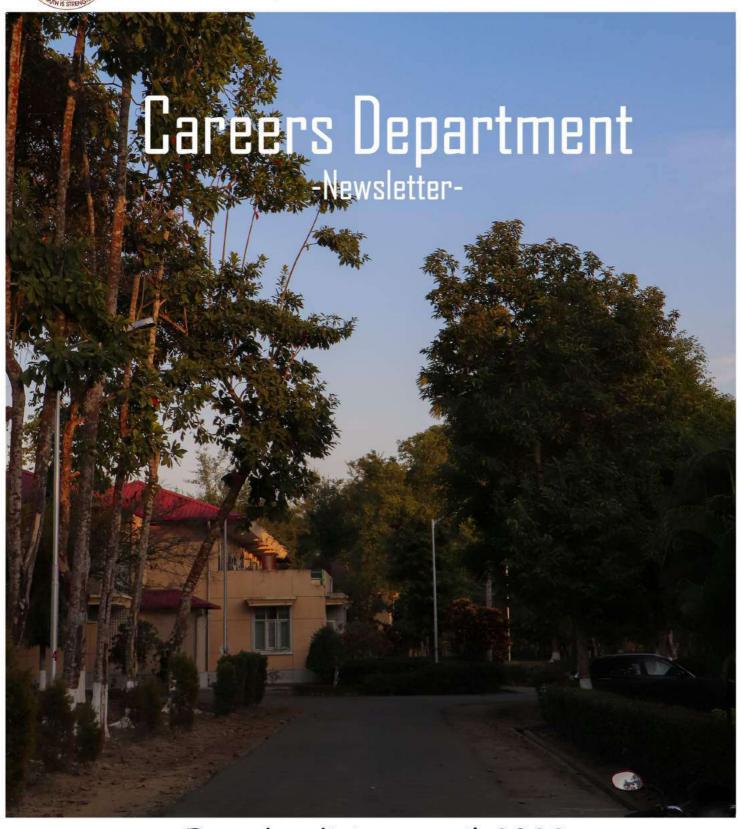


## The Next step



"Great guidance for Great success"



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# Editor's Note

Hello Readers,

As we start off the month with joys of laughter and the warm comfort of rituals and traditions, I welcome back everyone to the fourth edition of 'The Next Step' Publications.'

In this issue, we administer input about both the international and national upcoming entrance examinations as well as internships for the students. It includes data about different careers in addition to the interviews of the alumni of our school conducted by the cadre. We also conjure recent information regarding careers through congenial articles and reports.

Moreover, we would like to apprise all those who are aware and those who are not of the foreign language courses that the school is offering. It comprises of three different languages-French, German and Spanish which are to be taught by specific instructors through zoom for the time period of one year.

Last but not least, I extend my deepest thanks to each and everyone who has supported us and also hope to sustain valuable guidance in our imminent endeavors.

Thank you, Varshaa Rajkumari, Editor-in-chief.

# Profile Building

Profile building is a process of developing projects and skills which can be showcased in our CV. Any activity undertaken to create awareness of our expertise, skills, achievements, and involvement to advance our career or education goal is a way to build our profile. It is a tool through which we can introspect and bring out the capabilities and strength within us, making ourselves aware of our inner self thus becoming more confident to face the outside world. Clearly such project based profile or CV building has many long term benefits. For one, it helps us to acquire relevant 21st century skills like critical thinking, complex problem solving and creativity. Eventually, it will help us find avenues to build mastery, and find our chosen jobs or education destinations. Inspiration to create would lead to new projects - may be research, or project maker. Different projects spread across our interests, would not only showcase our talents but also help us develop new skills which may help us in our further pursuits in the future. Time is of essence. At a time in our life when admissions and job goals are critical, it is important to concentrate on profile building while also fulfilling academic goals. A missed opportunity means that a whole year goes to waste, and with the speed that the world is moving at, this is a big risk. A number of universities offer free, and paid certification and courses online. Many are self - placed easily and are easily available. This would be a great time to up-skill ourselves. Profile building is a systematic, logical, research-based method to enhance our chances for education and professional goals.

To sum up, as an admissions officer or prospective employer, we need to see our career orientation, area of interest, overall achievements as well as lateral and creative thinking. They will want to notice our level of persistence and commitment and evaluate us on different parameters to make sure that they are choosing only the best candidates.

