



Message from the Principal

Er. Kiran K.C

Besides instigating innovative ideas in teaching learning practices, the experience of being in an academic institution has always been an inspiration to emphasize new techniques and creation of opportunities that can boost students for self-learning and career focused activities. Timely execution of academic activities either curricular or non-curricular has always created values for LA GRANDEE. With a team of dedicated and highly skilled professionals, we have been able to deliver all the necessities to the best.

Each year, hundreds of graduates from LA GRANDEE have proven their presence within and even beyond the nation which has further highlighted the academic excellence that we deliver. We believe that the design of curriculum has been able to impart subjective knowledge to the students but our effort to give them real life-time learning through practical, trainings, workshops & seminars which have been one of the most fascinating assets of the college. Students engaging themselves to train the other fellow students, serving to the society as under CSR has set another unique identity amongst many of its kind.

Covering all the activities from July to December 2017, this 2nd volume of LA GRANDEE Newsletter is yet another living reference of activities being regularly executed. Thanks to all the departments, faculties, staff, students, guardians and well-wishers for their continuous and remarkable support and cooperation to achieve all the success that we own. Also thank you all for your effort in publishing this volume of newsletter.



LA GRANDEE International College, the legacy of former Pokhara College of Technology, is a vibrant organization established in 2000 AD with the aim of providing world class quality education to the students who aspire to accomplish a distinct position by enrolling themselves in higher education. LA GRANDEE runs Bachelor of Computer Application (BCA), Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) and Bachelor of Public Health (BPH) Programs affiliated to Pokhara University. These highly valued global degrees prepare students with sound knowledge and skills to be self-reliant, and to embark on a rewarding career ahead. This college has distinguished image in the university results in which students from different batches (BCA – 13, BBA – 9 & BPH – 5 batches) have been honored with various awards. We produce resourceful human capital and potential leaders, and track them to be placed in various parts of the globe in reputed organizations. We are always committed to excellence and innovation imparting high quality education to foster the potentialities of the students, and purify their hands on practice. We have pride that LA GRANDEE deserves to be a model academic institution in academic arena. The opportunity to undertake internships, frequent occasions of field visits and other co-curricular activities ensure the personal and professional development of the students.

Best Wishes

I am glad to know that LA GRANDEE International College is bringing out the 2nd volume of 'LA GRANDEE NEWSLETTER' as a forum which could aptly be used for recording events, fond memories and creative writing. I am sure that this magazine will be informative and resourceful too.

As an umbrella organization of private sector of Kaski, POKHARA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (PCCI) has played a vital role to safeguard rights and interest of the business community. On the other hand, being a representative organization of business community, PCCI has made a significant contribution to establishment of educational institutes along with Prithivi Narayan Campus, Pokhara University, Bal Mandir, Pokhara

Multiple College and many more in Pokhara. PCCI has strong belief that, educational institutions can fulfill the demand of society, market and the nation by providing skilled human resources.

As a well known educational institution of Pokhara, LA GRANDEE has been actively contributing needs and demand of the nation and giving a significant support to make Pokhara as a city of Educational hub.

On this occasion, I convey my good wishes to the Principal, students, faculty and staff of the college in their endeavors.



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 President, PCCI

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Collaborative Research with University of Western Australia (UWA)

Students of University of Western Australia and BPH final year students of LA GRANDEE International College collaborated for a 10 days' research work entitled "Evaluating the Impact of an Open Defecation Free (ODF) Program in Kaski District, Nepal". 10 Australian students along with Prof. Jane Hayworth, Deputy Dean, School of Population and Global Health, UWA, Dr. Julie Saunders-UWA, Han Heijnan - Team Leader of Sector Efficiency Improvement Unit (SEIU), Ministry of Urban Development, Kathmandu, Nepal, Gajendra Sing Pun (Team Leader), and Nirmal Adhikari, (Program Officer) of Kanchan Nepal were formally welcomed in college on July 10, 2017. A short formal session was hosted by Academic Coordinator, Pradip Kumar Lamsal while Principal, Er. Kiran K.C. and Chairman, Devraj Chalise delivered welcome notes to the delegates and expressed their keen concern on this association. Prof. Jane and Han Heijnan also delivered their inspiring remarks on the occasion.

The formal session was immediately followed by a short presentation by students of Australia and LA GRANDEE regarding the demographical, geographical health issues and scenario in their respective country's prospective. Dr. Julie Saunders delivered key notes on issues related to Health Promotion and Education. The day ended with a group discussion amongst all students and the supervisors regarding research activities and planning. The research was conducted from July 11 to 19, 2017 which was facilitated by Kanchan Nepal.

During the closing of the research activities on July 19, 2017, Dr. Julie Saunders along

with all the students from University of Western



Australia, LA GRANDEE International College including some students from Pokhara University presented their remarks focusing on the impacts of ODF Program in Kaski District. Participating Professors and Faculty raised some questions on issues related to the research project. As presented, the impact of the ODF program was found effective, though some places still needed more attention and awareness campaign. The research was conducted mainly in four different areas: Begnas, Sisuwa, Gagangaunda and Hyamja of Kaski district. College chairperson Devraj Chalise and Principal Kiran K.C. bade a formal farewell to the faculty and students of University of Western Australia with Letter of Appreciation. As closing remarks, college Principal extended sincere thanks and gratitude to them for conducting such research project in collaboration with LA GRANDEE International College. BPH department and the former program coordinator Ms. Manisha Chalise coordinated all the activities on behalf of LA GRANDEE.

