowledge relevant to DSU alumni across the globe.

Last month, another batch of graduates from DSU proudly received their certificates in our sprawling new campus at Harohalli. Let me take this opportunity to specifically welcome them into the folds of the DSU Alumni Council.

I am pleased to share that we are starting a new section with this second volume. Here, some of our faculty members share their wisdom. ***This time, we have Prof. Baskar Venugopalan (Professor of CST, SOE) writing about how best to navigate the choppy waters of an industry career. Also, Dr. GK Suryanarayana (Professor of Aerospace, SOE) tells us how his work on Scramjet engines contributed to ISRO completing their missions successfully.***

As these updates are of interest to all of DSU, I request you to share this newsletter and message with all departmental staff, and widely beyond.

Best Regards



Navita Vijay  
Assistant Professor, Alumni Coordinator MBA & Executive MBA  
SCMS-DSU

Greetings from the faculty and staff at Dayanand Sagar University's School of Commerce and Management Studies! A management school with a difference.

We are pleased to welcome our esteemed alums to your alma mater through the DSU Alumni Council's initiative – the DSUAC Newsletter. Your contributions have always been the driving force behind our success as one of the country's top fifteen emerging Business Schools, and we believe that your contribution can significantly enrich the learning curve of our incumbent students.

Being a dynamic and young institution, we understand the importance of staying connected to our valued alumni, you possess a wealth of knowledge about the ever-evolving industry landscape, technological advancements, and the challenges newcomers face in the corporate sphere. We invite you to actively engage with your school by joining DSUAC and play a pivotal role in shaping the university's reputation while fostering a symbiotic relationship. Regular interactions will strengthen the DSU brand and create a robust two-way support system, benefitting you, your peers, young students, and society.

We are thrilled to share that our recent Alumni Outreach activities have been extremely well received. Alumni Guest talks from Ms Apoorva and Mr Ashil, both MBA full-time students, were enlightening sessions that bridged the gap between theory and real-world applications. Their finance and Digital Marketing expertise has impacted our students indelibly. We also gave away six **Outstanding Leadership Awards** to our Alumni from the Executive MBA program as a recognition of our alumni and their leadership acumen post their program at SCMS. We also organized a Master Class on Block Chain Technology by the renowned international educator Dr Pierre Al-Khoury who is on the advisory board of several Arab nations.

As we move forward, we urge you to join hands with us in creating a vibrant learning ecosystem within a close-knit circle of alumni. Let us work together to nurture the learning curve and contribute to the holistic growth of our students.

Thank you for your unwavering support, and we look forward to your active participation in shaping the future of DSU.

Warm Regards,



Dr. Dinesh S M  
Faculty Alumni Coordinator, SBAS, DSU

Dear Esteemed Alumni,

As you navigate the vast and dynamic field of life sciences, I extend my heartfelt congratulations on reaching this significant milestone. Your journey through the realms of biology, ecology, and medicine has not only equipped you with knowledge but has also instilled in you the power to unravel the mysteries of life itself.

In the intricate tapestry of life sciences, you are the threads weaving breakthroughs and discoveries. Remember, every challenge you encounter is an opportunity for growth and innovation. Your capacity to adapt, learn, and persevere is a testament to your resilience. As you venture into the professional landscape, embrace the uncertainties with open arms, for therein lies the beauty of scientific exploration.

Never underestimate the impact you can have on the world. Your expertise has the potential to shape the future of healthcare, conservation, and beyond. Stay curious, for curiosity fuels discovery. Keep questioning, keep pushing boundaries, and in doing so, you contribute not only to your field but to the betterment of humanity.

Remember, success is not a destination but a journey. Cherish the lessons learned, celebrate small victories, and learn from setbacks. Your passion for life sciences is a beacon of inspiration. Use it to illuminate the paths of those who follow in your footsteps.

As you step into the next chapter of your professional lives, carry the torch of knowledge with pride. Your alma mater is not just a place; it is a community that believes in your potential to make a lasting impact. Be bold, be compassionate, and, above all, be the ambassadors of positive change.

Congratulations once again, and may your future endeavours be as remarkable as the discoveries you've made within the fascinating realm of life sciences.

With warm regards,



Dr Bhaswati Baishya,  
Alumni Coordinator,  
College of Physiotherapy, DSU

Greetings to the entire alumni community,

In this role of being your alumni coordinator, I am honoured to witness the remarkable paths and progress you all have forged since your graduation.

As we navigate the ever-changing landscape of life, I invite you all to stay connected to your core, your alma mater.

Together, let's build new connections, celebrate our heritage, and embrace the opportunities for growth and collaboration that awaits.

Your continued engagement with the community, sharing your journey, your support, your thoughts and reflections will make our alumni network stronger and resilient.

I take this opportunity to thank each one of you for being an integral part of the College of Physiotherapy, DSU.

Here's to countless stories yet to be told and continued success of our alumni community.

Regards,



Renuka Phadnis  
Associate Professor & Alumni Co-ordinator, CJMC, DSU  
Dear CJMC Alums,

Season's Greetings!

I trust each one of you is doing great.

Like the hackneyed but true phrase, time flies. As 2023-year inches its way to a close, as Alumni Co-ordinator of CJMC, DSU, I have been thinking of the many batches of students who have moved through the portals of CJMC, DSU, to make a mark for themselves in the world outside college. This August, the eighth batch joined this young institution.

