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## SUCHITRA CAREER FAIR, 2021-22

“Success is the residue of planning.” Benjamin Franklin

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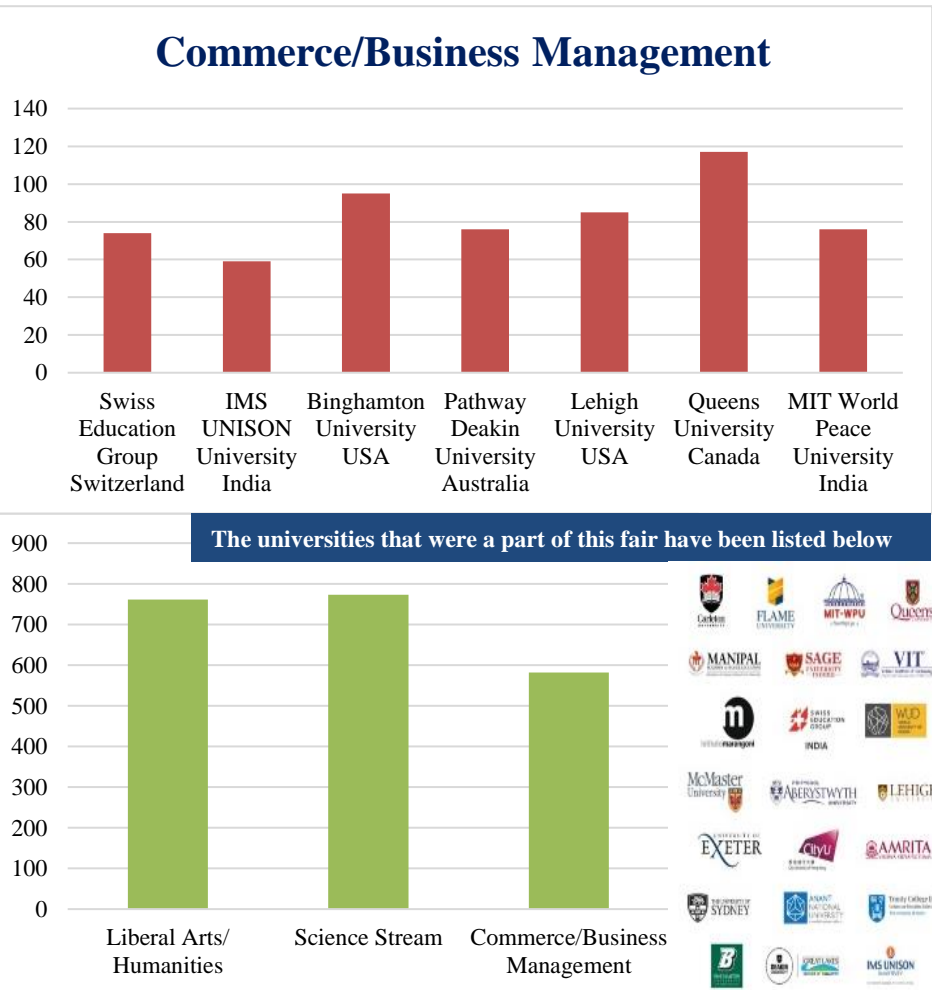
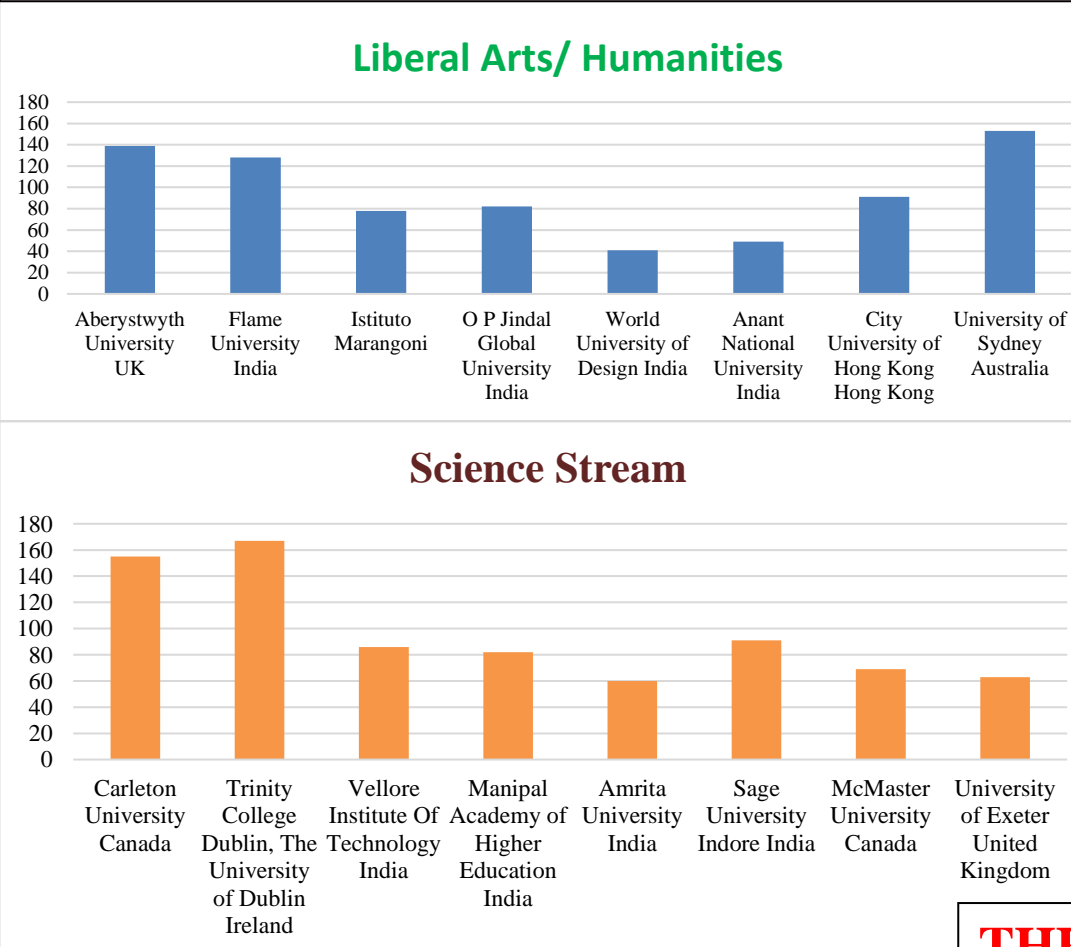
### THE SUCHITRA CAREER FAIR, 2021