MoU with Microsoft Innovation Center (MIC) Nepal

LA GRANDEE has remained a partner with Microsoft Innovation Center Nepal since 2013. It has been registered as one of the MICNIC colleges of Nepal. For the year 2017-2018 as well, LA GRANDEE has signed MoU with MIC Nepal. Under the agreement, MIC Nepal has been providing various skill development software trainings as well as soft-skill trainings to the students of LA GRANDEE. Further, some skill enhancing trainings have also been provided to its faculties and staff. Allen Bailochan Tuladhar, Country Director, and Er. Kiran K.C. signed the MoU document on behalf of MIC Nepal and LA GRANDEE respectively.

Collaboration With



LA GRANDEE is always creating opportunities to enhance students' knowledge and skills through various programs. It has already established



various links with national and international organizations. With the same objective to extend its association and move one step ahead, the college has signed MOU with NEHUB (Nepal Entrepreneurs' HUB), which is a registered organization of like-minded Nepalese Entrepreneurs and IT professionals dedicated to nurture entrepreneurship, support startup communities, contribute towards a vibrant entrepreneurial ecosystem and facilitate investment in budding, small and medium enterprises. This association will help students and college itself to be aware of recent trends of technology and startup business. Principal Kiran K.C. on behalf of LA GRANDEE International College and Karmath Dangol on behalf of NEHUB signed the MOU document on September 9, 2017.

A Novel Takeoff LA GRANDEE for Community

Every organization is part of community. But very fewer organizations are community centric. So, as part of CSR, the college is now all set with a new mission and heading with the theme "LA GRANDEE for COMMUNITY", under which LA GRANDEE has been performing activities with community focus in coordination with its students. A group of IV semester students from BCA program (Pradip Poudel, Pradip Dhakal, Prabhu Gurung, Sanjeet Gautam, Arjun Subedi & Oskar Garbuj) conducted a 3 hours' IT training for the class 8 students of Shree Shitaladevi Community Secondary School, Shitaladevi, Pokhara Lekhnath-12 on July 24, 2017. It is the community school which was ranked the 1st amongst all the community schools all around the country in 2073.

Total 30 students participated in the training. Principal of LA GRANDEE first declared the formal start of the program stating the vision and reason to initiate the

program. The training was then started by the BCA students (EVERSOFT group) on "Effective Computer Graphics Design" based on Adobe Photoshop CS tool. Students were very happy to participate in such training in which they could learn



skills that are not included in their courses. Mr. Baburam Baral, Principal of Shitaladevi Secondary School, also expressed best wishes for such initiation and further appreciated the concept



Talk Program on IT Entrepreneurship

The 9th session of LA GRANDEE Tech-Talk was organized on September 9, 2017 at LA GRANDEE International College. A special session entitled "Talk Program on IT Entrepreneurship"

challenges involved with startups; and preparing for innovation of ideas and perseverance to achievement. The primary focus of the program was to manifest the overall IT sector of Nepal and show how students/ graduates can contribute to it. The session was much interactive with example of

Orientation and Training on Microsoft Office Specialist

As under the 10th session of LA GRANDEE Tech Talk, the Tech Talk committee members conducted a short orientation session on December 22, 2017 for the BCA 1st semester students about the prospects of LA GRANDEE Tech talk as well as BCA's curricula & insights on how the curricula is diverse & comply with a diverse career options. The primary focus was to accentuate the level of students' proficiency, especially, the new comers in MS-Word environment and devise a proper future plan to prepare training programs to suffice syllabus activities.

Immediately, on December 24, 2017, a training session on MS-Word application was conducted for the 1st sem BCA students. Before initiating the training, an intuitive test was conducted to observe the level and skills of the participants regarding the application that they are going to be trained. The test questions were designed as similar with MOS based question pattern. Each question was timed 45 seconds with total 25 questions; 20 single question and 5 multiple choice question. The session was led by BCA students - Ritesh Thapa, Pradeep Poudel, Pradeep Dhakal and Kabita Adhikari. The program concluded with a positive feedback from the participants and they ensured about the further participation in coming sessions.



was conducted and facilitated by NEHUB (Nepal Entrepreneurship HUB), a non-profit organization facilitating to viable startup businesses. Karmath Dangol, Co-Founder of NEHUB and Amrit Man Tuladhar, CEO of Muncha.com, led the whole session giving valuable insights about E-commerce eco-system; focusing on

scenarios that the focal persons experienced while starting up their own business ventures. They also gave some valuable insights on how they dealt with problems and got success. Around 50 students from BCA II, IV, & VI semesters participated in the program.