One thought that came to my mind is that CJMC would love to stay connected with all its alums. This is because we want to know how our students are faring after the three years of education. How you are doing is an indicator to us of whether what we are doing is right or not. It helps us make course corrections.

Also, all of you have a role to play in the growth of CJMC through your skills and roles to the growth of your fellow DSUians via offering guest lectures, internship and placements opportunities, networking, industry visits or guiding your juniors with higher education or a startup or to recruit graduates for your company! sit CJMC or DSU as a chief guest!

Or it could be something like participating in the DSU alum events if you happen to be in Bangalore just then.

A request: Do stay on in the CJMC batch-wise groups on Whatsapp. We keep sharing updates about alumni and posting job opportunities there. On these groups, we also keep pestering you all about forms for you all to fill in and send back to us. It is mandatory, required for university records and therefore are sent to you.

While it is easy to suggest these ideas, and some of you might really want to do some of these, we understand that once you are out of college, you are in the thick of things. College will start fading out of the mind as you focus on building careers. You will get busy with work, higher studies or managing your own startup or a family business.

But please remember, that any time and activity you carve out, to be associated with CJMC, will be appreciated. Do visit the college whenever you can. You are always welcome home, always welcome to CJMC! Wishing you the very best and a wonderful, joy-filled new year!

Warm Regards



Dr. Sharatkumar Variyar, Aero Engg, SOE-DSU

Dear Valued Alumni,

Greetings from Aerospace Engineering Department - SOE-DSU!

Just a few weeks ago, a Second Batch of B. Tech Aerospace graduates took to their wings after their formal Dayananda Sagar University Convocation. On this occasion, as a faculty member here from over two and a half years, there are a few snippets on the impact of alumni I would like to share with you.

We recently witnessed a vivid demonstration of the positive impact of the Alumni in shaping the B. Tech curriculum and pedagogy. An alumni member on our Board of Studies gave valuable insights to the Board on a prevailing student perception that they know all about aerospace and flight by mastering drones and aero models. However, there is a major difference in reality between the two which needs to be emphasised.

Another alumni member took full ownership of organizing a superb two-day workshop on aeromodelling. This included everything from concept to hardware to actual flight for about 4 – 5 teams from various batches.

A third alumni member gave a vivid insight into the need for more problem solving and higher order thinking skills-based teaching and assessment, based on the external exposure.

All this indicates a sense of belonging, contributing and making a difference to DSU and their alma mater. As you proceed into more meaningful personal and professional developments in your career, your connections with your fellow students and your alma mater will enrich your journey and provide positive associations that last throughout your life and career.

We would love to see our graduates stay involved and engaged. DSUAC provides an ideal platform to make this happen, holding events and forging connections. We encourage alumni to remain engaged, create spaces, chapters and forums to connect and celebrate our broader alumni community.

Please be sure to be a part of Dayananda Sagar University Alumni Council (DSUAC) and feel free to reach out to [alumni council@dsu.edu.in](mailto:alumni council@dsu.edu.in) or [rakhidixit@dsu.edu.in](mailto:rakhidixit@dsu.edu.in)

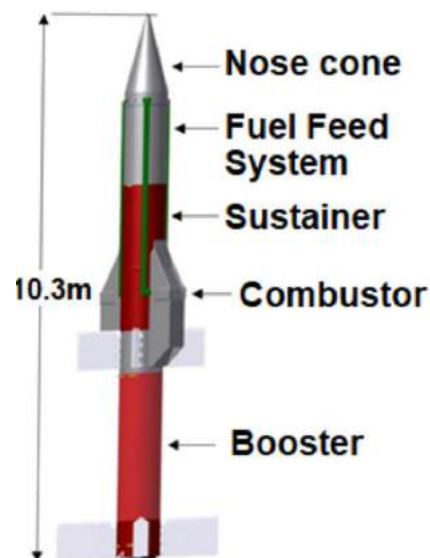


### **ACHIEVING HYPERSONIC SPEED WITH SCRAMJETS**

Dr. GK Suryanarayana, Professor of Aerospace, SOE

Utilization of air-breathing technology for scramjet propulsion to accomplish hypersonic flights is one of the areas being internationally pursued. Around the year 2015, ISRO embarked on a mission to develop an “Advanced Technology Vehicle”, featuring hypersonic flight at a Mach number of 6.7, using two Scramjet engines.

The 10.3m long vehicle (Fig. 1) features a 2-stage rocket comprising a booster and a sustainer. After burn out at an altitude of about 40 km, the vehicle descends to about 30 km and reaches a Mach number of 6.7, at  $t = 55s$  after launch ( $t = 0$ ).



At that instant, the scramjet combustion is required to start and last for 8s. To successfully accomplish these objectives, the air-intake covers which are closed until the vehicle reaches  $M = 6.7$ , are required to open within 200 mS and steady airflow through the combustor must be ensured. One of the most important parameters to achieve steady flow in the combustor is the internal blockage due to the flame-holding devices in the combustor.