### Role of hobbies

Hobbies play a big role in shaping a student's career. Hobbies might just seem like playful activities one resorts to, to escape the hustle bustle of life however that is only the tip of the iceberg. Our interests and hobbies are what truly tell the story of who we are as an individual and that will make us shine in the interview room. Hobbies show our personality, our creativity, our drive, passion and hidden talents. Our achievements, years of experience and qualifications can be summed up quite quickly and often paint only a small part of the picture. The most frequently asked questions in formal interviews often revolve around hobbies. If you paint or play music, this shows a creative side to your personality and will help set you apart from the other candidates. If you are part of a sports team, it shows you can get on with people of different ages and backgrounds. No matter what it is, you can use your hobbies to help build a personal rapport with the interviewer and make a positive connection. Hobbies indicate that you are social, that you get on well with people, that you can overcome adversity and that you are dedicated to the things you set your mind to. Most of which are aspired for in candidates.

Some courses that can be studied for students interested in art and design are:

BDes:The Bachelor of Design (BDes) degree is a four-year degree that offers three tracks for specialization: Products (industrial design), Communications (graphic design), and Environments (both physical and digital).BPlan

BArch: Bachelor of Architecture (B. Arch.) is a five year graduate program in Architecture, design and structure of building covering the sociological, systematic and environmental aspects.

BPlan: Bachelor of Planning (BPlan) is an undergraduate academic degree to train applicants in various aspects of designing, engineering, managing and resolving challenges related to human settlements.

Some courses and examinations that can be studied by students interested in sports are:

Sports Psychology - Sports psychologists help athletes improve their performance. In most sports psychology careers, you work with athletes on motivation, stress management, visualization, effective teamwork, and other psychological factors in athletic performance.

NDA - National Defence Academy or NDA exam is conducted twice a year by Union Public Service Commission for admission to Army, Navy and Air Force wings of NDA and Indian Naval Academy Course (INAC). It is the most sought-after defence entrance exams in the country where both male and female candidates can apply.

-Yashodhara Mahanta (12HA)

### Overseas Medical Education

Every year thousands of aspiring Indians take admission in foreign universities to pursue MBBS, but after returning, only a few are able to clear the Foreign Medical Graduate Examination (FMGE) that is required to get a license to practice in India. 84% foreign-educated doctors flunk screening test required to practice in India

Lack of MBBS seats along with difficulty in getting admissions in medical colleges is forcing aspiring Indian doctors to explore learning opportunities abroad. Thousands of such aspiring doctors have enrolled in foreign universities over the years, spent lakks of rupees as tuition and accommodation fee, and dedicated 5-6 years pursuing the course. But latest data show this investment is proving to be unproductive for a majority with nearly 84 per cent failing to clear the mandatory test required to practice in India.

Indian laws allow students to pursue MBBS courses from universities abroad. But in order to get a license to practice in India, they are required to qualify the Foreign Medical Graduate Examination (FMGE) conducted by the National Board of Examination (NBE). Clearing the FMGE test is mandatory for all doctors who have earned their MBBS degree from a foreign country. Only those who earn their MBBS and postgraduate degrees from Australia, Canada, New Zealand, the UK and the US are exempted from this test.

Data available with the National Board of Examination show that nearly 84 per cent Indians who earned their MBBS degrees from foreign universities in the last seven years (2012-18), failed to clear the mandatory test required to get a practicing license in India. Between 2012 and 2018, a total of 97,639 Indians who earned their MBBS degrees from foreign universities appeared for Foreign Medical Graduate Examination (FMGE). Of these only 16,097 were able to clear ita pass percentage of just 16 per cent.

Among those taking FMGE, most were graduates from Chinese and Russian universities, comprising 51 per cent of the total examinees. However, only a handful among them managed to clear the test.

Of the 32,139 Indian doctors who graduated from Chinese universities and took FMGE between 2012 and 2018, only 4,609 managed to pass it. Similarly, 17,674 MBBS graduates from Russia took FMGE in this period but only 2,606 were able to clear it.

The bottom line thus is: though Indian students spend lakhs in pursuing MBBS course abroad and dedicate 5-6 years, the quality of education in these countries and its disparity with the curriculum in India, is such despite holding MBBS degrees, they are sparingly able to qualify the mandatory test that would make them eligible to treat patients in India. This also shows the high standards of medical education in India.