IDEAS FOR LA GRANDEE

IDEAS for LA GRANDEE is a non-political, BPH students' forum, which primarily conducts various activities like seminars, workshops, trainings, talk programs and many other community based awareness programs mainly focusing on five key areas i.e. food, water, waste, ecology, and energy. There are currently 65 college students as active members in this forum. IDEAS has been conducting programs in collaboration with Department of Public Health-LA GRANDEE, Team NEPO and We Can Group on public health issues.

Youth Discussion on World Population

In collaboration with Team NEPO (Native Enthusiastic People's Organization) and We Can Group, IDEAS for LA Grandee conducted a "Youth Discussion Program" on the occasion of World Population Day on July 12, 2017. During the discussion, students focused on problems of rapid population growth, reasons for its rapid growth and its consequences in Nepal. The discussion ended with the resolution of the roles of youths for population control or minimization. Around 22 students participated in the program.



Career Counseling Program

IDEAS for LA GRANDEE conducted Career Counseling Program for all BPH students on August 6, 2017 at



college premises. The program was facilitated by Santosh Paudel, Public Health Officer of DPHO-Kaski, and Sagun Poudel, Program Officer of Health for All Program. Mr. Santosh discussed about the career opportunities and challenges for public health professionals in government sectors and Mr. Sagun focused more on opportunities in NGOs as well as studying in abroad. College Chairperson, Principal, Academic Coordinator and Faculty of Public Health Department were invited as guests in the program.

MSP Orientation

Microsoft Innovation Centre Nepal conducted a one-day orientation program on June 28, 2017 for the BCA students at the college conference hall. Around 60 students participated in the orientation. The sole objective of the program was to impart the benefits of Microsoft products and to select some of the students as Microsoft Student Partner (MSP) for year 2017-2018. Based on the orientation, many of the students submitted their motivation proposal for the selection procedure, and finally, one of the 6th semester students, Mr. Ritesh Thapa, was selected as the college MSP.

Real Time System Analysis

A short session on "System Analysis from Real System Point of View" was conducted on July 30, 2017 by Bijay Shrestha, former BCA program coordinator, especially for the students of 6th semester. The main objective was to impart practical approach of requirement analysis, design, and feasibility analysis of any software system.

Workshop on Organization Establishment, Taxation and Operational Policies

A workshop was conducted on August 17, 2017 for the BCA VI semester students to provide some insights on how to register an organization, what taxation laws and operational policies have to be followed. The workshop was facilitated by Bijay Shrestha, lecturer of Organization Management. The workshop was introduced as a practical approach to the lectures of the same subject.

MTA TRAINING

In collaboration with MIC Nepal, LA GRANDEE has been organizing various skill enhancing trainings since 2013. On October 9 & 10, 2017, MTA training was conducted for 31 plus students of BCA. The two-day training was based on instructing students about the computer network basics and general network configuration. The training was facilitated by Bibek Chaudhary, technical evangelist from MIC Nepal.



Projects Spring 2017

The students of BCA completed their semester project works for the partial fulfillment as per the requirement of the BCA course. Students of 2nd, 4th, 6th and 8th semesters completed the project works. Initially, groups were formed, project proposals were drafted, and upon the approval, students started collecting the requirements of their projects. The midterm discussions of all the project groups were carried out to monitor the progress of the individual projects. Upon completion of the projects, the students prepared the final documentation and demonstrated their projects. The projects were developed on different platforms, mainly, C++ programming, Visual Basic .NET, PHP and Android Programming.

Students CSR Activities

On August 12, 2017, students of LA GRANDEE organized a CSR related activity in the college premises where they fed 35 children including 30 orphan and homeless children of Rainbow Children Homes, Kaski, along with other street children. Gifts and prizes were also distributed to the children after entertaining them with different games and music. Students from various programs of college were involved in the program. Especially, a team of active students from BBA inclusive of Shreya Shrestha, Sulochana Shrestha, Ishwor Pahari, Prashim Hamal, Sushila Gurung and Mayuska Gurung coordinated all the arrangements.



Workshop on VFX and MAYA Animation

A workshop on VFX and MAYA Animation was organized on July 7, 2017, facilitated by AXIS Animation Studio, Pokhara. All the students from BCA third semester participated in the workshop. The workshop was aimed at providing the insights on industry oriented animation technologies and its prospects in national and international job markets.

Students' Interaction program with MSP from India

On August 1, 2017, Microsoft Innovation Center Nepal facilitated a session "Innovation on Technology" for the students of BCA to interact with one of the Microsoft Student Partners (MSP), Stephen Simon, from Delhi NCR, India. The session was successful and students enjoyed the experience shared by Mr. Stephen. The session was managed by LA GRANDEE MSPs (2016-2017) Krishna Bhandari and Abhiyan Gurung.

Training on Project Documentation using MS-Office tools

Students of BCA, Ritesh Thapa (6th Sem) and Pradip Poudel (4th sem) conducted a training on September 19, 2017 for students of BCA 2nd, 4th and 6th semesters. The training was focused on using MS-Office tools and participants were trained



to build skills in preparing documentation that are needed for proposals/reports of project works, internships or any other similar requirements for documentation. Total 35 students participated in the training. Such type of training has inspired students to create a friendly learning environment even for very basic things and engage students themselves to train the other.