Dr. GK Suryanarayana carried out appropriate tests on a 1:1 scale model of the scramjet module in the supersonic wind tunnel at the National Aerospace Laboratory in Bengaluru, and established that steady flow would occur within 200 mS, only if the maximum internal blockage was 20%. Higher blockage would unstart and generate vibrations and unsteady flow in the combustor (Fig. 2).

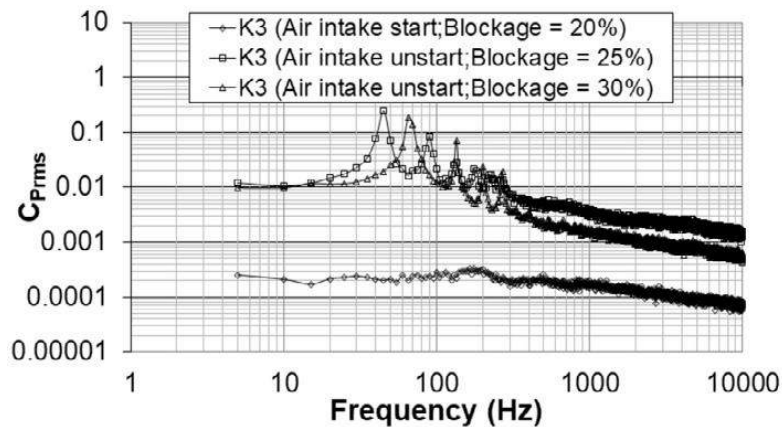


Fig. 2 Spectra of pressure fluctuations at one of the locations

These inputs were used by ISRO in its mission launched on 28 August 2016. The vehicle, which has a mass of 3.277 tons was launched from ISRO's Satish Dhawan Space Centre at Shriharikota, Andhra Pradesh. Massing 3,277 kilograms (7,225 lb). It carried an active scramjet engine demonstrator. At 55 seconds into the flight, the scramjets ignited at Mach 6 and functioned for about 5 seconds. The flight lasted a total of about 300 seconds and splashed down in the Bay of Bengal approximately 320 km (200 mi) from the space centre.

The supersonic flame was sustained in one engine for 18 seconds and in the other for 14 seconds, producing net positive thrust. In a flight duration of 300s, the ground range covered was 320km, an amazing feat indeed. This has contributed significantly to ISRO's mission success.

Ref.: Starting of a scramjet air intake, Rajan B.K and G.K. Suryanarayana, Journal of Aerospace Science and Technology, published by Elsevier, Vol. 141, October 2023. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ast.2023.108560>

*Note from Director - DSUAC: The author Dr. GK Suryanarayana, retired from National Aeronautics Laboratories (NAL), Bengaluru after a long and distinguished career in aerospace.*



Prof. Basker Venugopal  
Professor, CST Department, SOE

## EMPLOYABILITY & OPPORTUNITY – HOW TO NAVIGATE THE OCEAN

In today's rapidly evolving job market, the link between employment, employability, academia-industry collaboration, and alumni success plays a pivotal role in shaping the career trajectories of individuals. As the demands of the workforce continue to change, it becomes imperative for educational institutions, industries, and alumni networks to work collaboratively to ensure graduates are not only equipped with academic knowledge but also possess the skills needed for professional success.

### The Evolving Employment Landscape:

The contemporary job market is characterized by constant innovation and technological advancements. **Employers seek candidates who not only possess a strong academic foundation but also demonstrate adaptability, critical thinking, and problem-solving skills.** As a result, employability has become a key focus for both educational institutions and industries alike.

### The Role of Academia in Enhancing Employability:

Educational institutions play a critical role in preparing students for the workforce. Beyond traditional academic curricula, there is a growing emphasis on the inclusion of practical skills, internships, and industry-relevant projects. This shift aims to bridge the gap between theoretical knowledge and real-world application, ultimately enhancing graduates' employability.

### Fostering Academia-Industry Collaboration:

To ensure that graduates are well-prepared for the dynamic job market, academia-industry collaboration is essential. Collaborative initiatives such as joint research projects, industry-sponsored internships, and guest lectures by industry professionals provide students with valuable insights into industry practices. This collaboration not only enriches the learning experience but also ensures that educational programs align with the current needs of the job market.

### The Alumni Connection:

Alumni, as successful professionals who have navigated the transition from academia to industry, serve as invaluable resources. Their experiences, insights, and networks can significantly contribute to the career development of current students. DSU is actively working towards facilitating more and more alumni engagement through mentorship programmes, networking events, and alumni-led workshops,

creating a supportive community that extends beyond graduation. The DSU Alumni Council, which was registered this year, adds a formal dimension to the alumni engagement programme.

#### Case Studies:

Would like to Highlight few successful examples of academia-industry collaboration and alumni impact in our Computer Science and Technology Department. The students are guided through enchanted workshops, internships, and hands-on projects, transforming them into well-rounded individuals ready to face the challenges that awaited. United in purpose, the alumni, students, and Industry representatives collaborated on various quests – from hackathons to networking events.

Outcomes does include student(s) working with start-up's (alumni collaboration) as interns likely leading to FTE's, student's participating in more datathons / hackathons and thus getting the industry exposure and having expectations awareness and tools exposure through events and workshops apart from engaging on consultancy activities along with faculties. Also, would like to highlight our course curriculum emphasising experiential learning through courses like Product Development (Working on Real life challenges) followed by Lean Start-up methodology (Taking the product to market, gaining knowledge on Business Planning and Customer experience – On Field) leading to Product Analytics (Analysing customer behaviour and data driven decision making and implementing the same to know the impact). Sure, the above reflection does indicate how DSU recognized the need to equip students with the skills and attributes necessary to conquer the ever-shifting terrain of Employment.