-Tanish Hansaria (12SB)

## Aviator Interview



-Sneh Agarwal(ISC 2021)

The Careers Department has been very helpful, even on the digital platform. Mr. Prajapati really helped me write my Letter of Recommendation, and Ma'am Datta was a constant support for my goals of studying abroad. They helped me look for universities and also helped me decide what I really wanted to pursue, and which country would have been a good choice for me as per my future prospects. Having left AVS, I am now pursuing a B. Sc. in Economics in University of BC. Vancouver.



-Krish Agarwal(ISC 2021)

The Careers department always reached out to us, and was very approachable. Help was always available, and the overall suggestions were very useful. I really learnt about colleges and more than decisions about the college, they helped me decide on what degree to pursue. They have always been open to feedback and criticism which I think has improved the department greatly. I am now pursuing a B. Sc. in Finance from NMIMS, Mumbai.

### Feedback:



-Vedansh Jindal(ISC 2021)

The transition from school to college/university is not just a change of academic pressure, it's a lot more. Thanks to the pedigree instilled by AVS in all aviators, things do turn out to be smooth but one really needs to be self driven towards their course because it's no more just about memorising and writing exams.

Note- For those who wish to take up foreign language courses, please get in touch with Dr. Alpana Dey for further details. Adding on, please contact Mr. Devesh Prajapati if you wish to take up NDA, NID and CLAT coaching.

### Upcoming Entrance Examinations

#### JEE

It is an engineering entrance assessment conducted for admission to various engineering colleges in India.

JEE Main 2022: The National Testing Agency, NTA has revised the dates for Joint Entrance Examination (JEE) Main 2022. JEE Main 2022 session 1 will now commence from June 20, the engineering entrance will be held on June 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28 and 29.

#### NEET

It is an all India pre-medical entrance test for students who wish to pursue undergraduate medical (MBBS), dental (BDS) and AYUSH (BAMS, BUMS, BHMS, etc.) courses in government and private institutions in India and also, for those intending to pursue primary medical qualification abroad.

NEET UG 2022 will be conducted on July 17.

#### CUCET

It is an all-India test being organized for admission to various Integrated/Under-Graduate, Post Graduate and Research Programmes in 45 Central Universities, State Universities, deemed to be University of India.

#### **CUCET 2022 Exam Dates**

Events	Dates (Tentative)
Last date to accept fee	May 2022
Admit card publish	June 2022
CUCET 2022 Exam	1st week of July 2022

#### CLAT

Common Law Admission Test is a centralized national level entrance test for admissions to twenty two National Law Universities in India.

#### CLAT 2022 Important dates

Event	Dates for CLAT 2022	Dates for CLAT 2023
CLAT 2022 exam date	June 19, 2022 (2 pm to 4 pm)	December 18, 2022

### Internships for May

Details	Dates
Business Management Consultant Shalabh Kumar CLEARTAX INDIA, EX. BCG	May 1- May 31, 2022
Data Scientist Shubhojit Mallick MICROSOFT	May 1- May 31, 2022
Digital Marketing Specialist Ashish Sopori CIGNITI TECHNOLOGIES, GARTNER, DESIGN EVEREST	May 1- May 31, 2022
Fashion Designer Shruti Singla SHRUTI S IN MY CLOTHES	May 1- May 31, 2022
International Relations Specialist Soumyajit Kar UNITED NATIONS	May 1- May 31, 2022
Journalist Aarish Chhabra BENNETT UNIVERSITY, BBC, HINDUSTAN TIMES, INDIAN EXPRESS	May 1- May 31, 2022
Lawyer Siddharth Agarwal DELHI HIGH COURT\TKC PARTNERS LLP	May 1- May 31, 2022
Investment Banker Ankit Soni EX. MOODY'S, NOMURA	May 1- May 31, 2022
Psychologist(Organizational) Akanksha Datta CONSULTED WITH NDTV, TATA STEEL, RANDSTAD INDIA, BHARAT PETROLEUM CORPORATION LIMITED	May 1- May 31, 2022
Psychologist (Clinical) Sruthi Ravindran THE HAPPY SPACE	May 1- May 31, 2022
Sports Manager Abhik Chatterjee Odisha FC	May 1- May 31, 2022

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