INTERVIEW SESSION by

A job interview session was facilitated at the college premises for the BCA 8th semester students. Mr. Nischal Pradhan (Chief Executive Officer), Mr. Alok K. Pandey (Chief Technical Officer) and Mr. Prakash Dahal (Human Resource Manager) from the Braindigit IT Solutions P. Ltd., a renowned Kathmandu based software company, interviewed 9 students. Out of all the interviewee, 3 students were selected as the prospective candidate for the job position while Amrit Lamsal has already been recruited. The interview was conducted on November 20, 2017.



Orientation on Research Methodology

Orientation on "Research Methodology" was conducted at the very beginning of the semester in order to facilitate the students of BBA VI semester in the major aspects of research such as topic selection, and proposal and report writing. A three day's orientation program was continuously held on June 28, 29 & 30, 2017 and was facilitated by BBA Program

Coordinator, Suraj Gaudel and BBA Deputy Program Coordinator, Narendra Babu Ghimire as resource person. Students were given clear insights on the research perspectives with guidelines to identify issues, problem solving, and proper mechanism to follow while doing research works.

Students' Seminar on Product Branding

Without understanding the concept of branding it is very hard for students to perform well in the real field of marketing. Therefore, to bridge the gap between theoretical knowledge and real world scenario, a two days' seminar on "Branding Concept in Nepal" was conducted by the students of BBA IV Semester (day and morning shift) on August 4 & 5, 2017 and was supported by college faculty, Nikesh Karmacharya. The program

helped students understand the importance of brand in the field of marketing as they were themselves involved in creating concepts and tools. Students experienced how brand acts as a source of a promise to the customers and realized how branding delivers the message, confirms credibility, connects their target clients with their product and services, motivates the buyer, and creates users loyalty.

Presentation

August 11, 2017, the students of BBA VIII semester carried out a presentation session on 'Impact of Strategic Planning on Business Growth'. Entire session of presentation was evaluated by BBA faculty Sudip Gurung. At the end of the session, most students came up with an idea that there should be positive association between strong strategic planning and business growth.

Advertisement and Promotional Video Competition

With the new teaching pedagogy and learning objective, students of VI semester were enrolled in Advertisement and Promotional video competition on November 5 & 6, 2017. The event was organised to bring the core knowledge of subject matter into practicality where students could collect much of the benefits. The event was conducted under the coordination of faculties Mrs. Puspanjali Bhandari and Mr. Bishnu Prasad Timilsina. With the common objective, faculties conducted the two different approaches. Students of 6th semester (Day) enrolled themselves in new product development with core marketing concept and an advertisement video for the product promotion tool. Whereas, the morning shift students enrolled themselves in college promotional video where they used their own college premises and resources. Lastly, the efforts of students were highly appreciated and a token of appreciation was given to the best advertisement video and presentation. The winners from the morning and Day shift were Sonu & group and Abhishek & Group respectively. Thus, the main objective of enhancing the practical knowledge relevant to the course was successfully achieved.

Debate Competition on CSR

It is impossible for all organizations to grow and to become leading organization without involving in social activities. Students must understand how activities related to Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) link business organizations with society, environment, customers and stake holders. To understand the significance of CSR, students of BBA VI semester morning shift prepared report on "Possible CSR Activities of LA

GRANDEE" and presented on July 7, 2017. Likewise, debate competition on "For and Against CSR" was held on July 14. All these learning activities related to CSR were instructed by our faculty Ganga Ghale. Finally, students were able to understand how CSR goes a long way in creating a positive word of mouth for the organization on the whole and how it gives employee a feeling of unparalleled happiness.

Field Visit

Students of BBA VI semester had a field visit inside Pokhara valley between July 6 and 11, 2017 in order to analyze the current scenario of advertising agencies. Students then prepared field work report entitled "Current Scenario of Advertising Agency in Pokhara" and submitted to their respective faculty. Students

were mentored by college faculty Bishnu Timilsina and Puspanjali Bhandari. From such activity, they got a chance to learn not only the situation of advertising agencies in Pokhara but also how business organizations promote their products and services. Students presented their reports on August 21, 23 & 24, 2017.

Participation in Training

BBA VIII semester students around 40 participated in a training program entitled "Youth and Entrepreneurship Training". The session was jointly conducted with the resource persons Sudip Gurung representing Rotact Club, Pokhara, Srijan Gyawali from Pokhara University, and Bishnu Timilsina of Nepal Tourism Board on August 12, 2017. In this training students learnt about launching a new venture, developing a new product, commercializing an invention, adapting a technology and developing a new market.

Media Practicum Conference

Students of BBA VIII semester took part in Media Practicum Conference on August 13 & 14, 2017. It was a simulating conference for encouraging students to launch their hypothetical product in front of media. Students got the ideas about how an organization launches and sends messages of new product with the effective use of mass media. The conference was successfully led by college faculty Janardan Thapa and Anil Khadka.