#### Conclusion:

The interconnectedness of employment, employability, academia-industry collaboration, and alumni success underscores the need for a holistic approach to education. As educational institutions adapt to the changing demands of the job market, fostering strong connections with industries and leveraging the expertise of alumni can create a more robust and relevant learning experience. Ultimately, by working together, academia, industry, and alumni can contribute to producing graduates who are not only academically proficient but also well-equipped to thrive in their professional endeavours.

With the alliance of Industry titans and fellowship of alumni, this becomes the cornerstone of success for all who dare to dream of conquering the peak of success. Look forward to greater collaboration with our alumni in taking DSU to greater heights.

### **Update on Migration to DSU Main campus - Harohalli**

We are thrilled to share an update on the establishment of our new campus in Harohalli. The exciting expansion of DSU through its world class campus equipped with Residential Buildings for students & faculty members, Indoor and Outdoor sports area, Library, Medical Hospital with a 24-hour emergency service, Museum, Modern Practical Labs to provide hands on experience in the field of science & technology and cafeteria, represents our commitment to providing an exceptional education and fostering innovation for the aspiring minds of tomorrow.

Nestled on the Bengaluru-Kanakapura highway, our new campus is more than just a building— It's a hub of innovation and creativity. Spread across a sprawling space of 130 acres this campus has been thoughtfully crafted and designed by the renowned architect Hafeez Contractor to provide a conducive environment for learning, collaboration, and personal growth. From state-of-the-art classrooms to cutting-edge facilities, every corner is designed with our students' success in mind.

DSU has moved its students from Medical and Engineering programs to embark on their educational journey at our stunning new campus where learning transcends traditional boundaries and innovation knows no limits, to prepare them for a rewarding career in this ever-evolving industries.





### Convocation Ceremony 2023



Dayananda Sagar University conducted its 7th convocation ceremony for across DSU schools on 28<sup>th</sup> October 2023 (Saturday) at its new campus in Harohalli.

To confer and award degrees and other academic distinctions to eligible students. The outgoing graduates and postgraduates committed and pledged to utilize their knowledge to advancement of Universe, as proud ambassadors of the University.

A total of 1857 students were awarded their degrees at the convocation ceremony. Among them, in recognition of their performance and achievements University awarded ranks and medals (Gold and Silver) to 46 students.

As the graduates were eagerly waiting to take their degrees, the event started at the sound of trumpets blowing giving a red-carpet welcome to the Chief Guest, Guest of Honor, Chancellor, Pro Chancellor, Vice Chancellor and the Deans of DSU schools.

The Ceremony began with Chancellor Dr D. Hemachandra Sagar declaring the convocation open with his introductory speech during which he motivated the students to not to forget their value systems, work ethics and humanity the annual report where he highlighted the institute's performance and achievements of the students. He mentioned about the renowned companies across sectors visited the college for placements and the students making their mark in their respective companies.

The Pro Chancellor Dr D Premachandra Sagar administered the pledge to the candidates and highlighted the use of various innovative teaching methodologies in his address. While tracing the contemporary issues affecting the society, he advised the graduates to use their education for betterment of society. He exhorted them to use tools and skills to find solutions to prevailing problems for eradicating poverty and modernize the Country.

The event presided over by the registrar and controller of examination invited the rank holders, medallists and PhD holders on the Dias to felicitate them with their respective awards. The ceremony continued with Hon'ble Dr. Premachandra Sagar, the Pro Chancellor-DSU, Hon'ble Dr. Hemachandra Sagar, the Chancellor - DSU addressed the students and handed over the degrees and special awards of merit to deserving students.

Also present at the ceremony was distinguished chief guest Prof. T.G. Sitharam, Chairman AICTE, Govt. of India and Guest of honor Dr. M.K. Ramesh Hon'ble Vice Chancellor- Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Karnataka and Mr. Alok Ohrie, President & MD-Dell Technologies, India who shared their thoughts and vision with the students.

During the keynote address, Chief Guest Prof. T.G. Sitharam mentioned that the future of the world is in India and Future of India is in students. With regard to DSU, he said that the institute is putting its vision into practice. According to him, the motto of every student should be Entrepreneurship and Innovation. He also said- "to be successful one should leave his ego." During his speech he delivered inspiring lines like "be distinct or extinct" and "network is your net worth."

Finally, he concluded by saying that fundamental principles of life include a practice like "have a passion with compassion, add little humility to our ability, add little nobility to your mobility and succeed with integrity and achieve with humility and be what you want be."

Over the years DSU has earned the enviable reputation of being one of the finest Universities in Bangalore. The strength of the institute lies in its diversity, be it in its academic, ethnic or social. The institute presently boasts of outstanding students, excellent infrastructure and the best talent that make up its core faculty.

The ceremony closed with the trumpets singing the national anthem and a gala dinner. All the graduates went back in absolute glee.



