

**DEPARTMENT OF
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- The Department of English hosted an engaging *alumni talk* on July 5, 2023, reuniting former students with current scholars. Alumni shared insights, career journeys, and valuable advice, inspiring the next generation of language enthusiasts.
- The Department of English recently hosted an enthralling seminar on "*Fantasy Literature*" on July 18, 2023. The guest speaker of the day was Dr. L. Komathi, Assistant Professor and Soft Skills Trainer at SRM University.
- "SCHMOOZE" is an engaging intra-departmental competition conducted on July 28, 2023, designed to foster camaraderie and collaboration among students.
- The "*Youth Talk Competition*" was organized by the Department of English and IQAC in collaboration with the ICT Academy on August 1, 2023. It is a platform designed to empower young voices and cultivate public speaking skills among students.
- The Department of English, in collaboration with IQAC, presented a career guidance program on "*Innovation and Startup Enablers*" on August 10, 2023. The chief speaker of the day was Ms. Munira Begum, a beautician at Shah's Beauty Parlor. This initiative aims to empower students with the knowledge and skills needed to thrive in the dynamic world of entrepreneurship.
- "*Rising from Ashes*" is a dynamic interdepartmental elocution competition hosted by the Department of English in collaboration with IQAC on August 14, 2023. Through eloquent speeches and passionate rhetoric, participants delve into the theme, reflecting on resilience, transformation, and the triumph of the human spirit.
- The Seminar on "*Significance of Effective Communication*," organized on August 18, 2023, aimed to illuminate the pivotal role communication plays in our personal and professional lives. Through insightful presentations and engaging discussions, the speaker, Dr. B. Monika Nair, Assistant Professor, Department of English and Foreign Languages, SRM University, makes the attendees delve into the multifaceted

aspects of effective communication, exploring its impact on relationships, career advancement, and societal interactions.

- On the occasion of World Folklore Day, the "*Folklore Fest*," an intra-departmental competition was organized on August 22, 2023. It's a celebration of cultural richness and literary prowess within the department.
- On the occasion of Women Equality Day, the *Embrace Comic Strip competition*, organized by the Department of English and Women Empowerment Cell along with IQAC on August 26, 2023, merges creativity with advocacy.
- The seminar "*How to Be a Jack of All Trades and Master of Some*" on September 2, 2023, explores the balance between breadth and depth of skills. The resource person, Ajolin L. Robert, copywriter at EDIRECTSYS, emphasizes the importance of being versatile while also mastering specific areas of expertise.
- An interdepartmental online competition, "*Spin Us a Yarn*," from September 4, 2023, to September 10, 2023, brings together the literary finesse of the Department of English and the analytical prowess of the IQAC.
- On the occasion of International Read a Book Day, the Department of English, in collaboration with the IQAC, hosted a transformative workshop titled "*Read, Learn, and Thrive*" on September 7, 2023.
- The seminar on "*The Representation of Memory in Literature*," was conducted on September 8, 2023. Resource Person Dr. K. Fahamida Begum, Assistant Professor, CTTE College, delved into the intricate ways authors use language, imagery, and narrative structures to evoke and depict the complexities of memory.
- The Department of English offered a crash course on UGC NET from September 19, 2023, to October 18, 2023, providing concise and targeted preparation for aspiring candidates. Through focused sessions, mock tests, and personalized guidance, participants gain confidence and proficiency in tackling the NET exam's challenges.

- The Department of English conducted certificate courses in *content writing* from September 9, 2023, to September 15, 2023, providing comprehensive training in crafting engaging and effective written content.
- "*KRISSH EXTRAVAGANZA '23*," hosted by the Department of English on November 14, 2023, was not merely an inter-school competition; it was a celebration of language, literature, and creativity. Students from various schools converged to showcase their linguistic prowess and literary talents.
- The PG Department of English and IQAC organized an international webinar on *research methodology* on January 24, 2024. The resource person for the webinar was Ms. Aishwarya, Research Scholar, Department of English, University of Reading, London. The webinar was intended to train participants in the basic study of the research to produce quality work.
- On account of National Handwriting Day, the Department of English and IQAC organized an outreach program on January 23. The students helped the Aadhi Dhavidar school students enhance their handwriting skills.
- The PG Department of English and IQAC organized an industrial visit on January 12, 2024, to the Chennai Book Fair 2024. The PG students were taken to the book fair and exposed to a variety of books. The students also had the opportunity to communicate with publishing companies.
- An intra-departmental role-play competition, *TWIST AND TANGO*, was held on February 7, 2024, by the PG Department of English and IQAC. Students actively participated in the role-play and developed their interactive skills. The winners and participants received certificates and awards.
- On account of Universal Letter Writing Week, the PG Department of English and IQAC organized an inter-departmental letter writing competition, "*Right Writes*," on January 10, 2020. The competition was organized in order to enhance the students' knowledge and usage of language and also to develop their writing skills.

- On account of Library Shelf Day, the PG Department of English and IQAC organized a workshop on *organizational assets* on January 24. MS. Malathi, librarian, addressed the gathering and briefed on the usage of the books. She also explained the process of organizing the books. This program aims to promote literacy and disseminate useful daily information to the people.
- On account of Edgar Allan Poe's Day, IQAC and the Department of English organized an intra-departmental quiz competition, "*Fame the Game: A Literary Quest*," on January 19, 2024. The competition had two rounds: 1. The Mind Fizz 2. Burst the balloons (rapid fire). The competition was organized in order to enhance the students' literary knowledge, especially about Edgar Allan Poe.
- The IQAC and PG Department of English organized a guest lecture on "*Polyglot Pursuits*," which was held on February 20, 2024.
- IQAC and the Department of English organized an intra-departmental literary competition, "Mnemosyne," on February 21, 2024. With its four distinct contests—Poetry Enactment, Book Cover Designing, Monologue, and Still and Stir—it offers a diverse platform for individuals to showcase their talents.
- The "*Talks and Tactics*" panel discussion program, organized by the Department of English on March 19, 2024, was an insightful exploration into the art of effective communication and persuasive discourse. Esteemed speakers shared their expertise on various communication strategies, ranging from rhetoric to active listening.
- On account of World Poetry Day, IQAC and the Poetry Club of the Department of English organized an intra-departmental poetry competition, "*Verse Layers*," on March 21, 2024. The competition was conducted with the on-spot theme "Joy of Living."
- The IQAC and PG Department of English organized a certificate course on *public relations and journalism* from March 1, 2023, to March 8, 2023. It engaged 44 students through participatory learning. Participants developed skills in storytelling, PR campaign management, and audience engagement.

- The PG Department of English organized a paper presentation competition on March 6, 2024, to enhance the research and analytical skills of the students. The students of the PG department presented papers from various texts, which helped the students analyze the
- text deeply. The certificates were presented by Dr. K. Anandhi, Dean of Research, and Assistant Professor of Hindi.