Project Work

BBA VI semester students completed their research study on different areas of management. The study was conducted as their Project Work and each student made his/her study on one specific area of management. The areas of study included Banking and Finance, Corporate Houses, Travel and Tourism, Software Companies, Automobile Distributors and the like. Each student accomplished the task as per the requirement of the curriculum and presented their study to their supervisor, department and the external evaluators (November 27, 2017). Such activities provided them an opportunity to learn the overall management and build prospective approaches to the respective areas of management.

COMMUNITY



Motivational Session to School Children

A group of students of LA GRANDEE, Ishor Pahari, Prasim Hamal, Bipin Shrestha and Sushila Gurung, coordinated by Shreya Shrestha, conducted a motivational class for the students as well as faculties and staff of one of the government schools - Shree Liladhar Basic School near Shanti Stupa, Pokhara. The school is running classes upto 10 with total of around 85 students. The children were further distributed with Toothpaste, Handkerchief and Mask with a motive to bring health awareness to them. The program was held on August 29, 2017.

Four Days Field Visit to Kathmandu and Dhulikhel

With the Motto of 'Let's Make Country - Our Classroom', Department of Public Health conducted 4 days' field visit to Kathmandu and Dhulikhel from August 29 to September 3, 2017 for IV semester students. It was an integrated field visit where students



explored different sites like Department of Environment Management-Teku, Wastewater Treatment Plant-Guheshwori and Dhulikhel Drinking Water Supply Project- Dhulikhel. They observed some reputed hospitals including Kathmandu University Hospital- Dhulikhel and Shahid Gangalal National Heart Centre, Bansbari to gain some practical knowledge on hospital management and waste management. Students also visited National Health Professional Council, an apex governmental organization for the management of health professionals except medical doctors and nurses. The field visit was facilitated by college faculty Rajib Koirala and Sandip Pahari.

Field Visit for Second Semester Students

Practical work in science is widely accepted as a vital component of teaching and learning experience. It is an effective way to enhance students' motivation and extend their knowledge in understanding theories and ideas. Hence with motive to expose students to different practical laboratories, integrated educational field visit was conducted for second semester students to Kathmandu Metropolitan City from October 11 to 14, 2017. Students visited different laboratories including RBPR Analysis Technique Laboratory to assess pesticide contamination of vegetables and fruits in Kalimati

Fruit and Vegetable Market and Nepal Agriculture Research Institute to explore Entomology Lab. Similarly, they also visited to Department of Health Services, and Logistic Management Division of Department of Drug Administration in order to explore national guidelines and supply chain of Pharmaceuticals from center to grassroot level. Botanical garden of Gotawari, an ideal place to learn about the biodiversity and its conservation, was the last destination for the students in this four day trip. The visit was facilitated by college faculty Rajib Koirala and Kamal Singh Khadka.

Community Health Diagnosis

Public Health, by definition, is the discipline of people which focuses on the prevention, promotion and prolonging of health status of people living in the community. Being public



health students, it's necessary to visit community and hence a month long residential field practice is carried out in rural areas of Nepal which is incorporated in curriculum as Community Health Diagnosis (CHD) in VI Semester of BPH program of Pokhara University, Nepal. This year BPH department decided to perform

its Community Health Diagnosis at Rishing Rural Municipality of Tanahu District, Nepal from August 20 to September 19, 2017. It was a new and exciting experience for students at Rishing Rural Municipality. This community works not only help students to identify the health problems but also to prioritize them and design necessary solutions to the existing problems. In order to identify the health problems, total 1125 households of Rishing Rural Municipality were surveyed by students where, they carried out health need assessment using different survey tools. The problems were prioritized with the help of local leaders and health professionals. Different health promotion programs were also conducted by the students in the community. Each and every activities of the CHD were carried out with participation of local leaders, health professionals and mothers group. By utilizing minimal resources, students enormously served the community.

Blood Donation and Mini Health Exhibition

LA GRANDEE International College in coordination with Nepal Engineers' Association, Regional Center, Pokhara, organized a Blood Donation program on July 17, 2017 at college premises. The program was initiated by NEA on its 55th Engineer's Day celebration and supported by LA GRANDEE. The program



was coordinated by college principal, Kiran K.C., who is also one of the 9th Executive Committee members of NEA, Pokhara. Engineers, college faculty, staff and students actively participated in the blood donation program. The program started with a formal session at 8:00 am on which college chairperson Devraj Chalise was the chief guest. It was then followed by the blood donation by handing over the blood bag to the 1st donor, Er. Ramesh Bastola, former president of NEA, Pokhara. Total 74 units of blood were collected. Meanwhile, students of BPH program also organized a Mini Health Exhibition relating to the blood donation and general health



issues on the same day. Around 30 BPH students were involved as volunteers. BPH program coordinator, faculty Kalpana Jnawali and students' of IDEAS for LA GRANDEE collectively made all necessary arrangements for the exhibition. All visitors were very curious and made queries on health issues with the students.