## Department of Computer Science and Technology

**Dayananda Sagar University**

 **SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING**

**Seminar on  
"Sustainable Web Development"**

**Organized by  
Department of Computer Science & Technology**

**Speaker :**  
Trishal Dhayananda  
Developer Relations Manager,  
Adwityah Technology Services Pvt. Ltd

**Date: 08/11/2023**  
**Time: 02:00 PM-03:30PM**  
**Venue: G016- B Block**

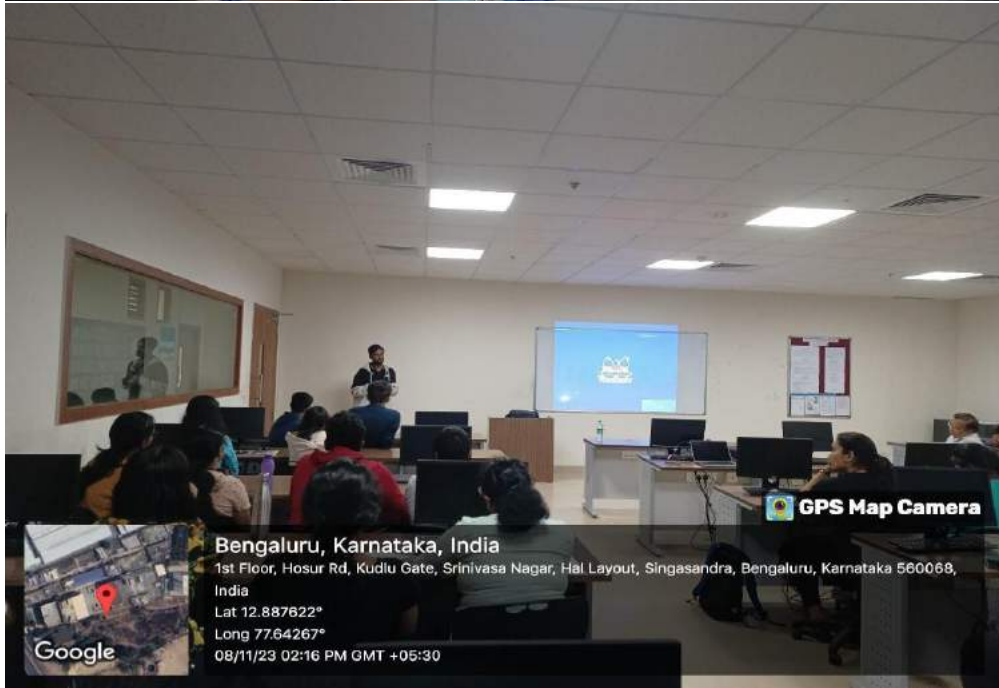
**Organizer**  
Prof. Baskar V  
Prof. of Practice,  
CST

**Chairperson**  
Dr. M. Shahina parveen  
Professor, CST

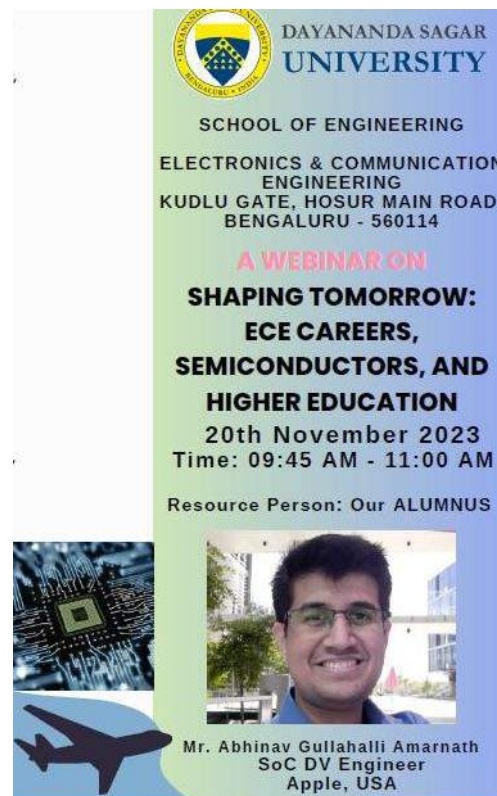
**Convener**  
Dr. Uday Kumar Reddy K R  
Dean- SOE  
Dr. M. Shahina Parveen  
Professor, CST

The "**Sustainable Web Development**" seminar, which commenced on November 8, 2023, at 2:00 PM, was initiated with a warm welcome from the department. Professor Baskar introduced the distinguished speaker, Mr. Trishal Dhayananda who was an alumnus of 2021 batch. This session was attended by 46 students from the third year of the CST department.

Mr. Trishal Dhayananda discussed about strategies for designing websites that minimize energy consumption and reduce the carbon footprint, the role of web hosting providers in sustainable web development, highlighting the importance of selecting eco- friendly hosting options and data centres. The seminar on sustainable web development provided a valuable platform for understanding the importance of sustainable practices in webdevelopment. Students gained insights into the principles, tools, and best practices that can be applied to create eco-friendly web solutions. Mr. Trishal Dhayananda has given an opportunity for to students to apply for internship in his own company. Session concluded by thanking the guest, faculty and students for attending the session.