GIVING WINGS TO YOUR DREAMS!

Students at Suchitra Academy got a glimpse of what their future holds on 24th and 25th September when Univariety, our career guidance cell partner, organized a career fair with some very well known universities presenting a summary of what was on offer in terms of academics, admission procedures and careers. We are sure that the career fair helped in opening up vistas of opportunities for our students.

Students from Grades IX-XII participated in the career fair. They got to hear what some colleges and universities had to offer and also learnt about their expectations for potential students. The fair was a great success, as students came out with a better understanding of what colleges, profile building and the future careers have to offer.

#### THE ATTENDANCE BREAKDOWN-



### THE CUMULATIVE ROUND-UP!



WE EXTEND OUR HEARTFELT GRATITUDE TO OUR DEAR SPEAKERS!



On 24th September, the keynote speaker of the event, Mr. Kali Prasad Gadiraju, Chairman, Ethames College of Business, opened the chain of thoughts for our students when he asked the children to focus on their Under-Graduation education programme. He spoke about the importance of 21st century skills and the need to work on personality development and confidence. In a career span of 4 decades, he has advised many large organizations around the world and has spent about 25 years in various leadership roles at the national and global level.

We also had Col Anil Kumar, Founder and CEO, Brand ‘N’ Digital Private Limited, speak about Digital Marketing as a career. He highlighted the differences between advertisement, branding and marketing. He also added that Marketing is a holistic approach and emphasized on the need for creativity, ingenuity and technical skills. Col Anil combines his extensive experience of Operations, Sales, Management, Leadership Development and People Management to provide critical insights in offering growth opportunities.



Our guest speaker in the afternoon session was Mr. Narayanan, Co-founder Unschool, an organisation with a unique educational ecosystem. An aviation enthusiast and a remarkable educationist with a vision, Mr. Narayana motivated the students to improve their communication skills as that is the need of the hour in this digitised world. He urged them to stay connected with people and develop a command over different language skills. He also encouraged the students to use SWOT Analysis as this would influence their ability to take advantage of new opportunities.

On 25th September, Ms. Vidhi Gupta, a Visual artist & textile designer who focuses on creating artworks that blend the Indian aesthetics with the contemporary, gave the students a peek into the world of art and design. She encouraged the students to create an impressive portfolio as that will really help them create an impact during their admission process. She also spoke about the growing scope for graphic designing. She suggested taking a Foundation Course which will give a glimpse of the area that the students wish to specialize in. She was happy to answer the queries raised by the students.