Dissertation Defense

Final year students of BPH defended their final year dissertation as part of their curriculum requirement. As per the curriculum, 8th semester BPH students have to conduct their research in health related sector based on the field of their interest. This year, total of 35 students completed their dissertation under supervision of their assigned mentor and the department of Public Health. Final presentation and defence was held at different schedules in November and December, 2017. Mr. Chiranjivi Adhikari, Coordinator, Public Health-PU, and Mr. Ramesh Bastakoti from Kidasa, Pokhara were invited as external evaluators.

Farewell & Felicitation with “Dirgha Sewa Padak”

A farewell program to Chief Administrator, Prem Raman Acharya, was organized on September 24, 2017 on the occasion of Dashain festival celebration. Mr. Acharya joined the college in 2003 and continued his service till August, 2017. College felicitated him with “Dirgha Sewa Padak” for his continued and dedicated 15 years’ of service in LA GRANDEE holding various positions. Promotor, Rashmi Chalise, Chairman, Dev Raj Chalise and Principal, Kiran K.C. felicitated him with medal and appreciation certificate respectively. While sharing his experience, Mr. Acharya expressed his happiness for the rapid growth of the college in over seventeen years of its academic journey. He further added that in recent years LA GRANDEE has stood as one of the dominant institutions in this region and was very happy to be part of it.



College Inspection by Pokhara University Delegates

Delegates from Pokhara University visited LA GRANDEE on July 30, 2017 for college inspection for the Bachelor of Public Health program. Dean and HOD of Faculty of Health Science, Dr. Khem Raj Joshi and Chiranjivi Adhikari respectively along with Prof. Dr. Bishnu Tiwari (Dean Office) and Sharada Bastola (Administration), PU, conducted interaction with students, faculties, administration and college management. College presented a brief report as per the format for inspection while the delegates concluded the inspection expressing their satisfaction about college activities emphasizing some suggestions and recommendations for further enhancement and effectiveness of the teaching learning activities.

Dashain Festival Celebration

On the auspicious occasion of Dashain-2074, a celebration program was held at LA GRANDEE International College with all faculty, staff and management on September 24, 2017. Principal, Kiran K.C and Chairman, Dev Raj Chalise expressed best wishes to all colleagues in a formal session hosted by Academic coordinator, Pradip Kumar Lamsal. Promotor Rashmi Chalise and former Chief Administrator Prem Raman Acharya were invited as special guests. The formal session was followed by a dinner party in presence of some other dignitaries including Dr. Basanta Koirala, former HOD, Electronics Department-WRC, Sobita Koirala, Documentation Incharge - Pokhara NAT TEST Center, Dr. Chaitanya Adhikari, Director-Kaski Sewa Hosptial and Raj Kumar Rana, CEO Insoft Technologies Pvt. Ltd.

New Admission & Students’ Orientation

After formally completing all the admission procedures inclusive of written test followed by interview session, total of 184 students for BCA(48), BBA(96) and BPH(40) including 18 students under full scholarship from Pokhara University, a one-day orientation program was organized on November 20, 2017 for them. All the new comers were informed about the college rules and regulations along with highlights on the course structures and the university policies. Students were further oriented with special focus on the examination and the evaluation procedures. Principal, Er. Kiran K.C., as the keynote speaker, delivered motivational lectures emphasizing students to become sincere at studies and focus on their career goals. Academic coordinator along with coordinators from all the programs delivered their remarks highlighting scope and details in the curriculum. The orientation program was held in the college auditorium hall.

For the newly enrolled students of 1st semester, regular classes of Fall semester 2018 started on November 22, 2017, while classes of all other remaining semesters (3rd, 5th & 7th) formally commenced from December 26, 2017.

Faculty Participation in PU Workshop

A two days’ workshop on “Case Method of Teaching” was organized by School of Business, Pokhara University on August 24 & 25, 2017. It was organized as the residential workshop at Agriculture Research Center, Lumle. The objective of the workshop was to develop case method of teaching skill among the faculties which further can lead to effective class conduction and generate practice based learning environment. Bharat Singh Thapa was the chief resource person and participants were the faculties from the constituent as well as affiliated colleges of Pokhara University. Faculty, Narendra Babu Ghimire, participated in the workshop representing LA GRANDEE.

SPORTS MEET - 2017

LA GRANDEE International College organized Intra-College Sports Meet from September 19 to 22, 2017. The event was organized as per annual college sports activities inaugurated by the principal of the college, Er. Kiran K.C. by handing over the football to the players. Events were organized for both boys and girls with all together total of 8 different events inclusive of Futsal - Boys / Girls, Basketball – Boys/Girls, Table Tennis (Single) – Boys / Girls and Badminton (Doubles) – Boys/Girls. The Futsal tournament was organized at Barahi Futsal, Badminton in Pokhara Stadium, Buddhachowk, while basketball and table tennis were organized at college premises. Team events were organized program/ semester-wise. Followings were the winners in different events.