## Webinar on Shaping Tomorrow: ECE Dept, SOE



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**A WEBINAR ON  
SHAPING TOMORROW:  
ECE CAREERS,  
SEMICONDUCTORS, AND  
HIGHER EDUCATION**

20th November 2023  
Time: 09:45 AM - 11:00 AM

Resource Person: Our ALUMNUS

Mr. Abhinav Gullahalli Amarnath  
SoC DV Engineer  
Apple, USA

A webinar on shaping tomorrow: ECE careers semiconductors and Higher education was organized by Dr. Saara K, Associate Professor, Electronics and Communication Engineering (ECE) Department. The workshop, held on 20th November 2023 at DSU, Kudlu Gate, Bangalore. The resource person was our alumnus Mr. Abhinav Gullahalli Amarnath, Soc Engineer, Apple, USA.

The webinar explored various opportunity for the ECE graduates. Participants were introduced to various careers related to ECE domain like Electronics and Hardware Design, Telecommunications, Software Development, Robotics and Automation, Data Science and Artificial Intelligence. The agenda also included about Semiconductor Industry Overview and Wide Aspects of Semiconductor Industry. The students were given the detailed route map for doing Masters in the USA. Application Process, Financial Considerations like Scholarships and Assistantships and also Work Opportunities. The active participation of the dedicated staff and enthusiastic students contributed significantly to the webinar's success.



Ann Mary  
SOE - Electronics and Communication  
Batch: 2016 - 2020

### **Success Management v/s Failure Management.**

Success management is just as crucial as failure management.

Handling success is a profoundly important life skill because it shapes not only our present but also our future, and it defines the kind of individuals we become. Success, when managed with grace, becomes a powerful force for good, both in our lives and in the world.

Firstly, success offers a platform to influence and inspire others. When we handle success with humility and gratitude, it becomes a beacon of hope for those struggling in the shadows. Our achievements serve as a testament that dreams can be realized with hard work and determination, igniting sparks of aspiration in others.

Secondly, managing success keeps us grounded. It reminds us of our humanity, preventing arrogance from clouding our judgment. This humility encourages continual self-improvement, ensuring that we remain open to learning from others.

Thirdly, success used wisely can drive positive change. Whether in business, science, or the arts, it provides the resources and influence to address societal issues, alleviate suffering, and contribute to the greater good.

Lastly, handling success enables us to savour life's true treasures – love, relationships, and happiness. Success is a means, not an end, and when we prioritize these values, our achievements become even more meaningful.

In conclusion, handling success with grace is a testament to our character and a measure of our impact on the world. It's not just about what we achieve but how we use that achievement to make the world a better place. Success, when approached with humility, gratitude, and a sense of responsibility, becomes a powerful catalyst for personal growth and positive change.



Fiona Aljo  
SOE – ECE  
Batch: 2016-2020

### **My Journey @ DSU**

My years spent in Dayananda Sagar University have been nothing short of transformative. From the moment I stepped into campus, I was welcomed into a vibrant community that nurtured my growth, both academically and personally. The memories I've made, the lessons I've learned, and the connections I've forged have become an integral part of who I am today. The summer internships in college have given us so much exposure to the new technology in an early part of our college life. Being exposed to new ideas, diverse perspectives, and challenging academic pursuits helped us to develop critical thinking skills, adaptability, and a broader understanding of the world.

College life taught us that we should not let success and failure affect us, as they are just part of life.

Dayananda Sagar University has always given me an opportunity to showcase my talent of public speaking, organizing different events in college from the very first event I coordinated to the countless moments that followed.

Organizing events during my college years wasn't just about logistical details and schedules; it was about crafting experiences that left an imprint on both the audience and me. The excitement of conceptualizing an idea, piecing together the puzzle of logistics, and witnessing the final result was nothing short of exhilarating.

My role in various student organizations allowed me to lead teams of passionate individuals, each contributing their unique talents to turn ideas into reality. Together, we converted empty spaces into vibrant hubs of activity, where laughter, learning, and connection flourished. One of the greatest lessons I learned was adaptability. No matter how meticulous the planning, unexpected challenges often arose. Navigating these hurdles not only tested my problem-solving skills but also taught me the value of remaining calm under pressure. Looking back, as an alumna I often realize that my college life was about more than just acquiring knowledge. It was a transformative experience that helped shape the values, passions, and sense of purpose.

I will forever cherish the memories and experiences I've gained here.



Ashil C Thomas  
SCMS (2020-2022 batch)

### **Farewell Earth**

My journey began during the Christmas of 2020 when Capt. Nagaraj Subbarao sir had given a beautiful speech in which he mentioned how each one of us has the spark that can create a change in this world. These words did give me goosebumps back then, but I never knew they would stick with me for so long and become the basis to which I would lead my life to the end.

We all are born unique with a beautiful purpose bestowed upon us by the universe. And that purpose is what most humans fail to realize and fulfil in this entertainment world.

Just as I had mentioned toward the start of my book - When matter can neither be created nor destroyed but can only change from one form to the other, it proves that we too are as old as the universe itself, as ancient as it is.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Dayananda Sagar University (DSU) for helping me build this mindset and providing me with such a quality environment filled with productive people. This is the very reason why all those who pass out of this remarkable institution have a beautiful and unique mindset that wishes to think out of the box. Our DSU has undoubtedly tamed the fast-moving world and have made sure that the students here stay up to date with all there is to know about the digital age.