The closing ceremony of the career fair was graced by the presence of Wing Commander Nishikant Singh, a veteran of the Indian Air Force and currently serving Indigo airlines as a pilot. For the students, he opened the world of aviation careers in the Armed Forces and Civil Aviation. He also apprised the students about the different entrance examinations, medical tests, interviews and the selection criteria. He shared his knowledge and experience as he answered the questions posed by the students.

OUR ALUMNI SPEAKS

LASYA TATA

It was delightful to hear Lasya Tata share her experience of being guided by Udaan, the career counselling cell at Suchitra Academy. Lasya is currently pursuing her Bachelor’s in Fashion Design and Technology in Paris. She expressed her gratitude for all the support extended to her by the school in creating her portfolio and preparing her for the selection interviews. She encouraged the students to work on their profiles and start planning for the future right from their senior secondary schooling years.



KANAK THAKUR

Kanak Thakur, pursuing MBBS from Crimea State Medical University in Russia, motivated the students to put in all their efforts to achieve their goals. She proffered her appreciation to the school and teachers for supporting her in the journey of achieving her dreams. Work hard, dream big and never give up- a message that Kanak left for the students to reflect and act upon.



THE STUDENT VOICES!



ANANYA- XII C

The career fair that was held from 24th-25th September was an eye opener, for me specially. I got the opportunity to interact with the representatives from different universities. This career fair allowed me to explore the different options with regard to subject and career choices. I appreciate the school for being so thoughtful about our future and organizing this insightful career fair.

NYSA- XI B

The time spent in the virtual career fair was informative and helped me explore various avenues of career options. The inputs helped us understand what courses we could take up, keeping our subject specialization in mind. Through the career fair we could join universities going live and explore the details of campus life and annual costs incurred. We learnt about the undergraduate and postgraduate courses, scholarship programs and options of working in and out of the campus too. Thank you team Univariety for helping us get clarity about our future!



PRANAV VARMA - XII B



I am a passionate badminton player and have chosen this sport as my future career. I was looking forward to universities that could guide me in choosing my career, academically and help me follow my passion in sports too. At the career fair, Univariety helped me shortlist colleges and has given me the platform where I can make my choices accordingly. Thank you team Univariety for your help and guidance.

PREKSHA- XI A

I attended the Career Fair organized by Suchitra Academy. I had a wonderful time visiting various colleges and learning about the different courses available. I interacted with the representatives of Sage University and VIT (Vellore University of Technology). They clarified my doubts and not only suggested different courses but also listed the various opportunities that these two institutions offer. As I aspire to serve the Indian Air Force, I was looking for suitable guidance which was provided through this platform. My doubts have been clarified and I have a much clearer idea of my future now. Thank you for this wonderful opportunity Suchitra Academy.



NISCHALA. K.N. - XII A

This career fair was extremely helpful for me since I was able to gather a lot of information about the subjects I am interested in. I attended the virtual lobby of Vellore Institute of Technology. They briefed me about the courses available, the admission process, eligibility and entrance exams. As I am also interested in Biological Sciences, I enquired about B.E.in Biotechnology and also Agriculture. I have received enough input from the speakers about career planning.



SHAARIQ AHMAD SHAIK - IX C

When I heard about a virtual career fair, I was a bit skeptical as it was going to be online. But I was quite surprised by the efficacy of things and how well the webinars themselves were conducted. The presenter was very clear with the topic, and gave extremely valuable knowledge, advice and resources to all attendees.





SPREADING THE WINGS TO SOAR HIGH!

Udaan’s Activities in the last six months-

A Step towards the Future....  
Knowing More about Ashoka University

Mr Charan from the outreach team of Ashoka University conducted an interactive webinar for the students of Grades XI-XII and gave an insight to the various courses offered by the University. The under-graduate program with the foundation courses, the Majors, Minors and the Co-curriculars. It was a detailed and comprehensive session that let the students take a look into choices related to Liberal Arts, and various other diverse courses offered by the University. The importance of critical thinking, soft skills, and a strong profile were the focus for admission. The presence of a strong faculty and the bouquet of facilities provided were emphasised upon as the students were taken on a verbal tour of the campus. Hobby clubs, symposiums, food photography, sports etc., were some of the attractions one could look forward to. They delved into the placements offered removing the apprehensions regarding the future prospects of the students. Their collaborations with the best of the companies across the globe were impressive. Students were explained about the importance of co-curricular activities in developing their profiles for seeking admission. The session was truly engaging and informative and the students are looking forward to taking a virtual tour of the campus.