| Event Name | Winners | Runner Ups |
|-------------------------|--|--|
| Futsal Boys | BBA VI (Morning) | BCA VI |
| Futsal Girls | BPH II | BBA IV (M) |
| Basketball Boys | BBA VI (M) | BBA IV (Day) |
| Basketball Girls | BBA II (M) | BBA VI (M) |
| Table Tennis Boys | Mr. Sanjeev Shrestha BBA VI (M) | Mr. Sudarshan Pahari BBA VI (M) |
| Table Tennis Girls | Ms. Susma Chhetri BBA VI (D) | Ms. Binita Singh Thakuri BBA II (D) |
| Badminton Doubles Boys | Mr. Anmol Gurung, Mr. Saurav Gurung BBA II (D) | Mr. Kumar Gurung, Mr. Tara Kumar Shrestha BBA IV (M) |
| Badminton Doubles Girls | Ms. Dikshya Chhetri, Ms. Khim Maya Gurung BBA VI (M) | Ms. Kusum Gurung, Ms. Sushila Gurung BBA II (M) |

Besides the event winners, individual students with best performances were awarded as follows:

| Award Title | Futsal Boys | Futsal Girls | Basketball Boys | Basketball Girls |
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| Best Player | P r a m e s h Chalise (BBA) | Panju Bhurtel (BPH) | S a n j e e v Shresth (BBA) | Sushila Gurung (BBA) |
| Highest Scorer | Sudan Thapa (BBA) | Sabana Gurung (BBA) | Sanjeev Shrestha (BBA) | Sonu Gurung (BBA) |
| Best Goal Keeper | Sanjay Baral (BCA) | | | |



All the winners were felicitated with medals, trophies and certificates in the closing ceremony on September 22, 2018.



Participation in Interaction Program of PCCI

Pokhara Chamber of Commerce and Industry conducted an interaction program with the Academic institutions of Pokhara on November 25, 2017. The focus was on installation of the surveillance system in public places for ensuring public security along with traffic safety. Pokhara Lekhnath, the proposed capital of the Province No. 4, has an increasing number of people and traffic which may result into many crimes and road accidents. Considering such issues, a serious discussion was made amongst 20 the representatives, from different academic institutions of Pokhara to identify the possibilities of collaborative work for installing the surveillance system. Bishwoshankar Palikhe, the President of PCCI, chaired the interaction program while Principal, Kiran K.C. and Faculty, Dipak K.C. participated in the program as LA GRANDEE representatives.

Business Start up Orientation Program

Students of BBA participated in an orientation program for Business Start-up Concepts and Sustainability on July 12, 2017 conducted by "Antarprerana Pvt. Ltd.",



a Kathmandu based private company that supports entrepreneurs of Nepal through investment and mentor-ship. Mr. Niraj Khanal, CEO and Ms. Bibhuti Neupane, Program Coordinator of Antar Prerana facilitated the orientation. Mr. Santosh Poudel, CEO of Waste Management Pvt. Ltd and a young entrepreneur of Pokhara shared his experience about starting his new business and achievement. The program remained much beneficial as students got more ideas for being an entrepreneur through investment and mentorship in Nepal. Throughout the session, the resource person tried to encourage students to transform their business ideas and creativity into innovations.

JAPANESE LANGUAGE NAT TEST

LA GRANDEE, which has been authorized center for the JAPANESE LANGUAGE NAT TEST for POKHARA, conducted regular language tests as per the regular schedule as set by its authorizing company Senmon Kyouiku Publishing Company Ltd. From July to December, total 3 NAT TESTs on August 12, October 14 and December 9, 2017 were completed.

Japanese Delegates Visit & Interview

President of Senmon Kyouiku Publishing Company Ltd, Tokyo, Japan, Mr. KAMATA Atsushi, visited LA GRANDEE on October 2, 2017 along with Ms. Mai Kamata from ICA (International Conversation Academy, Japan). An interview session was held on that day for students



interested to pursue their studies in Japan. The interview was proposed for students from the outside consultancies interested to work or study in Japan. Students from 5 Japanese Language Institutes were interviewed during the session. Later, a short fellowship program was organized by college for the delegates at Bagaicha Restaurant, Lakeside.

SCHOLARSHIP DISTRIBUTION to SEMESTER TOPPERS

As per regular college policy, students are rewarded with full and partial scholarships to the needy as well as semester toppers in each semester of all the programs. In the Spring semester also, based on the results of the Fall 2016, following students received the full scholarship as semester topper.

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| BCA-I [Kabita Adhikari] | BBA-I [Ashmita Karn & Saugat Raj Baral] |
| BCA-III [Suman Majkoti] | BBA-III [Dikson Limbu & Mohan Chandra Baral] |
| BCA - V [Kundan Chaudhari & Ritesh Thapa] | BBA - V [Gamita Shrestha] |
| BCA - VII [Abhiyan Gurung] | BBA - VII [Srijana Lamsal] |
| BPH-I [Sagar Kunwar] | BPH-III [Sabita Mahat & Sachin Pokhrel] |
| BPH - V [Raju Shrestha] | BPH - VII [Manju Adhikari] |