My dream is to ensure that FAREWELL EARTH reaches every individual on the planet and to create that sense of bonding among ourselves and Mother Nature through the message that is shared through the book. Nothing sounds impossible when we fight for the right purpose!

FAREWELL EARTH is a non-fiction journey that is divided into three 'sequential' parts. The first part of the book is a correction that we need to make as a species by eliminating extremism, reducing poverty, creating peace, and respecting this diverse world. The second part talks about what is needed the most for our purpose to be successful throughout - that is environmental protection, sustainable development with Mother Nature, and controlling climate change. The third and final part of our journey will talk about the ultimate purpose of our civilization. Not one can be achieved without the prior part(s)

We are undoubtedly the most capable beings in making the changes we wish to see out there; because we are indeed blessed with intelligence that is beyond compared to any other species we have ever known. We will one day give life to the whole universe and that is the beauty of





existence we are blessed with and destined to create. We have it, we just need to realize and accept it, and work toward it. This is what FAREWELL EARTH talks about. Available on Amazon.

I started to climb those tiny steps during my days at Dayananda Sagar University and got pushed with a goal to now save the world!

#DSUforever #FAREWELLEARTH



**P. GOPAKUMAR IRS**  
Additional Commissioner of  
Customs and Indirect Taxes

"The author has shown keen attention in conveying an awakening call through lucid expressions combined with illustrations. He has analyzed at length, the efforts of the scientific fraternity the world over in finding solutions to the impending problems. He points out the solution here - "Think about the reality we live in, and the reality that we have the potential to live up to". It offers pleasant reading and, in the process, enriches our awareness about the world we live in. Further, it is also an asset for those who are appearing for competitive examinations."



Ananyaa. R  
(SOE - 2019-23 batch)

### **My Learnings at DSU**

It gives me immense pleasure to talk about my student life at Dayananda Sagar University aka DSU.

Attending Dayananda Sagar University has been an enriching, enlightening and a transformative experience for me. From the moment I stepped onto the vibrant campus, I was welcomed into a community that values academic excellence, innovation, and holistic growth. The university's commitment to fostering a dynamic learning environment is evident in its state-of-the-art facilities, dedicated faculty, and diverse range of courses.

Though there was a pandemic breakthrough during our study tenure, the level of teaching with the quick adaption to the online mode and delivering the hands-on practical experience with as much software's in the best way possible, have allowed me to grasp complex concepts with clarity and depth.

Beyond academics, Dayananda Sagar University places great emphasis on extracurricular activities and personal development. Engaging in various clubs, cultural events and programs has not only helped me unwind from the rigors of studies but has also enabled me to refine my teamwork, leadership, and communication skills. Participation in various cultural events and programs has helped me discover not only the interest towards a particular art form but also the level of professionalism. The university's strong industry connections showcased through numerous trainings and workshops have provided me with valuable real-world exposure, making me feel well-prepared for the professional world ahead.

Furthermore, the campus itself is a lively hub of diverse cultures and backgrounds, creating a truly global atmosphere. Interacting with fellow students from different parts of the state and country has broadened my horizons and enriched my perspective on various issues. The supportive and inclusive nature of the campus community has made me feel like a part of a larger family. The friendship circle and connections that I have gathered during my life in college is truly precious and close to my heart.

In conclusion, my journey at Dayananda Sagar University has been an illuminating and a transformative one. The university's unwavering commitment to academic excellence, coupled with a lively campus life, has provided me with the perfect platform to develop both intellectually and personally. I am confident that the experiences and skills I've gained here will serve as a strong foundation for my future endeavours.



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### **My Success Mantras**

Success is a word that makes all of us starry-eyed. I mean, who doesn't want success. This is my story, a story of a fellow DSUian. Let's travel back in time, to my schooldays. During that time, I faced a predicament that most of the students face and would relate to: Maths! Maths was certainly not a piece of cake for me. Just because of maths my score used to drop. Then it hit me: What matters a lot is Mindset. Instead of thinking "I can't do this", think "I can do this, and I will do this". I worked day and night only to understand the beauty of maths and believe it or not: I topped Maths in my school for boards and also won school second place in International Maths Olympiad, voluntarily selected Maths as my Elective in PUC and selected Finance as my specialization. Now, I work at Big 4!

Life is a journey and there are many stages, student life is not the only phase, after student life, work life begins. This is my first job, and a lot of things were very overwhelming for me at the beginning. It took me some time to understand how work life actually works. The environment matters. I am surrounded with a wonderful set of professionals who are always out there to help and guide.

Hard work & Consistency. It's just not about getting there but also maintaining it. During my life at DSU, I maintained a consistent score while even managing extra-curricular activities. Even during Covid, I didn't let the uncertainties waver my mindset.

Lastly, nothing of this would work out if you don't believe in yourself! This quote really changed my perspective, and I would like to share it with you today.

*"If you can dream it, you can do it."* – Walter Elias Disney





Yashodha C R  
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### **Be Ready to Raise your Standards.**

I embarked on my journey at Dayananda Sagar University (DSU) in 2019 with a clear aspiration. Little did I know that this chapter of my life would be so incredibly inspiring and transformative. DSU not only provided me with an excellent education but also a nurturing environment filled with supportive teachers who made learning not only informative but also enjoyable. Their unwavering support made it easy for me to ask questions and explore the depths of my curiosity.