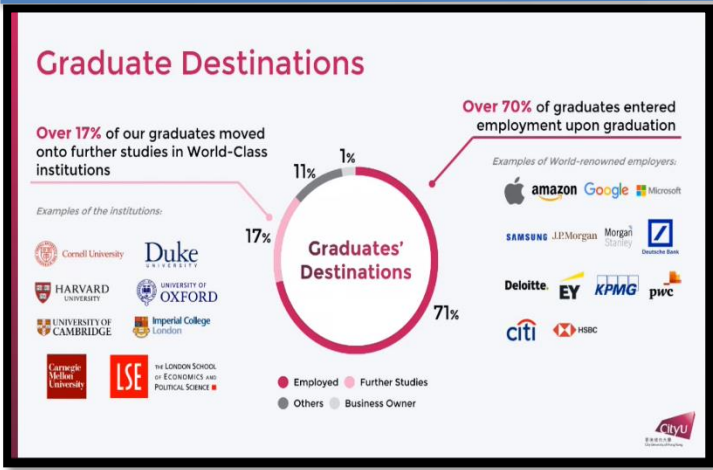
Univariety Dashboard Orientation for partner teachers

On Saturday, 28th August Univariety in collaboration with Suchitra Academy organised an Orientation session for the Partnering teachers. The teachers received a hands-on orientation of navigating the dashboard for an easier and error-free process.

Stream Selection

Students of Grades IX and X attended a career selection session conducted by Univariety on 22nd July, 2021. The resource person, Mr Chetan Jariwala briefed students on stream selection which should be their first academic decision and then moved forward to various options available. He was very keen on giving the right career guidance with different streams under different subjects. The session gave an insight to various careers in the three academic streams- Commerce, Humanities and Science. He spoke about 'Myth Busted' where he rightly said that it's time to get a reality check. He focussed on counsellors being available for students who they can seek help from. In Grade X, students should have good clarity on which stream to select based on their interests.

He took us through the career counselling plan which involved finalizing the courses, comparing the colleges, shortlisting them, profile building and then finalizing the entrance exam which will be in Grades XI and XII. He also stressed upon the importance of maintaining a portfolio. It was a truly enriching experience for the students.

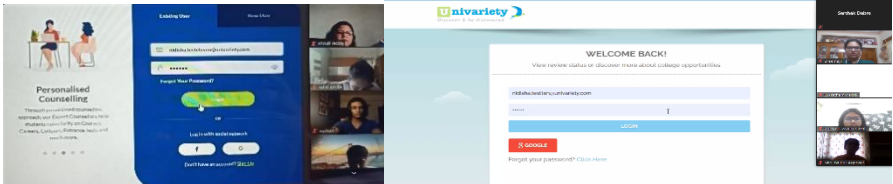


Non-traditional careers!

Grade XI was introduced to the various non-traditional careers via a webinar hosted by the Univariety platform on 17th August, 2021. The resource person, Mr Rama Krishna Boddu, who is an expert in the field of career counselling and planning, Psychometric Testing and 21st Century Skills, has conducted more than 100 workshops, gave an insight into various professions which are still unexplored. He says that 85% of the professions to be seen in the next ten years, have not been invented yet. There were offbeat career choices like a Genetic Counsellor, Marine Biologist, Fashion Consultant, Occupational Therapist, Healthcare Management, Mechatronics, Museum Curators, Forensic Psychology, Sports Journalism, etc to name a few, which caught the attention of the students during the webinar. This session definitely was enriching for students who are yet to make their career choices.

Univariety Launch and Website

Career Counselling is a process that focuses on helping one understand one’s own self, as well as work trends, so that one can make an informed decision about career and education. Keeping this in mind, Suchitra Academy invited Ms Nidhisha Sree, a Senior Manager in the Career Coaching Industry on 1st July. She apprised the students of Grade XI about the Univariety launch and website. She walked the students through the system and helped them to register themselves in the app. A 5 Pillar Approach was introduced to the students to help them choose their career path consciously. Overall, it was an extremely informative session for the students, which left them on their toes to start working towards their future.



Exploring Univariety: Discovering and Being Discovered!

A large proportion of life is always spent in achieving career goals. Hence, it is important to make sure that right steps are taken and career plans are made in the early years of life. Keeping this in mind, Grade IX students attended the introductory session of Univariety on 22 April, 2021. Univariety is a platform that aims to provide the best information about various careers that students aspire for. During the session, the host, Ms Nidisha Sree (a dedicated Career Coach and School Success Manager for Suchitra Academy) guided our students to make their Univariety profile and take a personality assessment test. This initial step will help the counselors get a better insight into each student's goals and aspirations. Ms Nidisha also gave an overview of what is to come and what information students can avail from the Univariety website like checking out the best universities for their courses, access to alumni profiles along with opportunities to interact with them. The session ended with students completing this initial task with hopes of more engaging and informative sessions with Univariety.