Delegates Visit from Micro Solution India

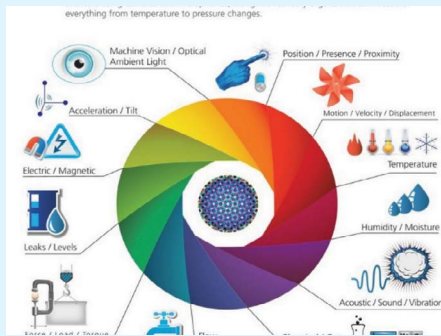


Dr. Suyash Srivastava and Kunal Goyal, Directors from Micro Solution India visited LA GRANDEE International College on November 28, 2017. Micro Solution India is one of the leading institutes based on New Delhi which is dedicated to providing trainings on various IT related courses, especially, A+, N+, MCSE, MCTS, MCITP, CCNA & ORACLE. Besides, it also runs the online tests for IELTS and PTE. After a short meeting between the delegates and college Principal, the discussion was concluded with an understanding to proceed for arrangements to conduct the trainings offered by Micro Solutions and also collaborate with LA GRANDEE for the online tests in the near future.

STUDENT'S ARTICLE

IoT(Internet of Things) "Make Everything Smarter"

The term IoT is the new "Buzzword" in tech community. With the upsurge in internet enabled devices with featured sensors, programmable microcontrollers, actuators, software and hardware interfaces and so on has created



ability to do things the smart way. The interface to inter-operate with existing network architecture makes it identifiable anywhere around the world. IoT is steadily being embedded in majority of devices and growing in a very rapid rate. With likes of Raspberry PI and Arduino, the famous microcontrollers takes full advantage of programming, actuating, controlling, and sensing the IOT devices to make household appliances SMART.

It is estimated that more than 29 Billion IoT devices will be up and running and all these devices will be accessible wirelessly via Internet. The endless application, modularity, flexibility and also being scalable makes it very much pragmatic in real-world. Its application is in field of medical-assistance (Implants, bio-chemical sensors, record vital signs etc.), automobile (radars, thermal sensors, proximity-sensors etc.), disaster prevention (CO-sensors, seismic sensors, electric-surge sensors etc.) and so on.

GETTING STARTED WITH IoT

Due to diverse nature of its application it becomes difficult to embark the waypoint to building IoT enabled appliance in the first place. So the optimal way or checkpoints to assess the usage of IoT can be illustrated in following points below: (According to IBM, Google Developers and Microsoft)

- Discover the IoT concepts, skills: Adapt to agile processes, platforms, and tools.
- Select proper hardware interface i.e. usage of popular hardware provides better documentation, community support and reference from other projects from those community.
- Select the best Networking technology, for machine-to-machine and human-to-machine communication. i.e Bluetooth, Infrared, usage of IVP6 addressing etc.
- Start a basic project using those skills, this allows to make the learning curve much more interesting and easier.
- After getting comfortable advance further with usage of data science, cloud technology, practical applications etc.
- Share your experience with the open-source community and get necessary feedbacks to further enhance your level of intuition and skills for development.



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Collaborative Learning and Action Program (CLAP)

Basically, CLAP is an experiential team-based learning program that brought together 15 Nepali youth from diverse academic and professional background to explore and engage in issues related to community, technology and sustainability through dialogue, lectures, community immersion and intercultural collaboration together with students from University of California, Davis. This program is being facilitated by Hands on Institute in Nepal. We had three professors from UC Davis and two from Hands on institute, Nepal, as our instructors. Each team consisted of six students, three each from Nepal and UC Davis and each team had a mentor with expertise in the respective field to help the team with their assigned project.

The core objective of the program was a collaborative learning experience with students from UC Davis in Machhapuchchre Village in Kaski which was held in December 2017. I was assigned to the health group and our project was to make the local health post more functional, welcoming and educational for the local community in Machhapuchchre.

We began our research in the fall by studying the nepali health system and various health posts in rural nepali communities like machhapuchchhre village. Upon our arrival in

machhapuchchhre, we visited the current and new health post structures and informally interviewed the health post staff, health post management committee and various community members. Based on that, we found following to be the major problems in machhapuchchhre health post.



Problems

-Design of the new health post not in line with the standard

protocol

-Inadequate health education materials
-Burning of the healthcare Waste Solutions

1. Based on the findings from the charrette we did with the health post management committee regarding the design of the new health post, we drew up two options for the new health post design to make it more functional.
2. Along with the health post staffs, we drafted a waste management plan for future and initiated a connection between health post and waste service company in pokhara.
3. We presented the health post with health education materials that we brought from nheicc(national health education information and communication center) and also some handmade posters based on the feedback from the community.

Through this program, I saw in practice how sustainability actually works. It's not about you doing their work but empowering them to do their own work.

Also, it's important to always reflect on what we have done and achieved in order to move forward. And despite our diverse academic background and qualifications, we each have our uniqueness and have something to contribute to the team and so much to learn from each other.

Lastly, I would like to thank LA GRANDEE International College for delivering us ample knowledge and skills through which we could explore our aptitudes to successfully accomplish all our endeavors. Also thanks to our faculty, Ms. Manisha Chalise, for nominating me for this program.



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