My time at DSU has been instrumental in shaping my academic and personal growth. It's here that I discovered my passion for innovation and problem-solving, which led to some remarkable achievements. I am immensely proud to have been named the NASA Space Apps Galactic Global Nominee, representing DSU from California, UK. Additionally, I successfully conquered the challenging Databricks Certified Data Engineer Associate certification, a significant milestone for any data engineer.

But my journey didn't stop there. DSU's vibrant community encouraged me to participate in ideathons, collaborate on diverse projects, and expand my horizons. I am currently working on two research papers that will soon be published, a testament to the research culture fostered at DSU.

What's equally gratifying is that DSU has allowed me to give back by assisting my junior peers with their doubts, sharing my knowledge, and guiding them on their educational path. It's my pleasure to mention that I've also had the honor of introducing my younger sister to this wonderful institution.

As I reflect on my journey so far, I am grateful to DSU for not just preparing me academically but also for instilling in me invaluable life lessons that will stay with me forever. DSU has been my springboard for growth, and I am excited about the endless opportunities that lie ahead.

Warm Regards,



Fahad Aziz

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### **Message to my fellow Dsuians**

I am Fahad Aziz. Attained both B. Pharm and M. Pharm degrees from Dayananda Sagar University, gaining a comprehensive pharmaceutical education and fostering a strong foundation for professional growth. Grateful for an enriching academic journey at Dayanand Sagar University. Exceptional teachers, state-of-the-art labs, and dedicated professors made my learning experience truly impactful. The vibrant campus environment fostered growth and collaboration.

Hosting events was my perennial favourite, and I'm grateful for the opportunities provided. Being entrusted with this responsibility not only honed my organizational skills but also enriched my overall university experience.

Overcoming the geographical shift from Jammu and Kashmir to study in the South was a challenging yet rewarding experience. Adapting to a new environment, I embraced the academic journey, and the support from educators and peers played a crucial role in making this transition successful.

Wishes & Regards,



Syed Yusuf Ali  
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### **Heartfelt Gratitude to my Alma Mater**

As I stand on the threshold of a promising career, I reflect on the transformative journey that brought me to this moment. My final year coincided with the challenges of the Covid era, introducing uncertainties about the path that lay ahead. However, the teachings and wisdom of my lecturers at DSU became my guiding light.

In the face of an uncertain future, my lecturers encouraged me to explore internships before making decisions about pursuing higher studies or diving into the job market. Their counsel proved invaluable, leading me to embark on internships and courses related to clinical research and regulatory affairs.

These experiences were not just stepping stones; they were the foundation upon which I built my career. Today, I am proud to share that I have landed a position in the Regulatory Affairs department at the prestigious multinational corporation, GlaxoSmithKline (GSK) because of the guidance, education, and support I received at DSU. With its exceptional faculty and well-organized structure, DSU provided me with the tools to navigate the complex landscape of my chosen field. I am grateful for the learning environment, the mentorship, and the opportunities provided by my alma mater.

To my fellow graduates and current students, I extend a heartfelt message. You are not just part of a university; you are part of a legacy. As you embark on your professional journey, I encourage you to consider the words of our great lecturers. Take internships and additional courses that align with your passions, for they are the keys to unlocking a future of success and fulfilment.

Consider yourselves fortunate to have studied in a prestigious institution like DSU. It's a launchpad for your aspirations. Embrace the opportunities, face challenges with resilience, and trust in the foundation DSU has provided. Your future is bright, and success awaits those who are willing to chase it.

Thank you, DSU, for being an integral part of my journey.



Praveen Choudhari  
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Greetings to all my Faculty and Friends,

I'm Praveen Choudhari, and I graduated from Dayananda Sagar University with a bachelor's degree in ECE. My favourite memories of Dayananda Sagar University are from my time on campus. I'm sending out a message to my fellow DSU students: take advantage of every chance that presents itself on campus. Do well in all your academics and extracurricular pursuits. I would always remember the most knowledgeable professors, a well-established library, the best teaching and non-teaching personnel and their support to us throughout the academic journey.

I consider myself fortunate to be given this opportunity to guide my fellow juniors to deliver and perform to the best of their abilities. One of my greatest accomplishments was completing a project during which I was required to work with a new team and taking additional responsibilities. I used to take part in a lot of health and social initiatives, such as blood donation drives, NSS programs, and the national pulse polio program, which felt like a way to improve public health and society. Under the guidance of our professors, we observed many health awareness campaigns, including AIDS Day, Mental Health Day, and National Science Day. Attending numerous national and international seminars provided me with up-to-date information on recent advancements in our profession.

Good Luck and Thank you.



Mr. Anubhav Chetia  
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Dear College Juniors,

As you navigate your journey through college, remember that these years hold countless opportunities for growth and learning. Embrace every challenge as a chance to develop new skills and insights. Cherish the diversity of experiences, as they shape your worldview. As you step into your careers, carry the positivity and resilience you've cultivated. Let your college journey fuel your passion and drive for success. The foundation you build now will serve as a springboard to a fulfilling career. Embrace it all – your future is bright!

Best wishes!!



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